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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.

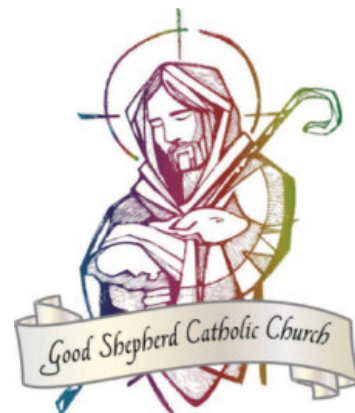
AUGUST 21, 2022



21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24

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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

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CALLING ALL CURSILLISTAS AND FUTURE CURSILLISTAS!

Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ! The Sacramento Women's Cursillo is scheduled for September 15-18, 2022 at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Applegate, CA. If you have a friend you would like to sponsor, OR are interested in attending the weekend, please go to www.Sacramentocursillo.org to register and read the message from our 2022 Rectora, Monica Small.

GOOD SHEPHERD LIFE RUNNERS

Let's celebrate Hispanic Heritage month and Promote Life by walking or running a 5k here in Elk Grove on September 18th! To register please go to <https://diadelosmiles.com>. Our team's name is Good Shepherd Life Runners. For more information on the event or walking/running on Saturdays, please contact Juanita Baier at juanitabaier@comcast.net

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 21: Altar Server Training @ 2:30 pm
Aug. 21: Kinderchurch Meeting @ 3:30 pm
Aug. 24: Mass @ 6:30 pm for Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit (No Adoration this evening. Confessions only until 6:20 pm.)
Aug. 28: Spanish Mass @ 7:00 pm

KINDERCHURCH REGISTRATION

Kinderchurch registrations are now being accepted and registration forms are available at <https://gscceg.org/blog/kinderchurch-back>. We are currently in need of volunteers to make this program a success. If interested in volunteering and/or registering your child for Kinderchurch please join us Sunday, August 21 from 3:30-4:30 pm in the St. Cecelia classroom for our annual parent/volunteer information meeting. If you would like additional information or have questions please contact us at kinderchurch@gscceg.org.

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. 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.

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE (MEXICO) RETURNS

The pilgrims visiting the Mexican martyrs and our Lady of Guadalupe returned this week. Thanks to Fr. Michael and Susan Gonzales who led a spirit-filled journey. Many photos from their trip can be seen on the parish Facebook page (@goodshepherdelkgrove). Much love and thanks from the group. Viva Cristo Rey!!

READINGS & OBSERVANCES

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Pius X, Pope
Monday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
Wednesday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle
Thursday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest
Saturday: St. Monica

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

5:00pm Iris Dingding (+)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

7:00 am Bernardo Roxas (DA)

9:00 am Rick Centeno (BD)

11:00 am Roger Baht (+)

1:00 pm Armando Dela Merced Mangahas (+)

5:00 pm Peter Lozancich (+)

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

Mary K. Rooney (DA)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

Isabel Alejo (DA)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

Mikayla Chavez (BD)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

Gregoria Cabrera (+)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

Farah Manguba (BD)

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: 9am 8/21: Robert and Theone Divinagracia; 11 am 8/21: Noel Antonio; 5pm 8/21: Noel Antonio; 8/24: Leslie Vicio

Thanksgiving: 11 am 8/21: Carla Keh & Family; 1pm 8/21: Noel and Monina Antonio; 5pm 8/21: Monina Antonio; 8/24: Saez family

Special Intention for Healing: 5pm 8/21: Lilibeth

Special Intention: 5pm 8/20: Stella Ilo Adakama; 7am 8/21: Pasos family

Anniversary: 5pm 8/20: Ramon and Maura Zapiraian (50 yr WA)

Death Anniversary: 9am 8/21: Consolacion Bello, Yolanda Bello; 1pm 8/21: Onofre Albayalde; 8/23: AJ Camerino (1 yr DA); 8/24: Carolina Garcia; 8/26: Gregoria Cabrera (1yr DA)

Repose of the Soul: All Masses: 8/20 and 8/21: Luciano Mahinay Jr., Rodrigo De La Cruz; 5pm Sat 8/20: Scott Avis, Pete and Teodora Bulatao, Arthur Coleman, Raj Rani Kapahi, Counsuelo Ferniz Sioson; 7am 8/21: Conrado and Estela Gunabe, Angeles S. Urbano, deceased members of the Urbano family; 9am 8/21: Joao Silva, William Sweeney; 11am 8/21: Ann Eder, Doris Goodale, Paul Petruzzelli, Henry St-Cyr; 5pm 8/21: Jacinto Gonzales; 8/23: Selfa Cajandig

SCHEDULING A MASS INTENTION/PRAYER REQUEST

If you have a Mass intention or prayer request, please contact the parish office (either by phone or email) to confirm that your requested Mass time is available BEFORE submitting payment in the collection basket or through Faith Direct. If you do not contact the parish office first, we can not guarantee that your intention will be added to the requested Mass.

