

The foreigners who join themselves to the Lord . . .

# Twill bring to my holy mountain .

for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

ISAIAH 56:6, 7

August 16, 2020

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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BE DISCIPLES. MAKE DISCIPLES.

IN WELCOMING ALL, WE FORM DISCIPLES WHO KNOW, LOVE, AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR.

# Welcome! We're so glad you're here.

At Good Shepherd, we seek to foster a lifestyle of discipleship focused on the five characteristics of a disciple: welcome, encounter, grow, serve, and share. Learn more at gscc.net/disciples

If you are visiting, we hope you will stop by our Welcome Desk in the Narthex for a gift! If you'd like to become a member, visit **gscc.net/register**. To learn more about becoming Catholic, visit **gscc.net/becomingcatholic** 

#### **Weekend Masses:**

Sat: 5:00pm | Sun: 9:00am, 11:00am, & 4:00pm

Daily Masses:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 8:30am

Wed: 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Mon: 9:00am | Wed: 6:00pm Thurs: 7:00pm | Sat: 3:30 - 4:30pm By appointment: 817-421-1387

Sacrament of Anointing: Please see a priest after Mass

or contact the parish office: 817-421-1387

**Sacrament of Baptism:** To register for Pre-Baptism Class, visit asserted.

visit gscc.net

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Before scheduling your wedding, contact the parish office to begin preparing for the Sacrament at least eight months prior.

Marriage Validations: To have your marriage validated as a sacrament by the Church, contact Tammy Sandoval: 817-421-1387

Funeral Rites: Before making arrangements with the funeral director, contact Brian Bacon: 817-421-1387 Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

# **Contact Information & Pastoral Staff**

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Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs: 8:00am - 5:00pm | Fri: 8:00am - 2:00pm

Sat: 9:00am - 5:00pm | Sun: 8:00am - 5:00pm

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#### This Week at a Glance

**A** = Adults | **Y** = Youth | **P** = Parish-Wide (varied ages)

Please note that non-liturgical gatherings are not being held on campus until at least September 1, 2020.

#### Tuesday, August 18

- All COVID-19 Choir Rehearsal 4:00pm (Church)
- A// Stephen Ministry Info Night 7:00pm (via Zoom) Wednesday, August 19
- All Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm (St. Francis) Thursday, August 20
- All Modern Worship Ensemble Rehearsal 3:00pm (Church)
- All Financial Peace University Info Night 6:30pm (via Zoom)
- P// UGM Sack Lunch Project 7:00pm (off site) Saturday, August 22
- **P**// Donation Drop-off Station 8:30am-11:30am (West Side of Parish Hall)

Visit **gscc.net/bulletin** to access an interactive version of this bulletin with live links to all web pages mentioned.



#### Last Weekend's Mass Attendance

In Person Masses

5:00pm: 289 | 9:00am: 312 | 11:00am: 339 | 4:00pm: 360 **Total: 1,300** 

Virtual Live-Stream Masses

5:00pm: 91 | 9:00am: 173 | 11:00am: 63 | 4:00pm: 47 Total: 374

All Time Views of Virtual Live-Stream Masses

5:00pm: 888 | 9:00am: 1,400| 11:00am: 725 | 4:00pm: 1,100 **Total: 4,113** 

Has your contact information or address changed? Email Bryan Trachier: btrachier@gscc.net

# **Weekly Reflection**

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 16



#### WHY PRAY?

The "foreigners" as Isaiah calls them, the "Gentiles" as Paul calls them, or the "Canaanites" as Matthew calls them are called to worship the one true God in prayer. As we listen to

today's readings, perhaps we are tempted to ask: Why pray? The question is rhetorical; it is tantamount to asking why should friends talk to one another or people in love kiss one another. Prayer is a way of relating to God, a way of talking to God. The apostles had the opportunity to talk to Jesus in the flesh. We have the opportunity to talk to Jesus Christ in prayer. Our relationship with him must be enthusiastic; it cannot be faint-hearted. John Donne, a fifteenth-century poet, knew what the qualities of good prayer were. Donne asks God to treat him differently from most Christians. The poet does not want God to merely "knock, breathe, shine, and seek to mend," but also to "break, blow, burn, and make me new" (Holy Sonnets, XIV).

