

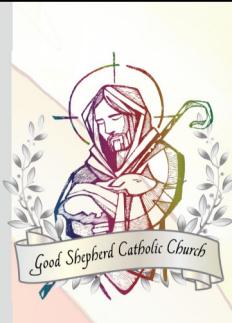
August 30, 2020

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Pastor: Rev. Christopher Frazer

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Rev. Edgardo J. Garcia Velazquez

Deacon: William Sousa

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(916) 684-7903

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Schedule

Mass Times:

Saturday: 5p.m. Vigil

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

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.

First Saturday of the month: 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. Sunday Masses

Kinderchurch:

9 a.m. Mass only

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Thursday, silent adoration, and with

prayers of devotion: 6-8:30 p.m.

First Friday, Exposition: 10 a.m. until 3

p.m. with Divine Mercy chaplet and

solemn benediction.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: By appointment only.
Call the parish office to schedule.

Baptism: Parents and godparents
go to www.gscceg.org/sacraments/baptism for more information.

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

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THE CROSS OF JESUS

The perception of a cross changed dramatically after Jesus' crucifixion. Before that event, death on a cross was not only horrible, it was degrading. It was a penalty reserved only for the most wretched of criminals. The word "glory" would not have found its way into the same sentence containing the word "cross." But all that changed with Jesus. Over time, believers began to venerate and honor the cross. They painted, sculpted, and carved images of it. Many lost their own lives for their association with it. Today our reverence for and relationship with the cross recalls little of the contempt originally associated with it. As it has been through the ages, it is our perception of the cross that determines how we follow Jesus. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday:	Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation
Thursday:	St. Gregory the Great
Friday:	First Friday
Saturday:	First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

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WANTED!

Volunteers Needed

2020-2021 Religious Education Registration CLOSES AUG. 31!

Online Registration for "Distance Catechesis" for the 2020-2021 is open until **August 31, 2020**. Due to concerns with Covid-19, ALL of our Religious Education Programs for 2020-2021 will be moved to "Distance Catechesis (Learning)" for the whole year. We hope to resume in-person classes for the 2021-2022 catechetical year.

To minimize foot traffic in the Parish & CFF Offices, registration is ONLINE only. You can complete the Registration Packet and submit your payment through the parish website. Registrations will not be processed until we receive BOTH the completed registration packet AND confirmation of the online payment.

If you have any questions, concerns, or you do not have online access and need to submit a registration packet and/or payment in person, you MUST contact the CFF Office at CFFAdmin@gscceg.org (email is the best & fastest way to communicate with us) or call the Religious Education Office at 916-683-2963, to schedule an appointment.

USHER MINISTRY—Thank you to our ushers who go above and beyond at each Mass by helping everyone maintain a safe social distance and cleaning and sanitizing in between each Mass! Their hard work allows us to follow health and safety guidelines. Your cooperation with our Ushers is much appreciated! **Additional volunteers are needed to help with the Usher Ministry.** If you would like to help usher at Mass, please contact the parish office or email edcamerino@gmail.com. Thank you.

BAPTISM MINISTRY — We continue to welcome new members into our parish family at baptism. Baptisms are currently being held outside. **Our baptism ministry is in need of volunteers that can assist the priest or deacon on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays by setting up for baptism and helping check in the families as they enter.** The commitment is approximately 2 hours on one of those mornings from 9 am until 11am. We hope to have enough volunteers to assist so that your time would only be one Saturday every 2 months. Please call the office or email Monica Goodale at gsccoffice@frontier.com if you would like to help. Thank you.

Parish News

Farewell to Father Ed

We have been fortunate to have Father Edgardo Garcia Velazquez as our Parochial Vicar for the past three years. However, as of September 1, Father Ed will be reassigned as Parochial Vicar at Holy Rosary Parish in Woodland. Please wish him well in his new assignment.

Welcome Father Julius

We are excited to welcome **Father Julius Kiogora Kaburu** as our new Parochial Vicar as of September 1. Father Julius is currently the Parochial Vicar at St. Joseph Parish in Lincoln.

