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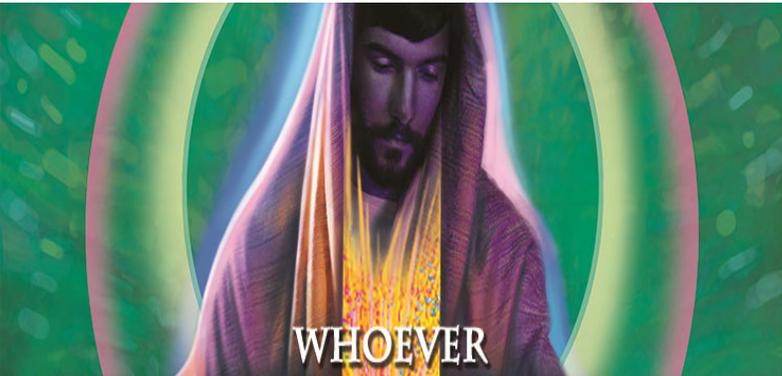
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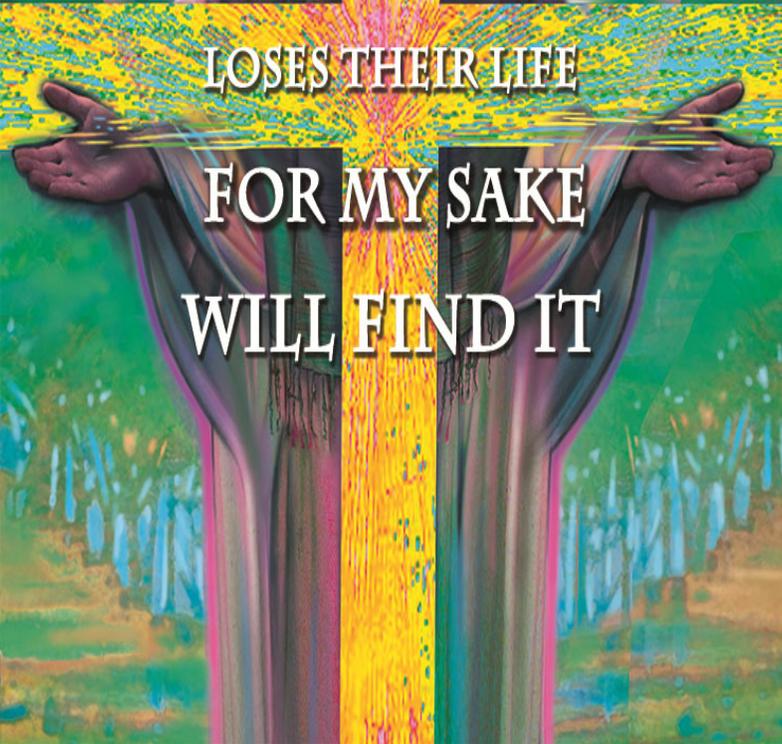
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LIVESTREAM

Online Live Stream Mass Schedule. Links are available on our website and our facebook

Monday– Friday

7:30am

Saturday

8am and 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sunday

8am & 10am (Mass in the Garden)

12pm (Relivesteaming Mass)

3:00pm (Spanish)

Confession Saturdays 4pm– 5pm

or by Appointment

Drive in Communion after each Mass

ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE 510-259-8706 ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ASSISTANCE LINE 925-432-6404—Ext. 25

XIII Sunday In Ordinary Time

Today's gospel always sounds strong. "Whoever prefers his parents or his children rather than me, cannot follow me", Jesus says. How can we explain these harsh words? As always, we cannot take a phrase out of the gospel out of context. We must understand this phrase of Jesus placing it in all his life and his message, and even by pinning it in the content of the entire Bible, which insists on the importance of love for parents and the family.

Jesus will never ask us to abandon or neglect our family obligations. But he is saying that we renounce family selfishness, the darkness of the clan that only lives for itself and seeks its benefit outside the rest of the world. There are many bad habits in our families and communities, including in parishes and religious movements. And this is not the Christian vocation. We must love and seek the good of loved ones and those closest to us, but if we want to be true followers of Jesus, the first thing in our lives must be Him. The first commandment is love of God, always.

