

**DOUBLE
NICKELS**
Flu shots available
11:30 - 1:30 p.m.
**WEDNESDAY,
OCT. 11**

NEW MEMBER CLASSES
SUNDAYS,
OCT. 8 AT 11:30a.m.
OCT. 15 AT 11:15a.m.

**ALL PARISH
WORK DAYS**
Two Saturdays
**OCT. 14 and 21,
8 a.m-Noon**



GOOD SHEPHERD

Our Vision: To know Christ and make Christ known.

Our Mission: To exemplify excellence in intergenerational worship and service.

Good Shepherd's Environmental Stewardship

One year ago, we installed solar panels on the parish hall roof. This provides solar produced electricity in the parish hall where the preschool operates five days a week. We now have 12 months of history with our solar system. What does it tell us?



Here are the results:

1. System produced 26,602 kWh. The estimated production was 27,600 kWh. So we produced 94% of the estimate. Being that this was a pretty rainy (cloudy) year, 94% is acceptable.
2. We used 33,933 kWh. So we used 7,331 kWh of PG&E's power (33,933-26,602). The usage is the most and the solar production is the least in Dec, Jan, Feb, & Mar.
3. In the summer months (May thru Oct) we are producing more energy than what we use so we are putting energy back into the grid. PG&E pays us retail rates for that electricity and in the summer months the rates are high during the daytime when we are producing electricity.
4. The net is that even though we use some of their electricity (it's at low rates) we have built a dollar credit after 12 months (True Up Period) of \$401.29.
5. We don't get that money back. We only get money back if we produce more electricity (kWh) than we use. We didn't do that by needing to use 7,331 kWh of PG&E's electricity.

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6. What we do have is the opportunity to use a little more electricity - if we have the need. For instance, this winter we could burn some electricity to produce heat (space heaters) in the offices and reduce the need to use the furnaces. This should reduce the money we spend on propane. I was reluctant to do that last year without some history, but now think it has some possibilities if planned correctly.

7. Our total electrical costs are not going down. That doesn't happen until year 12 when we have paid off the solar system. Then we get free electricity .. hopefully for the remaining life of the system (18 years). We will experience small savings in years 2 thru 12 when PG&E raises rates. Our electrical costs are fixed. We are eliminating 26,600 pounds of CO₂/year from being pumped into the air we breath by producing clean energy vs using PG&Es electricity produced by burning fossil fuels.

8. All in all I am pleased with the performance of the system. It is working as planned. I will continue to monitor.

Tim Knapp, Finance Chair

Good Shepherd Boy Scout Troop 93 Coastal Cleanup

Recently, Boy Scout Troop 93 participated in the California Coastal Cleanup day. Their 5 kayaks (10 people) brought in 5 large trash can liners of trash from Heritage Harbor and the beaches and rocky shore around the edge of the harbor, including many empty plastic beverage containers and a fair amount of broken glass too. When they weighed it at the Save Our Shores location at the foot of the wharf, it totaled up to 37 pounds!

Every year for the past 3 years, the number of Boy Scouts who go on this event has increased, and the amount of trash we have hauled in has also increased.

Douglas Fouts, Troop 93 Leader

ON THE HORIZON

+ Please note that there are several date changes on our parish calendar:

Sundays: Worship at 8, 9:15; 10 a.m. Feasting on the Word, 9 a.m. in the library.

October 8: Celebrate Sid Ottman's 100th birthday!

October 8 & 15: New member classes

October 11: Double Nickels & Visiting Nurse's Assoc. flu shot clinic at Good Shepherd, noon-1:30p.m. (\$30 or free with Medicare card)

October 15-16-17: Plant Sale, Sunday 8:45am-noon and Monday/Tuesday 12:30-1:30pm

October 14 & 21: All Parish Work Days, 8-12

October 22: Healing Prayer Forum during Coffee Hour

October 24: Tabitha Guild: Learn to Knit or Crochet Scarfapalooza and Dessert Social, 6pm

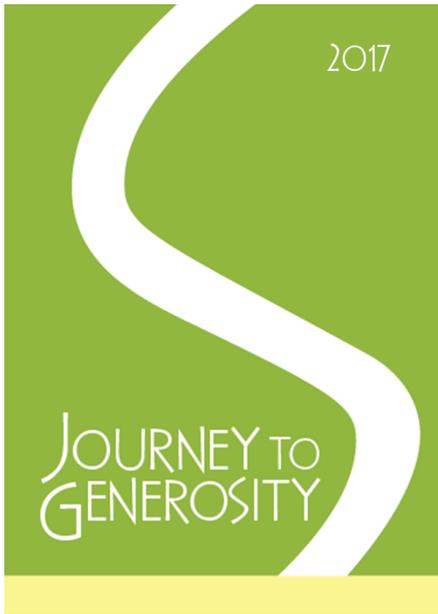


Feast of St. Francis Celebration this Sunday, Oct. 1

We will be collecting donations for the SPCA during the month of October.

Donations Needed

- dog & cat collars
- dog & cat toys
- dry or wet food
- bird seed
- old towels
- blankets
- dog or cat beds
- flea & tick treatments



STORIES OF JOURNEYS TO GENEROSITY

Dear friends,

We are embarking on our annual campaign in which we consider and re-commit to our journey of generosity by pledging a percentage of our financial resources to the mission and ministries of Christ through Good Shepherd.

