

August 27, 2017

Twenty-first Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

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Love one another as  
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John 13:34

*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

**Parish Staff**

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Parochial Vicar: Rev. Edgardo J. Garcia-Velzaquez

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Director, Faith Formation: Sr. Sibebe Gaya Moreira, VDMF

Coordinator, Religious Education: Menchie Cabrera

ONE EIGHT/EDGE Confirmation Preparation Coordinators:

Elizabeth Pott & Scotia Burrell

**Sacraments**

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. at the church, or by appointment.

**Baptism:** Parents and godparents please see our baptism information at [www.gsceeg.org](http://www.gsceeg.org) regarding scheduling for the baptism class.

**Marriage:** Engaged couples begin preparation a minimum of six months prior to the date of the wedding. Please contact the parish office to schedule.

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School**

**K-8 Principal:** Marci Greene (916) 684-7903

[mgreene@stelizabetheg.org](mailto:mgreene@stelizabetheg.org)

**Preschool Director:** Tammy Babich (916) 691-4825

**Schedule**

**Mass Times:**

Saturday at 5p.m. Vigil

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

Weekdays at 8:30 a.m.

First Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation - 7p.m. Vigil, and

8:30 a.m. and 7p.m.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** 9, 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.  
Masses on Sunday.

**Kinderchurch:** 9 a.m. Mass only

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

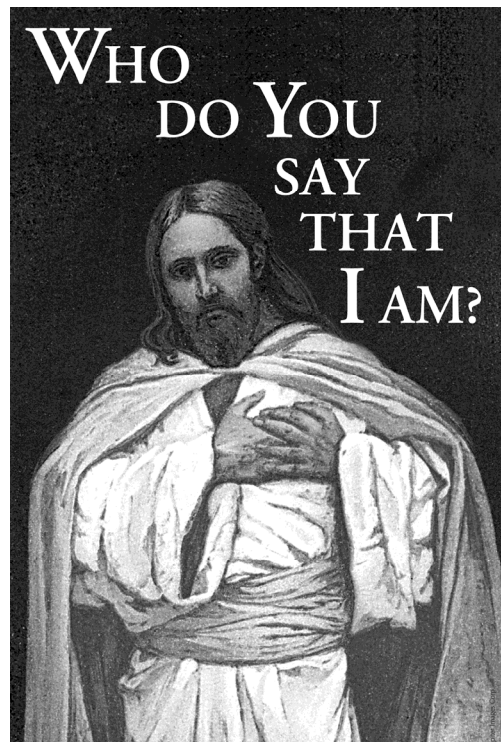
First Thursday, silent adoration, and with prayers of devotion - 6 to 9 p.m. First Friday, Exposition at 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. with Divine Mercy chaplet and solemn benediction.

## BE A ROCK

Peter's history as a follower or friend of Jesus is a bit spotty. It might be natural to wonder if Jesus, in giving him the keys to the kingdom, didn't feel a bit like a parent giving a teenager the keys to the family car. But it was at the moment when God's power and presence broke through everything else to raise up Peter's great profession of faith in Christ as Messiah that Jesus chose to establish the bond between the loving, forgiving mercy of heaven and our vocation to be witnesses of that love, mercy, and forgiveness on earth.

Like any parent, Jesus no doubt foresaw the failings, the irresponsible maneuvers or impaired senses, the collisions that the church would be headed for. But, most importantly, he also saw us at that moment as God prefers to see us: capable of manifesting great faith, with a willingness to remain at the feet of Christ to understand what it truly means to be Messiah and Christ. As the letter to the Romans points out to us today, we have not known the mind or the wisdom of God, but God knows us and still chooses to manifest the reign of justice, joy, beauty, and peace through us. Let this be our vocation. Let us always strive to be solid ground on which the church of Jesus Christ can be founded and on which it can continue to be built.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22  
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29  
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: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. Augustine  
Tuesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist  
Friday: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation; First Friday  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

## *Fall Festival News*

Looking for some gains? We need the parishioners of Good Shepherd to flex their spiritual muscles with their physical ones by helping out with the annual parish festival— **especially the set-up and take-down of our giant tent.** Volunteers will not only be doing a great service to the church but to their bellies as well since all set-up and clean-up volunteers will be fed. For more information, email [brandonbanicki731@gmail.com](mailto:brandonbanicki731@gmail.com).

### **Festival Dinner: An Evening in Nantucket, September 23rd**

Tickets will be on sale after all masses and in the church office. \$40/person or \$375/table of 10. Be sure to purchase your tickets—this event sells out every year!

