



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

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

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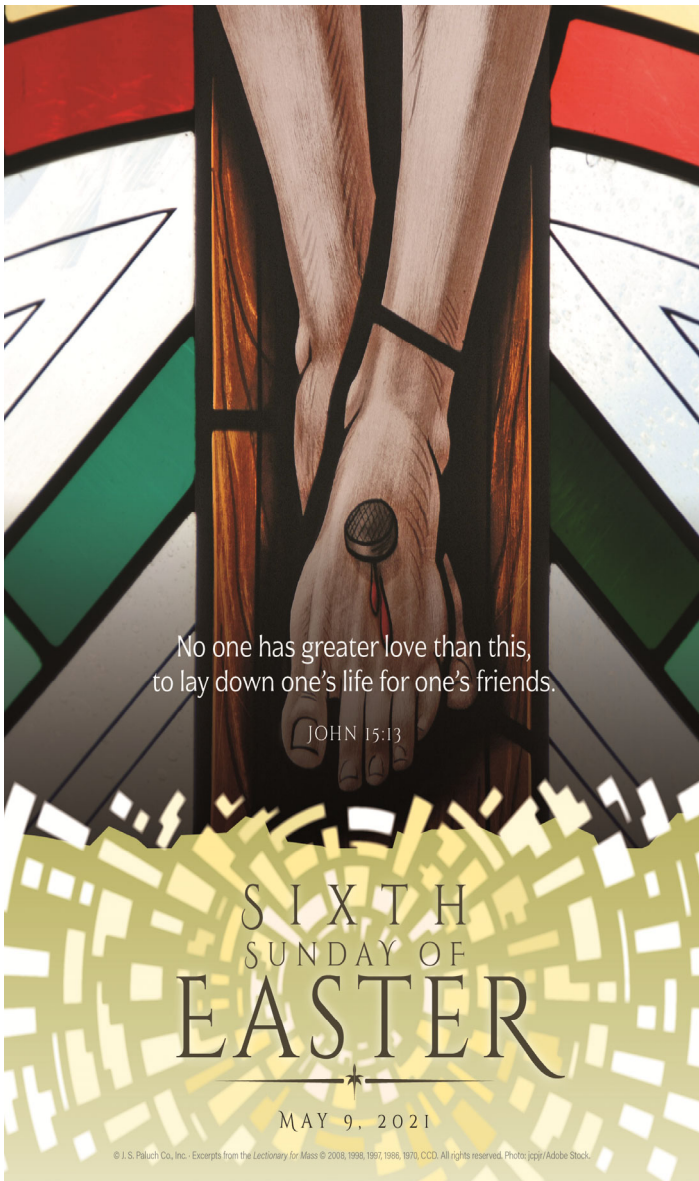
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**THE CHURCH IS NOW REOPEN WITH 50% CAPACITY =
220 PEOPLE PER MASS OR SERVICE**



No one has greater love than this,
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

JOHN 15:13

SIXTH
SUNDAY OF
EASTER

MAY 9, 2021

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NEW MASS SCHEDULE

*ALL MASSES ARE LIVESTREAMED ON
OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL: Catholic
Church of the Good Shepherd, Pittsburg, CA*

*Visit our parish website to sign up for
weekend Mass you want to attend.*

Monday - Friday

7:30am

Saturday

8:00am and 5:30pm Vigil

Sunday

8:00am, 10:00am, 12pm, 3pm Spanish

Communion

Drive through communion
after each Mass in front of the church.

Adoration

Fridays 8am – 9am

First Fridays 8am-7pm

Confession

Fridays 8am-9am

Saturdays 4:00pm – 5:00pm

or by appointment

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"As the Father loves me, so I also love you" (John 15:9-17).

