



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

One Flock, One Family, Living and
Sharing the Love of Christ

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Mend your ways, encourage one another,
agree with one another, live in peace,
and the God of love and peace
will be with you.

2 Corinthians 13:11

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You Tube
LIVESTREAM

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

Monday– Friday

3:00pm

(With the chaplet of Divine Mercy at
2:50pm)

Saturday

8:am and 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sunday

10am (Parking Lot Mass)

12:00pm

3:00pm (Spanish)

Confession Saturdays 4pm– 5pm

or by Appointment

Drive in Communion after each Mass



Trinity Sunday: In the Name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

There is an old spiritual wisdom that says, “My God is so high, you can’t get over him, he’s so low you can’t get under him, he’s so wide you can’t get ’round him, you must come in, by and through the Lamb.” Yes. We are pondering a mystery we cannot fit in our minds. We don’t know how the Trinity works, but we can understand why there is a Trinity. Why God has revealed to us this mystery of three persons in one God.

The best way to understand this Mystery is to see it in the context of love. Let’s be a theologian today to see how the Trinity works. We know that God is love. But can God love himself? No. God can’t stand in a front of the mirror saying to himself: “Buddy I love you.” The nature of love is sharing. In other words, love needs an object. Now you may say: If love needs an object, then we can be an object of God’s love. Yes we can. But St. Augustine would argue that that kind of love is not proportional. It is not the right order of love. For instance, a spousal love is rightly ordered to another person, not to a pet. An animal’s love is rightly ordered to another animal, not to a tree. In the same way, divine love is rightly ordered to another divine, not to a creature. Therefore, it makes sense when we believe in the Godhead, there is a community of persons whose love for each other is so rich, so intense, and so hot that it spills over into the world. As the result, we are created. Thus, in this cosmos, everything is made in this image of Trinitarian love. Do you understand what I am saying? If you don’t, that’s fine. It is a mystery.

Friends, every Sunday is Trinity Sunday because we celebrate the fact that God is a family of love, and that we, through his grace, are drawn into that family so we might look like Him in love. As the mutual love between the Father and the Son gives rise to a third person, the Holy Spirit, the spousal love of husband and wife must be open to their children. True love itself is never closed in on itself, but always open up for and to life. True love is always self-giving to another. Trinity unfolds the fact that God does not exist in solitary individualism but in a community of love and sharing. We are made in the image of the Trinity. We are made to enter into relationship with others. “*To be is to be in relationship.*” So to be human is to be essentially directed toward others, sharing our equal love and responsibilities to build up God’s kingdom on earth as a song that says:

*Make It A Better Place. For You And For Me
And The Entire Human Race. There Are People Dying
If You Care Enough For The Living
Make A Better Place, For You And For Me and for the Glory of God.*

In the Name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

Trinity Blessings, Fr. Thi Hoang

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE 10AM MASS THIS SUNDAY OUTSIDE IN THE PARKING LOT.

DRIVE YOUR CAR TO THE FRONT PARKING LOT. OUR USHERS WILL DIRECT YOU TO PARK YOUR CAR FACING THE ALTAR, WHICH WILL BE PLACED IN FRONT OF THE RECTORY.

YOU WILL REMAIN IN YOUR CAR, ROLL DOWN THE WINDOWS TO ATTEND THE MASS. WE WILL SET UP THE SOUND LOUD ENOUGH SO YOU CAN HEAR THE MASS.

YOU ONLY GET OUT OF THE CAR WHEN YOU COME UP TO RECEIVE COMMUNION, FOLLOWING SOCIAL DISTANCING AND WEARING A MASK.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL ON SUNDAY.

P/s: Bring your smart phone or ipad with you in case you want to watch the Mass on our Youtube channel.



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.

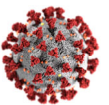
COVID-19

In accordance with Contra Costa Health Services the parish will be
physically closed until further notice.