When God calls, his love is overwhelming and stronger than anything, even more than family ties. To be baptized means to become children, prophets, and missionaries of God. We all are, no one is exempt. The call is not just for clerics and religious. Any lay person can evangelize, from his home, his work, his family. We are Christians 24 hours a day.

To say yes to Jesus means to give up many bonds, and to carry our cross: that is, to accept who we are, our history and our conditionings, our limits, and our problems. But with Him, the burden is always lighter and carried with joy.

The future of the Church depends on opening and recovering our initial vocation, that of every baptized person: living united to Christ and being missionaries. How? Let us say yes, and He will show us the way. When God calls, he also accompanies us.

Deacon Gustavo

DIOCESE OF OAKLAND ESTABLISHES PROTOCOL FOR RESUMING PUBLIC MASSES.

In collaboration with the other Catholic dioceses of Oakland, and following the directives of the public officials of Alameda and Contra Costa counties, Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ, has issued protocols for the resumption of public Masses in the Diocese of Oakland. Alameda County will allow indoor, public religious services on June 19 and Contra Costa County provisionally on July 1.

However, before resuming public worship, parishes must submit a Parish Reopening Plan for Bishop Barber's approval, specific to the parish's facilities. Upon receiving the bishop's permission, parishes may resume daily Masses, baptisms, funerals and other sacraments and liturgies. Bishop Barber has provided a set of guidelines developed by pastors and the diocesan Office of Worship for parishes to use.

The introduction of the diocesan guidelines, which were distributed to parishes on June 13, follow.

"As people of faith, we must always be aware of the importance of acting in a socially responsible way, to give good example to others, and to act with charity toward all. Everything possible should be done to provide the church's sacramental life in a timely and reasonable way. The current situation remains dangerous and fragile, and civil law varies within our two counties. While much has been achieved, there remains the potential that the gains could be lost by a second more virulent wave. "Our first consideration is the spiritual and physical health of the faithful and those whom they encounter, especially the most vulnerable—the elderly and those with chronic illness. We must rely on medical professionals and governmental standards to inform our decisions.

General Guidelines/Recommendations:

"The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Masses continues until further notice. Although the faithful are dispensed from their obligation to attend Mass, they are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday (such as following a livestream Mass or participating in a spiritual or corporal act of mercy). The obligation to receive Holy Communion in the Easter Season is dispensed in this diocese, this year. Out of an abundance of caution for those at high risk, the dispensation from attending Sunday Mass continues even after public Masses resume.

"The faithful might be encouraged to attend a weekday Mass with smaller crowds. Priests are encouraged to use Sunday Mass texts on weekdays, when permissible. When the calendar permits, priests may continue using the Mass in the Time of Pandemic with the Eucharistic Prayer for Various Needs and Occasions IV: Jesus Who Went About Doing Good.

"Those who are at higher risk of COVID-19 (e.g., those who are sixty-five and older or who have underlying health conditions) are advised to continue staying at home. Likewise, anyone with a temperature, a cough of any sort, and anyone feeling ill, should not come to the church for a visit or for any ceremonies. As circumstances allow, a visit from a priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion to bring them the Eucharist may be possible."

"Parishes should continue to livestream Masses if feasible or direct parishioners to a website listing of livestream links, even after public Masses resume. We need to include people who stay home.

"Written parental permission is required if minors are serving at a Mass that is being live streamed.

Parishes are not to hold events before or after Mass. Areas that might attract gatherings (e.g. where 'coffee hour' would normally take place) should be locked.

"In order to resume public Masses, each parish is required to prepare a **Parish Reopening Plan** and submit it to the Office of the Bishop. Then, continued robust communication is essential to keep parishioners apprised of the evolving conditions.