CHANCING THE NARROW GATE

From doctors to counselors, anthropologists to schoolteachers, it seems like everyone has their own parenting style to peddle, guaranteeing it will result in a happy and well-adjusted kid.

You've got "gentle parenting," predicated on respect for the child's feelings and needs. You've got "attachment parenting," based on the belief that kids need time to adjust to being outside of the womb. You've got "free-range parenting," where self-sufficiency reigns supreme.

But of all the parenting approaches I've come across, I've never encountered a philosophy that rejects discipline altogether. There are lots of conflicting opinions on how best to administer that discipline, but I've never heard any parent or parenting "expert" worth their salt say that a mother or father should completely ignore misbehavior that threatens the well-being of the child himself.

Discipline is in our human DNA. Consider for a moment what the world would look like if it came to be filled with people who had never been taught to reflect on their life challenges. People who bristled at the suggestion of personal growth.

And yet we become this way with God. Even the most "devout" among us shy away from occasions of divine constructive criticism. We avoid confession and forego daily examinations of conscience. We keep things superficial in our prayer life, avoiding depth of heart and real intimacy with God, afraid of what He will speak to us.

But when we do this, we rob ourselves of an opportunity to rely on God's fatherly strength, to rest in His mercy, to fill ourselves up with His goodness. We're putting up our hands, saying: "No thanks, Father, I'm good. You can keep your discipline. You can keep your grace."

When we do this, we are making a beeline for the "narrow gate," sure of our own strength and ability to pass through it. All I can say is this, proceed at your own peril. Are you so sure of yourself?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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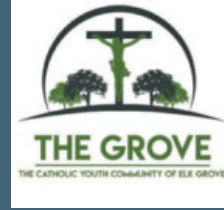
Thank you for your support of our St. Vincent de Paul Society! On August 15 we served 54 families consisting of 237 people and gave out 210 boxes of food. **We currently can not accept any more clothing.** SVdP has funds available for utility assistance for our 95757 and 95758 residents. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243. Food distribution is on Monday mornings from 9:00 –10:00 am.

EMAIL SCAM REQUESTS

Email phishing scams continue to be a problem in our diocese. Please remember that no priest or bishop will ever send you an email asking for gift cards or donations. If you receive such an email, do not respond. If in doubt, please contact the parish office.

WE WERE BORN READY CAMPAIGN

Join us! "We Were Born Ready" is a forum to empower, equip, mobilize, and resource Catholics to fulfill their baptismal call to serve women, children, and families, especially women in difficult and unexpected pregnancies. Catholics are called to take an active role in legislative issues that harm those most vulnerable in our society. Visit www.wewerebornready.com or for more information, contact Moises De Leon at 916-733-0133 or mdeleon@scd.



YOUTH MINISTRY

All high school teens are invited to OnFire NorCal (onfirenorcal.com) at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom on Sept. 17th.

To register to attend OnFire and for more information on this and other youth events such as Boba & Sisters and Faith Olympics, visit thegroveyouthministry.com.

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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.**

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Father Vaughan is seeking parishioners to fill several vacancies on the Parish Finance Council which functions as a consultative body to the pastor to advise 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.

JOIN THE NEW ARTS & ENVIRONMENT TEAM MAKING OUR CHURCH BEAUTIFUL

Are you looking for a way to get involved with the parish and have fun? Our Arts & Environment Ministry is responsible for enhancing our worship space through the use of floral design, art and other elements in keeping with the liturgical seasons. We will meet on **Wednesday, August 31st at 7PM in the Church Conference Room** to plan the year. Now is the perfect time to learn more - join us for just one meeting with no commitment required. Contact the church office at gscceoffice@frontier.com for more information.

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Wed., Aug. 24, 2022 – Mass, 6:30 p.m.

Concelebrating: Rev. Michael Vaughan, Good Shepherd Pastor and Rev. George Snyder, Jr., St. Clare Pastor, and homilist

Blessing: Following Mass, opportunity for personal blessings upon those in attendance and receipt of Blessed Carlo Acutis Holy Card & Novena

Thur., Aug. 25 through Sun., Aug. 28 – Veneration & Exhibit

Veneration: Venerate the holy relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Exhibit: View the Eucharistic Miracles display
Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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