

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.

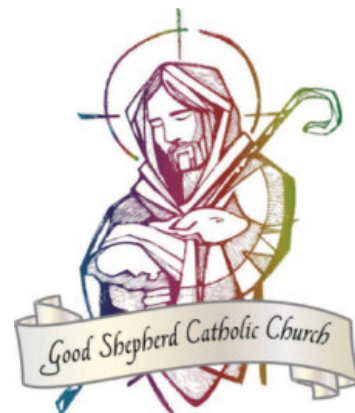
AUGUST 7, 2022



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.” - Lk 12:39-40

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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

Wednesday: 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

Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Closed Wednesdays

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EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT

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. This tech-savvy teen spent his life devoted to Jesus and working so that all may know the power of the Eucharist. We will begin the event with Mass at 6:30 pm on August 24 concelebrated by Fr. Michael and Fr. George Snyder, Jr., Pastor of St. Clare parish in Roseville. The exhibit and opportunity for veneration will continue through August 28. For more information visit <https://gscceg.org/blog/eucharistic-miracles-world-exhibit>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug. 9: Knights of Columbus Rosary @ 7:00 pm
- Aug. 11: St. John Caregiver Support @ 10:00 am in Youth Room
- Aug. 11: Holy Spirit Novena Ministry @ 11:30 am in Youth Room
- Aug. 14: Tagalog Mass @ 3:00 pm

THANKSGIVING MASS & FAMILY FUN DAY

The Swahili Catholic community are hosting a Family Fun Day here at Good Shepherd immediately following their regularly scheduled Mass on Aug. 7 at 2:30 pm. There will be food, fun and games for the whole family! All are welcome to join the Mass and stay for fellowship.

MINI-MINISTRY FAIR

On August 13th & 14th our Faith Formation ministries will be hosting a "mini" Ministry Fair after all Masses in the narthex. Please stop by their tables to see how the following ministries are actively supporting our parish: The Grove (youth ministry), Fiat (young adult ministry), Kinderchurch, Children's Liturgy of the Word, RCIA, Catholics Returning Home, Baptism, Couples for Christ, Children's Faith Formation and One Eight (Confirmation Preparation). A representative from each ministry will be present to answer questions and provide information.

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. Register online at <https://gscceg.org/formation/rcia-sacrament-preparation-adults> or contact Carlos or Valerie Ramos at rcia@gscceg.org.

READINGS & OBSERVANCES

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40
Monday:	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday:	Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday:	2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
Thursday:	Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21—19:1
Friday:	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
Monday:	St. Dominic, Priest
Tuesday:	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr
Wednesday:	St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
Thursday:	St. Clare, Virgin
Friday:	St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
Saturday:	Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

5:00 pm Do and Nguyen family (TG)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

7:00 am Donald D. Neukam (DA)
9:00 am Brenda Eliazo (BD)
11:00 am Manuel and Tina Marquez (+)
1:00 pm Consuelo B. Guntio (DA)
5:00 pm Cecilia F. Ibay (+)

MONDAY, AUGUST 8

Members of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage (SI)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

Kayla Court (BD)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

Christopher Rath (DA)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

Blessing Ozioko (BD)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

Anecito Pepito (+)

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:

Birthdays: 5pm 8/6: Vicky Icmat; 9am 8/7: Vanessa Del Rosario; 8/9: Alasdair Cruz Rey; 8/12: Crispin Cabrera

Thanksgiving: 11am 8/7: Do Family

Special Intention for Healing: 5pm 8/6: Jaeque Suy, Charles T., Linda Osuorji, 11am 8/7 & 8/8: Charles T.; 8/12: Luciano Mahinay Jr.

Special Intention: 9am 8/7: Grace Baclig; 8/8-8/12: Members of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage

Anniversary: 1pm 8/7: Amado & Marecar

Death Anniversary: 5pm 8/6: Joseph Anttumallil; 11am 8/7: Estelita Gulle; 8/12: Urbana Flores

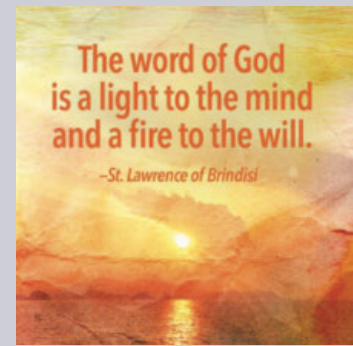
Repose of the Soul: All Masses: 8/6 and 8/7: Diane Cruz, Glenn Livingstone; 5pm Sat 8/6:

Sharon Carle, Roger Geach; 7am 8/7: Medardo Bejarin, Raynalda Estacio, Conrado and Estela Gunabe, Alfred and Helen Lial; 9am 8/7: Venancio Del Rosario; 11am 8/7: Ann Eder; 8/9: Maria Fagundes, Salud Linsangan, Erlinda E. Orozco; 8/10: Lucio Fernandez, Victoria Relucio; 8/11: Domingo Javier



UPCOMING FUNERALS

Patrcia Labonia Pursch - August 12 at 11:00 am



CAUGHT IN THE RISING ACTION

Think of some of your favorite iconic movies. I'm not talking about the feel-good comedies or the offbeat coming-of-age flicks. I'm talking about the movies that you found had a profound impact on you or made you go "Hmmm."

I'm willing to bet that the plot of this film features some tough moments and difficult scenarios. However happy the ending, at some point, the situation for the protagonist might look awfully hopeless. The script speaks some truth to you about what it is to be human in difficult circumstances. What it means to persevere.