"Ushers are critical for social distancing to work and need to be thoroughly trained in crowd management. They will be the ones to assure people are seated and dismissed properly, guide the communion process, and determine when capacity has been reached. Parishioners are to follow directions of ushers before and during Mass. If the usher pool is limited, perhaps high school students, confirmandi, and groups like the Knights of Columbus could be trained and called into service."

Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ

SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER

With mass attendance down due to the Coronavirus, we ask that you consider signing up for Electronic Fund Transfer so that we can keep the parish up and running during this difficult time. EFT is a safe, convenient way to give to the parish even when you are unable to attend mass or you are away on vacation. Simply fill out the bottom portion of this page and return it to the parish office at 3200 Harbor St., Pittsburg, CA 94565 or a form can be mailed or emailed to you. You can also visit our web site at www.goodshepherdpittsburg.org and conveniently donate through the DONATION NOW BUTTON. If neither of these manners of giving suit you, you can mail in your contributions any time you will not be present at mass or place them through the mail slot in the parish office door. Thank you for helping keep our parish afloat during this very difficult time.

**Electronic Funds Transfer
The Easy Way to Tithe!**

Church of the Good Shepherd offers a FREE tithing option more convenient for many of our members
–Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Program.
The program has been a great success since we started it several years ago.

- You Tithe No More Than You Normally Do.
- You Control How You Tithe.
- You Choose A Tithe Frequency: Weekly, Semi-Monthly, Or Monthly.
- You Choose When You Want Your Account Debited.

ENROLLMENT IN ELECTRONIC DONATION TRANSFER FOR SUNDAY GIVING

Please enter the amount you wish to give and how often:

\$ _____ Weekly (Transferred every Monday)

\$ _____ Semimonthly (Transferred on 1st & 15th)

\$ _____ Monthly (Transferred on 1st or 15th—indicate preference)

\$ _____ I wish to give this amount electronically weekly for 2nd collections using the same account information.

CREDIT CARD OPTION

Name _____ Credit Card Type _____
Address _____ Credit Card # _____
Phone _____ Expiration Date _____

CHECKING ACCOUNT OPTION

Simply attach voided check

I authorize Good Shepherd Church to process entries from my credit card or checking account as noted above. This authority shall remain in effect until I give reasonable notification to terminate this authorization.

FROM THE CHAPEL

The Chapel has been temporarily closed due to coronavirus restrictions.

We will keep you updated in the bulletin of a re-opening date.

For Questions: Call Bill Abitz at 925-872-5852

Diocese of Oakland Participates in "Virtual" Stations of the Cross: Overcoming Racism

On June 18, 2020, the bishops of the California Catholic Conference released a video reenacting the Stations of the Cross to draw attention to the sin of racism and ask God's help in eliminating it. Each station in the video was taped at a location with rich racial significance. The sixth Station of the Cross was taped at the Fruitvale BART station in Oakland where Oscar Grant was killed. The Way of the Cross is an ancient prayer, allowing people to enter into Jesus' final outpouring of love. Please join us in praying for a conversion of hearts and minds in our love for our sisters and brothers. It is available on our website.

Newly Updated Announcements

This weekend the Saturday 5:30 pm mass will be live streamed. The **8 am and 10 am masses** will be celebrated in the Parish Garden and limited to 100 people. **You may bring your own picnic chair to help lessen our cleaning work.** Overflow may attend the mass in the parish parking lot. The 12:00 pm Mass will be re-streamed and 3:00 pm Spanish Mass will be live streamed.

1- We are getting ready to reopen our parish office on July 1st. In the meantime, we are operating the office virtually through the telephone (925-432-6404), our website www.goodshepherdpittsburg.org, or email at office@goodshepherdpittsburg.org.

4- ALL First Holy Communion MASSES will begin in July with a limit of 100 participants per Mass. Information has been sent out to all the parents.

7- Other celebrations like baptisms, weddings, funerals and quinceneras might be resumed in July with a limited participation- 100 people max.

7- Our Facebook account is still having a problem. We are fixing it. Thank you for your patience.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING DURING THIS TIME OF QUARANTINE TO INCREASE YOUR FAITH?