It takes a dynamic faith on our part to come to God in prayer. As Jesus once said, "Knock and the door will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7). It may take pounding the door down, but if we are as persistent as the woman in today's Gospel, the results will follow. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

# Mass Readings & Intentions: 8/17-8/23

Mon Ez 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22

8:30am +Walt Hawrylak by John & Marilyn Finke

**Tues** Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30 +Mike Otter by Brian Wasson

+Bill & Vern Lussier by the Lussier family

Wed Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16 7:00pm +Sally Molina by Stephen Ministry

**Thurs** Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14

8:30am +Buddy & Gertrude Higgins by Jim & Sonya Higgins

Fri Ez 37:1-14: Mt 22:34-40

8:30am +Waclawa Bubilo by the Halicki family

Sat Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12 8:30am +Archie Brock by Brian Wasson

SUNDAY

Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

Sat 5:00pm Living & Deceased of our Parish by the Pastor Sun 9:00am Michele Robson by the Wopwood family

Sun 11:00am +Lee & Nguyen by Kim Lee Sun 4:00pm +Clara Hutto by Time & Marti Riedel

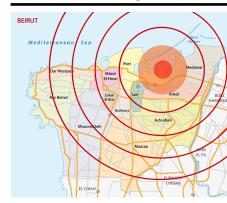
# **Reminder Regarding In-Person Mass**

At this time the faithful are still dispensed in charity from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. In addition to inperson Masses, weekend Masses will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook until all restrictions have been lifted. All attending Mass are asked to do so with patience and understanding. Please follow the directions given by the parish staff and liturgical disciples before and after Mass.

If you are planning to attend Mass at Good Shepherd Catholic Community, it is important to know the liturgical adaptations implemented on June 24. For a complete list of requirements, please visit **gscc.net/important-announcement.** 

Out of love and charity to our neighbors, please do not come to Mass if you are showing any symptoms of sickness. Pregnant women and those with pre-existing conditions are highly encouraged to stay at home during this Phase I of re-opening our parish community. Let us all continue to pray for those who have been afflicted by the COVID-19 pandemic through illness, economic hardship, or fear and anxiety.

# **Special Emergency Collection**



In response to the recent explosion in Beirut, Lebanon, Most Reverend Michael F. Olson has announced an emergency special collection in the Diocese of Fort Worth on August 22-23, 2020. Funds collected will be directed to support the work of

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) in conjunction with Caritas Lebanon.

Hosting more than 1-million Syrian refugees while battling the COVID-19 pandemic, Lebanon is already suffering from an economic and a healthcare crisis.

On August 4, a massive explosion rocked the city, injuring more than 5,000 and killing at least 137. Officials are still evacuating residents, while trying to grasp the cost in human life and misery.

Along with Caritas Lebanon, CRS is distributing emergency supplies, clearing rubble and preparing medical and mental health team for dispatch.

When you give, you provide critical and immediate relief to the most vulnerable—hot meals, safe shelter, medication, hygiene kits and clean water. Your gift also helps ensure that mobile medical units and trauma support are available for those who need it most.

Your prayers and support are urgently needed. Please give generously and donate to help families affected by the explosion in Beirut.



# A disciple WELCOMES God's people.

As a community of faith, we welcome all who come through our doors as Jesus Christ, and we challenge each member of Good Shepherd to practice radical hospitality by actively seeking out and inviting others to Good Shepherd.

Be Disciples. Make Disciples.

# **Operation: Appreciation—Phase 2**



Let's show the Colleyville Police Station and Fire Station personnel our support and appreciation of Good Shepherd Catholic Community!

Please send an email with your encouraging words, scripture verse, or prayer to <a href="mailto:Dkain@gscc.net">Dkain@gscc.net</a> with "Operation Appreciation" in the Subject line by August 23.

These will be printed and attached to banners for each of the fire stations and the police station and presented during a prayer and blessing service on August 27.

# Offer Prayers & Receive Prayers



Would you like prayers for a loved one? And/or, would you like to pray for others? Please visit our webpage at **gscc.net/prayerrequests** to submit a prayer request,

and we will send out a

prayer request email to those who have signed up to pray for your loved one. You can also visit this web page to sign up to receive prayer emails so that we can intercede for our brothers and sisters in Christ. Do you have prayers of thanksgiving? Visit the web page above so that we can give thanks to God for blessings received.

# Parish E-Newsletter



Are you receiving our weekly e-newsletter? To receive updates on important info and events, visit **gscc.net** and scroll to the footer on any page to sign up!

