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

Jesus said,

"This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many.
Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine
until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

MARK 14:24-25



THE MOST HOLY
BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



JUNE 6, 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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE 510-259-8706



The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Today's feast is the feast at the very center and heart of our Church, of our faith, and our lives; *Jesus is really present in the Blessed Sacrament*. What is special and unique in Catholicism is not the dogma of Mary or the infallibility of the Church, but the doctrine of the real presence in the Eucharist. Because of this doctrine, many people have left the Church, because they did not see the real presence.

Also, because of this doctrine, many people have converted to Catholicism. They all just wanted to taste the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. I know that some find it difficult to believe that bread and wine change into the Body and Blood of Jesus. I can understand your doubts. We don't see any change in the bread or wine. There is no difference in the taste; the bread still tastes like bread and the wine still tastes like wine. But just because we don't experience it by our senses, does not mean it is not there. And when it comes to believing in God, we need to surrender our intellect to faith. As St. Paul says, "in the Christian life we go by faith and not by sight" (2 Cor 5:7). We need to be humble and be open to God performing a miracle every day in the Church.

There have been many miracles about the Eucharist that have happened throughout Church history. One of the biggest miracles happened in the 13th century when a priest was making his pilgrimage to Rome. He had doubts about the real presence. While celebrating Mass there, as he raised the host during the consecration, the bread turned into flesh and began to bleed. The following year, Pope Urban IV instituted the Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus. Scientists later investigated the relic and said the tissue is from a heart with the AB blood type, the same as that of Jesus. The relic is now preserved at St. Francis Church in Italy for pilgrimage.

You may wonder why such miracles do not happen anymore nowadays. Well God has a reason for this. Supposedly, if the communion we receive is true flesh and blood, who of you are going to eat and drink it? But God's plan is so good for us that he is present in the form of bread and wine so that we can eat and drink him. The doctrine of transubstantiation tells us that at the moment of consecration, the substance/essence of bread is changed into the Body of Christ, but the accident of bread remains the same. So does the wine. We ought to see it.

Why then do many of us who receive the Eucharist not experience more of this radical transformation? Maybe this story will throw more light on the question. *A team of Russians and Americans were on a mission. Among their cabin foodstuff was Russian black bread. It was tasty but hard on the teeth. It happened during a meal that an American bit into a piece and broke a tooth. He threw the bread overboard and said in anger: "It is a lousy Communist bread." The Russian disputed: "It is not lousy communist bread. It is a rotten capitalist tooth."* If we do not experience the transforming power of the Eucharist, it is probably not on account of a lousy Eucharist but on account of our rotten faith. Let us today approach the Eucharist with a more lively faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and we shall experience therein God's saving power and transforming love.

O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine. All praise and all thanksgiving, Be every moment thine.

Fr. Thi





La Solemnidad del Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo

La fiesta de hoy es la fiesta del mismo centro y corazón de nuestra Iglesia, de nuestra fe y de nuestras vidas, Jesús está presente en el Santísimo Sacramento. Lo especial y único en el Catolicismo no es el dogma de María o la infalibilidad de la Iglesia, sino la doctrina de la presencia real en la Eucaristía. Debido a esta doctrina, muchas personas han abandonado la Iglesia, porque no vieron la presencia real. También debido a esta doctrina, muchas personas se han convertido al Catolicismo. Todos solo querían saborear la presencia real de Cristo en la Eucaristía. Sé que a algunos les cuesta creer que el pan y el vino se conviertan en el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús. Puedo entender tus dudas. No vemos ningún cambio en el pan ni en el vino. No hay diferencia en el sabor; el pan todavía sabe a pan y el vino todavía sabe a vino. Pero lo que no vemos con nuestros sentidos no significa que no esté ahí. Y cuando se trata de creer en Dios, debemos entregar nuestro intelecto a la fe. Como dice San Pablo, en la vida Cristiana vamos por la fe y no por la vista (2 Co 5, 7). Necesitamos ser humildes y estar abiertos a que Dios realice un milagro todos los días en la Iglesia.

Ha habido muchos milagros sobre la Eucaristía ocurridos a lo largo de la historia de la Iglesia. Uno de los mayores milagros ocurrió en el siglo XIII cuando un sacerdote hacia su peregrinaje a Roma. Tenía dudas sobre la presencia real. Mientras celebraba la Misa allí, mientras levantaba la hostia durante la consagración, el pan se convirtió en carne y comenzó a sangrar. Al año siguiente, el Papa Urbano IV instituyó la fiesta del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús. Más tarde, el científico investigó la reliquia y dijo que el tejido es del corazón con el tipo de sangre AB igual que el de Jesús. La reliquia ahora se conserva en la Iglesia de San Francisco en Italia para la peregrinación.

