

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church

## Mission Statement:

Good Shepherd Catholic Church is a diverse parish community; guided by the Holy Spirit into One Flock, following Jesus Christ, Our Good Shepherd to live and proclaim the Word of God.

We Value: Life Long Faith Formation | Sacramental Devotions  
Evangelization | Community Service | Social Justice



AUGUST 22, 2021

## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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*we will serve  
the Lord.*

JOSHUA 24:15

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### Church, Office & School

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Closed Wednesdays

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## Parish Staff

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## Schedule

### Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and  
1:00 and 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.

### Distribution of Holy Eucharist:

Sunday: 10:00-10:45 am in the en-  
trance to the Fr. Phillip Wells Hall

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday: 5:45 to 7:00 pm

First Friday: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

## Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 3:00 to  
4:30 p.m. and Wednesdays from 5:45 to  
7:00 pm.

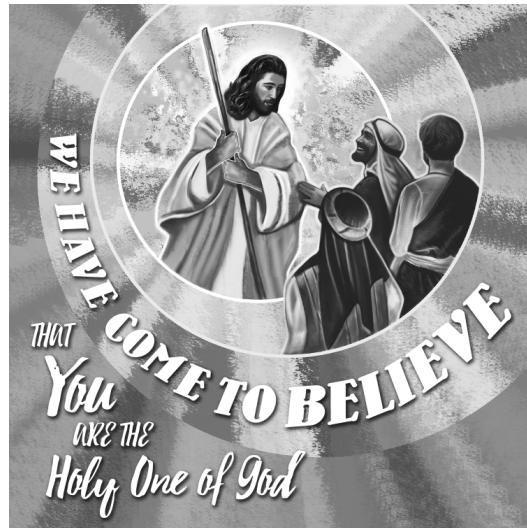
**Baptism:** Parents and godparents  
go to [www.gsccceg.org/sacraments/  
baptism](http://www.gsccceg.org/sacraments/baptism) for more information.

**Marriage:** Engaged couples begin  
preparation at least six months before  
wedding date. Schedule with parish  
office.

## DECISIONS

There is an axiom that states, "Not to decide is to decide." This saying was popular in the turbulent times of the Vietnam War. It urged us not to allow others to answer the moral questions raised by our nation's involvement in that terrible conflict, but to decide for ourselves. Making such choices is never easy. Avoiding them is common. Jesus, for his part, was not only a gallant risk-taker, but a clear decision-maker. As he pursued the mission to which the Father called him, he continually decided for us and for the Father. He worked hard to lay out a scenario that would enable others to make similar choices. Never did he make decisions for others or force others into decisions, even decisions that had eternal ramifications. Jesus is inviting us to make such decisions today. We won't be absolutely sure. What is sure, however, is the command that issues from God's word: Take the risk. Decide!

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# Let's Gather

AND AWAKEN THE JOY!

### "Hot August Nights" Car Show & Food Trucks

Our "Hot August Nights"-style Car Show and food truck event will be on August 28 from 10:00 am—2:00 pm. If you have a fancy car or know someone who does and would like to be included in our car show, please fill out the application on our website at [gscceg.org/blog/hot-august-nights-car-showfood-trucks](http://gscceg.org/blog/hot-august-nights-car-showfood-trucks). This event will be fun for the whole family. Come out and see some cool cars and enjoy yummy food from Holy Chick N' Waffles Mobile Soul Food Kitchen and Little Rich's Italian Ice!

### Donations Needed

With the masking requirement in effect again, we have exhausted our supply of face masks. If you are able to donate, we are in need of disposable, 3-ply face masks. Your donations would be greatly appreciated.

### Bishop's Statement Re CA Wildfires

Bishop Soto has recently issued a statement regarding the devastating wildfires in California. You can read the statement at <https://www.scd.org/news/statement-bishop-jaime-soto-recent-wildfires>. You can also find information on that webpage on how to provide assistance to those affected by the fires in our diocese.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Rose of Lima
Tuesday:	St. Bartholomew
Wednesday:	St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
Friday:	St. Monica
Saturday:	St. Augustine

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday:	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## Religious Education Registration—Closes August 27

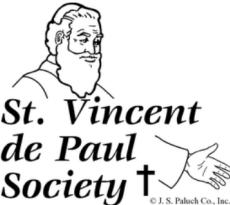
We are nearing the final weeks of open registration for the 2021-2022 catechetical year. Classes are filling up quickly. Registration is online only so check our website for details and the registration link. Classes will all be in person and will begin in September.

