



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

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

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THIRTY-SECOND
SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

November 7, 2021

This poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury.

Mark 12:43



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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

Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 am, 12 noon & 3pm Spanish

Monday through Friday: 7:30 a.m.

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

Marriages: In order to make marriage arrangements contact 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



My Dearest Good Shepherd Family,

We have just entered the month of November. If you were to pick a month which stands out with the theme of gratitude, remembrance, and unity, it must be November because for a very long time, November has become a holy and memorial month when we come together to remember, to believe, and to celebrate the repose of the souls of our loved ones.

This month we are celebrating one of the most fundamental and most consoling truths of Catholicism, the Communion of Saints. November 1st is All Saints Day when we, the Church Militant, celebrate the Church Triumphant in heaven, and we remember and pray for the Church Suffering in purgatory on All Souls Day, November 2nd. We will continue to practice and pass on such a beautiful tradition of our faith.

“Is there a purgatory?” Many people ask. The answer is Yes. Our reason says that there should be. We know that we are not perfect enough for heaven and not wicked enough for hell. So there must be a middle state of purification. According to the Catholic Catechism: *“All who die in God’s grace and friendship but imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.”* (CCC #1030). Tradition testifies that from the beginning, Christians have prayed for the dead (they prayed at the Catacombs). Scripture has no explicit mention of purgatory, but it is implicitly contained in the Second Book of Maccabees, Chapter 12, where a mother prays for the repose of her sons. St John said in the Book of Revelation: *“nothing unclean will enter the presence of God in heaven”* (Rev. 21:27). So there is a purgatory.

How are the souls in purgatory being purified? By our prayers for them. That’s why we have the Feast of All Souls. We light candles for them. We offer Mass intentions for them. In every mass we pray for these souls. We pray for them. They pray for us. We pray for each other. That is a beauty of the Catholic faith. Every member of the Communion of Saints is remembered and prayed for in every Mass. What a consolation for us to know that long after we are dead and forgotten, the Church will be praying for us in every Mass. And because of the 24 different time zones in the world, several Masses are being offered every minute of the day somewhere in the world. When we realize all of this, we see what a wonderful gift it is to be a Catholic and to be a member of the Communion of Saints.

Some of you may have lost a loved one recently. Some of you grieve someone lost in earlier years but still miss him or her terribly. The month of November is a source of consolation for each of us. If our hearts are broken and suffering about the loss of loved ones, or if we are dealing with unresolved issues about good-byes that were not said, peace that was not made, gratitude that was not expressed, let us ask the faithful departed to intercede for us and for our own peace. The consoling doctrine of the Communion of Saints allows us to feel ever close to those who have died and gives us much hope in moments of despair and sadness. All the names of the deceased buried through the Good Shepherd Church from Oct 2020- Oct 2021 are written on the banners hung in the sanctuary through November.

*Eternal rest grant unto all the faithful departed, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*



Mi Querida Familia del Buen Pastor,

Acabamos de entrar en el mes de Noviembre. Si tuviera que elegir un mes que se destaque con el tema de la gratitud, el recuerdo y la unidad, debe ser Noviembre porque durante mucho tiempo, Noviembre se ha convertido en un mes sagrado y conmemorativo en el que nos reunimos para recordar, para creer, y celebrar el reposo de las almas de nuestros seres queridos.

Este mes celebramos una de las verdades más fundamentales y consoladoras del Catolicismo, la Comunión de los Santos. El 1 de Noviembre es el Día de Todos los Santos cuando nosotros, la Iglesia Militante, celebramos la Iglesia Triunfante en el cielo, y recordamos y oramos por el Sufrimiento de la Iglesia en el purgatorio el Día de Todos los Difuntos, el 2 de Noviembre. Continuaremos practicando y transmitiendo esta hermosa tradición de nuestra fe.