**Giving Tree:** Please look for the Fall Festival Giving Tree in the Narthex. All donations received will be used for the festival raffle, silent/live auction, and other festival activities. Please contact either the parish office or Kim Anderson, Gift Gathering Chair, at 916-216-5695 if you would like to donate. Your generosity will ensure that this is our most successful Fall Festival ever! Thank you in advance for your consideration.

## *Kinderchurch News*

Kinderchurch's first day of class will be Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017 (9:00 am mass). Registered Kinderchurch families please join us after class for our annual Welcome Social. We will have a professional magic show and balloon twisting for the kids! Not yet registered? Registrations are still being accepted and we are also looking for additional Teachers and Assistant Teachers. Training for new and returning teachers and assistant teachers will be August 20 at 4:00 pm. Please email [Kinderchurch@gmail.com](mailto:Kinderchurch@gmail.com) with questions or for additional information.

## *CFE News*

We are currently accepting registrations for our Faith Formation program for all students for the 2017-2018 year. Registration packets are available in the church narthex or at the parish office during regular office hours and on our website, [www.gscccg.org](http://www.gscccg.org). Registration CLOSES on Sept. 1, 2017.

## Parish News

### Office Closure

The parish office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

### Social Committee Meeting

Our social committee will be meeting on Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the St. Maria Goretti/8th Grade classroom. All are welcome to join us in planning our booth for the festival as well as upcoming events for the church.

### Calling All Altar Servers

Altar serving is an excellent, fun way for young people to become actively involved in our church. Must be at least 10 years old, in the 4th grade and eager to represent our parish! If you would like to become an altar server, or are an existing altar server, you must attend ONE of the following training sessions: Mon., 8/28; Tues., 8/29; Thurs., 8/31; or Fri., 9/1, in the church from 6:30-8:00 p.m. This training is mandatory for ALL altar servers. Even if you are unsure, please come and join us to see if it is something you may be interested in. Thank you for your continued dedication to our parish. For more information, please email [altarservers@gscceg.org](mailto:altarservers@gscceg.org).

### Job Opening -High School Youth Minister

We are looking for a part-time High School Youth Minister. Complete job description can be found at [gscceg.org](http://gscceg.org) or [diocese-sacramento.org](http://diocese-sacramento.org). If you are interested please submit a resume to [fatherleon@frontier.com](mailto:fatherleon@frontier.com).

### Marriage/Annulment Help

If you are in an irregular marriage situation such as cohabitation, civil marriage, or divorced and remarried without Church annulment, please contact the parish office. We have three parish advocates trained by the Tribunal to assist you. For more information, please call Denise Wesleder in the parish office at 684-5722.

### Usher Ministry

Interested in helping at mass? You can start by Ushering and helping take up the collection. Visit any mass coordinator in the church conference room at least 15 minutes before mass to see how you can help, or contact Edwin at [edcamerino@gmail.com](mailto:edcamerino@gmail.com) or 415-370-1214.

### Knight of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is now accepting applications for their 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts & Crafts Faire to be held on November 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> inside the Fr. Phillip Wells Hall. It's a great venue to give your small business exposure and sell your hand-made items. For more info visit [www.laguna-knights.org](http://www.laguna-knights.org) or email Edwin at [edcamerino@gmail.com](mailto:edcamerino@gmail.com). All proceeds from the event go towards the Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund.

## St. Vincent de Paul News

It's that time again for the Parish Festival and SVdP is in need of any glassware for our "Chip Toss" game. Glasses, bowls, vases—all are welcome. Please leave donations in the SVdP wagon in the narthex. We are also in need of household items and small appliances for the Marketplace. This is the perfect opportunity to clean out your closets and cupboards. Donations will be accepted until 9/22/17. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

On August 21<sup>st</sup> we served 44 families consisting of 182 people and gave out 169 boxes of food.



We are now on our summer hours, Mondays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Volunteers are always welcome. To volunteer, contact us at (916) 647-1243.

## Upcoming Events

### A Family That Prays Together Stays Together

Our Lady of Fatima invites us to pray together as a family. In honor of the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, we invite you to join us on September 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 pm in the Church to pray as a family in community. We will have a procession, family rosary, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, confessions, and prayer time.

### Fr. Leon Summer Reading Book Club

We will gather in the church on Wed., Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm for our discussion on *Resisting Happiness*, by Matthew Kelly. It's not too late to purchase a book and if you already have it but didn't finish reading, don't let that stop you from attending. A limited amount of books will be available for purchase for \$5 after all masses this weekend until we sell out.