Quizás te preguntes por qué ese milagro ya no ocurre hoy en día. Bueno, Dios tiene una razón para esto. Supuestamente, si la comunión que recibimos es verdadera de carne y hueso, ¿quién de ustedes la va a comer y beber? Pero el plan de Dios es tan bueno para nosotros que está presente en forma de pan y vino para que podamos comerlo y beberlo. La doctrina de la transubstanciación nos dice que en el momento de la consagración, la sustancia / esencia del pan se transforma en el Cuerpo de Cristo, pero el accidente del pan permanece igual. También el vino. Deberíamos verlo.

Por qué, entonces, muchos de los que recibimos la Eucaristía no experimentamos más esta transformación radical? Quizás esta historia arroje más luz sobre la pregunta. Un equipo de rusos y estadounidenses tenía una misión. Entre los alimentos de su cabaña estaba el pan negro ruso. Era sabroso pero duro para los dientes. Sucedió durante una comida que un estadounidense mordió un trozo y se rompió un diente. Tiró el pan por la borda y dijo enojado: "es un pan comunista pésimo". El ruso disputó: "No es pésimo pan comunista. Es un diente capitalista podrido". Si no experimentamos el poder transformador de la Eucaristía, probablemente no sea por una Eucaristía pésima, sino por nuestra fe podrida. Acerquémonos hoy a la Eucaristía con una fe más viva en la presencia real de Jesús en la Eucaristía y experimentaremos en ella el poder salvador y el amor transformador de Dios.

Oh Sacramento santísimo, oh Sacramento divino. Toda alabanza y toda acción de gracias, Sea tuyo en todo momento.

Padre Thi Hoang



INCOME FOR MAY, 2021

Plate Collections	\$ 43,173
Unrestricted Donations	3,958
Restricted Donations	10,328
Ministry Income	2,767
Other income	1,214
TOTAL INCOME	\$61,440

EXPENSES FOR MAY, 2021

Administration	\$ 23,813
Parish Property	9,176
Rectory Living	521
Priests	5,796
Liturgy & Music	3,879
Children, Youth & Adult	
Formation/CYO	3,517
Other Ministries	933
Depreciation	2,432
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 50,067

MONTH RECAP

INCOME	\$ 61,440
EXPENSES	\$ 50,067

INCOME OVER EXPENSES AT MONTH END: \$11,373

Retrouvaille a Marriage program that helps couples in struggling marriages restore and rebuild a healthy and loving marriage. The Oakland Retrouvaille Program will be hosting a VIRTUAL Weekend Program starting Thursday, June 24 - Sunday, June 27, 2021. For more information or to register, please check the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com or leave a message at (510) 709-6063.

Retrouvaille provides marriage help! You are not alone!

With love and gratitude,



**Edda & Gus Rivera
Oakland Retrouvaille
Coordinators
510. 709-6063**

Multilingual Rosary Prayer & Procession honoring our Lady of Fatima –June 13th

Dear Friends in Christ,

When our Blessed Mother first appeared to three children, Francisco, Lucia and Jacinta on May 13, 1917, she told them to come to meet her every month on the 13th from May to October. So they did. Like the three children, we also want to come to meet our Lady each month on the 13th. So this month of June, we will have a **Multilingual Rosary Prayer & Procession around the church after 12pm Sunday Mass.**

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

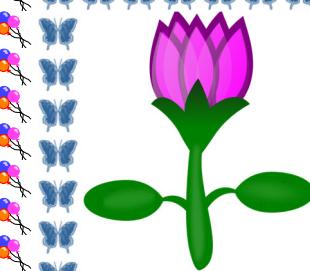


Faith Formation
Registration for 2021-22
begins July 26
Details to follow!

Catechist Needed

We are looking for people who want to share their faith with our youth . In a fulfilling ministry making friends and becoming more involved in the church. You will be trained and all curriculum will be provided for you. If you are interested in teaching or just have questions, please contact Dina at 925-432-6404x21 or by email at dina@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Se Necesita Catequistas
Buscamos personas que quieran compartir su fe con nuestra juventud. En un ministerio satisfactorio, para hacer amigos y participar más en la iglesia. Será entrenado y se le proporcionará todo el plan de estudios. Si está interesado en enseñar o simplemente tiene preguntas, comuníquese con Dina al 925-432-6404x21 o por correo electrónico a dina@goodshepherdpittsburg.org.



HAPPY
RETIREMENT
DEBBIE LAWSON!

As our Faith Formation year closes and we anticipate the coming year, I'd like to take a moment to acknowledge the retirement of Debbie Lawson who has been an integral part of this program for many years. Debbie and her family have been parishioners at our parish since 1983 and Debbie has been, and continues to be, an active member of our community. She started as a parish employee in 1999 and officially retired this year after 22 years of dedicated service.