¿Hay purgatorio? Mucha gente pregunta. La respuesta es sí. Nuestra razón dice que debería haberlo. Sabemos que no somos lo suficientemente perfectos para el cielo ni lo suficientemente malvados para el infierno. Entonces debe haber un estado intermedio de purificación. Según el Catecismo Católico: "Todos los que mueren en la gracia y la amistad de Dios, pero imperfectamente purificados, tienen ciertamente asegurada su salvación eterna, pero después de la muerte se someten a una purificación para alcanzar la santidad necesaria para entrar en el gozo del cielo". (CCC # 1030). La tradición testifica que desde el principio, los Cristianos han rezado por los muertos (rezaron en las catacumbas). La Escritura no menciona explícitamente el purgatorio, pero está implícitamente contenida en el Segundo Libro de los Macabeos, Capítulo 12, donde una madre ora por el descanso de sus hijos. San Juan dijo en el libro del Apocalipsis: "nada inmundo entrará en la presencia de Dios en el cielo" (Ap. 21:27). Entonces hay un purgatorio.

¿Cómo se purifican las almas del purgatorio? Por nuestras oraciones por ellos. Por eso tenemos la Fiesta de Todas las Almas. Les encendemos velas. Ofrecemos intenciones de misa para ellos. En cada misa rezamos por estas almas. Oramos por ellos. Rezan por nosotros. Oramos el uno por el otro. Esa es una belleza de la fe católica. Cada miembro de la Comunión de los Santos es recordado y rezado en cada Misa. Qué consuelo para nosotros saber que mucho después de que estemos muertos y olvidados, la Iglesia estará orando por nosotros en cada Misa. Y debido a los 24 horarios diferentes zonas del mundo, se ofrecen varias Misas cada minuto del día en algún lugar del mundo. Cuando nos damos cuenta de todo esto, vemos qué maravilloso regalo es ser católico y ser miembro de la Comunión de los Santos.

Algunos de ustedes pueden haber perdido a un ser querido recientemente. Algunos de ustedes lloran a alguien perdido en años anteriores pero aún lo extrañan terriblemente. El mes de Noviembre es una fuente de consuelo para todos. Si nuestro corazón está roto y sufriendo por la pérdida de seres queridos, o si estamos lidiando con cuestiones no resueltas sobre despedidas que no se dijeron, paz que no se hizo, gratitud que no se expresó, pidamos a los fieles difuntos que intercede por nosotros y por nuestra propia paz. La consoladora doctrina de la Comunión de los Santos nos permite sentirnos cada vez más cerca de los fallecidos y nos da mucha esperanza en los momentos de desesperación y tristeza. Todos los nombres de los difuntos enterrados a través de la Iglesia del Buen Pastor desde octubre de 2020 hasta octubre de 2021 están escritos en las pancartas colgadas en el santuario hasta Noviembre.

*El descanso eterno concede a todos los fieles difuntos, oh Señor
y que la luz perpetua brille sobre ellos.
Que descansen en paz. Amén.*

SHEPHERD'S CLOSET IS OPEN

Shepherd's Closet will be open on Tuesday, November 9th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Ministry building.

Returning families, please bring your identification cards.

Each person entering the building will need to have proof of vaccination or a negative Covid-19 report.

Everyone is welcome.

For questions or problems, call 925-432-3995.



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 Lisa Hart 421-3085

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Italian Catholic Federation Patty Jarrett 228-0810

Knights of Columbus Robert Calone 432-3300

Lectors May Plata 473-0835

Liturgy Committee Bill Abitz 432-3995

Missionary Families for Christ FFL

Nap & Theresa Umadhay 427-5457

Music Ministry Rocco Enea 432-6404

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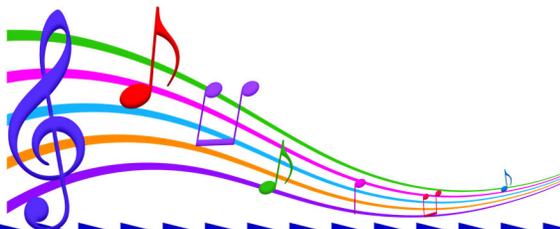
WANTED: CHOIR MEMBERS

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!



