



CHURCH OF THE

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## SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, NOVEMBER 21, 2021

**Parish Office Hours:**

**Monday—Thursday**

**9 am—12 pm & 1 pm-4pm**

### MASS SCHEDULE

*We livestream all daily Masses and the 10 am Sunday Mass on your YouTube Channel*

**Sundays:** 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 noon & 3pm Spanish

**Monday through Friday:** 7:30 am

**1st Fridays:** 7:00 pm

**Saturdays:** 8:00 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)

**Holy Days:** 7:30 am & 7:00 pm

**Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)/ Rosary** 7:00 am

**Confessions:** Fridays: 8 am-9 am

Saturdays: 4-5 pm or by appointment

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

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

**Devotions:** Divine Mercy Monday-Friday after 7:30 am Mass

Our Lady of Fatima/Perpetual Help~1st Saturday

Santo Niño~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](mailto:carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org)

**Marriages:** In order to make marriage arrangements contact [carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org) 6 months prior to marriage date.

**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 be discussed with parish priest.



**ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE: 510-259-8706**



## Que Viva Christo Rey!

Friends, we end our liturgical year this week by honoring our Lord Jesus, the King of the Universe. Most people may not realize it, but the Feast of Christ the King is a very new one on the Church calendar. It was added by Pope Pius XI in 1925. He created this Feast as a reaction against the predominant attitudes of his day, as a way to refute the growing threats of communism and secularism. Two “isms” that sought to make man, not God, the most powerful force in the world, the king of the universe.

The Feast of Christ the King reminds us of who the true king is in our lives. If not Jesus, who else then? The King of Kings gave up his throne for us so that we can be his throne. We must allow Christ to reign in our lives. So today’s celebration challenges us to ask ourselves this very important question: “Is Christ reigning in my life?” It is easy to say, “Que Viva Christo Rey,” but are we ready to be the throne for our Lord and King?

St. Paul said: *“I no longer live but Christ lives in me”* Galatians (2:20). If we say any less than this, we are horsing around with Christianity, not living it. If we pay lip service to Jesus, but don’t completely submit to him, we are fooling around with Christianity. If we pay attention to Christ for one hour on Sunday, if we see him as one religious figure among many, then we are playing around with our faith. We are not treating Christ as king. As a king, he should lord over every aspect of our life.

This means that Christ the King must be our role model. He should also be the role model of all kings, rulers, and leaders, for he cares; he loves and lives in peace with his people. He does not rule with iron fists, with military might or financial strength. Instead, he is our good shepherd. He is a just judge, a compassionate and forgiving king. He is the only king who treats his subjects as brothers, sisters and friends. He is always ready and available. We do not need any special protocol to reach him. Let’s make him our king. Let our heart be his throne now and forever. Amen!

## Que Viva Christo Rey!

*Next Sunday, November 28 will be the first Sunday of Advent. We will enter Cycle C in our liturgical calendar. Let’s us pray to be ready to enter this season of grace, waiting for the coming of our Lord and Savior. So we pray:*

**“Beloved, now is the acceptable time spoken of by the Spirit, the day of salvation, peace and reconciliation: the great season of Advent. This is the time eagerly awaited by the patriarchs and prophets, the time that holy Simeon rejoiced to see. This is the season that the church has always celebrated with special solemnity. We too should always observe it with faith and love, offering praise and thanksgiving to the Father for the mercy and love he has shown us in this mystery.”**

**- St. Charles Borromeo**





## **Que Viva Christo Rey!**

**Amigos, terminamos nuestro año litúrgico esta semana honrando a nuestro Señor Jesús, el Rey del Universo. La mayoría de la gente puede no darse cuenta, pero la Fiesta de Cristo el Rey es una muy nueva en el calendario de la Iglesia. Fue añadido por el Papa Pío XI en 1925. Él creó esta Fiesta como una reacción contra las actitudes predominantes de su día, como una manera de refutar las crecientes amenazas del comunismo y el secularismo. Dos "ismos" que buscaban hacer al hombre, no a Dios, la fuerza más poderosa del mundo, el rey del universo.**

