

September 3, 2017

Twenty-second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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Love one another as
I have loved you.
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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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 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

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.

FOLLOWING CHRIST

If you've ever had an unpleasant but somewhat amusing practical joke played on you, then you have some understanding of how Jeremiah feels today when he tells God "good one--you duped me." We can almost see him shaking his head with a bit of a rueful smile, but an angry undertone in his voice. In similar fashion, Peter thinks Jesus is "duping" him when Jesus starts to explain that being Messiah means suffering and dying, and being a follower of the Messiah means taking up a cross and doing the same. Jeremiah tries to deny God's will for him by trying to shut up; Peter --who has just been made the foundation of the church--out and out denies the teaching of Jesus, for which he is named "Satan" today. Fortunately for us, Jeremiah comes to realize that to have the word of God placed in your heart means that it will be futile to try and keep silent, even if it means scorn and derision from those around you. Luckily Peter ultimately returned to the faith he professed in last week's Gospel, and came to understand our need as baptized followers of Christ to follow in his way, even when it means following him to our very death.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessing of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37

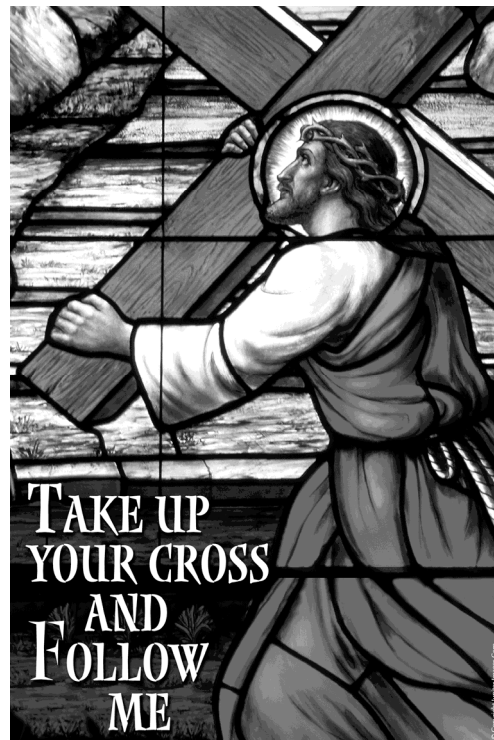
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; 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

Monday: Labor Day

Friday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Peter Claver

Fall Festival News

The next festival planning meeting will be **Tuesday**, Sept. 5th at 6:30 pm in the John Paul II Room.

We are still looking for volunteers -**especially for the set-up and take-down of our giant tent.** For more information, email 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.

Good Shepherd's 25th Anniversary Family Directory

Next April will mark the 25th anniversary of our parish. To commemorate this occasion, Fr. Leon is requesting that all parishioners participate and have their photo taken for our next family directory, which will be published early next year. LifeTouch will be photographing all families right here at Good Shepherd during the months of October and November. To schedule your appointment, click on the sign up link on our website or call the church office for assistance. Our directory won't be complete without you!

Kinderchurch News

We are hoping to find new homes for your old friends at the Adopt-a-Bear Booth during the Parish Festival. Please leave all stuffed animal donations in the playpen found in the church narthex. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Parish News

Office Closure

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

2nd Collection/Priests Retirement Fund

Next weekend, there will be a second collection—the Diocesan Collection for Priests Retirement. This is an opportunity for parishioners to thank our priests for their long and loving service to the Diocese. Please consider making a donation. Special envelopes are available in the church vestibule.

Job Opening: High School Youth Minister

We are looking for a part-time High School Youth Minister. Complete job description can be found at gsceeg.org or diocese-sacramento.org. If you are interested please submit a resume to fatherleon@frontier.com.

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 or 415-370-1214.

Knight of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is now accepting applications for their 8th Annual Arts & Crafts Faire to be held on November 18th & 19th 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 or email Edwin at edcamerino@gmail.com. All proceeds from the event go towards the Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund.

Grief and Bereavement Ministry/Hearts of Compassion

Led by grief peer counselors, we will offer seven Monday evening group sessions beginning Sept 18th 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!

Fr. Leon's Summer Reading Book Club

We will gather in the church on Wed., Sept. 20th, 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.

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 28th we served 41 families consisting of 151 people and gave out 191 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 13th 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.

We will also have our regular 13th of the month rosary prayer at 10:00 am on the 13th in the church. Join us to pray the Rosary to show our devotion and obedience to Our Blessed Mother. May Our Lady of Fatima intercede and pray for us and bring us closer and closer to Jesus.

Sharing and Caring Senior Singles

We will have our 2nd annual picnic on Tues., Sept. 12, at 10:30 am in the park across from the church. Bring your lunch, a drink and a chair. The K9 unit from the EGPD will be giving us a demonstration at about 11:30 am. Please try to attend this very important meeting where we will be deciding if we will continue this Ministry. If you have any questions or need more info please call Helen at 916-683-1943.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Dinner Night Out

You're invited to the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School (SEAS) Family Dinner Night Out Fundraiser at **BJ's Restaurant**, on Thursday, September 14, 2017, 5:00 – 9:00 pm. Download or print the flyer from the SEAS or Good Shepherd website and bring it with you. Please share the flyer with family and friends. Thank you for your support!

Bible Study

Our next bible study will focus on the Gospel of Matthew and will begin on Sept. 27, 2017. Please email Kerry at kerryfusa@yahoo.com or go to www.gsceeg.org for more information.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept. 2, 2017

5:00pm

Joseph Chandy (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Enrique H. Guibone (DA)
Alfred & Helen Lial (+)
Laurence Nicolas (+)

Sunday, Sept. 3, 2017

7:00 am

Conrado Gunabe (+)
Eduardo Quiambao (+)
Rodolfo Villavicencio Jr. (+)

9:00am

David Andrew (+)
Emma Arbas (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Laurence Nicolas (+)

11:00 am

Alex Nicholas Avera (BD)
Jeslin Mattathil (BD)
Enrico Asuncion (+)
Brigida F. Estebar (+)
Marlo G. Gonzales (3yrDA)
Buenaventurada Roblon (DA)

1:00 pm

Joseph Escarez (SI)
Loraine Barbee (+)
Vicente Teves, Sr. (+)

5:00pm

Avis Barcena (+)
Teresita Barcena (+)
Victoriana Navarro (+)
Lilia Viernes (+)
All souls in purgatory (+)

Monday, Sept. 4, 2017

8:30am

Florentina Curso (+)
Concepcion Dimas (DA)
Domingos Fagundes (+)

Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017

8:30am

Obdulía Serilla (BD)
Mercedes Arbas (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Flora Mendoza (DA)

Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017

8:30am

Jojo Muricken (BD)
Florentina Curso (+)
Diana Velasquez Novoa (+)
Bonifacio Urbano Sr. (+)

Thursday, Sept. 7, 2017

8:30am

Florentina Curso (+)
Manuel & Tina Marquez (+)
Carl Mogavero (+)
Nancy Maria Olivares (+)

Friday, Sept. 8 2017

8:30am

Sofia Ote (BD)
Florentina Curso (+)
Luisito Naval (DA)
Bonifacio Urbano Jr. (+)

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

- Collection total for Aug. 26/27 = \$18,687.47
(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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19th 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 on Tues. Sept. 5th at 6:30 p.m. in the John Paul II room for our next planning meeting! Leadership opportunities available! OR, volunteer to help at the event! Visit 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?

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