We pray for Debbie as she continues to worship among us in her new, retired capacity, and hope that she enjoys a very long, happy, healthy retirement with her family and friends.

Fr. Thi

HELP WANTED

Looking for a Catholic live-in caretaker to help with shopping, meal prep, light housekeeping, laundry and occasional assistance with errands and personal needs. Room and board included, all utilities paid. SMALL SALARY NEGOTIABLE.

Experience preferred. REFERENCES A MUST AND WILL BE CHECKED.

NOTE: If not able to be a live in, will hire for some of these chores mentioned and pay by hour. Brentwood - 209-687-1973



WE DID IT!
Through your generous donations, we have completed our goal of collecting enough money to purchase a gently used Yamaha piano to replace our current, well loved but un-tunable piano. We can accomplish so much when we do it together!



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

BRENTWOOD

June 18-20, 2021

June 25-27, 2021

PINOLEPLAYERS.org

GHOSTLIGHTTE.org

All performances outdoors. Masks required.

**The 2021 Bishop's Appeal has officially launched!
Our goal this year is: \$35,600. We are at 42% of Goal.
Please help us reach our goal!**

FATHER JAMES BLOUNT RETURNS TO GOOD SHEPHERD ON FATHER'S DAY! HE WILL CELEBRATE MASSES AND GIVE TALKS AFTER THE 5:30PM VIGIL MASS AND 12PM SUNDAY MASS.

**HE WILL TALK ABOUT ST JOSEPH,
THE PERFECT MODEL OF ALL HUSBANDS AND FATHERS.
ALL ARE INVITED, ESPECIALLY HUSBANDS AND FATHERS.**



CONGRATS TO THREE CHILDREN IN OUR PARISH WHO RECEIVED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON SUNDAY MAY 30TH AT 3PM MASS.

MAY 29 Healing Mass

Uniting the sick with the suffering of Jesus during His last hours



UPCOMING HEALING MASS! June 26, 8am in the Church

Mass Intentions

Jun 7-13

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Mon	7:30 am	Josephine Mercurio †
Tue	7:30 am	Paul Marlott †
Wed	7:30 am	Souls in Purgatory, Members Of FOSS, Birthday of Nicole Viloria & Recovery of Julio Crespo
Thu	7:30 am	Lucy Romero †
Fri	7:30 am	Joseph Duy †
Sat	8:00 am	Almer & Margarita Docena †
Sat	5:30 pm	M/M Philip & Katherine Harper †
Sun	8:00 am	Tom Cole †
	10 am	Thanksgiving-Casas Family
	12 pm	Our Lady of Fatima Capupus Family
	3 pm	For the People *

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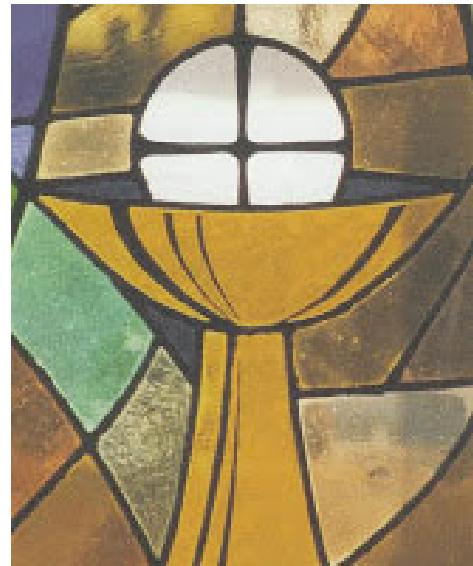
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HAPPY SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST! TODAY, SUNDAY, JUNE 6TH, 2021.

ALL SUNDAY MASSES WILL BE HELD IN THE SPIRITUAL GARDEN, FOLLOWED BY PROCESSION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SCRAMENT!

*O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine.
All praise and all thanksgiving,
Be every moment thine.*



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Ezekiel 17:22-24, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10
Mark 4:26-34

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

Liturgy & Chapel



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

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

3200 Harbor St, Pittsburg, CA 94565

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 the Church of the Good Shepherd

**June 12th, 2021****10:30 am****In the Spiritual Garden**
gifted to give
500 YEARS OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE PHILIPPINES
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 contact:

 Cecille Perez at (925) 300-6234
 or Cynthia Auza at (925) 427-0778
Come and Celebrate!
 Church of the Good Shepherd
 3200 Harbor Street, Pittsburg, CA 94565
FILIPINO MINISTRY**MASS SPONSORSHIP for Filipino Feast/Masses**

SATURDAY, June 12, 2021 10:30 A.M.

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:		
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