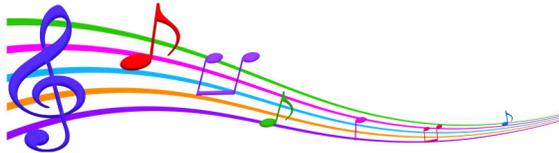
**La Fiesta de Cristo Rey nos recuerda quién es el verdadero rey en nuestras vidas. Si no es Jesús, ¿quién más? El Rey de Reyes dió su trono para que podamos participar de su trono. Debemos permitir que Cristo reine en nuestras vidas. Así que la celebración de hoy nos desafía a hacernos esta pregunta tan importante: "¿está Cristo reinando en mi vida? Es fácil decir que viva Cristo Rey, pero estamos listos para participar del trono de nuestro Señor y Rey. San Pablo dijo: "Ya no vivo, pero Cristo vive en mí" Gálatas (2:20). Si decimos menos que esto, estamos jugando con la Cristianidad, no viviendola. Si le prestamos servicio de labios a Jesús, pero no completamente sometidos a él, estamos ensuciando juntos a la Cristianidad. Si le prestamos atención a Cristo por una hora el Domingo, si lo vemos como una figura religiosa entre muchos, entonces estamos jugando con nuestra fe. No estamos tratando a Cristo como Rey. Como un Rey, el Señor debería de gobernar sobre cada aspecto de nuestra vida.**

**Esto significa que Cristo el rey debe ser nuestro modelo de conducta. Él también debe ser el modelo a seguir de todos los Reyes, gobernantes y líderes, porque él se preocupa; él ama y vive en paz con su pueblo. No gobierna con puños de hierro, con poderío militar, o con fuerza financiera. En cambio, él es nuestro buen pastor. Es un juez justo, un Rey compasivo que perdona. Él es el único rey que trata a sus súbditos como hermanos, hermanas y amigos. Siempre está listo y disponible. No necesitamos ningún protocolo especial para llegar a él. Hagamos a él nuestro Rey. Que nuestro corazón sea su trono ahora y siempre. ¡Amén!**

**Que viva Cristo rey!**

**WANTED: CHOIR MEMBERS**

If you like to sing for the Lord, please come and join us.  
The 8 am, 10 am and Noon choirs are in desperate need of members.  
See the choir director at any of the masses if you are interested and can help.  
Thank you and we look forward to seeing you and hearing your voices!

**Ushers Needed**

We are very much in need of new ushers to serve at all the weekend masses. If you feel the Lord is calling you to be an usher at our church, please contact:

Benedict at 925-550-6475 or

Rosanne at 925-783-8315

Main roles of ushers:

- 1– Welcoming visitors, guests and church family alike.
- 2– Seating those who come to church.
- 3– Taking up the collection.
- 4– Directing Holy Communion.
- 5– Handing out the bulletin after the mass.



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**2021 Bishop's Appeal**  
**Our goal this year is: \$35,600.00.**  
**We are at 67.15% of Goal.**  
**Please help us reach goal**  
**Thank You!**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF  
THE PADRE PIO MINISTRY?

All brothers and sisters are welcome regardless of race and ethnicity. Prospective members are encouraged to learn the life, teachings and examples of St. Padre Pio. This ministry also has a food distribution program the 2nd Saturday of the month and participates in fund raising activities for their ministry and the parish. For information, contact Mila Benitez at 925-726-7526 or [mgbenitez@comcast.net](mailto:mgbenitez@comcast.net)



**NOVEMBER 25 THANKSGIVING MASS 10 AM**  
 (This will be the only mass this day)  
 Bring something from your Thanksgiving meal to be placed on our table to be blessed and shared with your family.

**SIMBANG GABI NEWS!**

We will celebrate our yearly tradition of Simbang Gabi masses December 16-24, 2021 with some changes. The mass will start at 5:30am in person and will be livestreamed as well. There will be four reception days after the Mass, instead of everyday; first day (Dec 16), weekend (Dec 18 and 19) and last day (Dec 24).



For mass sponsorships, please contact one of these co-ordinators:

Cecille Perez at 925-300-6234 ,  
 des at

Cynthia Auza at 925-427-0778, or Leilani An-  
 925-212-8408.

