

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.

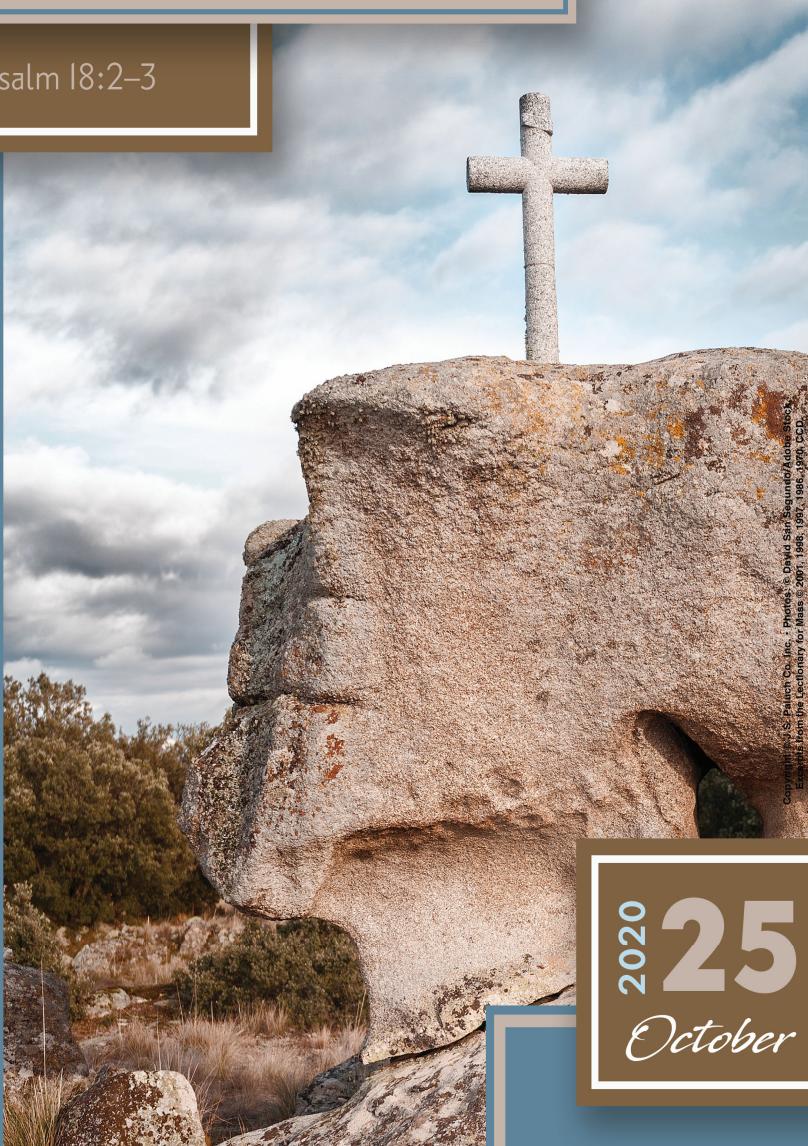
We Value: Life Long Faith Formation | Sacramental Devotions
Evangelization | Community Service | Social Justice



I love you, O Lord, my strength.
O Lord, my rock,
my fortress, my deliverer.

Psalm 18:2-3

Thirty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



2020
25
October

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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: Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Church.

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.

LIVING JUSTLY

"You give that back right now!" How many of us have heard that line, probably more than once, as we were growing up? We come home with the trophy of what we thought was a really sweet deal, only to have our parents undo our profits by making us return the spoils. They had a different idea of what constituted a "fair trade agreement." Justice in our dealings with others continues to be an important measure of our character, and like a good parent, God cares very much about how we treat each other and about how others treat us. God hears the cry of the poor, and answers the call of the oppressed. God's beloved children are not to behave like bullies.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday: Ss. Simon and Jude
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; Halloween

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Phil 1:1-11; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a

First Saturday Mass

We are happy to announce the return of our monthly "First Saturday" Mass on November 7 at 9:30 a.m. The online sign up for those wishing to attend this Mass is available on our website. Attendance at this Mass will be limited as per current safety protocols. We are very thankful to those parishioners who volunteered to facilitate this Mass!

