



CHURCH OF THE

*Good Shepherd*

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

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A VOICE CAME FROM HEAVEN, "YOU ARE MY BELOVED SON; WITH YOU I AM WELL PLEASSED."

LUKE 3:22



## NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday

8am—12 pm & 1 pm-4pm

Fridays 9am—3pm (covered by volunteers with limited service)

## MASS SCHEDULE

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

Monday—Friday: 7:30 am

1st Fridays: 7 pm

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

Holy Days: 7:30 am and 7 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.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022

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



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By saying so, John speaks out his heart. He has a humble heart. What matters to him is not himself but Jesus Christ. John showed us what it is like to be a servant of God. He is always at the service of God and others. He obeyed the will of God despite the discomforts and pains. Jesus Christ must increase, so he used his voice to proclaim that the true Messiah is coming. He prepared others by persuading them to beg for repentance. All he wanted was to lead people towards Jesus Christ, to make Jesus known to everyone. All he did was for God’s glory and honor. Indeed a servant, a humble servant of God.

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All the great things he did were not for his benefit and recognition. No wonder he got the courage to admit, “I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals.” (cf. Lk. 3:16b) Where is John’s humility coming from? It is the fruit of his prayers. He is a man of prayer. He is filled with the Holy Spirit, but he did not compromise his prayer life. He depended so much on prayer. He did great things because he prayed a lot. John is a humble man because he is a man of prayer. He lived as a faithful servant, a humble servant of God.

The baptism of Jesus Christ reminds us of our baptism. We are all baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We are created by God and for God. We are all servants of God. Let us be like St. John the Baptist. Let us learn and live the greatest lesson of his life: HUMILITY.

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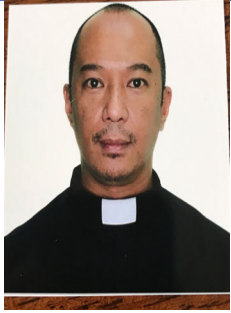
### **CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF MANAOG, SUNDAY 9TH AT 12PM MASS. COME AND JOIN US!**

The apparition of Our Lady of Manaog is a miraculous church event with a 400 year long history of renowned miracles and pious occurrences. According to the legend of its origin centuries ago, a farmer was walking through a field when he heard a woman's voice. He looked around and saw the Virgin Mary with a rosary in her right hand and the child Jesus in her left, standing in a cloud veiling a treetop. The man fell to his knees before the apparition, who told him where she wanted her church to be located. He told people of his vision and soon a church was built on the spot where the lady appeared. A town quickly flourished around it, and was called “Manaog”.

"Our Lady of Manaog" actually refers specifically to an ivory statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary, brought from Spain via Acapulco in the early 17th century to the Philippines by Padre Juan de San Jacinto.

Now located in the shrine in the church, the image is one of the most venerated Marian images in the country, and is thought by believers to possess healing powers as patroness of the sick, the helpless and the needy.





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**Parish Crab Feed Dinner**  
**Saturday, February 19 at 5 pm**  
**\$60/Person**

*Call the parish office to make  
 reservation.  
 More details to follow closer to the  
 date.*



**Good Shepherd Parish Crab Feed**  
**RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE**

From Knights of Columbus Members or  
 Church Office

**GREAT PRIZES!!!!!!**

*3 Sets of Two Warrior vs. Wizards Tickets  
 2 Nights at Peppermill Hotel Casino  
 Spa Gift Cards  
 and other gift cards*

*Raffle tickets \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00*

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Wedding Coordinators

Danette Shipe 427-9561

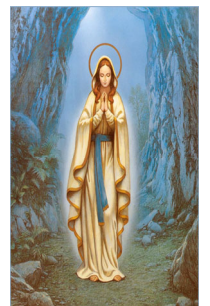
Bee Francisco 473-9247

Young Ladies Institute Gina Llaguno 698-0825

Our Lady of Lourdes,  
 The World Day of the  
 Sick

Healing Mass at 10am,  
 February 12.

Come and Be Healed!



### MARRIAGE CONVALIDATION OPPORTUNITY

Dear All Civilly Married Couples,  
You might have chosen not to marry in the Church various reasons.

Now, worry no more.  
Let's get your marriage convalidated!  
IT IS ALL FREE OF CHARGE!

We are going to have a group marriage convalidation here in our church on August 13 at 11am.

To prepare for this celebration, we will have an "on site" marriage preparation session which will take place on March 12th from 9am to 3pm.

If you are interested in getting your marriage convalidated, please contact our parish office for registration.

