

3200 Harbor Street ~ Pittsburg, CA 94565
Phone: 925-432-6404
Email: office@goodshepherdpittsburg.org
www.goodshepherdpittsburg.org
www.facebook.com/goodshepherdpittsburg



Andrew said to Jesus,
“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish;
but what good are these for so many?”

JOHN 6:8-9



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 25, 2021

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc. - Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass © 2008, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970, CCD. All rights reserved. Photo: aerogondo/Adobe Stock

**Virtual Office Hours: Monday-Thursday
9am-12 pm & 1-4 pm**

MASS SCHEDULE

All Masses are livestreamed on our Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/EvolutionMovement/featured>

Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12 noon & 3pm Spanish
Monday through Friday : 7:30 a.m.

1st Fridays: 7:00 p.m.
Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. (Vigil)
Holy Days: 7:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours): 7:00 a.m.

Confessions: Fridays after 7:30 a.m. Mass
Saturdays from 4-5 p.m. or by appointment

Adoration: Fridays: 8am-9 am; 1st Fridays: 8am-7pm

Adoration in the Chapel (door code required~call parish office).

Devotions: Divine Mercy Monday-Friday after 7:30am Mass
Our Lady of Fatima/Perpetual Help~1st Saturday
Santo Nino~2nd Saturday
Divine Mercy~3rd Saturday
Saint Padre Pio~4th Saturday
Healing Mass~5th Saturday

(All devotions take place following 8:00 am Mass)

Baptisms: In order to make baptismal arrangements contact carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Marriages: In order to make marriage arrangements contact carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org 6 months prior to marriage day.

Funeral Arrangements: Should be arranged by family, church and mortuary. Normal Christian burial consists of Vigil Service, Holy Mass and Burial in a Catholic Cemetery. Any other arrangements should first be discussed with parish priest.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE: 510-259-8706

Solidarity

Of all the acts performed by Jesus during his prophetic activity, perhaps the most remembered by the first Christian communities was the multiplication of the loaves of bread in the middle of the field, in the vicinity of the lake of Galilee. It is the only episode collected in all the gospels.

The content of the story is of great richness. Following his tradition, John's gospel does not call it a "miracle" but a "sign." With this he invites us not to stay in the facts that are narrated, but to discover from faith a deeper sense.

Jesus occupies the central place. No one is asking Him to intervene. It is Himself who senses the hunger of these people and raises the need to feed them. It is touching to know that Jesus not only fed people with the Good News of God but was also concerned about their physical hunger.

How to feed a crowd in the middle of the field? The disciples find no solution. Philip says you cannot think about buying bread because they do not have money. Andres thinks you could share whatever there is, but only *one boy* has five loaves of bread and a couple of fish. What is that for so many? For Jesus it is enough. That young man, without a name or a face, is going to make possible what seems impossible. His willingness to share everything he has is the way to feed those people. Jesus will do the rest. He takes in His hands the young man's loaves of bread, gives thanks to God, and begins to "distribute" them among all.

The scene is fascinating. A crowd, sitting on the green grass of the countryside, sharing a free meal on a spring day. It is not a feast of the rich. There is no wine or meat. It is the simple food of the people who live by the lake: barley bread and salted fish. A fraternal meal served by Jesus to all thanks to the generous gesture of a young man.

This shared meal was for the early Christians an attractive symbol of the community born of Jesus to build a new and fraternal humanity. It evoked, at the same time, the Eucharist they celebrated on the day of the Lord to feed on the spirit and strength of Jesus, the living Bread coming from God.

But they never forgot the young man's gesture. If there is hunger in the world, it is not because of food shortages, but because of a lack of solidarity. *There is bread for everyone, there is a lack of generosity to share it.* We have left the direction of the world in the hands of inhumane economic power, we are afraid to share what we have, and people are starving to death because of our irrational selfishness.

Dn. Gustavo

La Solidaridad

De todos los hechos realizados por Jesús durante su actividad profética, quizás el más recordado por las primeras comunidades cristianas fue la multiplicación de los panes en medio del campo, en las cercanías del lago de Galilea. Es el único episodio recogido en todos los evangelios.