SPANISH MINISTRY FOOD SALES

Sunday, November 14 after all masses:

Pozole \$8 ~ Tamales \$2 each

GOOD SHEPHERD GIVING TREE PROGRAM - 2021

Are you, or do you know of, a family who could use help in giving their children a blessed Christmas this year? All information will be kept confidential.

To register to receive gifts for children (up to 16 years of age) send an email to gsgivingtree@gmail.com requesting an application. Application are also available in the parish office.

Deadline to register **November 15th**

PROGRAMA GOOD SHEPHERD GIVING TREE - 2021

¿Es usted, o sabe de, una familia que podría usar ayuda para dar a sus hijos una bendita Navidad este año? Toda la información se mantendrá confidencial.

Para registrarse para recibir regalos para niños (hasta 16 años de edad) envíe un correo electrónico a gsgivingtree@gmail.com solicitando una solicitud. La solicitud también está disponible en la oficina parroquial.

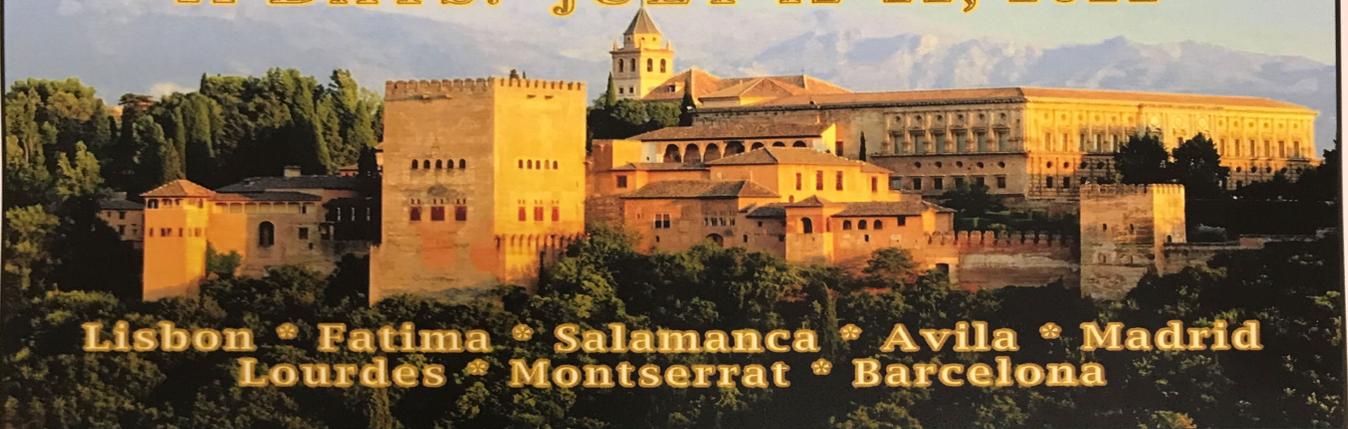
Fecha límite para inscribirse el **15 de Noviembre**



**The Catholic Daughters
sold delicious Halloween goodies
last Sunday.
All proceeds benefit their good
and charitable works and
Scholarships.
THANK YOU!**

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA & LOURDES *Plus Madrid & Barcelona*

11 DAYS: JULY 12-22, 2022



**Lisbon * Fatima * Salamanca * Avila * Madrid
Lourdes * Montserrat * Barcelona**

Hosted by
Rev. Thi Hoang



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

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NAME: _____
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STATE: _____ ZIPCODE: _____
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NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, INC.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We are in need of new altar servers to serve at all the weekend Masses. All children, age 8 and above, having received First Holy Communion, are qualified to be altar servers.

We have a training for new altar servers on Saturday, November 20th at 10am. Please consider giving your time and talents to serve the Lord and his church.

No need to register for the training. Just show up on November 20 at 10 am.