Weekly Confessions

The priests are once again available for confessions on Saturdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the church.

We are in need of volunteers!

As we deal with ever-changing circumstances and restrictions on our gatherings, now more than ever we are in need of volunteers to help at Mass. We need more ushers, people to check-in parishioners at Mass, and Mass coordinators. Any-one can help - men, women, even responsible, older teens in need of volunteer hours. If you feel called to help in any of these capacities, please contact the parish office at gsccoffice@frontier.com. All of these roles require a minimal time commitment but make a huge difference in keeping everyone safe and healthy!

Thank you for considering how you can make a positive impact at Good Shepherd.

Lazarus Mass

The month of November is the time of year to offer special prayers and Masses for our deceased loved ones. Our Lazarus Mass this year will be a recorded Mass (not open to the public) and will be available for viewing on our YouTube channel on Nov. 7. At this recorded Mass, we will share special remembrances of all parishioners who have died since 11/1/19 and their names will be included on a banner that will be displayed in the church narthex. A paper lantern with the name of your deceased loved one will also be displayed on the altar during this Mass. The lanterns will be blessed and will be available for you to pick up after November 8 if you would like to have it. If you have already submitted the name of your loved one for the banner and would like us to include a photo of them in the Mass video, please email it in jpg file format to gscdevelopment@frontier.com by 10/30/20.



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We appreciate all of our volunteers who are sacrificing and sharing their time to make it possible for us to safely offer Mass during this time!

Welcome Prospective Kindergarten Families

St Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School is accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year now through December 18th. Applications can be found on our website, www.stelizabetheg.org, or at the school office. To enroll, your child must be 5 years old by September 1, 2021. Birth and Baptismal certificates and shot records must be submitted with your application. We are pleased to provide a tour of the school upon request. Please call 916-684-7903 for more info.

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.

Knights of Columbus

You've seen the Knights in their blue or red polo shirts maybe sitting next to you at Mass. What do these guys do? What sets us apart? Why do we smile, wave, and acknowledge each other either before or after Mass? Well, here are some answers... We are your Priests, we are your Deacons, we are your Ushers and EM's at all the Masses. We are Ministry Leads of quite a few of the Parish Ministries at Good Shepherd Parish. Laguna Council # 11236 helps fund those Parish Ministries. Because of our fundraisers, dinners, and events; we also help set up tables and chairs. We help set up the Parish Festival booths and tents. We answer the call when Father Chris needs our help. We love making a difference at Good Shepherd Catholic Church! Our motto in the council is "Charity, Fraternity, and Unity." If this looks like something you'd be interested in or have some questions, please call or email me...Rich Thompson – Chancellor (916) 895-9121 or uwddawg1950@gmail.com. Scan our convenient QR Code for a quick application!



St. Vincent de Paul News

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc. 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 Oct. 12 we served 39 families consisting of 198 people and gave out 154 boxes of food. We are now on our winter schedule, with food distribution on Mondays from 10:00-11:00 a.m. **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 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.
- For everyone's safety, we continue to sanitize all pews after they are used. For this reason, we ask that once you are seated, you remain in that pew and not move to another seat. Our goal is to minimize points of shared contact as much as possible.
- 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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Stay Connected!