El contenido del relato es de una gran riqueza. Siguiendo su costumbre, el evangelio de Juan no lo llama "milagro" sino "signo". Con ello nos invita a no quedarnos en los hechos que se narran, sino a descubrir desde la fe un sentido más profundo.

Jesús ocupa el lugar central. Nadie le pide que intervenga. Es Él mismo quien intuye el hambre de aquella gente y plantea la necesidad de alimentarla. Es conmovedor saber que Jesús no solo alimentaba a la gente con la Buena Noticia de Dios, sino que le preocupaba también el hambre física de ellos.

¿Cómo alimentar en medio del campo a una muchedumbre? Los discípulos no encuentran ninguna solución. Felipe dice que no se puede pensar en comprar pan, pues no tienen dinero. Andrés piensa que se podría compartir lo que haya, pero solo *un muchacho* tiene cinco panes y un par de peces. ¿Qué es eso para tantos?

Para Jesús es suficiente. Ese joven, sin nombre ni rostro, va a hacer posible lo que parece imposible. Su disponibilidad para compartir todo lo que tiene es el camino para alimentar a aquella gente. Jesús hará lo demás. Toma en sus manos los panes del joven, da gracias a Dios y comienza a "repartirlos" entre todos.

La escena es fascinante. Una muchedumbre, sentada sobre la hierba verde del campo, compartiendo una comida gratuita un día de primavera. No es un banquete de ricos. No hay vino ni carne. Es la comida sencilla de la gente que vive junto al lago: pan de cebada y pescado en salazón. Una comida fraterna servida por Jesús a todos gracias al gesto generoso de un joven.

Esta comida compartida era para los primeros cristianos un símbolo atractivo de la comunidad nacida de Jesús para construir una humanidad nueva y fraterna. Les evocaba, al mismo tiempo, la eucaristía que celebraban el día del Señor para alimentarse del espíritu y la fuerza de Jesús, el Pan vivo venido de Dios.

Pero nunca olvidaron el gesto del joven. Si hay hambre en el mundo, no es por escasez de alimentos, sino por falta de solidaridad. *Hay pan para todos, falta generosidad para compartirlo.* Hemos dejado la dirección del mundo en manos del poder económico inhumano, nos da miedo compartir lo que tenemos, y la gente se muere de hambre por nuestro egoísmo irracional.

Dn. Gustavo

**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. Thank You!**

The Order of Malta Clinic of Northern California at Christ the Light Cathedral, 2121 Harrison Street is Oakland, is holding a free vaccine clinic on July 31.



Here are important details:

JULY 31, 2021

9:00am to 2:00pm

- Pfizer vaccine for ages 12+
- All are welcome
- No appointment or pre registration required
- Identification preferred but not required

Added Gift: Each person receiving their first vaccine will receive one ticket for entry to one of the Six Flags Theme Parks.

For more information, visit:

orderofmaltaclinic.com



♦ Worldwide Marriage Encounter gives you all the tools you need to have the best marriage ever!

♦ Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends. Both Virtual and In-Person Experiences are available. Go to www.wwme.org to find the Experience that is just right for you! Early registration is highly recommended.

Letters from Heaven

Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

After Jesus performed the miracle of the loaves and fish, people said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to ..."

L	R	O	C
D	W	O	M
E	T	T	E
H	O	I	N

C ----- .

Answer: come into the world

© 2021 International Puzzle Features

Excerpt from the NAB © 2010, 1991, 1970, CCD



**SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 3, 2021
GOOD SHEPHERD'S
ANNUAL FLOCK PARTY!**

Details to follow but food and fun are included!



A PROGRAM AND SERVICE OF
THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC.



ATTENTION: All Active Ministers

It is time for you to complete your online Safe Environment Training. Go to Virtus.org and create an account and complete the Protecting Our Children 3.0 this is not optional. If not completed you will have to leave your ministry. If you have questions, Contact Dina 925-432-6404x21 or email dina@goodshepherdpittsburgh.org

Faith Formation Registration for 2021-22 Has begun! Here are the details:

Registration 2021

A Baptism and Birth Certificate are required before your child will be registered.