We are operating the office virtually through the telephone (925-432-6404), our web site
www.goodshepherdpittsburg.org,
or email at
office@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

All masses are **LIVESTREAMED**, but the chapel is available 24 hours a day to provide a place of prayer and solace. We will be providing more information on the celebration of sacraments soon.

We appreciate your understanding in this matter and praying for your health and safety and a swift end to this crisis.



INCOME FOR MAY, 2020

Plate Collections	\$ 42,497
Catholic Voice	30
Unrestricted Donations	950
Restricted Donations	1,156
Parish Events (Covid Food Sales)	7,889
Ministry Income	979
Other income	1,475
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 54,976

EXPENSES FOR MAY, 2020

Administration	\$ 24,086
Parish Property	7,464
Rectory Living	1,319
Priests	4,229
Liturgy & Music	0
Children, Youth & Adult Formation/CYO	1,715
Other Ministries	0
Parish Events	0
Depreciation	2,238
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 41,051

MONTH RECAP

INCOME	\$ 54,976
EXPENSES	\$ 41,051

INCOME OVER EXPENSES AT MONTH END: \$13,925

FROM THE CHAPEL:

Masks are required while you're in the Chapel and others are present.



Se requieren máscaras mientras estás en la capilla y otros están presentes.

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

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”

Inscríbase 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



Domingo de la Trinidad: En el Nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo. ¡Amén!

Hay una vieja sabiduría espiritual que dice, "Mi Dios es tan alto, que no puedo superarlo, es tan bajo que no puedo estar debajo de él, es tan amplio que no puedo conseguir estar alrededor de él, solamente podemos entrar, por medio y a través del Cordero." Sí.

Estamos reflexionando sobre un misterio que no cabe en nuestras mentes. No sabemos cómo funciona la Trinidad, pero podemos entender el por qué de la Trinidad. Por qué Dios nos ha revelado este misterio de tres personas en un solo Dios.

La mejor manera de entender este Misterio es verlo en el contexto del amor. Seamos un teólogo hoy para ver cómo funciona la Trinidad. Sabemos que Dios es amor. Pero, ¿puede Dios amarse a sí mismo? No. Dios no puede pararse frente al espejo diciéndose a sí mismo: "Me amo". La naturaleza del amor es compartir. En otras palabras, el amor necesita un objeto. Ahora puedes decir: Si el amor necesita un objeto, entonces podemos ser un objeto del amor de Dios. Sí, podemos. Pero San Agustín argumentaría que ese tipo de amor no es proporcional. No es el orden correcto del amor. Por ejemplo, un amor conyugal es dado con razón a otra persona, no de la misma manera a una mascota. El amor de un animal se da con razón a otro animal, no a un árbol. De la misma manera, el amor divino se da con razón a otro divino, no a una criatura. Por lo tanto, tiene sentido cuando creemos que en Dios, hay una comunidad de personas cuyo amor el uno por el otro es tan rico, tan intenso y tan fuerte que se derrama en el mundo. Como resultado, somos creados. Así, en este cosmo, todo está hecho en esta imagen del amor Trinitario. ¿Entiendes lo que digo? Si no lo entiendes, está bien. Es un misterio.

Amigos, todos los Domingos es un Domingo de la Trinidad porque celebramos el hecho de que Dios es una familia de amor, y que nosotros, por su gracia, nos sentimos atraídos a esa familia para que podamos parecernos a El en amor. Como el amor mutuo entre el Padre y el Hijo da lugar a una tercera persona, el Espíritu Santo, como en el amor con espíritu del esposo y de la esposa debe estar abierto a sus hijos. El verdadero amor en sí mismo nunca se encierra en sí mismo, sino siempre está abierto por y para la vida. El verdadero amor es siempre entrega a sí mismo o a otro. La Trinidad desarrolla el hecho de que Dios no existe en el individualismo solitario, sino en una comunidad de amor y hermandad. Estamos hechos a imagen de la Trinidad. Estamos hechos para entrar en relación con los demás. "Ser es estar en relación." Por lo tanto, ser humano es dirigirse esencialmente hacia los demás, compartiendo nuestro amor y responsabilidades iguales para edificar el reino de Dios en la tierra como un canto que dice:

Hazlo un lugar mejor. Para Ti y para Mi

Y toda la Raza Humana. Hay Gente que esta Muriendo

Si te Preocupas lo Suficiente por los Vivientes

Hazlo un lugar mejor, para Ti y para Mí y para la Gloria de Dios.