Father Thi has made available to us one of the most revolutionary multi-media resources for our faith available today. Formed.org is a wide and deep resource with readings – books, articles, blogs, videos – full-length feature films of the Saints, Christ, documentaries, TV shows and talks, educational videos, teaching and catechetical videos, lessons, multi-part devotionals, Bible and topical studies, video, and audio podcasts, breath-taking art from around the world, You can watch, listen to audiobooks and audio dramas, fiction and nonfiction on your computer, tablet, or smartphone. Formed.org offers a wealth of resources for youth as well. As a member of our parish family, we have paid for your subscription. Simply go to <http://goodshepherdpittsburg.formed.org> and register or go to our parish website at goodshepherdpittsburg.org, click on the tab – FORMED - and get started. FREE.

Go ahead, satisfy your hunger to know and love your “real” Father. Learn your roots and all your other brothers and sisters – the Saints. Moses pleads for us to know the “House Rules” and someday Jesus, the “head of the church,” may give you a pop-quiz. Now you have a terrific resource to learn and know about your family – God's Family. Take advantage of it today by registering and start what will be your greatest adventure.

Guarda la fecha! ANUNCIO

Debido al Covid-19, hemos decidido trasladar la celebración de los sacramentos para los Candidatos de RCIC y RCIA a la Trinidad Domingo, el 7 de Junio a las 10:00 pm.

GRUPO DE ORACIÓN UNCIÓN DE LO ALTO- Viernes 7-9pm en las oficinas parroquiales y Sábados de 10:30 am-11:30 am en la Capilla con el Santísimo. Para mas información por favor contactar a **Laura y Alvin Alvarez 925-765-0231. Si tienes talentos musicales y tocas la guitarra ven acompañalos.**

GRUPO ESCUELA DE LA CRUZ Cristo te espera, ven a descubrir su amor divino y su misericordia! te esperamos los **Miercoles 7:30pm-8:30pm (Oficina Parroquial)**. Para más información, por favor comunícate con **Romeo Gonzalez 925-565-9320**.

EL GRUPO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA -

Miercoles 6pm-7pm en la Capilla y

Jueves 6:30pm-8:30pm, en el salón de la oficina. Para más Información, por favor comuníquese con **Lidia Castañeda 925-705-3045**.

LA VIRGEN PEREGRINA - Las Familias que desean inscribirse después de la Misa para llevarse a la Virgen

ATENCIÓN MONAGUILLOS

Si les gustaría participar en la sagrada Misa y aprender aún más de su FE, comuníquense con

Rebeca & Bulmaro al 925-286-2276, ellos los guiarán y enseñarán el bello ministerio de ser monaguillos.

ATENCIÓN COMUNIDAD HISPANA

Si algún miembro de la comunidad Hispana **esta interesado en recibir visitas a domicilio o comunión a los enfermos**, por favor comuníquense a la oficina parroquial para hablar con Carmen y establecer este servicio para nuestros miembros enfermos y confinados a casa.

Reflexión de Cuaresma: “Encontrándome con Cristo”

Encontrándome con Cristo, es un proceso de formación espiritual intenso para la Cuaresma buscando una relación personal con Jesús. Esta formación está basada en:

“Si el Ministerio no fluye desde un encuentro personal y de una relación continua con el Señor, entonces, no importa cómo lo ha logrado, ese Ministerio carece de alma vital y fuente necesaria para dar frutos duraderos”

Inscríbese con Carmen en las oficinas o al final de cada Misa con alguno de los facilitadores.

