Good Shepherd Catholic Church

BECOMING A COMMUNITY OF CHRIST'S MISSIONARY DISCIPLES
ONE SHEPHERD, ONE FLOCK

Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm.
Please note: Rectory Closed 12:30-1:30 pm
Email: Good.Shepherd.Pac@sbcglobal.net

Pastoral Staff
Fr. Luello Palacpac, Pastor
Suzanne Chinn, Lay Pastoral Associate
Rev. Mr. Joseph LeBlanc, Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Benjamin Salvan, Permanent Deacon (ret.)
Mr. Leo Alvarez, School Principal
Juliet Kalotkin, Office Assistant
Colleen Durkin, Bookkeeper
Sr. Emelita Cinco, OP Office Volunteer (Mon).
Colette Grady, Office Volunteer (Tues, Wed)
Ger Farrell, Office Volunteer (Tues., Wed.)

Mass Schedule
Monday-Friday: 7:00 a.m.  (Tuesday 8:00 a.m.)
Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.
First Fridays Mass: 7:00 pm
Holy Days of Obligation: 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 7:00 pm

Sacraments
Baptism
Baptisms are celebrated each Sunday at 1:00 pm.
Please contact the rectory by phone or email
for more information.
Reconciliation
Saturdays: 3:45 pm- 4:45 pm and by appointment
Marriage
Please contact the Rectory at least six months before
the desired date in order to prepare properly for the
celebration of the Sacrament.
Sacrament of the Sick
If you know of anyone who is seriously ill at home
or in the hospital, please call the Rectory for the
anointing of the Sick. If you know of any parishioner
who is unable to come to Mass, please call the
Rectory so that one of the Ministers of the Eucharist
may bring Communion to the home.

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Pacifica, CA 94044
Phone: 650-355-2593
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**Liturgical Ministers– Dec 21 & 22**

**Readers**

**Saturday, 5:00 pm**
- Simone Billings (R1)
- Michael Gabriel (R2)

**Sunday, 8:00 am**
- Riane Briones (R1)
- Dottie Borba (R2)

**Sunday, 10:00 am**
- Cliff Taylor (R1)
- Gil Eliares (R2)

**Sunday, 12:00 pm**
- Marilea Anisco (R1)
- Marianne Eusebio (R2)

**Extra-ordinary Ministers**

**Saturday, 5:00 pm**
- Jett Chinn (1C)
- Lorna Perez (3H)
- Frances Danner (6H)
- Joseph Thompson (8C)

**Sunday, 8:00 am**
- Carole Kanne (1C)
- Kathy Spinetti (3H)
- Pam Harris (6H)
- Missing (8C)

**Sunday, 10:00 am**
- Anthony Silvestre (1C)
- Leswin Cunha (3H)
- Colette Grady (6H)
- Juliet Kalotkin (8C)

**Sunday, 12:00 pm**
- Josie Robles (1C)
- Dolly Corpus (6H)
- Tess Solleza (8C)

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**The Knights of Columbus**

If you’re interested in helping those in need, serving our Church and our community, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you.

Gil Eliares, Grand Knight
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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

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**SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS (c. 1542-1591)**

December 14

How beautiful the experience of love for God and neighbor, a fire deep within! How disheartening when love suddenly cools and our souls grow dark, our prayer arid. How painful when misunderstanding, even rejection, comes our way, sometimes from those we least expect. For all such “seasons of the soul,” an inspiring fellow-pilgrim is the poet and mystic John of the Cross.

As a young Carmelite, he was recruited by Teresa of Ávila for her Discalced (“barefoot,” evangelical poverty) Carmelite reform, striving to renew the Church from within after the Protestant Reformation had led countless religious away. John suffered unspeakably harsh abuse, even imprisonment, from friars who rejected this reform. Yet during these times of deepest suffering, John composed spiritual masterpieces that still guide souls to God, their titles reflecting his own painful yet ultimately victorious journey: from *The Dark Night of the Soul* through *The Ascent of Mount Carmel* to his Spiritual Canticle and *The Living Flame of Love*. John summarized his spirituality simply: “Put love where there is no love, and you will find love.”

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*Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return*

and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy.

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**REASON TO REJOICE**

Dark violet is used throughout Advent to express its character as a season of spiritual preparation for Christmas and “the coming of the Lord.” But on the Third Sunday of Advent, formerly known as *Gaudete* (Latin for “rejoice”) Sunday, rose may be added to the liturgical environment. The entire liturgy is infused with a spirit of rejoicing.

Today’s first reading and Gospel proclaim the reality of God’s saving work in our midst. Isaiah exuberantly describes the idyllic transformation of all creation as a result of God’s presence in the midst of the people. In the Gospel, Jesus connects Isaiah’s prophecy with what is happening in his own ministry. In addition to the list of healings from Isaiah (the blind, the lame, lepers, and the deaf), Jesus’ presence brings two other reasons for rejoicing: “The dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them” (Matthew 11:5).
Christ Heals the Whole Man. Man has been stricken by original sin; but the Divine Master does not destroy what God made good. Rather, he heals the wounds: “The bruised reed does not break, and smoking flax he shall not quench: (Is 42:31). In man, there are three concupiscence which make him deviate from the way to heaven. Jesus taught, and in the crib, He gave us the example of how to rule and supernaturalize the passions of pride, of covetousness and sensuality. Let us seek perfection until reach maturity in Christ. Indeed, Jesus Christ gradually forms in the good Christian as He gradually completes Himself in the Church, His Mystical Body.

“My thoughts are not your thoughts: (Is 55:8). Before showing us His love and revealing His heart to us. Jesus made us see into His Sermon on the Mount and His Beatitudes. (Saints & Thoughts for Every Day)

Special Two Hearts Devotion—The Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please join us in the Special Day of Prayer on Saturday, December 21, 2019 at St. Rita Hall. Hours are between 8:30 am and 3:30 pm.
PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Please pray for our sick and infirm, for those in the hospital or nursing homes and for those recovering at home.
Delta Santa Teresa
Rev. Mickey McCormick
Deacon Ben Salvan
John Eaves
Nelia Canossa

Virgin, most holy, Mother of the Word Incarnate, Treasurer of graces, and Refuge of sinners, I fly to your motherly affection with lively faith, and I beg of you the grace ever to do the will of God. Into your most holy hands I commit the keeping of my heart, asking you for health of soul and the body, in certain hope that you, my most loving Mother, will hear my prayer. Amen.

Parish Mission Statement

We are grateful disciples of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, striving to be a faith-filled community through the prayerful celebration of the liturgy and sacraments. We welcome all embracing our diversity and seeking to grow as a loving and nurturing community serving others with our God given talents and gifts.

Prayer for a Successful Parish Renewal

God of Love, our Good Shepherd,
You are with us in every transition and change. As we enter into this new era of parish renewal with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love.

We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us.

We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment.

We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another.

We ask this in your Holy Name.

Amen.
Our weekly goal is $6000

Thank you for giving back to the Lord part of what He has so generously given to you!

December 8, 2019    $5,752.45

Need a Helping Hand?
Saint Vincent de Paul cares about you and the loving and caring Vincentians here at Good Shepherd stand ready to help. Call us at: 650-355-2593

Thank you for your donations for the Giving Tree this season!