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**FILIPINO MINISTRY**

**MASS SPONSORSHIP for Filipino Feast/Masses**

DATE (Please encircle mass date)	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
MASS <small>(indicate feast name or "Simbang Gabi")</small>	SIMBANG GABI								
DONATION AMOUNT: <small>If in check, please use "Church of the Good Shepherd" as payee</small>	\$								
NAME/s of SPONSOR/s <small>(Please write the name legibly and as you want it read at mass or shown in program)</small>									
INTENTION/s:									
Signature of Sponsor									
Sponsor's Telephone No.									

Please return completed form with your payment to Cecille Perez, Cora Clavel or Cynthia Auza.  
 For inquiries, please "TEXT": Cecille at 925-300-6234; Cora at 925-354-2259, or Cynthia at 925-597-1178.

### Fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe, 12 de diciembre, 2021

Todos estamos invitados a celebrar la fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe el 12 de diciembre, este es el programa:

5:00 am Cantarle a la Virgen las Mañanitas en la Iglesia.

Después se saldrá en procesión hacia el salón parroquial haciendo las estaciones a la Virgen.

En el salón parroquial se ofrecerá un desayuno para todos.

2:00 pm Misa dominical en español (anotar que la Misa no se hará a las 3pm, sino que será a las 2pm).

Dentro de la Misa se hará la representación en vivo de la aparición de la Virgen.

Después de la Misa se venderá almuerzos en el salón parroquial con música a la Virgen.

### Feast of the Virgin of Guadalupe, December 12, 2021

We are all invited to celebrate the feast of the Virgin of Guadalupe on December 12, this is the program:

5:00 am Singing to the Virgin Las Mañanitas in the Church.

Then we will leave in procession to the parish hall making the stations to the Virgin.

Breakfast will be offered in the parish hall for everyone.

2:00 pm Spanish Sunday Mass (note that Mass will not be held at 3pm, but will be at 2pm).

Within the Mass there will be a live representation of the apparition of the Virgin.

After the Mass, lunches will be sold in the parish hall with music to the Virgin.

### Posadas Navideñas

Días: del 16 al 23 de diciembre, 2021 de 7:00 a 9:00 am en el salón parroquial

Traiga a sus niños vestidos de pastorcillos o de personajes del pesebre para que como familia disfrutemos de nuestra tradición y nos preparemos para la venida de nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

### Posadas Navideñas

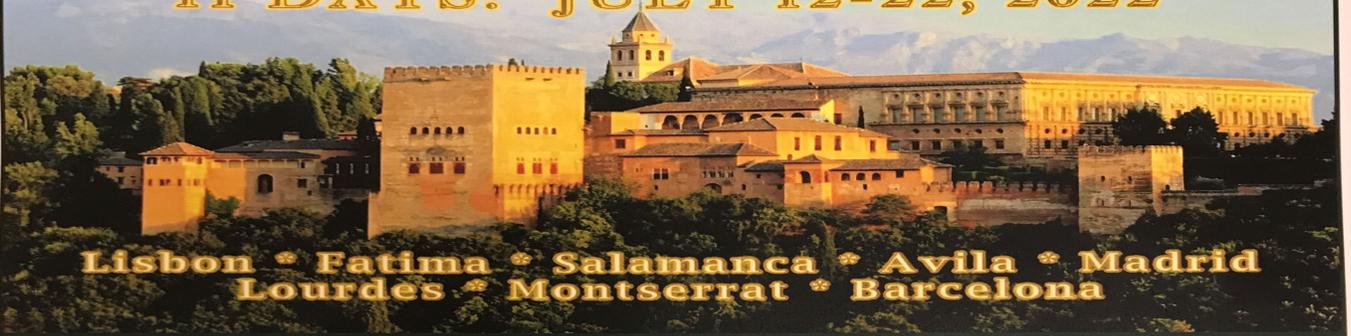
Days: December 16 to 23, 2021, from 7:00 to 9:00 am in the parish hall

Bring your children dressed as shepherds or manger characters so that as a family we can enjoy our tradition and prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.



**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA & LOURDES**  
*Plus Madrid & Barcelona*

**11 DAYS: JULY 12-22, 2022**



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**FOR A BROCHURE WITH COMPLETE DETAILS, PLEASE DETACH & MAIL TO CONTACT:**

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**Yvette Ripoli's Retirement and Mass of Thanksgiving**



It is with mixed emotions that I write these words. I really don't know what to say. I am sad because we are saying good bye to one of our most dedicated staff of all time. I am also happy for her because she deserves her well-earned retirement after more than 30 years of working here in our parish.