# Have you been affected by Covid-19?



Have you or your family been affected by COVID-19? Please let us know!

Visit gscc.net/affected-by-covid-19 and fill out the form to let our Friars know the impact COVID has had on you or your family. Our Friars wish to help in any way they can!

# **Now Hiring!**



GSCC is now hiring a Coordinator of Middle School Ministry. If you have a passion for leading young people to Christ, please consider learning more and applying at gscc.net/employment.

# New OR Longtime Parishioner? Start Here!



Good Shepherd exists to call each of our members, wherever they are, to a lifestyle of discipleship that involves WELCOMING God's people, ENCOUNTERING Jesus Christ, GROWING in Jesus

Christ, SERVING God's people, and SHARING the Gospel. As we seek to live out these five characteristics of a disciple, we may find that we are a new, growing, or missionary disciple. Visit **gscc.net/disciplesroadmap** to take our Disciple Self-Discovery to see where YOU are on your journey as a disciple of Jesus. Your results will offer practical suggestions for taking the next step forward as a disciple.

#### Reminder for In-Person Masses and Covid-19 Precautions

As you are aware, COVID-19 has become much more widespread in the recent days and weeks. In an effort to continue to maintain a safe campus at Good Shepherd Catholic Community, we are asking all those who come to the church to please review the information below.

#### PROTECT YOURSELF and THOSE AROUND YOU

- Wash your hands often
- Avoid close contact. Put 6 feet of distance between yourself and people who don't live in your household.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask or face covering. According to the CDC, face shields are not recommended, as it is to be a "splash guard" and does not directly cover the mouth and nose.
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Clean and disinfect frequently
- Monitor your health.

#### **SYMPTOM CHECK** – Stay home if you are experiencing any of the following symptoms!

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

#### **QUARANTINE** – Stay home if you might have been exposed to COVID-19

Quarantine is used to keep someone who might have been exposed to COVID-19 away from others. Quarantine helps prevent spread of disease that can occur before a person knows they are sick or if they are infected with the virus without feeling symptoms. People in quarantine should stay home, separate themselves from others, monitor their health, and follow directions from their state or local health department.

Anyone who has been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19 should quarantine. What counts as close contact?

- 1. You were within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for at least 15 minutes
- 2. You provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19
- 3. You had direct physical contact with the person
- 4. You shared eating or drinking utensils
- 5. They sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you

#### STAY HOME and monitor your health

Stay home for 14 days after your last contact with a person who has COVID-19

If possible, stay away from others, especially people who are at higher risk for getting very sick from COVID-19

All of the above information can be found on the website of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Good Shepherd Catholic Community is unable to manage who should or should not be on campus during this pandemic. We are asking all parish staff, liturgical disciples, pastoral musicians, and members of the congregation to please be aware of their own daily health situation. We ask that you do a self-health screen before coming to the Church and to stay home if you are exhibiting any of the symptoms outlined above.

If you or your household have been exposed to COVID-19 you should not work, volunteer, or attend liturgical services at Good Shepherd Catholic Community for 14 days since your last contact with the person who has COVID-19.

# **ENCOUNTER**



## A disciple ENCOUNTERS Jesus Christ.

We desire that parishioners, seekers, and guests experience the love of God the Father through a transformative encounter with Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit, leading them to commit their lives to Jesus as disciples.

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# **Weekly Faith Resources**

Check out these featured videos on Ascension Presents this week! For more information, visit qscc.net/resources



**Believing in a God Who Allows Evil by Fr. Mike Schmitz** It may sound foolish to believe in a God who allows evil, tragedy, suffering, and disasters. But God never promised to rid the world of these things. <u>He promised us hope</u>: "and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."

Romans 5:5 At some point we are going to experience heartbreak, loss, and suffering. Anyone who thought having faith in God would take away those things in life had the wrong idea of who God is. Fr. Mike says he has never been disappointed in God, because he knows what promises God did make. God is faithful. He will never break his promises, but he never promised that you would not ex-

perience grief. He did promise that in the midst of the pain he will be there. In being there, he will help you to love the giver of peace more than the gift of peace. Discipleship is a daily cross. God promised trouble, not peace. He encouraged us to take heart in the midst of that trouble, and that's how we grow stronger and holier. There will be floods and fire and sickness and tragedy. Turn to the one who promised he will be there with you through it all to help carry you through it. When we feel we have been let down by God the most, those are the times when trust in him means the most. To watch, visit https://media.ascensionpress.com/video/believing-in-a-god-who-allows-evil/