SIMBANG GABI NEWS!



We will celebrate our yearly tradition of Simbang Gabi Masses on 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 16th), weekend (Dec 18th and 19th and last day (Dec 24). For Mass sponsorships, please contact one of these coordinators:

Cecille Perez at 925-300-6234 , Cynthia Auza at 925-427-0778, or Leilani Andes at 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.

Ushers Needed

We are so much in need of new ushers serving 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.



Mass Intentions

Nov 8-14

Mass Intentions For The Week

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Mon	7:30 am	Rene Plata †
Tue	7:30 am	Tyrone Plata
Wed	7:30 am	Birthday of Randy Sorci
Thu	7:30 am	All Souls in Purgatory † Members of FOSS
Fri	7:30 am	In Thanksgiving Auza Family
Sat	8:00 am	Aldin Docena & Margarita Docena Joaquina & Gonzalo Villaflares †
Sat	5:30 pm	Sancho Alesna Sr. † CDA 75th Anniversary
Sun	8:00 am	Cleofe Reyes
	10 am	Carol De Pasquale †
	12 pm	Capupus Family
	3 pm	For the People

Parish Staff

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Lorena Reyes, Office Assistant
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SAVE THE DATE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ◆ November 8—7 pm Lector Meeting
- ◆ November 15—7 pm Eucharistic Minister Meeting
- ◆ November 20—10 am Altar Server Training
- ◆ November 20—Healing Mass
- ◆ Nov 25- Thanksgiving Mass at 10am

More details to follow soon on all of these events.

WEEKLY COLLECTION RECAP Weekend of October 31

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$4,366.23

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$2,683.00
(St. Vincent De Paul)

We appreciate your generous hearts!

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 every 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

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**Daniel 12:1-13, Hebrews 10:11-14, 18,
Mark 13:24-32**

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

Building Maintenance



MISSION ALIGNMENT PROCESS (MAP)- DISCIPLE MAKER SURVEY

Disciple Maker survey is being implemented by the Diocese of Oakland. This survey is an instrument that will offer all parishioners in our parish and throughout the Diocese to share information about their personal spiritual journey, attitudes, beliefs, and their engagement and satisfaction with their parish.

The survey is available in a wide variety of languages by using the QR code below or going to



<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 Discípulo

La encuesta de Marcador del Discípulo está siendo implementada por la Diócesis de Oakland. Esta encuesta es un instrumento que le ofrece a los parroquianos en nuestra parroquia y en toda la Diócesis, el compartir información acerca de su camino espiritual personal, actitudes, creencias y su nivel de compromiso y satisfacción con su parroquia.

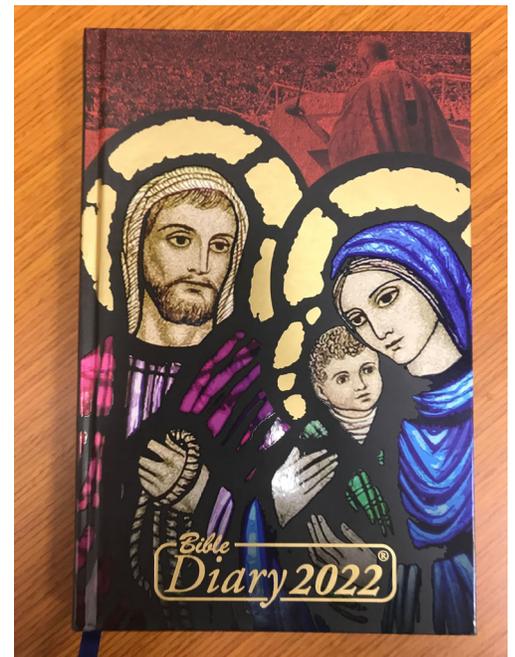
La encuesta esta disponible en una gran variedad de lenguajes usando el código QR que se encuentra arriba o yendo a: <https://www.catholicleaders.org/oaklanddmi>

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.