


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.

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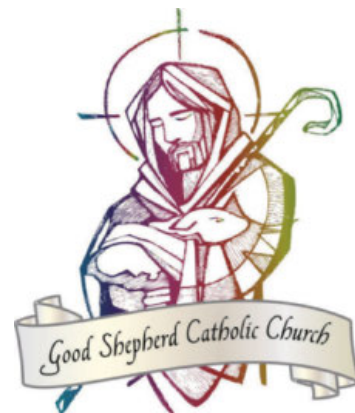


26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.'"

- Lk 16:25

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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

Gospel Mass: Third Saturday at 5:00 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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS:

Monday-Friday 8:00-8:20 am

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

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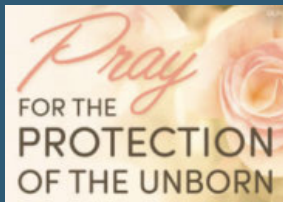
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NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY TO DEFEAT PROPOSITION 1

Our Bishops understand there are a lot of causes that lead to abortion and they are not easily or quickly resolved. The negative impact of abortion on women and the family shows that PROP 1 leads us in the wrong direction. We have been called to engage in fasting and prayer to end abortion and for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit to form the minds and hearts of California citizens to defeat Prop 1. With that in mind, we invite everyone to join a **Novena to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary from Sept. 29 - Oct. 7 here at Good Shepherd.** See the schedule below and join us as we pray for the LORD's guidance on how to address the issues that lead so many to abortion.



- 9/29 & 9/30 –after the 8:30 am Mass
- 10/1/22—after the 9:30 am Mass
- 10/2/22 - after the 5:00 pm Mass
- 10/3 & 10/4 - after the 8:30 am Mass
- 10/5/22—during Adoration (at 6 pm)
- 10/6/22—after the 8:30 am Mass
- 10/7/22—during Adoration (at 12:00 pm)

You can also join our interfaith friends of 40 Days for Life from Sept. 28-Nov. 6 for their annual campaign to end abortion by joining them in peacefully praying during a 40-day vigil in front of the Planned Parenthood Abortion Business in Sacramento. For more information and to sign up go to www.40daysforlife.com/sacramento. If you would like to assist the Pro-Life community of Elk Grove please contact Gary at greenhope28@yahoo.com. Come and help women who may be dealing with a crisis pregnancy and help save the lives of babies...come and live out the Gospel of Life!



FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

This year there will be two opportunities to have your animals blessed. The first will be on Sun., Oct. 2nd at 2:15 pm (after 1:00 pm Mass) in the church parking lot closest to the rectory. The second day will be Tues., Oct. 4th at 2:00 pm with the students of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School in the plaza. Please have your animals on a leash or in a cage.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 25: Spanish Mass @ 7:00 pm
- Sept. 29-Oct. 7: Novena to End Abortion
- Oct. 1: First Saturday Mass @ 9:30 am
- Oct. 2: Pancake Breakfast in Fr. Philip Wells Hall
- Oct. 2: Swahili Mass @ 2:30 pm



Saturday, October 1st is the Feast day of St. Therese of The Child Jesus. It is the 25th anniversary of Therese being proclaimed Doctor of The Church. There will be a First Class relic of the Saint of The Little Way present at the 9:30 am Mass. St. Therese, known as the Little Flower, urges all of us to follow "the little way" of allowing God to work through us as a guiding light for the faithful.

WORLD DAY FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

This Sunday, September 25, the Church celebrates World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Since 1914, this has been an occasion to express concern for different vulnerable people on the move; to pray for them as they face many challenges; and to increase awareness about the opportunities that migration offers. We pray for the health and safety of all leaving or fleeing their homes.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEMORIAL

To commemorate and honor the founder and guide of the St. Vincent de Paul conference, a memorial Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 am on Tues., Sept. 27. Please join us in acknowledging this beloved saint who is such a big part of our Good Shepherd community.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Beginning this weekend, Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume for children in grades 1-5 at the 9 and 11 am Masses. Children will be dismissed just before the first reading and will return for the Profession of Faith. Please encourage your children to join us! If you would like to volunteer as a Teacher or Teacher's Assistant, please email us at clow@gsceeg.org.

KINDERCHURCH REGISTRATION

Kinderchurch begins this weekend during the 11:00 am Mass and will continue on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month. For more information visit <https://gsceeg.org/blog/kinderchurch-back> or email kinderchurch@gsceeg.org.