*Attention!* We accept only couples that are currently civilly married, and have never been previously married or divorced.

Fr. Thi Hoang



### SHEPHERD'S CLOSET

Shepherd's Closet will be open on Tuesday, January 10th 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, If you have any questions or problems, call 925-432-3995.

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### THANK YOU NOTE

On behalf of the Christmas Giving-Tree and Shepherd Closet's Christmas Give-Away, we would like to thank the many people who were so generous in support of these programs. Many families had a very merry Christmas through the donations from our Good Shepherd parish families, the Delta Advocacy Foundation and the Los Medanos Community Hospital District.

The combined programs were able to provide new clothes, pajamas, gifts and toys to 188 children as well as grocery assistance to [17] parish families.

Thank you & God Bless,

Ann & Michele



**CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND ~ dedications are in bold**

**Paciano, Consolacion,  
Guintubano**

Mr. & Mrs. Severino Benitez  
**Concepcion & Alfonso Madulid**

Peter Reynoso

**Augusta Mayvina,  
Vasile & Gueoughe**

Mr. & Mrs. Macovei

**Jesse Anthony Soliz**

Mr. & Mrs. Gabe Soliz

**Rufo Torreon Jr. & Sr.**

Elvira Ursua

Precy Manalo

Mr. & Mrs. Uldarico Perez

Flor Bartolo

Jessica Florido

Mr. & Mrs. Rudolph Escajeda

Mr. & Mrs. Pacito Joe Guintibano

Mercedes Johnson

Mr. & Mrs. Eduardo Cruz

Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Leong

Mr. & Mrs. Brian Ortland

Marilyn Manalo

Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Woodrow

Mr. & Mrs. Wilhelm Kinadeter

Mr. & Mrs. Benedict Vilorina

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Mr. & Mrs. Tony Perez

Mr. & Mrs. Solomon Windham

Mr. Gerardo Cruz &

Mary Miranda

Mr. & Mrs. Varner Lucas

Mark Ventrice

Mr. & Mrs. Ken Burton

Lorna Hunt

Dorothy Burian

Mr. & Mrs. Agustin Andres

Illuminada Gaerlan

Thelma De Jesus

Carlos Trigueros

Rosemarie Di Maggio

Nixon Pepito

Petra Rosado

Cherie Zocchi

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Siino

Mr. & Mrs. Jesus Ilumin

Mary Bolds

Helen Cuya

Blesila Dionisio

Llaguno Family

Elvira Ramiro

Mr. & Mrs. Solitario Marco

Joseph, Lua Grace Mabunga

Ricardo & Josefina Saclolo

**Deceased Members of the  
Aguba, Carrillo & Mallari  
Families**

Mr. & Mrs. Ben Aguba

**Genaro J. Narez, Vizcarra &  
Narez Families**

Connie Narez

**Jennifer Escobar**

Emma Escobar

**Godie Mortola, Juana &  
Francisco Escobar**

M Mortola

**Magdaleno D. Boiser, Timoteo**

**Reyes, Mary Ann Reyes &**

**Ines Doinagracia**

Joe, Pia, & Payton Reyes

**Dionisio R. Mojica**

Nolly P. Mojica

**Gregorio & Marta Lland**

M. Robles

**Arturo O. Cabrera**

Jacinta Cabrera

**Leongo Masongsong, Jennie**

**M., Theres Lagman &**

**Ronilo Lagman**

F. Masongsong

**Rene Plata**

May Plata

**Annie Aceves**

Carmen Ver

**Barbara Black & Jackie Henry**

Mr. & Mrs. Roy Getwood

**Anita Sarmiento,**

**Freddy Rodriguez**

Maria Smithers

**Mrs. Adela San Jose Perez**

**Elvira Ramiro, Pompei Ramiro,  
Noel Andes, Oscar Andes**

Rubelita Cayanan

Jessica Arcilla

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Carini

Mr. & Mrs. William Ingram

Concepcion Berja

Gabriel Jimenez Calderon

Wilfredi & Cruz Sibrian

Thomas Quares

Teresita Berdiago

Florencia Ramirez

Jasmine Toledo

Connie Ibanez

Corazon D. Clavel

Ukomaka Ogbodo

Christopher Leong

Robert & Mila Catanghal

Martha Caphart

Phan Family

Nora Figueroa

Su Dong

Angelina L. Elias

Robert & Mila Catanghal

Martha Caphart

Phan Family

Nora Figueroa

Su Dong

Angelina

Mr. & Mrs. Vitalis

Corazon Gomez

Margie Villano

Mario & Natividad Lucas

Nora Figueroa

Moeaki Oto Tangitau

L. Elias



*Calling all Youth Ministry Students & Peer Leaders...  
Be a part of something that has been a Good Shepherd tradition for 29 years!*

# AUDITIONS

for the **2022**

A hand holding a wooden mallet over a wooden sign with Latin text. The sign reads: IESVS NAZA RENVVS REX IVDEORVM.