En el Nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo. ¡Amén!

Bendiciones de la Trinidad,

P. Thi Hoang Administrador parroquial

Mass Intentions

June 8-14

3pm Daily Livestream on the Good Shepherd
Facebook Page & YouTube

- Mon** Birthday of Nicole Viloria
 Holy Souls in Purgatory &
 Members of FOSS
- Tue** Feliciano Navera †
- Wed** Severino Orias & Corazon Santos †
- Thu** Joseph Duy †
- Fri** 20th Death Anniversary of
 Patricia V. Fernandez †
- Sat** 8:00 am Our Lady of Fatima
 Capupus Family
- 5:30 pm Death Anniversary of John Sorci †
- Sun** 10am FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 Frances Ferrante Thomas †
- 12 pm In Thanksgiving Maria Grace
 Labian
 Rogelio Auza †
- 3:00pm Norma Carlin de Segami †

*=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

**DEUTERONOMY 8:2-3, 14B-16A,
 1 CORINTHIANS 10:16-17, JOHN 6:51-58**

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

LITURGY & CHAPEL FUND

A MESSAGE FROM OUR BISHOP:

May 28, 2020

I join my [brother bishops of California](#) in writing, “As we enter into the major solemnities of the liturgical calendar in the weeks ahead, we pray these days and our first steps to celebrating our faith in our churches will be a time of blessing, strength and faith for us all.”

Amidst the many voices declaring how churches should “reopen,” I hope to minimize confusion and provide clear guidance to the Catholics of our diocese as we draw upon the sacraments and our communities for strength and blessing. Public health and safety remain my paramount concern. Safety precautions, such as social distancing, are a practical demonstration of our call to love our neighbor.

As a reminder, I have lifted the obligation of Sunday Mass attendance until further notice. Our parishes are providing livestreaming and videos of Masses, and we have other options for participating in Masses available on our diocesan website.

Governor Newsom and the California Department of Public Health have issued overarching guidelines for places of worship that are positive, constructive and fundamentally in alignment with the recommendations the California Catholic Bishops have offered in consultation with State and local officials. I am now awaiting specific rules and regulations from Alameda and Contra Costa County health officials, with whom we have been in contact.

Once I have reviewed these in consultation with our Presbyteral Council, I will issue specific instructions to our priests on what the resumption of public Masses will look like, and pastors will then determine a timeline appropriate for each parish.

Last week, I provided guidance to our pastors regarding the celebration of Mass outdoors, in parking lots, and the distribution of Holy Communion outside of Mass. These guidelines included specific instructions on how our parishes can provide you with the Blessed Sacrament, while observing public health standards. Your parish has more information regarding what you should expect when you either attend an outdoor Mass or come to the church to receive Holy Communion.

The experience of the pandemic has reminded us all of the Church’s deep concern for the well-being of the whole person—physical, emotional and spiritual. It will be quite some time before we return to the familiar ways of worship that sustained us before the pandemic, and when we can live our faith with the same fervor as we are now expressing our charity and love for our neighbors.

I am grateful to all of you for your continued efforts to express your faith, both in prayer and in action. Your continued financial support of your parish, through online portals or by other means, allows us to continue our ministries. Thank you!

Every day I offer prayers of gratitude and intercession for each of you. Please, I ask you remember me in your prayers as well.

**A BIG SHOUT OF THANKS TO OUR
FILIPINO MINISTRY AND FRIENDS FOR THE SUCCESSFUL PANCIT FUND RAISER LAST WEEKEND!
WE MADE \$3,786.50 FOR THE PARISH. THANKS TO
PADRE PIO FOR THEIR \$300 DONATION!**