Jesus made the above statement during his farewell discourse at the Last Supper. It is as if he were saying to his disciples, "I am going now. You might forget all other things I did and taught when I was with you for three years, but don't forget this one. This is the summary of everything I have told you." This is what our final "exam" will be. It will not be about doctrines or dogmas, not about catechism or Scriptures, but about one thing: Love - *Love one another!*

We use the word "love" so often in our daily conversation that we may forget its original meaning. A true love or the love Jesus wants us to have for one another is not a kind of a "good feeling love," an act of fulfilling our loneliness or feelings. We feel empty inside and we rush to fill our emptiness with someone or something to quench our desires. Many Catholics have left the Church to join other protestant churches because they don't feel they are being entertained when they go to Catholic Church. They turn away from the truth based on their feelings and emotions. That isn't a true love.

True love is not about me. But it's all about You. That is what love is. It is all about you. "You" here is referred to Him, the one who shed his life for us. Christ did not choose any external mark to identify his followers. Love is the mark of our identity, our uniform and our habit. We may wear a cross, recite rosaries, receive Holy Communion, etc., but if we go home and fail to love our brothers and sisters, we simply are not true Disciples of Christ. When we say we love God, we sacrifice our time, our work to be with him, to serve him. When we say we love our neighbors, we sacrifice our ego, our pride, to forgive if they have wronged against us. Sacrifice! No better love than the one who lays down his life for his beloved. That is what true love is.

Laying down your life clearly shows that love requires a sort of death to self. It requires that we look to the other first, putting their needs before ours. The way we lay down our lives for others can be done in many ways. Most importantly, we must foster an attitude of deep concern for the good of every person. When we do turn our eyes and hearts toward others, we will begin to discover countless ways to lay our lives down for them: small acts of kindness, words of affirmation, a listening ear, help with a chore, etc. Greater acts may include a heroic forgiveness, love when we do not feel like being loving, giving mercy when it appears undeserved, and going out of our way to be there for a person when we do not have time in our busy schedule. By giving yourself completely away, we find ourselves and discover the presence of our Divine Lord. *Lord, help us to put others first. Help us to love until it hurts.*

Happy Mother's Day

What a divine providence when on Mother's Day, the readings are all about love. People often wonder: What does authentic love look like? Well, look at a mother. She gives her blood during a pregnancy. She gives her milk after the child is born. She gives her sleep for the first two years; she gives immense amounts of her time and her sweat and her attention to her child. Authentic love does not look much like what you see on television. It looks a lot more like what you see in your mom. That's why even God takes a mother's love as an example of his love for his people. Isaiah 66:13 says: *"As a mother comforts her son, so will I comfort you."*

My dear friends, let's reflect on how much our moms do and sacrifice for us in our lives. So on this Mother's Day, let us thank God for giving us our mothers; let us bless them, love them and care for them.

Fr. Thi Hoang



Como el Padre me ama, así también yo los amo a ustedes ”(Juan 15: 9-17).

Jesús hizo esta declaración anterior en su discurso de despedida en la Última Cena. Como si dijera a sus discípulos: “Ya me voy. Ustedes podrían olvidar todas las otras cosas que hice y enseñé cuando estuve con ustedes durante tres años. Pero no olviden esto. Este es el resumen de todo lo que les he dicho”. Este es nuestro "examen" final. No se tratará de doctrinas o dogmas, ni de catecismo ni de las Escrituras, sino de una cosa: ¡Amor,

Amaos los unos a los otros!

Usamos la palabra "amor" con tanta frecuencia en nuestra conversación diaria que es posible que no olvidemos su significado original. Un amor verdadero o el amor que Jesús quiere que nos amemos los unos a los otros no es una especie de “amor de buenos sentimientos”, un acto de satisfacción de nuestra soledad o sentimientos. Nos sentimos vacíos por dentro y nos apresuramos a llenar nuestro vacío con alguien o algo para saciar nuestros deseos. Muchos Católicos han dejado la Iglesia para unirse a otras iglesias protestantes porque no se sienten entretenidos cuando van a la Iglesia Católica. Se apartan de la verdad basándose en sus sentimientos y emociones. Eso no es un amor verdadero.

