

Mass Times

Holy Days/First Fridays

Weekdays: Mon, Wed-Fri 9 am Saturday Vigil 5 pm Sunday 8 am 10 am 12 pm

Confession Hours

Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm & by Appt.

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church

August 7, 2022 Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

FORMED°

8700 Bradshaw Rd Elk Grove, CA 95624

(916) 647-4538 www.smgcc.net



6:30 pm





FM Radio 91.9 (Short Range)

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

OFFICE CLOSED
Tues, Thurs, Sat & Sun



ADORATION CHAPEL 9:00 am — 3:00 pm

OPEN: M, W, F

Capital Campaign News

Seven weeks ago, every registered parishioner was mailed a campaign packet which introduced the Moving Forward as One campaign to pay off our loan on the Parish Center. Each week, we have highlighted the need and the benefits of paying off our loan and asked every family to participate. Thank you to those who have stepped up and made a prayerful and sacrificial gift. As of August 1, 160 parishioners have pledged a total of \$930,474!

The official phase of the campaign concludes next weekend, August 13th/14th, and we are still short of our goal. If you haven't joined your fellow parishioners in supporting this important campaign, please do so now. After August 14th, we will tally the total debt reductions received and we will officially thank those who have made a pledge, celebrate our progress and offer everyone another chance to invest in the future of St. Maria Goretti through the Commitment Weekend.

We ask every member of our parish community to participate by making a sacrificial gift, each according to his or her means. Parishioners are invited to make a gift over a three-year period in order to maximize the impact of their gift. If everyone makes a gift in faith, we will quickly reach our goal. Please remember that no gift is too small. Every gift matters. Your gift matters.

If you would like to make your commitment today, pledge cards are available in the vestibule of the church. You can also enter your pledge information directly on Faith Direct at smgcc.net. Thank you for your support!



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My Dear Parishioners,

This week, the Holy Mother Church commemorates many special men and women of faith. On August 8th, we remember St. Dominic – whose life of austerity began even as he was a young man, giving away his possessions during a great famine in Spain. He helped popularize the devotion to the rosary, and is considered as the patron saint of astronomers and the islands of Malta and the Dominican Republic. Another saint who is someone very special to me is St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (her real name is Edith Stein before she was ordained). She was a Carmelite Jewish nun who was murdered on August 9, 1942 during the Nazi occupation. She is one among the three patronesses of Europe.

We also remember St. Lawrence, Deacon, on Wednesday, August 10th. It was believed that St. Lawrence was martyred by being burned alive with the use of a gridiron. He is venerated as one of the patrons of the city of Rome. On August 11th, Thursday, we remember St. Claire of Assisi who is a disciple of St. Francis. She founded the Poor Claires and lived a life of simplicity, love, and generosity.

So this week, may your lives be full of blessings as you are blessing to me and the entire community of St. Maria Goretti. I will be away on vacation soon to visit my ailing mother in Poland but Fr. Borlang will be in charge while I am away. I am sure that you will extend to him the same hospitality you have in the past. Thank you.

~ Fr. Sylvester Kwiatkowski

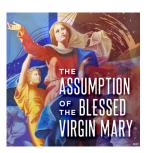
Parish Announcements

UPCOMING MARIAN CELEBRATIONS



Our Devotion Continues! Our Lady of Fatima Mass

Saturday, August 13th during the 5 PM Mass. Procession follows.



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, August 15th Masses for this Solemnity at 9 AM and 6:30 PM

We thank you for observing the proper summer attire during our liturgies.

Our demeanor reflects the love and care for our appearance and consideration of others during these special gatherings. Our modesty sets the stage for a more solemn celebration for all.

Solicitors on Parish **Grounds and Outside** Gates:

Please let us refer them to agencies who can help them for the long term.