Our beloved business manager, Yvette Ripoli, has decided to officially retire on January 31, 2022. Her last day of work in the office will be December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. She will work part time in January to submit all 2021 financial year end reports to the Diocese. Yvette is the most efficient, dedicated, caring, loving and faithful staff that I have ever worked with. We are going to miss her a lot. Yvette's decision to retire is leading to her new vocation. She will be a first time grandmother and caretaker of her granddaughter. Her daughter and son in law are expecting a child in January, 2022. Yvette has prayed for such a gift and God has answered her prayer. We congratulate Yvette and her family for such a blessing. We also extend our deep gratitude to her for the dedicated service she offered to our parish. We will have a retirement party for Yvette on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm in the Hall. This party is by invitation only. **We will also have a Mass of Thanksgiving for Yvette on Sunday Dec 5th at 10am when you can meet and thank her for the tremendous labor of love she offered to our parish. Coffee and donuts are served after the Mass. All are invited!**

*P/s: To have a smooth transition of our staff and to keep our office up and running, Dina Russell will take on Yvette's position as a book keeper and Carmen Esquivel will be our office manager. Klarise Tan will be our temporary religious coordinator, replacing Dina. All new positions will be effective on the New Year 2022.*

## Mass Intentions

Nov 22-28

## Mass Intentions For The Week

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Mon	7:30 am	Virgilio Capupus & Family
Tue	7:30 am	Margarita Duran †
Wed	7:30 am	Family Souls in Purgatory †
Thu	10 am	Sal "Tudi" Bruno †
Fri	7:30 am	Hilario Reyes †
Sat	8:00 am	Birthday of Rui-Jose V. Fernandez † Susan Bongalo
Sat	5:30 pm	Marianna Mercurio †
Sun	8:00 am	Tony & Rose Contreras †
	10 am	Robert LeVine †
	12 pm	Phillip & Carmella Aiello †
	3 pm	For the People

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### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

#### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ◆ Nov 25- Thanksgiving Mass at 10am
- ◆ December 8- End of St. Joseph Year, Mass 7pm
- ◆ December 13th- Advent Reconciliation

More details to follow soon on all of these events.

### WEEKLY COLLECTION RECAP

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$10,550.10  
2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 2,588.58  
(Buildings and Grounds)

*We appreciate your generous hearts!*

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Feast of the Immaculate  
Conception  
a Holy Day of Obligation  
December 8 masses at  
7:30 am and 7 pm**



#### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**Jeremiah 33:14-16, 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2, Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36**

#### NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

**Campaign for Human Development**

**MISSION ALIGNMENT PROCESS (MAP)-  
DISCIPLE MAKER SURVEY**

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/k3ck52>

We are looking for 100% participation. Please help us get the word out by sharing this information with family and friends. Paper copies of the survey are available at the parish office and at all masses on a future Sunday to be announced.

**PROCESO DE ALINEACIÓN DE LA MISIÓN (MAP)-  
Encuesta de Marcador del Discipulo**

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/k3ck52>



Por favor este Seguro(a) de indicar que va de la parroquia del Buen Pastor (Good Shepherd Church). Esperamos tener una participación del 100%. Por favor ayúdenos a regar la voz, compartiendo esta información con familiares y amigos. Copias de la encuesta en papel están disponibles en la oficina de la parroquia y muy pronto les avisaremos cuando estén disponibles en las misas de los Domingos.

**BIBLE DIARY 2022 BOOK SALE**

We are selling this Bible Diary 2022 for \$20 each. This book can become your spiritual companion for the whole year of 2022 each time you go to Mass or pray at home. It has all most everything needed to enrich your faith. It features all traditional Catholic prayers. It has family prayers, prayers before and after meetings... It has a liturgical calendar, and most especially, it has daily readings and reflections on the readings.

This book is a perfect Mass Companion for you. We only have 200 books. This book can be a perfect Christmas gift for your loved ones. Please purchase them to support our parish. We will sell them at 8am, 10am and 12pm Masses on Sundays or contact Tammy Vo at 925-698-4559 to order it any time.



**Fr. Arn got a new chalice!  
Quince George Borlaza was  
Baptized!  
Randy Sori and Lizbeth Ayala  
celebrated their birthdays!**