El verdadero amor no se trata de mí. Pero eres todo tu. Eso es el amor. Todo se trata de ti. "Tú" aquí se refiere a Él, el que dio su vida por nosotros. Cristo no eligió ninguna marca externa para identificar a sus seguidores. El amor es la marca de nuestra identidad, nuestro uniforme y nuestro hábito. Podemos usar la cruz, rezar rosarios, recibir la Sagrada Comunión, etc., pero si nos vamos a casa y no amamos a nuestros hermanos y hermanas, simplemente no somos verdaderos Discípulos de Cristo. Cuando decimos que amamos a Dios, sacrificamos nuestro tiempo, nuestro trabajo para estar con él, para servirle. Cuando decimos que amamos a nuestro prójimo, sacrificamos nuestro ego, nuestro orgullo, para perdonar, si nos han agraviado. ¡Sacrificio! No hay mejor amor que el que da la vida por su amada. Eso es el verdadero amor.

Dar tu vida muestra claramente que el amor requiere una especie de muerte para uno mismo. Requiere que miremos al otro primero, anteponiendo sus necesidades a las nuestras. Dar nuestras vidas por los demás se puede hacer de muchas maneras. Más importante aún, debemos fomentar una actitud de profunda preocupación por el bien de todas las personas. Cuando volvamos nuestros ojos y nuestro corazón hacia los demás, comenzaremos a descubrir innumerables formas de dar nuestra vida por ellos: pequeños actos de bondad, palabras de afirmación, un oído atento, una ayuda con una tarea, etc. incluir un perdón heroico, amar cuando no tenemos ganas de amar, dar misericordia cuando parece inmerecida y hacer todo lo posible para estar ahí para una persona cuando no tenemos tiempo en nuestra apretada agenda. Al entregarse por completo, nos encontramos y descubrimos la presencia de nuestro Divino Señor. *Señor, ayúdanos a poner a los demás en primer lugar. Ayúdanos a amar hasta que duela.*

Feliz Día de la Madre

Qué divina providencia cuando en el Día de la Madre, las lecturas tienen que ver con el amor. La gente a menudo se pregunta: ¿Cómo es el amor auténtico? Bueno, mira a una madre. Ella le da sangre durante un embarazo. Ella le da leche después de que nace el niño. Ella le da sueño durante los primeros dos años; ella dedica una inmensa cantidad de su tiempo, sudor y atención a su hijo. El amor auténtico no se parece mucho a lo que ves en la televisión. Se parece mucho más a lo que ves en tu mamá. Es por eso que incluso Dios toma el amor de la madre como un ejemplo de su amor por su pueblo. Isaías 66:13 dice: *"Como una madre consuela a su hijo, así yo te consolaré a ti".*

Mis queridos amigos, reflexionemos sobre cuánto hacen y sacrifican nuestras mamás por nosotros en nuestras vidas. Entonces, en este Día de la Madre, demos gracias a Dios por darnos a nuestras madres; bendigamoslos, amémoslos y cuidemos de ellos.

P. Thi Hoang



A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take.

Let us pray to Mother Mary and for all mothers who help and guide us.

Multilingual Rosary Prayer & Mass

Dear Friends in Christ,

Traditionally, the Church dedicates Month of May to honor the Blessed Lady, and to commemorate her first apparition in Fatima, May 13th, 1917. In response to such a beautiful tradition, our family of the Good Shepherd will have a multilingual Rosary Prayer and Mass to honor our Blessed Mother and to pray for respect life and peace in the world. **The Rosary & Mass will be held on Thursday, May 13th at 7:00pm.** The family that prays together, stays together. Come and join us in this special holy event. This is a good opportunity to come together as a Good Shepherd family to pray for one another and for the world.

Blessings, Fr. Thi Hoang



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The 2021 Bishop's Appeal has officially launched!

Our goal this year is: \$35,600

We are at 27% of Goal

Please help us reach our goal!

