

Church of the Good Shepherd

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“But I say to you,
love your enemies
and pray for those
who persecute you.”

Matthew 5:44



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UPCOMING ORGAN PROGRAM

Monday, February 20th, the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will be presenting a 50 minute program at Good Shepherd beginning at 1:00PM. This is part of a tour of organs in Beverly Hills churches, and guest organist will be playing as well as our Music Director, Terry Hicks.

The program is free and open to the public.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, Feb 20th, in observance of Presidents' Day.



PARKING ON ASH WEDNESDAY

The City of Beverly Hills has extended our Church the courtesy of lifting the parking restrictions on the surrounding streets of Good Shepherd on Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023, for the entire day. Please note that you will be ticketed if you park in the red zones, block driveways or park in marked "fire lanes".

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Christian Meditation is at the Good Shepherd Parish Center Sacred Heart Chapel every
***Tuesday 7 - 8 p.m.**

and

***Thursday 11 a.m. - 12 Noon.**

Come and experience an hour of Christian Meditation. You need not be familiar with the practice to begin.

Visit WCCM-USA.org for more information or contact Penny Duffy at **310-285-5425 ext.1001**

Lent begins this Wednesday...

February 22nd is ASH WEDNESDAY.

Mass and Service Schedule
9:30 AM - School Mass. All are welcome.
12:05 Noon Mass
5:30 PM Liturgy of the Word with Ashes
7:30 PM Evening Mass



**Ash
Wednesday
Service**

Ashes will be distributed after the Homily at each service. This is a day of Fasting and Abstinence, which means abstain from meat and to fast. No eating between meals and only one full meal or other meals go lightly.

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY



Daily Weekday Masses - 12:05 PM
Wednesdays - 6:30 PM



Stations of the Cross
Friday Evenings 6:30 PM



Confessions
Wednesdays 7-8 PM, Saturdays 3-4 PM

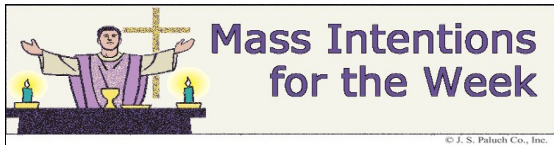


Wednesday Adoration - 6:30 PM Mass
Adoration follows 7-8 PM



Meditation (*Sacred Heart Chapel, Parish Center*)
Tuesdays 7 PM, Thursdays 11 AM

Due to our Ash Wednesday evening mass and an RCIA event on March 1st, our regular Wednesday evening masses will resume on March 8.



Monday, February 20
Tony Healy - (D)

Tuesday, February 21
Barbara Power - (D)

Wednesday, February 22
Ash Wednesday

Thursday, February 23
Marina Paulson - (D)

Friday, February 24
Rodrigo Ramirez - (D)

SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT



Special meeting on
Thursday, March 2nd, 7:00 PM in the
Parish Center. All persons interested
in planning social events for the Parish
as well as helping invigorate the
Sunday morning Coffee Hour from
11:00 - 2:00 pm. ***Come with your
creative, happy thoughts!***

67th ANNUAL L.A. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS

Join us in person on **February 23-26, 2023! Youth Day | Thursday, February 23, 2023**
at the **Anaheim Convention Center, 800 West Katella Ave., Anaheim, CA 92802**

The **Los Angeles Religious Education Congress** is a dynamic and exciting 4-day event filled with keynotes, workshops, liturgies, exhibits, and entertainment that showcase the depth and beauty of our Catholic faith.

To register, to learn more about the workshops, and calendar of events by visiting the RE Congress website at <https://recongress.org/>.



Once Again, God's People Are in Need of a Good Carpenter

Join us for our **Lent Build 2023**
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Help build, repair, and serve families in need of affordable
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February 22- April 9, 2023

Projects for all ages available for groups of 5-40.

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Space is limited, so register today and receive your
Lenten devotional calendar!



For additional information and to sign up, contact:
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You are the light of the world. A town built
on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light
a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put
it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in
the house.

- Matthew 5:14-16



DID YOU KNOW?

The importance of checking references.

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February 19, 2023 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

DISCIPLES TOGETHER

Today's readings reflect on our communal identity as disciples. Before we begin Lent together in a few days, we take time to appreciate what God has done by giving us our family of faith. In Leviticus, God tells Moses to "speak to the whole Israelite community" and give them instructions for living in love. Moses passes along the message—to each and every believer—that God's people must strive together for holiness. Saint Paul echoes this message, insisting that we are indeed God's holy children. As temples of the Spirit, we belong to Christ and to one another. This mutual belonging is a blessing and a challenge. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus sets a high bar for Christian community: his followers must love not only those who are easy to love, but also the people who upset us. Together, let us ask God to give us this kind of love.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Take no revenge and cherish no grudge; love your neighbor as yourself.

(Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18).

Psalm — Our God shows mercy and graciousness (Psalm 103).

Second Reading — You are the temple of God, and holy (1 Corinthians 3:16-23).

Gospel — Offer no resistance; love your enemies (Matthew 5:38-48).

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Ashes

There are three major Biblical traditions concerning ashes: repentance, mourning, and mortality, and they are interrelated. Repeatedly throughout the Bible we encounter the use of ashes (often together with sackcloth) as a penitential practice. A similar practice is seen when someone is in mourning or distress. And ashes are a metaphor for human life, which is seen as brief and destined to end in death: Ashes are the result of fire, the complete burning of something that was alive. They are ephemeral; the slightest puff of air can send them away into nothingness. It is easy to see how ashes came to symbolize fleeting human life or the humility of repentance. Ashes can represent other things as well. For example, ashes are often used to fertilize our gardens and fields. Ash is therefore necessary to bring about and nourish life. We can now begin to see how appropriate a symbol ashes are for the season of Lent. For Lent is not only a time of repentance, of sorrow for our sins. It is a baptismal season of preparation for the new life of our catechumens and of recalling the new life of our own baptism. We start Lent in ashes, and end it in Easter.

What will the ashes mean to you this Lent?

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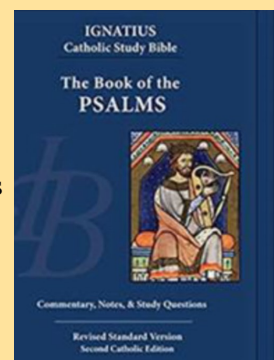


BIBLE STUDY

The Adult Bible Study Schedule for 2023 is as follows:

SATURDAYS 10 - 11:30 a.m. in Person	Week 11: February 18, <i>Psalm 33-36</i> Week 12: March 4, <i>Psalm 37-40</i> Week 13: March 18, <i>Psalm 41-44</i> Easter Break, Easter: April 9, 2023
MONDAYS 7 - 8:30 p.m. on Zoom	Week 11: February 20, <i>Psalm 33-36</i> Week 12: March 6, <i>Psalm 37-40</i> Week 13: March 20, <i>Psalm 41-44</i>

The Book of Psalms Study Guide are available at the Parish Center Office for \$13.



For more information please call the Parish Office at 310-285 5425 or (213) 308-9481.



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