



## FORGIVENESS

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday:	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday:	1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday:	Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day; Catechetical Sunday
Monday:	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Tuesday:	Our Lady of Sorrows
Wednesday:	Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian
Thursday:	St. Robert Bellarmine
Friday:	Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) 5781
Saturday:	St. Januarius; Blessed Virgin Mary

We are excited to have  
**Father Julius Kiogora Kamburu** joining us as our new Parochial Vicar.  
Let's be sure to extend our warmest Good Shepherd welcome to Father Julius!



Welcome to Our Parish

### Volunteers Needed

**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](mailto:edcamerino@gmail.com). Thank you.

# Parish News

## 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](mailto: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.

## 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](http://www.ministrydays.com).

## Christian Brothers High School Open House

Join us on Sunday, October 4 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and see firsthand why CB is *the place to be* for exceptional academic programs, the arts, athletics and more – all in a faith-filled, nurturing community. In order to protect the health and safety of our school community and guests, this will be a virtual event. Please register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CBOpenHouse2020> to ensure you receive important event details and admissions information.

## 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. **For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.**



**St. Vincent  
de Paul  
Society**



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## 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 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 don't, we have to collect your 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.
- **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!



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Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven.

— Sirach 28:2

## *Mass Intentions*

### **Saturday, Sept. 12, 2020**

**6:00 pm**

Noemi Lopez (BD)  
Uzoh Family (SI)  
Anthony Bezmalinovich (+)  
Benny Canio (+)  
Mariam Thomas (1yrDA)

### **Sunday, Sept. 13, 2020**

**6:30 am**

Wilhelmina Baclig (BD)  
Tina Sandoval (BD)  
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)

**8:30 am**

Sabu & Mini Parathathu (TG)  
Mary Hanh (+)  
Hugo Madrigal (+)  
Myrna Quero Panelo (+)

**10:00 am**

Eddie Saez (BD)  
Lisa Rhines (SI-H)  
Joe Avis (+)

**6:00 pm**

Joao Mendes (+)

**7:30 pm**

Linh Le (+)  
Luyen Nguyen (+)

### **Monday, September 14, 2020**

**8:30 am**

Amanda Marcotte (BD)  
Eddie Saez (BD)  
Emilia N. Canlas (+)  
Hugo Madrigal (+)  
Abelardo Zafra (+)

### **Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

**8:30 am**

Lupe Lopez (SI)  
Beena Monsy (SI)  
Alexis Uzoh (SI-H)

### **Wednesday, September 16, 2020**

**8:30 am**

### **Thursday, September 17, 2020**

**8:30 am**

Emilia N. Canlas (+)

### **Friday, September 18, 2020**

**8:30 am**

Jose Esparza (BD)  
Brian Parathathu (BD)  
Felix Diwa (+)  
Corazon Joves (+)

#### **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 and 22/23

combined: \$19,952.68

(includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

Fall is here along with our traditional season of stewardship. However, this year has been anything but typical, which is why we are reaching out to our parishioners.

This year people throughout our community have turned to us for help. However, Good Shepherd can only continue to meet that need with your assistance. Your valuable online donations help us to continue our ministry to answer their call for help.

We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/CA688](http://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 \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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