## Email Phishing Scams

Please be aware that email spam and phishing scams continue to go out appearing to be from priests. Father Michael and Father Julius will never send an email requesting money or gift cards or with an ambiguous request for some sort of assistance. If you receive one of these messages, please do not respond and delete the email.

## **Senate Bill 245**

Bishop Soto invites every Catholic in the Diocese of Sacramento to write or call their state representatives during the week of August 23-27, 2021, to oppose SB 245. This bill expands abortion by removing deductibles, co-payments, and other cost-sharing. Information about this bill and useful resources are available on the Diocesan website at [scd.org/sb245](http://scd.org/sb245).



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### **St. Vincent de Paul News**

Thank you for all you do to support SVdP. **PLEASE DO NOT PLACE FRESH FOOD IN THE CART IN THE NARTHEX. It will spoil because the cart is not emptied daily.** On Aug. 15 we distributed 128 boxes of food to 33 families consisting of 154 people. Food distribution is on Mondays from 9:00-10:00 a.m. SVdP has funds available for utility assistance for our 95757 and 95758 residents. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.

### **Bus Trip**

St. Vincent de Paul ministry has room on the free shuttle bus to Red Hawk Casino on Wednesday, August 25th. Please call Judith at 916-647-1243 if you are interested in joining. The bus will pick up at 11am by the St. Vincent de Paul food locker and leave the casino at 3pm to return home.

### **The Divine Mercy Charismatic (Prayer) Group**

This group is made up of Catholic Christian families dedicated to bringing Christ to families and families to Christ by invoking the charismatic gifts of the Holy Spirit as given at Pentecost. Our goals are to create a loving-family type of environment for men and women (young and old), where everyone is encouraged to grow as a servant of God; to follow JESUS, as model, in living and sharing our gift (talent and time) to our family, church, friends and neighbors. Meets every fourth Saturday at 2:30 p.m. for prayer and bible study in the St. John Paul II Room (next to the parish office). For more information, call (916) 203-8765 or email [sugonzales@msn.com](mailto:sugonzales@msn.com).



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### **Becoming A Man with the Father's Heart - Retreat for Fathers, Father Figures and all Men**

Saturday, October 16 from 9am - 5pm St. Philomene Church \$25 / person (Lunch included) We invite all men 18 years and older to come for a day of conversation, prayer and community, where we will discover what our Lord is calling us to become: "An Obedient Father like St. Joseph." For more information visit [www.scd.org/event/becoming-man-fathers-heart](http://www.scd.org/event/becoming-man-fathers-heart) or contact Alejandro Barraza at 916-733-0134 or [abaraza@scd.org](mailto:abaraza@scd.org).

# Youth Activities

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### **Life Teen—High School Youth Group**

The next Life Teen Life Night will be August 22 after the 5:00 pm Mass. We will gather in the Youth Room to play games, do crafts, listen to music, eat snacks, hang out and throw water balloons!! All high school aged teens are invited. Please come and bring a friend!

### **ON FiRE—Sat. Sept. 18th from 9:00 am to 8:30 pm**

We will be together again with high school youth and young adults from the 9 Northern CA and NV dioceses for a day of fellowship, prayer and fun at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom. For more information go to [www.onfirenorcal.com](http://www.onfirenorcal.com).

### **Young Adult Ministry at Good Shepherd**

Fiat is a ministry for Catholic young adults (ages 18-39) that seeks to inspire personal holiness through holistic formation, authentic friendships, intentional discipleship, vocational discernment, & a deeper encounter with Christ. Meet us in the Narthex after Adoration on Wednesdays (Adoration ends at 7:00 pm) and join us for fellowship at the youth room. To contact us, please email us at [fiat.ya.eg@gmail.com](mailto:fiat.ya.eg@gmail.com). For more events & updates, follow us on Instagram @fiat\_ya, or find us on Facebook by searching Fiat Catholic Young Adults.



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Good Shepherd Parish RCIA classes are underway.