Save the Date! PARISH FESTIVAL "Night Market" Saturday, October 8, 2022, After the 5 PM Mass Food booths, Merchandise, Entertainment, Raffle and Silent Auction

For more information or to Volunteer Contact: Jude & Tonton Salgado judesalgado@gmail.com (916) 892-6288 tonton17@hotmail.com (925) 759-7794

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND

God is maybe calling you to serve God's people as a Pastoral Visitor to the Sick and the Homebound. Interested in this type of ministry? Call or email Ms. Teresa Reyes in the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions for the Week of August 7

Terry & Noreen Martin, People of the Parish, Randy Rocca, David & Anthony Benham, Josephine Cardenas, Rupert Fenequito, Pedro Hernandez, Sam Yohanna Salgado

Faith Formation

Catholic Faith Formation (CFF)

REGISTRATION

CFF YEAR 2022-23

CFF Enrollment

June 11th — Aug 12th

Forms are Available in our Website and in the Narthex

http://smgcc.net/cff.html

Forms to submit:

- 1. Registration Form
- New Student and 1st Grade Baptismal Certificate
- Confirmation Year 2 Student Baptismal and 1st Communion Certificate.

If transferring from another parish and enrolling for 1st Communion Year 2 and Confirmation Year 2, a Recommendation Letter from the Director for Religious Education (DRE) of the prior parish is needed.

Fees:

To be assessed on the day of enrollment. There will also be ADDITIONAL FEES for students receiving their 1st Communion and Confirmation in 2023.

Late Registration Fee of \$20.00 applies by August 14th.

Important Dates to Remember:

First Holy Communion

Parent's Conference Sunday, August 21, 1:15 PM

Confirmation Yr. 2 Orientation for Students and Parents

Wednesday, August 24, 6:30 PM

First Day of Sunday Class: Sept. 11

First Day of Wednesday Class: Sept. 14

CFF Office Hours

Mon., Wed., Fri. 10:00 AM — 4:00 PM & Sundays: 9:00 AM — 1:00 PM

Questions? Contact:

Sr. Ma. Rosabel Sare, RVM Email: cff@smgcc.net

Walking with Mary Women's Retreat, Saturday, August 27, 2022, 8:30 AM –1:30 PM St. Mel Parish Center, Fair Oaks \$40@ Contact: Nicole Zamora (916) 802 - 3749

Details and registration: www.scd.org/walking-with-mary

What Method is Best for Us?



Learn what makes each method unique so you can decide which one fits you best.

Celebrate Natural Family Planning Week

This year's theme is "Called to the Joy of Love". The Catholic Church promotes Natural Family Planning (NFP) as a moral way to plan for children in accordance with God's will for your family.

Modern methods of NFP have proven to be 99% effective in postponing pregnancy. It is also used with considerable success by couples trying to conceive – even when they've previously had difficulty achieving pregnancy. NFP is based on an awareness of a woman's fertility. You'll learn how to interpret certain signs of a woman's body that indicate her fertile and infertile times. The health benefits – physical, emotional, relational and spiritual – of practicing NFP are huge. While contraceptives treat your fertility as a disease, as something to suppress or treat, NFP treats your fertility as a gift and an integral part of the language your body speaks in marriage and love. For more info, email respectlife@smqcc.net.

RCIA (B)

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Session: August 11, Thurs, 7 PM Who are Catholics? Testimonials

For more info email: rcia@smgcc.net

The Great Bible Timeline Study Series

Please sign up at the Narthex if interested or call the Office.
Volunteers needed. Book orders and schedule to be finalized after sign up.



ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP

2nd MONDAY Every Month @ 7PM Next Session: August 8th, 2022

Contact Ed Reyes edwardreyes1@comcast.net

Save the Date! Ministry Days '22 Friday and Saturday September 23 & 24, 2022 St. Francis High School

Ministry Days is the largest gathering of ministers, catechists and Catholic school teachers in the Diocese of Sacramento. The event is an excellent opportunity to network with others who serve our parishes and schools.

Prayer Corner



- ~ Please pray for those listed in our Prayer Book of Intentions, those who are sick, in pain or recovery, or in need of spiritual healing.
- ~ Please pray for the souls of those who have died:

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord; and perpetual light
shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
~ Amen.