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

- **Our website, www.gscceg.org.** There you will find links to watch Mass online, information regarding schedule changes and links to other online resources.
- **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.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 24, 2020

5:00 pm

Poli Martin (SI-H)
Laura Day Aguirre (SI-H)
Josie & Roxes Garcia (SI-H)
Mibin Monsy (SI)
Rose Camerino (TG)
Joao Mendes (+)
Carolina Morando (+)
Rosa Morando (+)
Charlene Joyce Wofford (+)

Sunday, October 25, 2020

7:00 am

Carmelo Bocade (BD)
Dionicia Baclig (TG)
Ortiz family (TG)
Serapion Cortez (+)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Justo Zapata (DA)

9:00 am

Maria C. Morais (+)
Rafel Orosa, Sr. (+)
Olga Serpa (+)
John Teicheira (+)
Abelard Zafra (+)

11:00 am

Ella Saez (BD)
Eugene Diaz Jr. (SI-H)
Ricardo & Lorna Cruz Fam (TG)
Curt Schneider & Lupe Lopez (TG)

1:00 pm

Selfa Cajandig (+)
Gloria Perez (+)
Nellie Perez (+)
Segundo Perez (+)
Antonio Villa Juan (+)
Anastacia Villa Juan (+)

5:00 pm

Cassandra Marie Paule Maliwat (BD)
Neal Mathew (SI)
Thomas Joseph (TG)
Noelle Matthew (TG)
Rolando Garcia (1yrDA)
Mary Joseph (DA)

Monday, October 26, 2020

8:30 am

Ella Saez (BD)
Dr. Martha Nhu Tran (SI)
Dr. Rosa Mi Tran (SI)
Linh Le (+)
Daminh Tai (+)

Tuesday, October 27, 2020

8:30 am

Breyton Borga (BD)
Laura Day Aguirre (SI-H)
Luyen Nguyen (+)

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

8:30 am

Rubylyn Blakely (BD)
Monica Johnson (BD)
Consolacion Lucero (BD)
Phat Dinh (+)
Khanh Tran (+)

Thursday, October 29, 2020

8:30 am

Nicco Vega (1 yr BD)
Laura Day Aguirre (SI-H)
Matteo Vega (SI)
Riza Misa (+)

Friday, October 30, 2020

8:30 am

Maria Yen Duong (BD)
Robert & Tess Divinagracia (23yrWA)
Albertha Battiste (+)
Barnard Belleza (+)
Deceased memb of Do & Nguyen fam. (+)
Estela Gunabe (17yrDA)
Justo Zapata (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 Oct. 10/11 \$16,757.38

(includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

Thank you for your support of Good Shepherd Parish. COVID-19 has changed many things this year. Unfortunately, it has even impacted the finances of our parish and we need your help. We are prayerfully requesting that you consider making a donation or setting up a recurring gift using our online giving provider, Faith Direct. Signing up is easy and can be done from your computer, smartphone, or tablet. **Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/CA688, or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801.**

Thank you for your continued support!

CIVILIZE IT



DIGNITY BEYOND THE DEBATE

2020

Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace: A Prayer for Civility

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where uncivil words prevail, show me how to model love.

Help me remember the God-given dignity of all and invite others to do the same.

Show me how to build bridges and not walls and see first what unites us rather than how we diverge. Let me seek to understand before asking to be understood.

Give me a listening heart filled with empathy and compassion.

May I be clear in sharing my own position and respectful and civil in describing those of others.

Let me never tolerate hateful ideas.

May I invite all to charity and love.

Lord, help me to imitate your compassion and mercy.

Make me an instrument of your peace.

Amen.

Inspired by Nine Rules for Civility from the Catholic Tradition, Bishop Zubik

Take the Pledge!

Take the pledge below as an individual, family, or community. Anyone and everyone can commit together to honoring human dignity through civil conversation. I pledge:

Civility: To recognize the human dignity of those with whom I disagree, treat others with respect, and rise above attacks when directed at me.

Clarity: To root my political viewpoints in the Gospel and a well formed conscience, which involves prayer, conversation, study and listening. I will stand up for my convictions and speak out when I witness language that disparages others' dignity, while also listening and seeking to understand others' experiences.

Compassion: To encounter others with a tone and posture which affirms that I honor the dignity of others and invites others to do the same. I will presume others' best intentions and listen to their stories with empathy. I will strive to understand before seeking to be understood.



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Find this pledge and other resources and prayers at civilizeit.org.



Parish Registration and Change of Address

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

Today's Date _____

Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

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City, Zip _____

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