How do you pledge? You will receive a packet of materials sometime in the next few weeks from another parishioner. There will be a pledge card in the packet. Along with your spouse, and in prayer, determine a percentage (anywhere from 1% to 10% or more) of your projected 2018 annual income that you will offer to God through the church. Write that amount on the card and bring it or mail it to church on or before Sunday, November 12th. You can change this amount at any time, by simply giving notice to the treasurer Shannon Brandt, who can be reached at treasurer@goodshepherdcorral.org.

Our own journeys of generosity often takes twists and turns throughout our lifetimes. Vestry and other ambassadors have shared earliest memories of making money and giving money for various causes. What great stories we have! You have your own as well - and it would be wonderful to hear it.

Over the next few weeks, you will hear from parishioners reflecting on their journeys of generosity. I can't wait! And I am so pleased that Dick Smith agreed to be our first writer.

Our Fiesta Ingathering will be November 12th in which we will collect and bless all pledges. San Pablo Episcopal Church Seaside will cater this Fiesta Celebration after the 10 a.m. service.

with joy, *Pastor Linda+*

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Until I was elected to the Vestry at the Church of the Good Shepherd (in Tequesta, Florida) over 30 years ago, I didn't have a clue how the church supported its services to the community. I merely assumed when the offering plate was passed, the money received and later deposited that it must be adequate for paying the bills. Imagine when I learned about the 'pledge' and was then asked to meet with parishioners in the annual 'canvass' to ask for their commitments so we could form next year's budget.

As with many formative events in life, this was a real crisis for me. I searched the Scriptures to see what I could find to help me comprehend what this was all about. It seemed preposterous to me that we would be expected to give at least 10% or "tithes" to the church. Nevertheless, based on my research, I could reach no other conclusion.

Then, with no idea how to squeeze 10% from my income, I committed an outrageous act of faith: I started giving the tithe. That was a long time ago and now I firmly believe the fundamental truth: "it is in giving that we receive." Because at times it is a challenge, it remains that generosity is itself a gift of God's grace. Giving is a blessing to the 'giver.' It is a real joy and the best thing I do with what has been given to me.

Dick Smith

Please Pray For Ginny Wilson, Julie Woodard(Suzanne Dorrance), Judy Downs Golbert (Jane Day), Tammy Knigman (Bob Evans & Peg McIntosh, Betty Nielson (Spence Myers), Omar Melgoza(Shannon Brandt), Keith Durgan (Mary Zischke's father), Marcos (Ed Pio), Michael Lowe (Scott Hawthorne), Inga Martin (Marcia Weber-Olsen), Kristen Avilez (Debbie Avilez),Conor (Linda & Todd Kodet's nephew),Ray Melton (Bill & Sandra Dodson), Kathy & Paul (Dee Myers), Janie Liendy (Jane Day), Susan Zahnlecker (Michelle Zimmerman), Virginia Genato, Paul Iglesias, Kevin Burnha (Tim & Alice Knapp), Hoskins Family (The Mollring Family), Ollie Press (Lloyd & Carol Lowrey), Beverly Webb (Barbara Creelman), Estela & Family (Kristy Nunes), Que Spalding (Spence Myers), Nancy Burgos, R.C/Mimi & Family, Sally Lehman (Michele K. Waite), Lisa Roadcup (Laurie Martin), The Baily Family (Philip Wood), The Diaz Family (Saundra Dodson), Jen Weber, Greg McCann, Susan Olsen, Mark Weber (Chuck & Marcia Olsen), Mitch Pio (Ed Pio), George Whaley (Mika Schultz), Olivia Bautista (Letty Sloma), Jim Orr (The Mays), The Reynolds Family, The Mondo Family, Jay & Amelia (The Urciuoli Family), Chuck Beals & Family (Kodet Family), Justin DeVincenzi, Cindy Davis (Diana McClean), Lowan Darling (The Rev. Wendy Howe's grandson)

In Thanksgiving: Matt Mika (George & Diane Mika)

Thank you to our Sunday Servants today Sub-Deacon: Dick Smith, Greeters: Melisa Reyes-Stewart & William Stewart, Ushers: Bill Shelby, Stan Brusa, Eucharistic Ministers: Lloyd Lowrey, Sandy French, Acolytes: Olivia Silva, TBD, Crucifer: Bailey Hawthorne, Lectors: Alan & Colette Scott, Plate Counters: Peter Albano, Art Schoenstadt, Flower Guild:

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

How strong and good and sure your earth smells, and everything that grows there. Bless us. Bless our land and people. Be with us in our countries, and in the whole world. Prepare us for the service that we should render.

Ashanti Prayer

Waking up this morning, I see the blue sky. I join my hands in thanks for the many wonders of life; for having twenty four brand new hours. The sun is rising in the forest and so is my awareness.

Thich Nhat Hanh



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WHAT WE KNOW

God has hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and has revealed them to infants.

“So come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Jesus, Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 11

**Thank you for your financial support of your parish.
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At Good Shepherd we Love God. Follow Jesus. And Serve others.