### Grief and Bereavement Ministry/Hearts of Compassion

Led by grief peer counselors, we will offer seven Monday evening group sessions beginning Sept 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the Conference Room. This outreach ministry provides support to parishioners and their family and friends who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. The sessions will help in understanding the stages of grief, surviving stress and loneliness, and discuss how memories can become tools for starting a new life. For more information, please call Suzanne Dodd, 916- 801-0561. All are welcome!

### Liturgy Specialization Course

The Diocese of Sacramento presents a five-part series for liturgy committee members, liturgy coordinators, liturgical ministers, musicians, as well as teachers, catechists and those who do sacramental preparation, on Saturdays beginning August 26<sup>th</sup>. For more information, go to [www.diocese-sacramento.org](http://www.diocese-sacramento.org).

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, August 26, 2017**

**5:00pm**

Florentina Curso (+)  
Fe Laigo (1yrDA)  
John Naputi (DA)  
Carole Raasch (2yrDA)  
Lucy San Nicolas (DA)

**Sunday, August 27, 2017**

**7:00 am**

Carolyn Valmore (BD)  
Renato Ciocon (+)  
Conrado, Estella &  
Fred Gunabe (+)  
Prima Placida (+)  
Angeles Urbano (+)

**9:00am**

Manuel & Elena  
De Anda (WA)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Ernesto Duran (+)  
Marie Rosario Navarro (+)  
Esteban F. Paredes (+)

**11:00 am**

Tram Sweeney (TG)  
Alois & Emily Danielewicz (+)  
Maryrose Leonardo (DA)  
Amando Mandap (DA)  
Albert Mandap (DA)  
Bonifacia Fines Oliva (+)

**1:00 pm**

Gore family (TG)  
Carmen Ponce (+)  
Felix R.I. Concepcion (+)  
Geraldine M Taimanao (+)

**5:00pm**

Cynthia Penaranda (BD)  
All souls in purgatory (+)

**Monday, August 28, 2017**

**8:30am**

Jenna Angela C. Pulanco (BD)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Fiel Jarlego Jr. (+)  
Orlando Jarlego (+)  
Joao Silva (+)

**Tuesday, August 29, 2017**

**8:30am**

Mel Barros (BD)  
Marcario Arbas (+)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Maria Martins (+)  
Frank L. Narciso (12yrDA)

**Wednesday, August 30, 2017**

**8:30am**

Remedios Cruz (BD)  
Jano Anton C. Pulanco (BD)  
Fr. Ed Garcia (SI)  
Fr. Lester Menor (SI)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Effie Flor (+)

**Thursday, August 31, 2017**

**8:30am**

Susanna P. (SI)  
Tammy Nguyen family (SI)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Anna Thuy Nguyen (+)  
Conceicao Nunes (+)

**Friday, September 1, 2017**

**8:30am**

Gil Tayag (TG)  
Florentina Curso (+)

**Key:**

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

## Stewardship at Good Shepherd

- Feast of the Assumption Aug. 15 = \$3,372.20
- Collection total for Aug. 19/20 = \$16,865.23  
(weekly totals include Faith Direct contributions)

*Thank you for your generous support. Your ongoing donations are essential in helping us meet the many needs of the parish and community.*

Enrolling in Faith Direct is easier than ever! Download the Faith Direct app, available on the App Store and on Google Play. Our parish code is CA688. It is secure, convenient, and *Faith Direct* will provide you an offertory card to place in the basket during the collections. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish!

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

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19<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Festival



Good Shepherd's  
19th Annual Parish Festival  
is **September 23-24, 2017**

***Be a part of this special tradition!***

**Volunteer** - Join us Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the John Paul II room for our planning meetings! Leadership opportunities available! OR, volunteer to help at the event! Visit [www.gscccg.org](http://www.gscccg.org) and look for the volunteer sign-up link. You can make a difference!

**Donate** - Look for the **Giving Trees** at the East and West ends of the Narthex. Select a leaf (or two!) and identify items to donate. Help make our raffles, auction and other activities truly successful!

**Sponsor** - Sponsor the festival with your cash donation and enjoy exposure and publicity with a banner posted on the festival grounds! Perfect for businesses, or even individuals!

**Attend** - Don't miss a minute!

-**The Marketplace/Car Show** - Sept. 23 8:00 a.m. to Noon

-**Dinner/Auction "An Evening in Nantucket"** - Sept. 23 4:30 p.m. with a New England style dinner prepared by Chef Mark Casale and Louise Maestretti. Fabulous auction items! Tickets on sale after all Masses! \$40/person or \$375/table of 10.

-**Continental Breakfast** - Sept. 24 after 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. Masses,

-**Carnival** - Sept. 24 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with food, games, prizes, entertainment! Fun for the entire family!



**Parish Registration and  
Change of Address**

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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