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

Calling all Altar Servers! Thank you for your hard work and participation in our weekend liturgy. Stop by the school picnic table area on Sunday 9/25 after the 9am, 11am and 1pm Masses to enjoy an Ice Cream Float. The only thing we ask is that you bring a friend or a sibling to learn more about our ministry. If you or your child are interested in learning more about becoming an altar server, stop by and enjoy a treat with us!



Thank you altar servers!

READINGS & OBSERVANCES

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31
Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; National Migration Week
Monday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
Tuesday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
Wednesday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
Thursday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
Friday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

5:00 pm Tirso Pepito (+)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:00 am Mikaylee Magtoto (1yr BD)
9:00 am Bhonna Del Rosario (BD)
11:00 am Ann Eder (+)
1:00 pm Luisa Javier (+)
5:00 pm Alfredo Leones Batoon (DA)
7:00 pm Fr. Michael Vaughan (SI)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Matilde Palmer (BD)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Vega-Aguilar family (TG)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Manuel and Jose Barros (+)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Guadelia Pascua (BD)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Roger Vizcarra (+)

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 9/24: Grace Garcia, Jonathan Ramil E. Orozco, Maria Tang; 7am 9/25: Oscar Aguilar;

9am 9/25: Mikaylee Magtoto (1yr BD), Norman Tinio; 11am 9/25: Jennifer Yamzon

Thanksgiving: 5pm 9/24: Handal family; 9/27: Colen Noveno

Special Intention for Healing: 7am 9/25: Pat Viduya; 5pm 9/25: Larry DiGiovanna

Special Intention: 1pm 9/25: Fr. Julius Kiogora Kaburu; 5pm 9/25: Fr. Diogo Baptista; 9/26: Shelly Clark Dixon

Wedding Anniversary: 9am 9/25: Edwin and Irene Camerino; 5pm 9/25: Dominic and Natly Cordima (25th year WA)

Death Anniversary: 7am 9/25: Paz Balance, Emerito Lopez (8yrDA); 9/26: Manuel Baysa; 9/27: Patsy Ludwig; 9/28: Filemon V. Dimaano; 9/29: Michael Salgado (10yrDA)

Rest of the Soul: All Masses: Beth Winkler; 5pm 9/24: Edita Chua, Uchenna Victor Dike, Florentina Gomez, Patricia Gomez; 9am 9/25: Venancio Del Rosario, Daria Vida; 11am 9/25: Peter Bui, Linh Le, Nhuan Nguyen, Khanh and Nhu Tran; 1pm 9/25: Uchenna Victor Dike, Jesus Mariano; 9/26: Uchenna Victor Dike (9/27-30); 9/28: Cesar Bautista, Zackery Branchflower, Dulce Caanacan, Wenceslao Katindoy; 9/29: Joe Dominador C. America, Pacita C. America, Teodor C. America, Liwanag Dominguez; Joao Silva

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 Mass you have requested.



COMPETING LIKE A STEWARD

Picture it: family game night. What are you playing? Monopoly? Clue? Chess? Poker?

Whatever your game of choice, I'll bet the night is a lot more fun when everyone tries their best to win. Sure, no one likes an obnoxiously competitive opponent — but if we're being honest with ourselves, it's actually more annoying to face off with someone who just doesn't care. A little competition gives the activity a pulse. It keeps everyone interested. It speaks to the worthiness of the endeavor.

We are told to "compete well for the faith." These are confusing words, perhaps, since cutthroat competition doesn't jive with the spiritual ideals of submission and humility. So why is God asking this of us? He isn't setting up some kind of cosmic contest to reward the smartest, strongest, and fastest among us with His mercy and grace.

Competition doesn't have to mean aggressive self-interest. It doesn't have to mean ferocity and lack of principle. Competition can — and should — mean witness. Think of the Olympics. There's a competition that isn't a conquest or a performance but rather a testimony — a feat of strength! A celebration of ability, hard work, and effort. Does anything glorify God more than that?

Let's strive to be competitive, but with the competitive nature of an everyday steward: that which seeks the good of all running the race.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Prayer for Priests

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest.

Amen

(Prayer for Priests - USCCB)

Today is **Priesthood Sunday**. Please join the Vocation Ministry in praying for our priests, praising God for their courage and generosity. Let us greet and thank them for their faithful Ministry. God bless you, Fr. Michael, Fr. Julius and Fr. Diogo!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you for your support of our St. Vincent de Paul Society! On September 19 we served 48 families consisting of 210 people and gave out 201 boxes of food. **We currently can not accept any 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.

