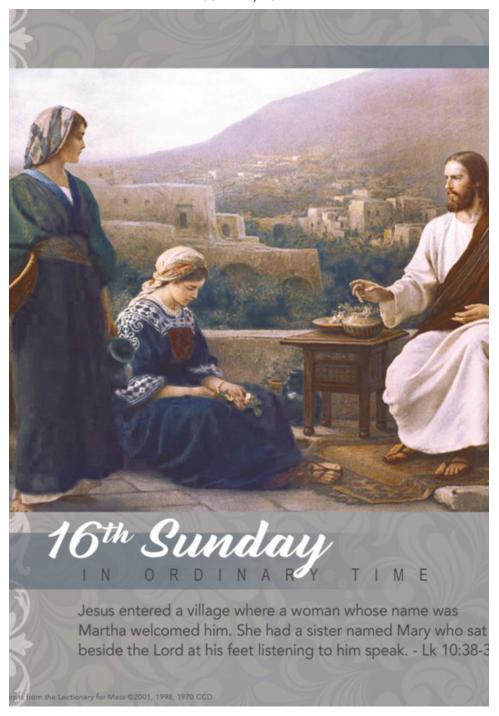
GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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.

JULY 17, 2022





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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm Vigil

Sunday: 7, 9, & 11 am; 1 & 5 pm

Weekdays: 8:30 am First Saturday: 9:30 am

Swahili Mass: First Sunday at 2:30 pm Tagalog Mass: Second Sunday at 3:00 pm Spanish Mass: Fourth Sunday at 7:00 pm

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY EUCHARIST

Sunday: 10:00-10:30 am in the Hall

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays: 5:45 - 7:00 pm

First Friday: After Morning Mass - 3:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:30 pm Wednesday: 5:45 - 7:00 pm

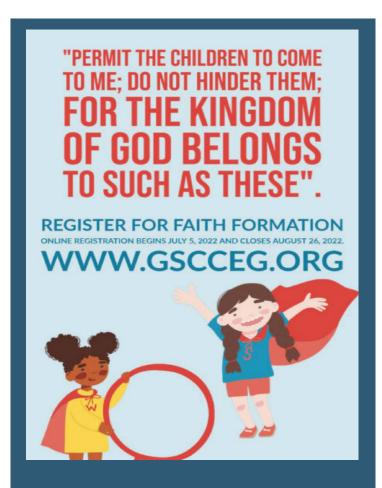
PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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INTO THE BREACH

This is a clarion call and clear charge to our brothers in Christ. Men have played a diminished role recently in our churches, our families, and in our communities. The absence of God in our lives can be seen being played out in society. We as Catholic men are called to be fathers, role models, leaders, Deacons and Priests. We are called to stand up for God. Our families and our Church are depending on us. Men, do not hesitate to engage in the spiritual combat that is raging around you. We must be willing to step "Into the Breach" — to fill this gap that lies open and vulnerable to attack.

Beginning July 11th, the **Knights of Columbus** and **Soldiers of Saint Michael the Archangel** will be hosting a series of weekly gatherings, open to all Catholic men (18+). We will be discussing topics such as leadership, brotherhood, sacramental life, and spiritual warfare. Meetings will be held each Monday evening at 7pm in the Youth Room at Good Shepherd. Come join your Catholic brothers and step **Into the Breach!**

Email Michael or Joe for more info at intothebreach2022@gmail.com.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

The Altar Server Ministry is looking for new Altar Servers. Altar servers must have received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Reconciliation, be 10 or older (OR in 4th grade or above) and must be enrolled in parochial school or the religious education program. This invitation is also open to adults, particularly any with an interest in 7am and 1pm



mass. It's a great way for a family to share in the experience of serving God. If you are a current Altar Server but need a refresher, feel free to register. Training will be held Sunday, August 21st from 2:30 to 4:30pm. Please use the QR code to sign up.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC OR LEARNING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH AND TEACHINGS?

If you are from a different faith or denomination or if you were baptized Catholic but didn't study your Catholic faith, then RCIA may be for you. Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) prepares adults that want to become Catholic or Catholics that have not received instruction in the faith for Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist. Come and see and grow in your faith. A team of Good Shepherd Parishioners present lessons on such topics as: God and his relationship to Man, the Bible, the Ten Commandments, the Church, Catholic Doctrines and a variety of other faith matters. We use a variety of resources to provide engaging and inspiring lessons, address questions about God and the Catholic Church, reflections on faith, and what God wants for you.

Classes are held weekly after the 9:00 am Sunday Mass and begin in August. Register online at https://gscceg.org/formation/rcia-sacrament-preparation-adults or contact Carlos or Valerie Ramos at rcia@gscceg.org.



All are welcome to join any of the three cultural Masses that we have added to our regular Mass schedule. Swahili Mass is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 2:30 pm. On the second Sunday of the month, join us for a Mass in Tagalog at 3:00 pm and on the fourth Sunday of the month we will have a Spanish Mass at 7:00 pm. Come and experience the diversity of Good Shepherd by attending one of these special Masses.