To Anyone Thinking About Leaving the Catholic Church by Jackie Angel There are many reasons to think about leaving the Catholic Church: <a href="https://hypocrites.org/nl/hypocrites.org/">hypocrites.org/nl/hypo

Anyone thinking about leaving the Church only has the latter two options. If you know someone who has left the Church, help them fall in love with Christ again. If you are thinking about leaving yourself, where else is there to go? Christ alone has the words of eternal life (John 6:68). Remember Christ's words: "Every one who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: he is like a man building a house, who dug deep, and laid the foundation upon rock; and when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house, and could not shake it, because it had been well built. But he who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation; against which the stream broke, and immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great." Luke 6:47-49 The division of Christianity is a scandal. Christ wants us all to be one as he and the Father are one (John 17:21). Christ has one bride, the Church. When we leave, God's family becomes broken. To watch, visit https://media.ascensionpress.com/video/to-anyone-thinking-about-leaving-the-catholic-church/

# Pilgrimage to Italy



Jan. 31 - Feb. 8, 2021
Join GSCC on a parish pilgrimage to Italy! On the pilgrimage, we will visit Rome, Vatican City, Assisi, Borgo San Sepolcro, and La Verna. We hope you will

join us! For more information, contact Peter's Way Tours to request a brochure: 800-225-7662

peter@petersway.com | gscc.net/pilgrimage

#### Come Adore or Become an Adorer



Come spend an hour in prayer in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Blessed Sacrament - Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.

Temporary hours of Eucharistic Adoration in

the Church: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9:00am - 12:00pm. For more information and to sign up to become an adorer, visit **gscc.net/adoration**.

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# **Opportunities for Married Couples**



"O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." Have faith that your marriage can be strong.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend September 11-13

Retrouvaille: A Lifeline for Marriages

Marriage on Tap

September 5 (via Zoom) 6:30pm Topic: What God has United

Speaker: Fr. Joshua Whitfield, pastor of St. Rita in

**Dallas** 

For details on each, visit gscc.net/marriageenrichment

# Men's Club



The Men's Club unites all men of the parish to reach out in fellowship by enriching and deepening the religious and social character of its members, and reflecting the ideals given to us by

Christ. Currently, because of the Covid-19 issues, we are meeting only online. If you're interested in joining or are looking for more information, please email Dannie at dannie.needham@gmail.com and we will add you to our list and send you the link to join our monthly meetings. For more information, please visit <a href="https://gscc.net/ministries/mens-club/">https://gscc.net/ministries/mens-club/</a>

# Lifelong Faith Formation



Early registration for the 2020-2021 year will be open from May 18, 2020 through September 3, 2020 at 10:00am.

Payment must be received at time of registration to guarantee your student's

spot. If you do not complete payment, your registration will be void. If you need assistance regarding payment, please contact Tammy at 817-421-1387 before you begin to register. For more details, please visit **gscc.net/formation** 

# **Amazing Possibilities**



Update: This event has been turned into a virtual event.

You have no idea what you are capable of. None of us do. God is constantly trying

to open our eyes to the amazing possibilities that he has enfolded in our being.

Want to go deeper with your faith? Want to start seeing all the possibilities God has in store for you? We're ready when you are...

On November 5 at 7:00pm, Matthew Kelly and Dynamic Catholic will present his first new event in 10 years, *Amazing Possibilities*, via a live-stream. All ticket holders will receive an event pack, which will be mailed directly to their homes. Sales for the virtual event will be announced mid-August. An email with a link will be provided to you a couple of days before the event. As a pre-purchaser, you will have access to a recorded version once it airs if you can't attend the live-stream.

The Dynamic Catholic team believes that a message of hope and possibilities is needed now more than ever. The virtual event allows us to deliver a life changing message and bring Matthew into your home! With the future still so uncertain and capacity constraints, this allows us to carry on in a powerful way.