Joseph Mathew Menezes Harriett Gammon Claro Guico

~ Pray for our Military Personnel, wherever duty calls them to serve.

Young Adult Retreat Search

Search is a retreat movement for adults 18-39 years of age.
August 26-28, 2022
St. Katherine Drexel Catholic Parish 11361 Prospect Drive, Jackson, CA 95642

Form more information and registration:

Luis Soria (916) 670 -4956 Xochitl Pazaran (530) 370-6529 Eder Carrasco (916) 308 6171

STEWARDSHIP

Week of July 30 - 31: \$ 5,033

God Bless You Abundantly For Your Generosity!



MAKE YOUR DONATION ONLINE

Collection for Church in Latin America

This weekend, we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity makes it possible for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous to the special collection! To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america. to donate online, visit https:// www.scd.org/cla.

LIVESTREAM TEAM NEEDED

No experience needed. We will train you!

Call (916) 956-7777 or email:

samcole3@msn.com

Help us help our Parish Community.

Open to Seniors, Adults, Students, or anyone willing to volunteer 90 minutes a week during Saturday Mass or Special Occasions. Be a part of our Streaming Team. Excellent learning opportunity provides a special service for those who cannot attend in person and/or live elsewhere.

BULLETIN & WEBSITE POSTS—ADS

Submission deadline: Mondays 12:00 pm Contact Parish Office (916) 647-4538 (x205) OR email: smgliturgy@outlook.com

WISHING TO HELP WITH THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BUT CANNOT YET COMMIT?

Nothing is too small. You can still donate any amount at any time! Mark a check or an envelope with the words "Capital Campaign" or "Moving Forward as One". You do not need to write on the pledge cards if you are not ready to commit for the long term. Just clearly indicate the nature of this contribution and we will be happy to apply the amount towards the proper donation. Thank you so much for your support. Again, every donation is important!

Community Help

If you are in need of food, clothing, rent and utility assistance, please call St. Vincent De Paul Society (916) 667-2779 Or

Elk Grove Food Bank Services RESOURCE & ASSISTANCE (Food—Clothing)

Hours: Mon – Fri: 10 AM – 3 PM Saturday: 9 AM – 12 PM

For more info: Call (916) 685-8453 or http://www.elkgrovefoodbank.org/

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council #15589

Officer Meeting: 1st Tuesday General Meeting: 3rd Tuesday **Grand Knight: Sal Lira** Email: sal-lira@usa.net

For more info visit KoC website: https://uknight.org/ CouncilSite/?CNO=15589



Divine Mercy Human **Development Foundation**

11th Summer BBQ Fundraising August 7, 2022 (Sunday) 3:00-6:00 PM 8300 Florin Rd (cor. Pritchard) Sacramento, CA 95828 Donation: \$15 (adults), \$10 for kids 7-12

Kids 6 and under eat free! Contact? Sandy at skdell16@yahoo.com Or Luz at luzmanrique174@gmail.com

Respect Life Training

Join us to Defend Life! Respect Life Training further the mission along with our partners in the Respect Life ministry.

Dt 30:19 - I call heaven and earth today to witness against you: I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life, then, that you and your descendants may live.

Topics that will be covered: Why do we need to defend life? What is the concept of prolife? What should every Catholic know post Roe v. Wade?

Guest speaker: Father Shenan Boquet, president of Human Life International Location: St Mary's Church (350 Stinson Ave., Sacramento, CA 95688)

August 11, 2022 from 6:00pm-8:00pm

For more information: https://www.scd.org/

event/respect-life-training

For more information, contact Moises De Leon at 916-733-0133 or mdeleon@scd.org

Thank you for your support!





Parish Building Fundraising 1st Monday of Each Month

Papa Murphy's Take 'N' Bake Pizza 8364 Elk Grove-Florin Road, Sacramento, CA 95829 (Behind The Dollar Tree) (916) 681-7272



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