INCOME FOR APRIL, 2021

Plate Collections	\$ 53,764
Unrestricted Donations	2,625
Restricted Donations	4,908
Voice	1,802
Ministry Income	2,535
Other income	3,720
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 69,354

EXPENSES FOR APRIL, 2021

Administration	\$ 22,926
Parish Property	9,208
Rectory Living	1,337
Priests	8,404
Liturgy & Music	5,335
Children, Youth & Adult Formation/CYO	4,039
Other Ministries	300
Depreciation	2,432

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 53,981

MONTH RECAP

INCOME	\$ 69,354
EXPENSES	\$ 53,981

**INCOME OVER EXPENSES AT MONTH
END: \$15,373**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
MAY 1, 2021**



**Doing our
Part!
Signing
up for
COVID
vaccines!**

COME HOLY SPIRIT

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FR. JAMES BLOUNT



CHURCH OF GOOD SHEPHERD
3200 HARBOR STREET, PITTSBURG, CA 94565

Saturday, May 22

5:30PM Mass - Talk after Mass
300 Seating COVID-19 Limits
Register at: www.GoodShepherdPittsburg.org

Sunday, May 23

10:00 AM Mass & 12:00 PM Talk after Mass
Outdoor Masses - Registration Required
Register at: www.GoodShepherdPittsburg.org



Fr. James Blount, is an internationally known Exorcist Priest of the Society of Our Lady of the Trinity (SOLT) – Georgia Mission. A very gifted Spiritual Director and Confessor, Fr. Jim is a bold charismatic preacher endowed and empowered with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. He speaks of living a life in relationship with each of the Persons of the Holy Trinity, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. His teachings depict his deep love for the Eucharist and his intimate relationship, love and devotion to Jesus and Mary draws many souls to also fall in love with them. Father is a powerful instrument of the Holy Spirit as evidenced by so many stories of miracles, healings and conversions. Dedicated to his healing and deliverance ministry, Father travels preaching and proclaiming the Gospel whenever and wherever he can, in the United States and abroad.

Must wear masks for all events listed.

CONTACT NUMBER
(209) 687-1973

For any questions regarding event
CDC Guidelines Followed.

FREE ADMISSION
Donations Greatly Appreciated!



Pope Leo XIII

“We ought to pray to and invoke the Holy Spirit, for each one of us greatly needs His protection and His help. The more a man is deficient in wisdom, weak in strength, borne down with trouble, prone to sin, so ought he the more to fly to Him who is the never-ceasing fount of light, strength, consolation, and holiness.”

The following children received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 8th in the Spiritual Garden

**Bryan Aguirre
Britssa Alferez
Kevin Alferez
Alexa Alvarez
Joshua Alvarez
Ulises Amador-Aramburo
Belinda Amaya
Ashley Amaya-Ramos
Dwight Angeles-Santillan
Cristobal Arriaga-Amaya
Elissa Michelle Bahena-Ruiz
Analucia Bains
Alejandro Becerra
Rafael Becerra
Valeria Becerra
Axel Campos-Gomez
Jocelyn Carranza-Alcaraz
William Carranza-Alcaraz
Kassandra Castaneda
Yessenia Castaneda
Christina Castro
Alison Castruita
Aaron Cisneros
Andre Contreras
Nickolas Contreras
Ximena Contreras-Villagrana
Angelina Diarte-Meza
Maybelle Diarte-Meza
Kaytlin Diaz
Jesus Duenas-Navarro
Christina Elizondo
Giselle Fernandez
Aaron Fernandez-Carmona
Natalie Flores
Sophia Flores-Villagran
Cesar Galvan-Martinez
Lesli Garcia-Gomez
Giovanni Garcia-Munoz
Byron Gonzalez
Elizabeth Gonzalez
Gael Gonzalez
Valentina Gutierrez-Cardenas**