RFADINGS & OBSERVANCES

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42 Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8//Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17
Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:24-30

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Wednesday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

Thursday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Mary Magdalene Saturday: St. Bridget, Religious

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 16

5:00pm Brian Nakumura (+)

SUNDAY, JULY 17

7:00 am Conrado Gunabe (DA) 9:00 am Artur Serpa (+) 11:00 am Merces Martinho (+) 1:00 pm Reg Manguba (BD) 5:00 pm Jose Martins, Jr (+)

MONDAY, JULY 18

Michael Palmer (SI)

TUESDAY, JULY 19

Daniel Martinez Casas (+)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 120

Tobin Mathew (BD)

THURSDAY, JULY 21

Mikko Magtoto (BD) FRIDAY, JULY 22

Pedro Flores (DA)

Key: Deceased (+) Thanksgiving (TG) Death Anniversary (DA) Birthday (BD) Special Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA) SI-H) Special Intention for healing

THIS WEEK WE WILL REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Birthday: 5pm 7/16: Sidnee Jan Noveno , Eleanor Tan; 7am 7/17: Bernadette Grammer; 9am 7/17:

Conrado Pantig (80th yr); 11am 7/17: Rhona Fernandez, Alex Rivera; 7/18: Bernadette Grammer, Mary Jo Sapalaran; 7/21: Antonio Cua, Glenda Santos; 7/22: Virgie Ramos, Pedro and Philip Vicio

Thanksgiving: 7/18: Mary Palmer

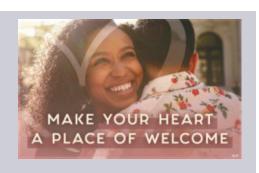
Death Anniversary: <u>5pm 7/16:</u> Jose Tiu; <u>7am 7/17:</u> Lois Jean Neukam; <u>1pm 7/17:</u> Gloria Acevedo; 7/19: Carlos Ong Sr.; 7/20: Pedro Cua; 7/22: Clarita Felix

Repose of the Soul: All Masses: 7/16 and 7/17: Ursual Espinosa, Phyllis Plank; 5pm Sat 7/16: Joseph Barbera, Maria Corpadia Serrano; 7am 7/17: Medardo Bejarin; 9am 7/17: Clare Becker, Daniel Joseph Brown, William Drennan, Alberto Lomat; 11am 7/17: Felicidad Almodovar, Concepcion Nonog; 5pm 7/17: Johnny Ruiz, Cirilo B. Sernat; 7/18: Corazon Joves; 7/19: Medardo Bejarin; 7/20: Scott Avis; 7/21: Felipe Delizo, Joao Silva



UPCOMING FUNERALS

Ester Vasquez—July 22 at 11am



BE READY FOR GOD TO "STOP BY"

In my experience, most people can be divided into two groups: those who are old enough to remember when you kept food on hand for company, and those who aren't.

For those of you in the latter group, let me explain. Before text messaging and social media made us all unconditionally, mercilessly reachable, people would do this thing called "stopping by." They would be passing by a friend's house, maybe on the way home from work or shopping, and they would just ... stop. With no warning. No notice whatsoever. "I was just in the neighborhood," they would say. I remember my mother and I would do this on many a Saturday. It wasn't an everyday occurrence, but it was common enough that you had to be ready.

"Crazy," you might exclaim. "People just appeared on your doorstep? How did you cope with the uncertainty?" Well, most of us had moms who kept a little something on hand to eat or drink that was extra nice, just in case anyone stopped by. That way, we were always ready.

Today's readings are about a lot of things: prayer, hope, redemptive suffering. They're about what it means to be a Christian, and not just what it means to do Christian things.

Most of all, though, they're about readiness. If God showed up at your door, would you be ready for Him? Would you be ready for what He gives you, or what He takes away? Would you be ready for Him to interrupt the plans you have for yourself? To disrupt the idea you carry in your mind of what a servant or a steward is supposed to be?

Read your Bible. Say your rosary. Go to Mass. Get to Confession. Talk to God — every day, not just when you think you need Him. That way, you are always ready.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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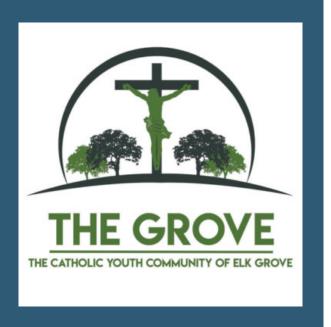
YOUTH MINISTRY

All middle school and high school teens are welcome to attend weekly events at The Grove Youth Ministry! This joint effort of Good Shepherd, St. Joseph and St. Maria Goretti is aimed to bring Elk Grove teens together to have fun while learning how to be missionary disciples.

Events rotate among the three parishes. Upcoming events include:

- Sisterhood Nights—Monday evenings at Good Shepherd
- Community Service—Monday mornings at Good Shepherd
- Kickball & Dodgeball at St. Joseph/Elk Grove Park

Encourage your teen to attend and bring a friend! Keep up with The Grove at **thegroveyouthministry.com** or follow them on Facebook and Instagram.





ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you for your support of our St. Vincent de Paul Society! On July 11 we served 40 families consisting of 190 people and gave out 160 boxes of food. We currently can not accept any more clothing. SVdP has funds available for utility assistance for our 95757 and 95758 residents. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243. Food distribution is on Monday mornings from 9:00 – 10:00 am.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers are a wonderful way to bring beauty to the Mass in honor of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one. If you would like to help arrange flowers on Friday afternoons, please contact the church office for more information. This weekend's beautiful flowers are donated in loving memory of Angelo and Elipio Lovato.



REAL LIFE CATHOLIC

Think back to last spring when we had our amazing parish mission with Chris Stefanick and he spoke about how to live the joyful life that Christ wants for us. It really wasn't that long ago! Do you need some help remembering his 9 rules to live by? Or just enjoy Chris's message? If you would like to receive weekly inspirational content from Chris and Real Life Catholic, we encourage you to do so by signing up at reallifecatholic.com.

SAVE THE DATE

We're excited to have the Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit coming to Good Shepherd Aug. 24-28. This will include a special Mass and opportunity for veneration of first class relics of Blessed Carlo Acutis. More information to come soon.

	PARISH REGISTRATION AND CHANGE OF ADDRESS		
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WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTAL FOR JULY 9/10: \$23,161.03

(weekly total includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

MISSIONARY COOPERATIVE APPEAL

The Missionary Cooperative appeal is an annual program in which missionaries from around the world speak at each parish. The goal is to increase awareness of missionary work and to raise funds to help missionary organizations continue their evangelization efforts. In the Diocese of Sacramento, 51 different missions were selected this year to each speak at two parishes.

This weekend we welcome Father Joseph Thien Vu from the Diocese of Long Xuyen in Vietnam. Father Joseph will share with us his courageous evangelization efforts on behalf of the Catholic Church and give us an opportunity to support his work in the field. A second collection will be taken up following his presentation. All funds collected throughout the Diocese will be equally divided among the 51 missionary organizations. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Church attendance wanes in the summer months but the services we provide for the parish and community continue year round. Your consistent financial support is vital to achieving our stewardship mission. The easiest way to be sure your gift reaches us even when you can't be here is through Faith Direct for automated giving. It's secure and convenient and there is no cost to you. This program provides a great benefit to our parish. Just visit faith.direct/CA688 or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

DONATIONS NEEDED

The parish office is in need of disposable face masks and Microban aerosol sanitizing spray. If you're able to help, donations can be dropped off in the parish office. We thank you for your generosity.

JOB OPENINGS

Are you interested in working with children, or the possibility of teaching in a Catholic school? St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is looking for classroom aides! If you are interested please call 916.684.7903 or email Marci Greene at mgreene@stelizabetheg.org.

FAMILIES 4 LIFE MINI FESTIVAL

Support the Sacramento Life Center on August 19 from 5-9 pm at their first ever Mini Festival. This fun event for families will include bounce houses, games, music, food trucks, art auction, wine tasting and more. Admission is free. Pre-register at saclife.org.

GIVING THANKS WITH A GRATEFUL HEART

On behalf of the Children of Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotional Group, we would like to thank those who have given their time, talent and treasure in the success of celebrating the Feast Day of Our Mother of Perpetual Help on June 27. We would like to especially mention Fr. Michael Vaughan whose support really made an impact in the celebration.

VOCATIONS DINNER THANK YOU

Dear Good Shepherd Parish Community,

The Office of Vocations would like to sincerely thank you for embracing our annual fundraiser hosted by the Knights of Columbus. The leaders were Carlos Ramos, Michael Blakey, and Jeremy Harden from your Knights of Columbus Council #11236. We as the Office of Vocations really admire and are in awe at the unification of your parishioners. We really witness how beautifully your entire parish came together for a successful night, from the donations to the giving tree, to the basket making committee, food servers and auction. It was truly a privilege and an honor to work with such a unique and beautiful parish. Thank you for being the Heart of Christ in all your endeavors.

Sincerely, Fr. Mémo Hernández, Sr. Maria Campos, RSM and Marisela Smith

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Father Vaughan is currently seeking parishioners to fill several vacancies on the Parish Finance Council. This council functions as a consultative body to the pastor. It consists of selected professionals to advise the pastor in these areas: preparation of the annual operating budget, long-term financial planning, annual parish financial report, (which is submitted to the Bishop) and annual and periodic financial reports to the faithful. The Council ensures that an adequate system of internal controls is in place to guide the parish in caring for and managing financial resources and temporal goods. The Parish Finance Council observes all policies and procedures outlined in the Parish Financial Management Handbook.

Our parish council meets once a month, usually on the 4th Monday. If you are a business professional or a college student of business looking for a way to serve your parish, please email a brief summary of your experience to Denise in the parish office at goodshepherdchurch@gscceg.org on or before August 30th.

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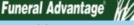
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