

September 24, 2017

Twenty-Fifth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

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*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

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**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.

**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

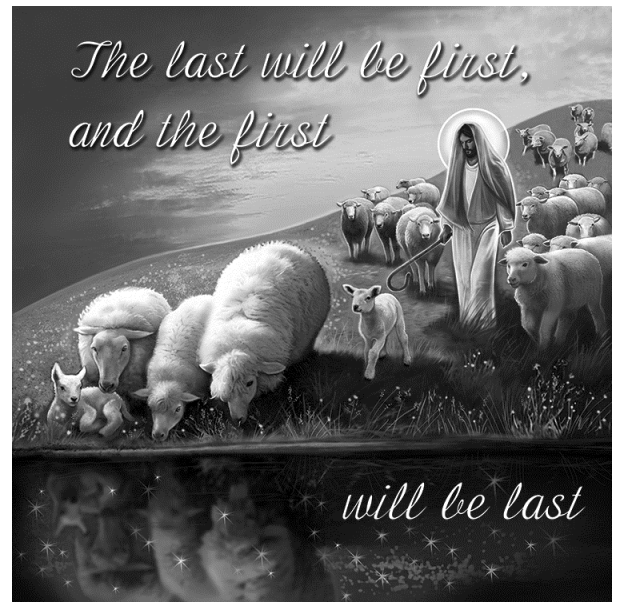
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

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.

## CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18  
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21  
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6  
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9  
Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51  
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45  
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Tuesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian  
Wednesday: St. Vincent de Paul  
Thursday: St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions  
Friday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset  
Saturday: St. Jerome

## *Fall Festival*

**Be sure to stop by the festival this weekend! There will be delicious food, games, fun and fellowship for the entire family. Thank you to all of our parishioners and volunteers for your help and support in making our annual festival an amazing event for all to enjoy!**

### **Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge — TODAY!!**

All kids 9 to 14 years old as of Sept. 1 are invited to join the 2017 KofC Soccer Challenge on Sun., Sept. 24th from 10 am to 2:00 pm at the Parish Festival. The player's proof-of-age document is required (i.e. copy of birth certificate). Participation is free. come to our table to register. Parent/guardian's consent is required. For registration forms or more info, contact Camilo at [airman\\_95758@yahoo.com](mailto:airman_95758@yahoo.com) or 916-206-3835.

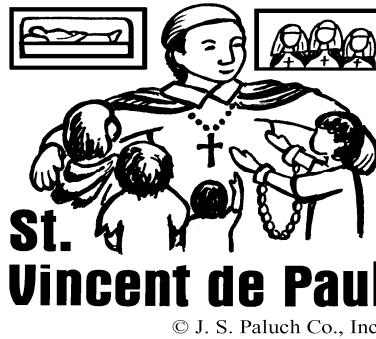
## *Good Shepherd's 25th Anniversary Family Directory*

Our Parish Directory project is off to a great start! Please be sure to schedule your free photography sitting by visiting the church's website, stopping at our table in the narthex after mass or stopping at our booth at the parish festival. Evening and Saturday appointments are currently available and photography will take place right here at Good Shepherd. Every participating family will receive a free 8x10 photo and hard-bound parish directory! Our directory won't be complete without you!

### **Knight of Columbus Arts and Crafts Faire**

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.

# Parish News



## Cursillo News

Interested in joining Cursillo? Cursillo is a movement which attempts from within the Church to give life to the essential Christian truths. We have a dynamic Cursillo group supporting and enriching our community. Join us for our Cursillo Mini-Ultreya on Sept. 30th from 9-11 am in the Fr. Philip Wells Hall. Contact Monica at [smallusf77@yahoo.com](mailto:smallusf77@yahoo.com) or Maria at [serpamhome@gmail.com](mailto:serpamhome@gmail.com) for more information.

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

CLOW resumed on Sept 9<sup>th</sup>. CLOW is a parent participation ministry staffed solely by volunteers for 1st -4th graders which takes place during the Sunday 9 am, 11 am and 5 pm Masses. Father calls up the children AFTER the opening Prayer and we process the children to the Parish Center for our class. The children return at the end of the Homily so they can participate in Holy Communion. We still need volunteers for the 9 am and 11 am Mass. If you are interested in teaching or assisting, please contact us at [clow@gscceg.org](mailto:clow@gscceg.org) for more information.

## Sacramento Life Center

**Donations Needed**—The Sacramento Life Center is in need of baby supplies for low-income new moms. Please consider donating: clothing (up to size 18 mos), diapers (especially size 3,4,5) and other baby items like shampoo, lotion, bibs, hats, pacifiers, blankets, etc. Donations can be dropped off Mon.-Fri. 9-4:30 at Sacramento Life Center, 2316 Bell Executive Lane in Sacramento. For more info please call 916-451-4357. Thank you for your generosity!