Classes

Baptism class is 1 year no matter what grade they start. (Even adults)

First Communion Class is 2 years no matter what grade they start.

Confirmation class is 2 years starting in 9th, 10th, or 11th grades. 12th grade is a case-by-case situation.

To register go to our website at goodshepherdpittsburgh.org

Click-religious education

Click-registration information You will find links to forms and payments.

Then fill out your forms you can email them to me at dina@goodshepherdpittsburgh.org

When you make your payment, I will automatically receive a copy of it.

Registro 2021 begins 28 de junio

Si aún no lo ha hecho, necesito una copia del certificado de nacimiento y el certificado de bautismo de su hijo.

o La clase de bautismo es de 1 año sin importar en qué grado comiencen. (incluso adultos)

o La clase de Primera Comunión es de 2 años sin importar el grado que comiencen.

o La clase de confirmación es de 2 años comenzando en el noveno, décimo o undécimo grado.

El 12º grado es una situación de caso por caso.

• Vaya a nuestro sitio web en goodshepherdpittsburgh.org

o educación religiosa

o información de registro Encontrará enlaces para formularios y pagos.

• Despues de completar sus formularios, puede enviarme un correo electrónico a dina@goodshepherdpittsburgh.org

• Cuando realice su pago, recibiré automáticamente una copia del mismo.

Si es la primera vez que se registra, no se inscribirá si no tengo todos los elementos solicitados.



**FILIPPINO FOOD
SALES TODAY
SUNDAY, JULY 25
20 pieces of Lumpia
Shanghai or pork and
chicken adobe over rice
For just \$10 each!**



ANNOUNCING THE 1ST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY, JULY 25 TODAY!

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated annually on the fourth Sunday of July, beginning this year on July 25. Pope Francis emphasized in his message that the Lord is always with us and always calling us to play a role in spreading the Gospel no matter our age. *"I was called to become the Bishop of Rome when I had reached, so to speak, retirement age and thought I would not be doing anything new. The Lord is always – always – close to us. He is close to us with new possibilities, new ideas, new consolations, but always close to us. You know that the Lord is eternal; he never, ever goes into retirement."*

We, the Flock of the Good Shepherd, would like to invite all grandparents and the elderly to come to Mass on the weekend of July 25 so we may thank you, pray for you and bless you!

Visit this website for more resources about this event: <http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia/pastoral-resources-world-day-for-grandparents-and-the-elderly21.html>

From The Chapel

The Chapel is now open 7 days a week from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Please follow these guidelines when entering the chapel: Vaccinated people are not required to wear masks! Non-vaccinated people are strongly encouraged to wear masks for their health and safety! For Questions: Call Bill Abitz at 925-872-585

To Ministries Leaders:

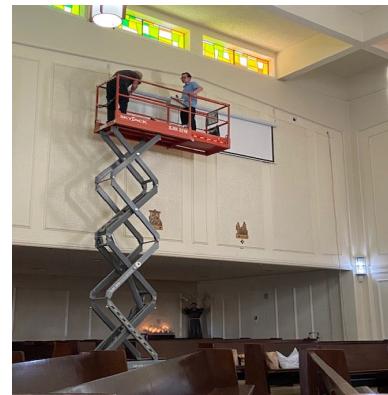
***All ministries may go back to your normal meeting in person now.
Please contact Carmen to book the facility at 925-432-6404, ext 19 or by email.***



Installing the projector's screens



Brother Binh Ha visiting our church



Why do Catholics do that?

Are you an adult interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Perhaps you've been thinking of becoming a member of Good Shepherd, or perhaps you are just curious about what Catholics believe. Maybe you wish to receive sacraments you missed earlier in life. Contact the office soon, as we begin classes in the Fall....