**Katherine Herrera-Espinoza
David Hipolito
Roxana Hipolito
Jose Jimenez-Vasquez
Angelica Lana
Jose Lana
Arturo Lazaro-Campos
Luz Lezama
Anthony Joshua Longoria-Saucedo
Juan Carlos Longoria-Saucedo
Stephanie Lopez
Yarellie Lozano-Flores
Pedro Macias
Rodrigo Medina-Flores
Yenifer Medina-Flores
Valentina Montoya
Andrew Morfin Avalos
Max Muñoz-Castañeda
Emmanuel Muñoz-Torres
Wesley Ochoa
Alyssa Orozco
Yannell Orozco
Maximiliano Patricion
Armanie Perez
Jacob Ponce
Diego Ramirez
Rosalinda Ramirez-Valenzuela
Allisson Vanessa Ramos
Bradley Ramos
Jeremy Ramos
Samantha Reyes-Verduzco
Marco Saldivar-Huerta
Ruby Sanchez-Gil
Mariajose Sierra-Martinez
Ximena Tello-Guillen
Diego Torres
Favio Valencia
Maximiliano Valencia
Aneliz Velarde
Valerie Villagrana
Erick Vital-Zepeda
Juanpablo Zavala**

Mass Intentions

May 10-16

Mass Intentions For The Week

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Mon	7:30 am	Martha de la Torre & Magdalena Torres †
Tue	7:30 am	Carmen Soto †
Wed	7:30 am	Cecilia S. Bonachita †
Thu	7:30 am	Capupus Family
Fri	7:30 am	Rochelle De Stefano †
Sat	8:00 am	Reynaldo T. Quisao Sr & Bertha Alicia Sanches †
Sat	5:30 pm	Teresa Masturzo †
Sun	8:00 am	Gene "Burrito" Romero †
	10 am	Joseph Ferrante, Sr. †
	12 pm	Capupus Family
	3 pm	For the People

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Honorable guest,
Bishop Michael Barber,
Diocese of Oakland.

\$25 (18 and older)
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Brentwood, CA.

May 14-15, 2021



JESSE ROMERO

Info

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(510)698-9505

Registration at

catholiclife4u.com

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LIVE THEATRE RETURNS

Steven Sondheim's Musical

COMPANY

Presented by

PITTSBURG COMMUNITY THEATRE

June 11 at 7 pm

June 12 at 2 pm and 7 pm

June 13 at 2 pm

At Good Shepherd's Spiritual Park

For tickets, visit PCTCA.org

or call 925-439-7529

Tickets are \$20 each. Advanced sales required.

Additional performances held in:

PINOLE

June 18-20, 2021

PINOLEPLAYERS.org

BRENTWOOD

June 25-27, 2021

GHOSTLIGHTTE.org

All performances outdoors. Masks required.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**ACTS 1:15-17, 20A, 20C-26,
1 JOHN 4:11-16, JOHN 17: 11B-19**

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

CATHOLIC CHARITIES



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CELEBRATE 500 YEARS OF FILIPINO CATHOLIC EVANGELIZATION

1521-2021

Our Faith * Our Journey * Our Mission

You are cordially invited to join us for the
Celebration of 500 Years of Filipino Catholic
Evangelization here at Church of the Good
Shepherd on **June 12th, 2021 at 10:30 am in
the Spiritual Garden.**

Our Mass *our Entertainment *

Our Reception

(Free lunch bag to go!)

- *Barong/ Filipinana attire is encouraged!*
- *Observe the Covid -19 Protocol by wearing mask and social distancing!*

For mass sponsorship information, please use the below form.

Come and Celebrate!



Church of the Good Shepherd
3200 Harbor Street, Pittsburg, CA 94565

FILIPINO MINISTRY

MASS SPONSORSHIP for Filipino Feast/Masses

DATE	SATURDAY, June 12, 2021 10:30 A.M.
MASS (indicate feast name or "San Pedro Calungsod")	500 Years of Christianity in the Philippines
DONATION AMOUNT: If in check, please use "Church of the Good Shepherd" as payee	\$
NAME/s of SPONSOR/s (Please write the name legibly and as you want it read at mass or shown in program)	
INTENTION/s:	
	For inquiries, please "TEXT" Cecille Perez at 925-300-6234, Lelani Andes 925-212-8408, or Cynthia Auza 925-597-1178
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