HOLY SPIRIT NOVENA

The Holy Spirit Novena Ministry is having a special prayer for the works of the Holy Spirit on Saturday, Oct 1 in the church starting 8:40 am. (Romans 8:1-17). All are welcome to join and pray.

Come Holy Spirit. For more information email sisonmyrna@gmail.com.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY CONFERENCE

Oct 14th- for teens and parents and Oct. 15th - for anyone interested in learning more about Theology of the Body, i.e. parents, catechists, and youth ministers. For more info and to RSVP, please Visit www.scd.org/tob2022.

SYNOD SYNTHESIS REPORT

Last January parishioners here at Good Shepherd and other churches in the diocese participated in special listening sessions and discussed their experiences and hopes for the Church. The diocese has compiled all responses into the Synod Synthesis Report which can be accessed at <https://www.scd.org/synod> or by scanning the QR code.



The Laguna Columbiettes Auxiliary #11236 will be putting on a Community Garage Sale on Oct. 22 in the church parking lot. Sell your object art, clothes, crafts and household goods. Space rental begins at \$25 and you keep all of your earnings from your sale. Donations can also be made for the Columbiettes' booth. Proceeds from this booth will be donated to a Catholic Church in the Ukraine. For more information visit <https://gscceg.org/blog/community-garage-sale>.



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NEW CHAIR FOR HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Pat Viduya, our Homebound Ministry Chair, is retiring after many years of leadership and dedication to Good Shepherd Catholic Church. Pat has been the driving force leading the team bringing Holy Eucharist to our homebound brothers and sisters. This includes those in care facilities and hospitals. Fr. Michael, Clergy, Liturgy Board and office staff thank Pat for her ongoing service to our community. Elizabeth Siregar has taken over as chair. If you are interested in learning more about becoming a Homebound Minister, email to homeboundministry@gscceg.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY

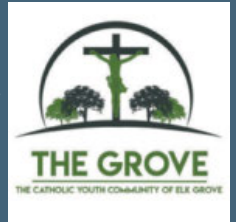
The Grove Youth Ministry has so much fun planned for the remainder of this year including Faith Olympics, XLT and a high school retreat. For more information and to RSVP, visit thegroveyouthministry.com.

Sept. 25: Thrive Together (high school kick off @ St. Joseph)

Sept. 30: Faith Olympics (middle school @ Good Shepherd)

Oct. 2: Thrive Together (high school @ Good Shepherd)

Oct. 21-23: High School Retreat



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER MINISTRY



We are in the process of creating a new ministry to assist with building maintenance and other projects around the parish. This ministry will be the **St. Joseph the Worker Ministry**. The inspiration for this ministry comes from St. Joseph who cared for Mary, his wife, and Jesus, his son, through his work as a carpenter, representing for us the ideal of dignified work and faithful contribution to the common good. His example reminds all workers to participate in God's continuing creation each and every day

through our own labor.

Please prayerfully consider joining this important ministry. While we especially need those with special talents, (electrician, plumbing, wood working, painting, etc.) anyone can join. In addition, we are looking for individuals interested in taking on a leadership role. You will find registration forms in the Narthex.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION (EMHC) AND HOMEBOUND MINISTERS (HB)

The final training session for new AND existing EMHC and HB will be Sept. 28 at 7:00 pm in the parish hall (please note time and location change). **Anyone wishing to become a new EMHC/HB minister must fill out the application found at gscceg.org/blog/extraordinary-minister-training.** For more info contact Carlos Llarena, EMHC Coordinator, by email at emhc@gscceg.org or contact the church office.

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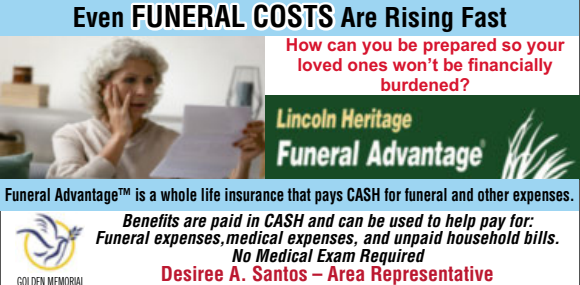
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