**Annual Gala**- The Sacramento Life Center cordially invites you to join them for their Annual Gala at The Hyatt Regency, in Downtown Sacramento on November 4, 2017. There will be a no-host reception with guest speaker, author and Abortion Survivor, Melissa Ohden. Dinner will be served at 6:30 Pm followed by a live auction and raffle. For more information, visit [www.saclife.org](http://www.saclife.org).

## Retrouvaille— Marriage Recovery

Is your marriage in trouble—miserable—dead? Would you like it to come alive? Retrouvaille can give you the communication skills you need to relate to one another in a more respectful and emotionally mature way. The next weekend in Sacramento will be Oct. 13-15. For more info call 800-470-2230 or visit <http://www.helpourmarriage.com>.

*Turn to the LORD for mercy;  
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.  
-- Isaiah 55:7b*

St. Vincent de Paul Society wishes to thank you again for all you do to help us provide for those in our community who are in need. Your generous cash, food and clothing donations make all the difference in what we are able to provide. Please make all non-food donations on Mondays at the SVdP locker between 8:00—10:00 a.m. while our volunteers are present.

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

### Bible Study

Come join us for an orientation in the John Paul II room at 6:30 pm on Sept. 27th. Our bible study will focus on the Gospel of Matthew. Our study guide will cost \$20—please bring with you to the orientation session. This is a great way to meet others in the parish that are also searching to learn more about our Christian faith. Please email Kerry at [kerryfusa@yahoo.com](mailto:kerryfusa@yahoo.com) or go to [www.gscceg.org](http://www.gscceg.org) for more information.

### 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 those who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. For more information, please call Suzanne Dodd at 916-801-0561. All are welcome!

### Christian Brothers High School Open House

Join us for Open House on Sun., Oct. 1, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stop by 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. Highlights of the day include campus tours including the engineering labs and CB's award-winning television studio - KBFT, an art exhibition, performances by the band and choir, academic department information tables and more. Informational presentations are scheduled for 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Visit [cbhs-sacramento.org](http://cbhs-sacramento.org) to register.

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017**

**5:00 pm**

Florentina Curso (+)  
Henry St-Cyr (+)

**Sunday, Sept. 24, 2017**

**7:00 am**

Seguna Bolcalbos (SI-H)  
Alfredo Batoon Sr. (7yrDA)  
Conrado Gunabe (+)  
Patsy Ludwig (2yrDA)

**9:00 am**

Bhonna Del Rosario (BD)  
Ruben & Edna Nazareno  
(46yrWA)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Martha Chavarria (+)  
Venancio Del Rosario (+)  
Daria Vida (+)

**11:00 am**

Josephine Banggawan (+)  
Clarita Lourdes Lucina (+)  
Simeon Lucina (+)

**1:00 pm**

Enrique Paraiso (TG)  
Leopoldo & Salome Ramos (+)

**5:00 pm**

Danzel & Ayessa Gomez (BD)  
Michael Greening (BD)  
Juvelina Lopes (+)  
All souls in purgatory (+)

**Monday, Sept. 25, 2017**

**8:30 am**

Florentina Curso (+)  
Amelito Lising (+)  
Virginia Loza (4yrDA)  
Zacarias Loza (+)  
Christian Savage (+)

**Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2017**

**8:30 am**

Matilde Palmer (BD)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Sylvester Joseph (+)  
Emma Bertha Magana (+)  
Lourdes Stanislaus (+)

**Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017**

**8:30 am**

Wilhelmmina Baclig (BD)  
Betty Lindgren (SI-H)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Emma Bertha Magana (+)  
Angeles S. Urbano (+)

**Thursday, Sept. 28, 2017**

**8:30 am**

Florentina Curso (+)  
Neves Delito (+)  
Liwanag Dominguez (+)  
Emma Bertha Magana (+)

**Friday, Sept. 29, 2017**

**8:30 am**

Dela De Guzman (BD)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Emma Bertha Magana (+)  
Michael Salgado (DA)

**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

The collection totals for the weekend of Sept. 16/17 will be in next week's bulletin.

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

With the arrival of autumn, we would like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish's electronic giving program. Our to-do lists can get lengthy during this season, but Faith Direct's eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week—no more envelopes to find before you go to Mass. Follow the link on our website and enter parish code CA688. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Family Directory!

Be a part of something BIG!



With your participation, receive one  
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