Catholics Returning Home

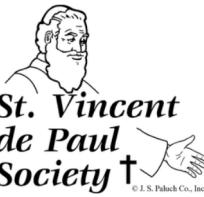
Have you been away from the Church for a while? Have you ever thought about returning? If so, we would like to welcome you back here at Good Shepherd Parish. We have a special ministry for those who have been away from the Church.

We would like to address your questions and make you feel at home once more in the Catholic Church. We will be conducting informal Zoom Q&A sessions beginning Thurs. Sept. 17th from 7-8 p.m. Please email Verne Bowers at verne.bowers@advent-ca.com should you wish to participate.

Once we're allowed to convene indoors for regular meetings, we will be conducting our formal 6 week series to go over: (1) Overview of the Series; (2) Video presentation on Inactive Catholics/Sharing Session; (3) The Church Today, Changes since Vatican II; (4) Explanation of the Mass; (5) Explanation of the Sacrament of Penance, Examination of Conscience' (6) The Nicene Creed: What Catholics Believe.

2020-2021 Good Shepherd Parish RCIA

If you are interested in joining this year's cohort on the road to full reception in the Catholic Church (includes adults desiring baptism, Holy Communion, and/or confirmation) please download the registration packet at www.gscceg.org/formation/sacrament-preparation-adults-rcia. Registration closes on Sept. 15. Email Valerie at Valerie.ramos@comcast.net or call (916) 317-9385 for more info.



St. Vincent de Paul News

Thank you for all you do to support SVdP. Due to the Covid-19 virus, SVDP will NOT be accepting clothing, small appliances or personal items until further notice. We also ask that the following items NOT be placed in the wagon in the narthex: fresh food, expired canned goods, partially consumed foods, or medications of any kind. On August 10 we served 37 families consisting of 173 people and gave out 144 boxes of food. On August 24 we served 34 families consisting of 169 people and gave out 145 boxes of food. **For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.**



Attending Mass

We are so grateful for the continued support of our Good Shepherd community and for those of you that join us for outdoor Mass. **Please take a few moments to read the following reminders** about COVID guidelines and suggestions for a more comfortable experience for everyone attending Mass in person:

- Please follow the direction of Ushers. They'll direct you at dismissal and communion in order to maintain 6 ft social distance from others. **Please do not move any chairs.** We work hard to ensure that the chairs are configured to keep everyone comfortable while also making the communion and dismissal process efficient and safe.
- For everyone's safety, we continue to sanitize all chairs after they are used. For this reason, we ask that once you are seated, you remain in that chair and not move to another seat. Our goal is to minimize points of shared contact as much as possible.
- **Please sign up for Mass online** in order to streamline the check in process. If you do not sign up online, we have to collect your personal information as you enter -- creating a back-up at check in. It only takes a few minutes to sign up online. Call the office if you don't have web access.

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- **If you aren't signed up, please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of Mass.**
- We monitor the weather for changes that affect our Parishioners. If you cannot tolerate the sun or heat, it would be wise to attend our early morning or evening Masses. Assume that you will be in the sun if you attend the 10:00 am Mass. You may bring hats and personal umbrellas.
- Thank you to everyone for following the mask requirement currently imposed by both the Health Dept. and the Diocese. **Everyone must wear a mask at all times during Mass.**
- The Dispensation issued by the Diocese remains in effect. If you are not comfortable attending Mass under the current conditions or if you don't feel well, please watch Mass on our YouTube channel. Your cooperation helps everyone stay healthy!

Ministry Days 2020

The Diocesan Offices of Family and Faith Formation and Youth and Young Adult Ministry announce Ministry Days: "Rejoice and Be Glad" online Sept. 24-26. This event is for all Catholics and will equip you to live out your faith every day at home and in the community. For more info/registration go to www.ministrydays.com.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 29, 2020

6:00 pm

Remedios Cruz (BD)
Maria Sebastian (BD)
Robert Arieas (DA)
Flor Manela (+)
Maria Martins (+)
Martha Van Tran (+)

Sunday, August 30, 2020

6:30 am

Ethel Leone (SI-H)
John Lorda (SI-H)
Estela Abria (DA)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)