Tickets are available at DynamicCatholic.com/Colleyville

# Got Life Questions? RCIA Can Help!



Bring your questions and join us for **Inquiry**, a 10-week "no obligation" dip into the basics of Spirituality. You can jump in anytime since the standalone topics repeat every 10 weeks. We gather (currently by Zoom) Monday

evenings at 7 PM. If you choose, you can then continue on an in-depth journey into Catholic beliefs through our Adult Catholic Education study group which also meets Monday evenings. For more details, visit <a href="https://gscc.net/sacraments-rites/rcia">https://gscc.net/sacraments-rites/rcia</a> or contact Father Ronald 817-421-1387 / <a href="mailto:rmohnickey@gscc.net">rmohnickey@gscc.net</a>

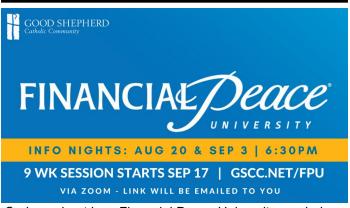


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# **Financial Peace University**



Curious about how Financial Peace University can help you? Financial Peace University is a 9-week program that empowers individuals and families to beat debt, build wealth, and give like never before.

The sessions cover the following lessons:

- 1. Baby Step 1 & Budgeting
- 2. Baby Step 2
- 3. Baby Step 3
- 4. Baby Steps 4, 5, 6, & 7
- 5. Buyer Beware
- 6. The Role of Insurance
- 7. Retirement Planning
- 8. Real Estate & Mortgages
- 9. The Great Misunderstanding

Information nights are in Question and Answer format. For more information or to sign up for the Zoom link, please visit **gscc.net/fpu**.

# **Young Catholic Professionals**



Are you a young adult in your 20s or 30s? Young Catholic Professionals of Fort Worth is here for you! We want to help keep

you engaged and feel supported in your faith life and provide a social community for you during this difficult time of quarantine and social distancing. While it remains uncertain as to when we will be able to safely resume our normal in-person monthly Executive Speaker Series and Happy Hour events, we will continue to host monthly virtual events on Facebook Live and Zoom. Please visit our Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/YCPFortWorth/">https://www.facebook.com/YCPFortWorth/</a> to monitor the latest developments and event updates!

#### **DivorceCare**



At least once per year, Good Shepherd offers special sessions designed specifically for divorced and separated individuals. These DivorceCare sessions are led by those who understand what you're

going through.

We will be beginning our next session on September 14 and it will run until December 28th. The sessions will be via Zoom and are from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Session videos will be available to view days prior to the Zoom meeting. The focus of the Zoom meeting will be group discussion of the viewed video.

Please order your New 4.0 Workbook from the DivorceCare website at the time you register online for the group. To register for the upcoming sessions, please visit https://www.divorcecare.org/groups/124182. For more details, please visit gscc.net/divorcecare.

## **Our Parish School**



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We give our grateful response to God's gifts through a life of service to God and neighbor by daily personal prayer, by generously supporting the needs of the Church, and by participating in parish ministries and initiatives.

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The annual Garage Sale may have been canceled, but we' won't let the Corona Virus stop us!

We're planning a Virtual Fundraiser to raise the funds needed to continue supporting those in need.

The Silent Auction begins on Tuesday, August 25th at Noon and will run until Sunday, August 30th at 5:00pm, followed by a Live Auction on August 30th from 6:00pm - 7:00pm. There are 2 levels of tickets, Basic Bidding and VIP. The VIP Ticket includes a Sparkling Wine and Scratch Kitchen Charcuterie Box, delivered to your home, for enjoyment during the Live Auction, but you must purchase by August 14th. So make sure you get your tickets soon at http://bidpal.net/rac.

Stay tuned for more information.

AND MISSIONS OUTREACH

# Christian Care for Hurting People



Is God calling you to more? To serve Him with love, kindness and a listening ear? Please join us for Stephen

Ministry Information Night where we will be sharing information on becoming a Stephen Minister. Two sessions are offered via Zoom. Registration is at **www.gscc.net/stephenministry**. Have questions? Contact Keith at 817-938-5048.

# **American Heritage Girls**



American Heritage Girls is a Christ-centered leadership and character development ministry for girls ages 5 - 18, from Kindergarten to Grade 12. Learn more about AHG by visiting

gscc.net/ahg for an invitation to our virtual meetings!

#### Feed Our Friars



Do you like to cook? Our four friars love a homemade meal! Visit **gscc.net/FOF** to sign up or call Elly Lara: 817-421-1387.



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Donation Drop-off Station: Homeless in the Heat



We find ourselves in the middle of another scorching Texas Summer in which it isn't unusual for temperatures to climb into the 100s during the month of August. Our brothers and sisters experiencing unsheltered homelessness are uniquely vulnerable to the risk of dehydration. With many shelters forced to restrict access to their facilities due to the pandemic, the homeless are struggling to find refuge from the heat and staying hydrated.