You may still join this year's class of **adults** desiring **baptism, Holy Communion, and/or confirmation**, on the road to full reception in the Catholic Church. Registration forms available at <http://gscceg.org/ministries/education-and-sacramental-preparation-ministries>. (Adult Inquirer and Expectations Forms). REGISTRATION ENDS 9/12. For more information email Valerie at [Valerie.ramos@comcast.net](mailto:Valerie.ramos@comcast.net) or call (916) 317-9385.

### **Help Needed**

Are you looking for a way that you can help our parish community and connect with other members of Good Shepherd? We're looking for people who are willing to make some phone calls and reach out to their fellow parishioners to see how they are doing. If you are interested in helping, please email [gscdevelopment@frontier.com](mailto:gscdevelopment@frontier.com) or call the parish office for more information.

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday, August 14</b>	<b>Monday, August 16</b>
<u>5pm</u>	Daphne Archie (BD)
Nick Soberanis (SI)	
<b>Sunday, August 15</b>	<b>Tuesday, August 17</b>
<u>7:00 am</u>	Carolina G. Garcia (1yrDA)
Carolyn Valmore (BD)	
<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Wednesday, August 18</b>
Mariah Langley (TG)	Leonardo Ote (BD)
<u>11:00am</u>	
Henry St-Cyr (+)	<b>Thursday, August 19</b>
<u>1:00 pm</u>	Farah Mangoba (BD)
Mary Kathleen Rooney (DA)	
<u>5:00 pm</u>	<b>Friday, August 20</b>
Dr. Clemencia Punsal (+)	Mary Machado (+)

**Key:** Deceased (+) Thanksgiving (TG)  
Death Anniversary (DA) Birthday (BD) Special  
Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA) SI-H  
Special Intention for healing

## This week we will remember in prayer:

**Birthday:** Vincent Miro Conrad (8/21), Tricia Madsen (7am 8/22), Jason Chavez (11am 8/22), Margarita A. Altamira (5pm 8/22), Wesley Rose B. Buyco (5pm 8/22), Angie R. Cachuela (5pm 8/22), Merline Monsy (8/23), Mikayla Chavez (8/24)

**Thanksgiving:** Gina Gunabe (7am 8/22), Stephanie Cruz (9am 8/22)

**Special Intention for Healing:** Edward Main (8/21), Malia Abria (7am 8/22), Isaiah David Monteiro (7am 8/22), Elena Cariaga (11am 8/22), Nalula family (1pm 8/22), Teody Marucut (8/23)

**Special Intention:** Julie Gutierrez (8/23), Charles T. (8/27)

**Anniversary:** Brian and Arlene Ronquillo (8/25)

**Death Anniversary:** Severino Maduli (1pm 8/22), Isabel Alejo (8/23), Dr. Dionisio Tonel and Glicerio (Glicy) Tonel (8/25), Jaime Igno (8/26), Elaine Melon (8/27)

**Repose of the Soul:** Edward Amor Sr.(8/21 and 9am 8/22), Felicidad Delgado (8/21), Manuel Isturis Jr. (8/21), Marie Madeleine Kim Minh (8/21), Dr. Rudy Sabater (8/21), Medardo Bejarin (7am 8/22), Conrado and Estela Gunabe (7am 8/22), Susana Andrade (9am 8/22), Annie Mendiola (9am 8/22), Bicbic roblon (11am 8/22), Dr. Dionisio Tonel (11am 8/22), Glicerio (Glicy) Tonel (11am 8/22), Jose Mier (1pm 8/22), Joaquin Nalula (1pm 8/22 and all Masses), Manuel Valdehuesa (1pm 8/22), Manuel Isturis Jr. (5pm 8/22 and 8/23), Elbert Garrucho (8/25), Simplicio Mejia (8/25), Abelardo Cabrera (8/26)

## Offertory at Good Shepherd

Weekly Collection Total for 8/14-8/15: \$19,292.45

(weekly total includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

Summer is almost over – have you made the switch to eGiving? It's a great way to support Good Shepherd and grow our ministries that share the Good News of God's love. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Recurring gifts can streamline your stewardship and sustain our parish in the "dog days" of summer and throughout the year. You'll provide consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community.

**Thank you for your trusted support – your monthly gifts are always greatly appreciated!** Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/CA688](http://faith.direct/CA688), or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801.

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**Fun For The Whole Family!**

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**10:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**Saturday  
August 28  
2021**

**in the church parking lot**



## Parish Registration and Change of Address

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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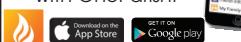
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