

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

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



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2020

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There was a landowner who planted a vineyard,
put a hedge around it,
dug a wine press in it, and built a tower.
Then he leased it to tenants
and went on a journey.

Matthew 21:33

Parish Staff

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Schedule

Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11 a.m. and 1:00
and 5:00 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.

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.gscccg.org/sacraments/
baptism](http://www.gscccg.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 GIFT OF THE REIGN OF GOD

Matthew's Gospel today expands on Isaiah's ballad considerably. A comparison with the same story in Mark's Gospel clearly shows us that here the author is busy teaching this community of Jewish Christians: "This is a story about Israel a long time ago; this is also a story about Jesus and the skeptical leaders."

Jesus as much as told these Jewish leaders that they were the tenants who first stoned their own prophets. And he told the leaders they were the tenants who would soon even dispose of him—Jesus—and, in doing so, would forfeit their privileged place of presenting to the world the promised Messiah.

"And this," says Matthew's Gospel, "is a story about you, the inheritors of what was first offered to Israel." The reign of God was first opened to Israel and is now given to the whole world, but it must be received as a gift. The first Christians are the new tenants in the vineyard. The deeper reality of the reign or kingdom of God is that it is available to everyone on the face of the earth—Israel included. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
Monday:	Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos
Tuesday:	St. Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher
Wednesday:	Our Lady of the Rosary
Friday:	St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday:	Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday:	Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13
Friday:	Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday:	Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday:	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]



As of this weekend, we are returning to our original schedule of Masses: **Sat. Vigil 5:00 p.m., Sun. 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 and 5:00 p.m.** Masses will continue to be held outside following this schedule until further notice.

Annual Blessing of the Animals

This year we will have our Blessing of the Animals on October 11th at 3:00 p.m. Due to health restrictions, we are planning to do this "drive-thru" style in the church parking lot. You and your animals will remain in your vehicle and the priest will come to you to bless your pets. Please check our website for more information.

Stay Connected!

There are several ways to stay connected and aware of what is going on here at Good Shepherd.

- The best way is to check **our website, www.gscccg.org**. There you will find links to watch Mass online, information regarding schedule changes and links to other online resources.
- Download **our app, My Parish**. We use the app to send out important messages. The app also includes links to daily Mass, scripture readings, etc.
- **Our YouTube channel**. Search for "Good Shepherd Catholic Church Elk Grove" and subscribe to our channel. You'll be able to view our Sunday Mass.
- **Our Facebook page**. Search for "Good Shepherd Catholic Church" and find the page with our picture. We post most recent information and links to Mass, etc.

Stay inFormed!

Remember to make use of our subscription to **Formed.org**. It's a huge multimedia library that is available to you at no cost. Explore books, movies, guided prayer and more. This is especially valuable right now. They even have faith based children's programs and books!

Online Opportunities to Enrich Your Faith

RISE Challenge for Men

Join the online life-changing men's program, RISE, beginning in October! RISE is a 30-day challenge for men hosted by Chris Stefanick and Bill Donaghy and has transformed thousands of lives with a practical plan to help you live out your faith. For more information, go to <https://coaching.reallifecatholic.com/RISE-Enroll-Now>.

3rd annual SELFe Event for Women

In light of the public health crisis that is taking a physical and mental toll on so many, St. Francis High School is hosting its third annual SELFe event featuring Christian comedian Kerri Pomaroli. The SELFe Event focuses on comedic relief this year to help lift us up, give us some needed laughs, and bring us back together in the spirit of being our best selves. This event is being live streamed for free on October 25th. To sign up go to: <https://stfranciscatholic.ticketspice.com/selfe-event>.

Navigate: Virtual Youth Group

The Diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult ministry invites Middle School and High School teens to tune into Navigate: Virtual Youth Group. The first Navigate stream will be October 11 at 7pm and will continue on the 2nd Sunday monthly. All teens in the diocese are invited. The purpose of Navigate is to connect youth throughout the diocese. For more information visit <https://www.scd.org/Navigate> or contact Antony Ta at ata@scd.org.



Catholics Care. Catholics Vote. Participate in political life.

In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops remind Catholics about the call to participate in political life. "In the Catholic tradition," they write, "responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation" (no. 13). Visit www.faithfulcitizenship.org today to read the statement, watch guidelines and resources. Other parish resources can be found by visiting www.scd.org/faithful-citizenship.



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 Sept. 28 we served 45 families consisting of 217 people and gave out 159 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 for a more comfortable experience for everyone attending Mass in person:

- **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.**
- 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.
- 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. 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!



Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 3, 2020

5:00 pm

Rizalina Alontave Herco (SI-H)
Ethel Leone (SI-H)
Derek Uzoh (SI)
Leonardo Andrade (+)
Maria del Carmen Barragan (+)
José Luis Damian (+)
Maites Medrocillo (+)

Sunday, October 4, 2020

7:00 am

Carlo Campomanes (BD)
Teodora de Guzman (+)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Alfred and Helen Lial (+)

9:00 am

Dana Somera (BD)
Jada Vitug (BD)
Felix B Buenafe (DA)
Eleanor Havey (+)
Luis Serpa (+)
Duilinda Teicheira (+)

11:00 am

Domingos Fagundes (+)
Albetina Ferreira (+)

1:00 pm

Deceased members of the
Do family (+)
Dung Dinh (+)
Linh Le (+)
Yen Nguyen (+)

5:00 pm

Phien Hoang (+)
Linh Le (+)
Joao Mendes (+)

Monday, October 5, 2020

8:30 am

Carlo Campomanes (BD)
Julio Millare (+)

Tuesday, October 6, 2020

8:30 am

Edith Barbasa (BD)
James Michael Kendrick (BD)
Do Family (TG)
Loraine Barbee (+)
Vicente Teves Sr. (+)

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

8:30 am

Manuel and Tina Marquez (+)

Thursday, October 8, 2020

8:30 am

Nelson Rodriguez (BD)
John C. Langley (+)
Isagani A. Martin (+)

Friday, October 9, 2020

8:30 am

Maria Fagundes (+)

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 Sept. 19/20: \$16,461.98

(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.

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