Adoration

As a reminder Adoration is on the first Friday of every month followed by a Mass for the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. This months adoration is on August 6th, the hours are as follows,

Adoration - 8:30 AM to 6:45PM

Mass – 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM



If you have any questions please call Bill or Ann (432-3995)



Introducing the new core team of

Our Mother of Perpetual Help prayer group and Santo Nino prayer group were officially blessed by Fr Thi last July 3, 2021 after the devotional Mass of Our Mother of Perpetual Help. The core team members are Alma and Benny Espiritu, Ofelia and Henry Tanyag, Feli Buettner, Carol Navarette, and Christine Kaysan. Please join us on our weekly novenas (Monday & Tuesday) and devotional Mass on 1st and 2nd Saturday on the month. Also, we will be happy to pray for you the Santo Nino or OMOPH novena in your homes for your special intentions. Please contact us.
Alma (925) 597-2515;
Ofelia (925) 890-2066;
Feli (925) 207-3501.



Praise God

Mass Intentions

Jul 26-Aug 1

Mass Intentions For The Week

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Mon	7:30 am	Gene Herschelman †
Tue	7:30 am	Margarita Duran †
Wed	7:30 am	Anacleta Viray †
Thu	7:30 am	Birthday of Devany Roberts
Fri	7:30 am	Ron J. Capurro †
Sat	8:00 am	Michael Hernandez &
†		Victor Gutierrez †
Sat	5:30 pm	Elsa Richter †
Sun	8:00 am	Stephanie Perez †
	10 am	Sal "Tudi" Bruno †
	12 pm	Wedding Anniversary of Robert & Sharon Calone
	3 pm	For the People

Parish Staff

**Fr. Thi Van Hoang,
Parochial Administrator**

925-432-6404 Ext. 11

frthihoang@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Deacon Gustavo Escrueria

925-432-6404 Ext. 23

Deacon.gustavo@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Grace Yvette Ripoli, Business Manager

925-432-6404 Ext. 12

yvette@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Carmen Esquivel, Parish Secretary

925-432-6404 Ext. 19

carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

**Dina Russell, Religious Education
Coordinator**

432-6404 Ext 21

dina@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Traveling This Summer? Don't Forget to Support Your Parish!

As with any household or business, your parish needs your continued support to meet its ongoing expenses. Please consider dropping off or mailing your envelopes to the Parish Office or making online donations through our website to simplify your weekly offerings. For help, contact our Business Manager, Yvette Ripoli at: yvette@goodshepherdpittsburg.org.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ♦ Healing Masses September 25 & November 20
- ♦ Marian Rosary Processions 13th of August, September and October
- ♦ Faith Formation begins September 15
- ♦ Confirmation begins September 12
- ♦ Flock Party October 3rd

More details to follow soon on all of these events.
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

COME JOIN OUR

**BIBLE STUDY RESUMES
AUGUST 19TH!**

Study Let's get back together on Thursday nights at 7 pm in the Ministry Building and get reacquainted with the Bible.

Just show up or contact Ben Davi at 439-9279

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15,
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24, John 6:24-35**

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

Building Fund



CHURCH OF THE
Good Shepherd

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

Filipino Food Sales



**20 Pieces of Lumpia
Shanghai or Pork and Chicken
Adobe over Rice**

For just \$10.00 each



Please help buy and promote this sale so we can raise some fund to help our parish to go through this difficult times of pandemic. Thank you so very much for your support.

We accept cash or check made payable to Church of the Good Shepherd

*Net Proceeds benefit
Church of the Good Shepherd*

PICK - UP/ DINE- IN

Date: Sunday, July 25, 2020

Pick-up Time: 9:30am –1:30pm

Place: In front of the church

Church of the Good Shepherd, 3200 Harbor St. Pittsburg, CA 94565

PLACE ORDER

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

Lelani Andes

lelaniandes@gmail.com

925-212-8408

Tammy Vo

tammyhairtrends@gmail.com

925-698-4559



Baptism of Thea Marice



Parish office's new look



Dominican Laity celebrating Fr. Anslem's Birth-