- ♦ **Las cartas del 2019 de donación de impuestos están disponibles llamando a la oficina parroquial al 925-432-6404. por favor, indique si desea recogerla o que se la enviemos por correo.**
- ♦ **¡NUEVO PARA EL 2020!**
Misas trimestrales para la "Unción de los Enfermos" tendrán lugar los Sábados a las 10am, comenzando Agosto 10 y Noviembre 7

XII Domingo Tiempo Ordinario

El evangelio de hoy siempre suena muy fuerte. Quien prefiera a sus padres o sus hijos, antes que a mí, no puede seguirme, dice Jesús. ¿Cómo podemos explicar estas palabras tan duras? Como siempre, no podemos sacar una frase del evangelio fuera de contexto. Hay que entender esta frase de Jesús situándola en toda su vida y su mensaje, e incluso enmarcándola en el contenido de la Biblia entera, que insiste en la importancia del amor a los padres y a la familia.

Jesús nunca nos pedirá abandonar ni descuidar nuestras obligaciones familiares. Pero sí está diciendo que renunciemos al egoísmo familiar, a la obscuridad del clan que sólo vive para sí mismo y busca su beneficio al margen del resto del mundo. Hay muchos hábitos en nuestras familias y comunidades, incluso en las parroquias y en los movimientos religiosos. Y esta no es la vocación cristiana. Hay que amar y procurar el bien de los seres queridos y los más allegados, pero si queremos ser verdaderos seguidores de Jesús, lo primero en nuestra vida ha de ser Él. El primer mandamiento es el amor a Dios, siempre.

Cuando Dios llama, su amor es arrebatador y más fuerte que todo, incluso más que los vínculos familiares. Ser bautizados significa convertirnos en hijos, profetas y misioneros de Dios. Todos lo somos, nadie está exento. La llamada no es sólo para los clérigos y los religiosos. Cualquier laico o laica puede evangelizar, desde su hogar, su trabajo, su familia. Somos cristianos las 24 horas del día.

Decir sí a Jesús significa renunciar a muchas ataduras, y también a cargar con nuestra cruz: es decir, aceptar lo que somos, nuestra historia y nuestros condicionamientos, nuestros límites y nuestros problemas... Pero con Él, la carga siempre es más ligera y se lleva con alegría.

El futuro de la Iglesia depende en abrirnos y recuperar nuestra vocación inicial, la de todo bautizado: vivir unidos a Cristo y ser misioneros. ¿Cómo? Digamos sí, y Él nos mostrará el camino. Cuando Dios llama, también acompaña.

Diácono Gustavo

Mass Intentions

June 29-Jul 5

Mass Intentions For The Week



7:30 am Daily Livestream on the Good Shepherd
Facebook Page & YouTube

- Mon Nita Esposito †
 Tue Nada Giambona †
 Wed Birthday of Frank Vitalie
 Thu Birthday of Janette Natividad
 Fri Mary & Peter Nguyen
 Geronimo Nazareta †
 Sat 8am Nacho Orozco, &
 Laureana Luna Espiritu †
- Livestream Sunday Masses:
 Sat 5:30 pm Capupus Family
 Aida Coluna †
 Sun 8am Virginia Marie Medrano †
 10am Birthday of Robert De Pasquale †
 3:00pm For the People of the Parish # *

*=Fr. Thi, #=Fr. Christopher

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Please help contribute to the smooth operation and services of our parish, especially during this most difficult time. You can give your donations to any staff member or place in the mail slot in the ministry building door.

We appreciate your generosity and for making Good Shepherd a part of your family.

Fr. Thi

Prayer for a Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips remember those who have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country, let us choose love.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors.

Amen.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**ZECHARIAH 9:9-10, ROMANS 8:9, 11-13,
MATTHEW 11:25-30**

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Bánh Mì SALE



Bánh Mì - Combo + Water

A usually spicy sandwich in Vietnamese cuisine consisting of a split baguette filled with meat, Pâté and pickled carrot and daikon and garnished with cilantro and often cucumbers.



Bánh Mì –Grilled Pork + Water

Buy 1 for \$ 5.00

ORDER DATE
Order by Friday
June 26, 2020

We accept cash or check made payable to
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PICK UP DATE
Date: Sunday, June 28, 2020
Pick-up Time: 9:30am –1pm
Place: At the Hall

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PLACE ORDER
Place your order via email or call or text (we prefer text to call)

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