8:30 am

Jano Anton Pulanco (BD)
Tino & Cynthia Ramirez
(50YR WA)
John Fernandez (+)
Carole Raasch (DA)
Carmen Ramos (+)

10:00am

Father Ed Garcia (SI)
Rosemarie Amian (+)
Jeffrey Connor (+)
Mary Hanh (+)

6:00 pm

Julia Denney (+)
Esmeraldo Estioco (+)

7:30pm

Joao Mendes (+)

Monday, August 31, 2020

8:30 am

Ramon Cumagun (BD)
John Fernandez (+)
Conceicao Nunes (+)

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

8:30 am

Renz Marion D. Katigbak (BD)
Dave & Monica Goodale
(25yrWA)

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

8:30 am

Joseph (+)

Thursday, September 3, 2020

8:30 am

Jeslin Mattathil (BD)
Dennis Perez (BD)
Maria del Carmen Barragan (+)

Friday, September 5, 2020

8:30 am

Felix Diwa (+)
Domingos Fagundes (+)
Oscar Moreno (40 day DA)

Key:

Deceased (+) Thanksgiving (TG)

Death Anniversary (DA) Birthday (BD)

Special Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA)

Special Intention for healing (SI-H)

Stewardship at Good Shepherd

Weekly collection total for August 15/16: \$16,798.24
(Weekly totals include contributions made through Faith Direct.)

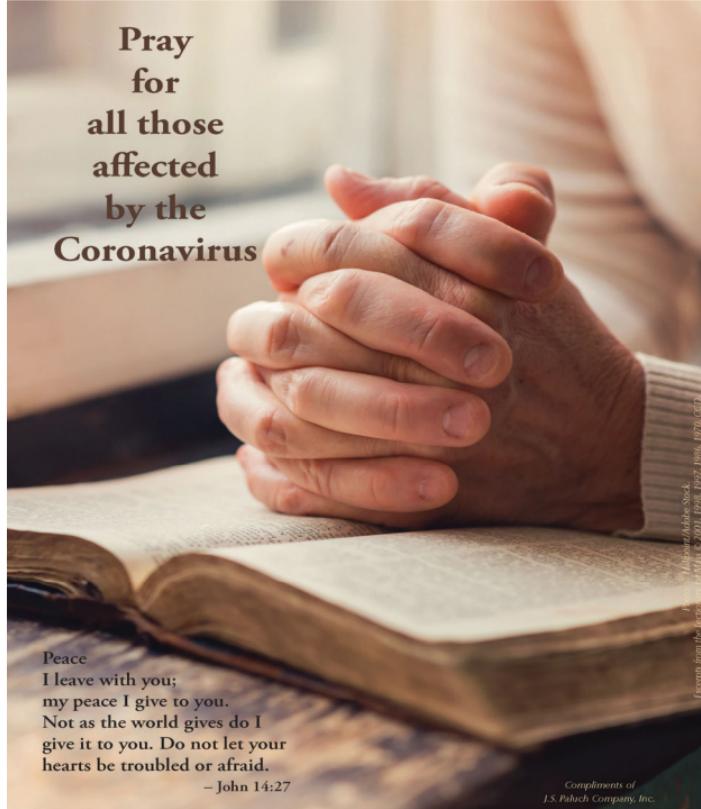
With attendance at in-person services still restricted, Good Shepherd is depending on online donations to continue our ministry.

Please consider enrolling in our eGiving program and setting up your recurring donation. You can use eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet for recurring and one-time gifts.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/CA688, or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Pray
for
all those
affected
by the
Coronavirus



Peace
I leave with you;
my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do I
give it to you. Do not let your
hearts be troubled or afraid.
— John 14:27

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PRAYER IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC

O God of compassion,
your people are anxious in this time of pandemic.

Send your Holy Spirit among us
to dispel our fears.

We cry out to you in our confusion;
comfort us in our affliction.

Grant our leaders wisdom to guide us.
Strengthen and sustain those who are ill,
and be with those who care for them.

Help us to travel this road
in solidarity with our neighbors,
with our eyes fixed on the salvation
promised us through the death and resurrection
of your Son, who is Lord forever and ever.

Amen.

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Parish Registration and Change of Address

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

Today's Date _____

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