# PASSION PLAY

Whether you want to be onstage or backstage, come and sign up for this exciting way to bring Christ's Passion to life ~ and earn your service hours!

Sunday, January 16th - 12:30 (after LifeTeen) - Church Hall



*Hope to see you there!*



Note regarding safety protocols for the 2022 Passion Play:

For the safety of everyone involved, all participants will need to wear masks during the rehearsals. In addition, all participants in the play will need to either be vaccinated or submit proof of a negative COVID test each week of rehearsals and performances.

*Any questions, contact Sue Garcia: 925-451-8867*

## Mass Intentions

Jan 10-17

## Mass Intentions For The Week

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|     |         |                             |
|-----|---------|-----------------------------|
| Mon | 7:30 am | Rochelle Doble †            |
| Tue | 7:30 am | Alexander's 70th Birthday   |
| Wed | 7:30 am | Birthday of Rodolfo Navera  |
| Thu | 7:30 am | Frances Ferrante Thomas †   |
| Fri | 7:30 am | Ma Nanette Llenos †         |
| Sat | 8:00 am | Auza Family Thanksgiving    |
|     | 5:30 pm | Sancho Alesna Sr. †         |
| Sun | 8:00 am | Birthday of Eduardo Cayanan |
|     | 10 am   | Mary French †               |
|     | 12 pm   | Mildred Gonzales †          |
|     | 3 pm    | FOR THE PEOPLE              |

## Parish Staff

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## WEEKLY COLLECTION RECAP

**Christmas Collection: \$21,276.58**

### Weekend of December 26

|                                    |                            |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) | \$6,475.90                 |
| 2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) | \$2,111.61 (Bishop Appeal) |

### Weekend of January 2

|                                    |                             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) | \$10,070.48                 |
| 2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) | \$ 3,952.02 (Building Fund) |

Please help contribute for the smooth operation and good services of our parish. We appreciate your generosity and for making Good Shepherd a part of your family. Also, please remember Good Shepherd when planning your last will and testament.

*Thank you!*

#### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 6:1-5, 1 Corinthians 12:4-11,  
John 2:1-11

#### NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

Church Flowers



**Santo Nino Feast Day**  
**Sunday, January 23, 2022 at 12 pm Mass and reception to follow.**



If you would like to make a Mass offering for your special intentions. Please contact our ministries coordinators:  
 Alma Espiritu at 925-597-2515 or Ofelia 925-427-1197.

The Santo Niño de Cebú is a Roman Catholic title of the Child Jesus associated with a religious image of the Christ Child widely venerated as miraculous by Filipino Catholics. It is the oldest Christian artifact in the Philippines, originally a gift from explorer Ferdinand Magellan to Rajah Humabon and his chief consort on account of their Christian baptism in 1521.

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**FILIPINO MINISTRY~ MASS SPONSORSHIP for Filipino Feast/Masses**

|                                                                                                                   |                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>DATE</b>                                                                                                       | January 23, 2022 (please turn in by Friday, Jan. 21, 2022) |
| <b>MASS</b><br>(indicate feast name)                                                                              | <b>SANTO NINO</b>                                          |
| <b>DONATION AMOUNT:</b><br>If in check, please use "Church of the Good Shepherd" as payee                         | \$                                                         |
| <b>NAME/s of SPONSOR/s</b><br>(Please write the name legibly and as you want it read at mass or shown in program) |                                                            |
| <b>INTENTION/s:</b>                                                                                               |                                                            |
| <b>Signature of Sponsor</b>                                                                                       |                                                            |
| <b>Sponsor's Telephone No.</b>                                                                                    |                                                            |

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.

**SIMBANG GABI REPORT**



**WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP GRATITUDE TO FILIPINO MINISTRY AND ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO WORKED SO HARD TO BRING A GREAT SUCCESS TO OUR SIMBANG GABI THIS YEAR. WE HAVE MADE A TOTAL INCOME OF \$20,432 INCLUDING THE PLATE COLLECTIONS. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LOVING SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISH. GOD BLESS YOUR GOOD AND GENEROUS HEARTS. SALAMAT!**