We're attracted to the tension that exists when the hero is besieged. We're captivated by the decisions he makes in the darkest hour of the night when it seems like the dawn will never come. Why? Because we know that feeling so well. This is the essence of our human life on earth: waiting, hoping, doubting — and enduring.

We know the ending to our story, but we don't know when it's coming. We live our whole lives in the rising action of the narrative. Sure, it gets old. Tiresome, even dull. We may start to despair that the climactic scene is coming at all.

But faith is the realization of things hoped for, and evidence of things not seen. We feel it watching a great movie, because we recognize it intuitively: it is faith which earns the happy ending. No one is drawn to the story when the hero gives up or gets tired of waiting for the payoff. Everyday stewardship is the collection of choices we make while we're waiting, because we are called to action, not idleness, even in our perpetual state of expectation.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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BINGO NIGHT

Saturday, Aug. 20 at 6:30 pm

Fr. Philip Wells Hall

First Bingo card is free for all players.
Additional cards can be purchased for \$1

Food and drink will be will be available for purchase.

**GREAT PRIZES!
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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you for your support of our St. Vincent de Paul Society! On August 1 we served 49 families consisting of 238 people and gave out 207 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.

INTO THE BREACH

Catholic men are called to be fathers, role models, leaders, Deacons and Priests. The **Knights of Columbus** and

Soldiers of Saint Michael the Archangel are hosting a series of gatherings on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm, open to all Catholic men (18+). Come join your Catholic brothers and step **Into the Breach!** Email Michael or Joe for more info at intothebreach2022@gmail.com.

FIAT YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Fiat is a ministry for Catholic young adults (ages 18-39) that seeks to inspire personal holiness through holistic formation, authentic friendships, intentional discipleship, vocational discernment, & a deeper encounter with Christ. Join us each Wednesday for fellowship after Adoration. To contact us, please email us at fiat.ya.eg@gmail.com. For more events & updates, follow us on Instagram @fiat_ya, or find us on Facebook by searching Fiat Catholic Young Adults.

HOLY SPIRIT NOVENA MINISTRY

All are welcome to join the Holy Spirit Novena Ministry. Our next meeting is Thursday, Aug. 11, at 11:30 am in the youth room. For more information email sisonmyrna@gmail.com or holyspiritnovenaministry@gmail.com.

FORMED



Take advantage of our parish subscription to **formed.org**. This online platform is an invaluable source for movies, podcasts and faith enrichment series for adults and children! Go to formed.org and sign up as a parishioner of our parish. There is no cost for Good Shepherd parishioners.

PARISH REGISTRATION AND CHANGE OF ADDRESS

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

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Phone _____

E-mail _____

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Please provide weekly offering envelopes Yes No

City, Zip _____



STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTAL FOR JULY 31/31: \$24,790.19

2ND COLLECTION/ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: \$4,181.58

(weekly total includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

SECOND COLLECTION

Next week we will take up the collection for the Church in Latin America. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Can't find your checkbook or envelope on Sunday morning? Join the parishioners who are using Faith Direct for automated giving. It is secure, convenient and Faith Direct will provide you with an offertory card to place in the basket during the collections. There is no cost to you and the 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.**

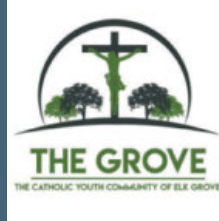
JOB OPENING

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School is seeking to hire a Custodian that will assist our Facilities Manager. If you are interested in applying please contact Marci Greene, School Principal at (916) 684-7903 or mgreene@stelizabetheg.org.

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 and consists of selected professionals to advise the pastor in these areas: preparation of the annual operating budget, long-term financial planning, and annual parish financial reports. 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 while observing 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.



YOUTH MINISTRY

All middle school and high school teens are welcome to attend weekly events with 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 and include community service opportunities and fun events like kickball and dodgeball and for teen girls on Monday nights—**Boba & Sisters**. Learn more at thegroveyouthministry.com or follow them on Facebook and Instagram.

DIOCESAN RESPECT LIFE GATHERINGS

The Respect Life Gathering on August 27 is an opportunity to come together to talk about current pro-life issues, learn about advocacy, share best practices, and network with others in the ministry. Open to all who have a passion for the pro-life cause. RSVP at: www.scd.org/respectlife2022. For more information, contact Moises De Leon at 916-733-0133 or mdeleon@scd.org.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can reconcile painful abortion emotions and begin the process of healing. Upcoming retreat scheduled for Nov. 18-20. For more information contact Silvia at 916-733-0161 or email projectrachel@scd.org.



As kids head back to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School and local public schools, let us keep them, their teachers and school staff in our prayers for a safe and healthy school year. We invite you all to share this prayer with your little ones.

Prayer for Students

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for the gift of learning! I want to grow closer to you in everything I do at school. In math and science, help me to see your beautiful plan in the world. Help me to discover new stories and values as I read and write. In arts and music, help me to be creative. In sports, help me to treat my teammates and my opponents fairly. Help me to learn new skills in technology. Jesus, you are the perfect teacher. Help me to listen with open ears, an open heart, and an open mind to all my teachers at school. Help me to treat my classmates with care, kindness, and respect.

Thank you, Jesus, for school! Amen.

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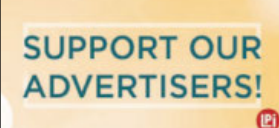
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