We will be collecting donations of bottled water on behalf of UGM this Saturday, August 15 from 8:30am to 11:30am on the west side of the Parish Hall. Please help us support some of our most vulnerable brothers and sisters. Good Shepherd partners with Union Gospel Mission - Tarrant County (UGM) as they strive to end homelessness one person at a time.

Please contact Ray Matteson at rmatteson@gscc.net with questions.

#### Have You Lost a Loved One?



#### Thursdays, August 27—November 19 | 7:00 - 9:00pm (via Zoom)

Are you struggling with the loss of someone you love? Receive help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. Through the use of video seminars, group discussion, and your personal workbook, you can move through the grieving process from mourning to peace. You may join us at any time, any week of the series. GriefShare is currently meeting via zoom until we are able to meet in person again. We continue to offer the same program with just the change to online / zoom. After registering you will be sent instructions and a link for the online zoom group. Learn

more & register: gscc.net/griefshare

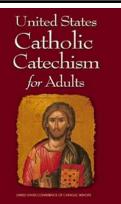
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We are empowered as Spirit-filled missionary disciples to share the Good News of the saving victory of Jesus Christ in our families, places of work, friendships, and neighborhoods.

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#### **Social Justice**



Our Catechism discusses the Eighth Commandment -- being truthful in words and deeds! (http://ccc.usccb.org/flipbooks/uscca/ Chapter 32).

Scripture is clear about the evil of lying:

- "God is the source of all truth."
- "Lying is the most direct offense against the truth."

People sin against the truth by lying about another person, ruin-

ing the reputation of another by lying, unjustly telling the faults of others, and perjury.

Hypocrisy – saying one thing and doing the opposite
 is a sin against truth.

Keeping this commandment requires study, love, and staying grounded in faith.

"Know the truth. Love the truth. Live the truth."

Learn more and inform your conscience at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CSTofHumanLifeDignity">https://tinyurl.com/CSTofHumanLifeDignity</a>.

If you perform works of charity and mercy now, what more can you do?

- Help support our Bishops' advocacy for human life, dignity, and justice!
- Help resolve root causes of injustice, e.g., a living wage for all!
- Help Shelter 1 homeless family!

Join the Social Justice Ministry at: SocialJustice@gscc.net

# **Catholic Respect Life**



Receive Hope & Healing "I found my way back to a loving God! I know He forgives me and I know He still loves me." If you are hurting, please know that you are not alone. Our Lord offers us hope

and healing. Has abortion impacted your life? Call 817-923-4757 for post-abortion healing resources. All calls are confidential.

#### **Pro-Life Gala**





#### A disciple SHARES the Gospel.

We are empowered as Spirit-filled missionary disciples to share the Good News of the saving victory of Jesus Christ in our families, places of work, friendships, and neighborhoods. Be Disciples. Make Disciples.

# **Healing from a Past Abortion**



Are you or someone you know suffering from a past abortion experience?

Don't wait any longer to experience Christ's mercy.

We can help.

Begin your journey with us on our next VIRTUAL

Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat September 11 - 13, 2020

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# **Spiritual Adoption Monthly Update**



Month Six Update: Your spiritually adopted baby is growing quite beautifully now. Her weight is approaching 2 pounds. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in

caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed. Each passing year, we witness medical advances that allow our medical professionals to save younger and younger premature infants. Reprinted with permission from dosp.org/life

Learn more: gscc.net/spiritualadoption

# **Resources for Infertility**



Quote from article *Infertility* by Jeannie Hannemann, MA: "[W]hen a couple is unable to have children, it causes great pain emotionally, intellectually, physically, and spiritually.

The feelings of emptiness and loss are overwhelming. The search for reasons and remedies becomes a relentless passion. Doctors, procedures, the time, the cost, the hope, and the hurt are constant companions on the lonely road walked by couples searching for the destination of parenthood." View the quote's article at foryourmarriage.org/infertility. A new medical clinic in line with Catholic teaching, WholeLife Authentic Care (with NaProTECHNOLOGY), is now open in Fort Worth. Visit their web page at wholelifeac.com to learn more. In addition, please refer to Good Shepherd's Catholic Respect Life web page at gscc.net/crl for a Novena to Saints Anne & Joachim as well as other Respect Life topics.