



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

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

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5th Sunday of Lent Year C April 3rd, 2022



NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 8am—12 pm & 1 pm-4pm
Fridays: 9am— 3pm

(covered by volunteers with limited service)

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am (livestreamed)

1st Fridays: 7 pm (livestreamed)

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

Holy Days: 7:30 am and 7 pm (livestreamed)

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

Confessions: Fridays: 8 am-9 am

Saturdays: 4am-5 pm or by appointment

Thursdays during Lent at 7pm

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



Dear Friends in Christ,

“God became man so that man might become God” (St. Athanasius). Yes, God came to restore man to his original beauty and dignity as He said: “I came that you may have life and have it to the full” (John 10:10).

The Gospel of this Fifth Sunday of Lent is an evidence for this statement. The Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery to test Jesus. They did it because they knew that if Jesus said “No” to stoning at the woman, he was against Moses’ laws. If Jesus said “Yes”, he was against his own teaching on mercy and forgiveness. So it was a trap. But Jesus knew it. He bent down and wrote on the ground. What did Jesus write on the ground? We do not know what he was writing, but these accusers began to withdraw one by one. Some said, the first time he might be writing down the names of the accusers; the second time he was about to write next to their names the sins they had committed. That was why they were afraid of; so they withdrew. Jesus stayed with the woman, forgave her sins and restored her dignity.

We do fail God and one another sometimes. We do break the laws once in a while. Sometimes it is a minor violation; other times it might be a major violation. Minor or major, when we get caught in violating the law, every one of us wish we would be treated with understanding and forgiveness. Have you ever been stopped by police for traffic violation? I have. When it happened, we wish that the officers would give us a warning rather than a violating ticket. Would you wish your teacher to give you a second chance if you fail your exam?

The Gospel teaches us a great lesson. We must learn to treat one another with love, mercy and compassion. We are one human family. The golden rule that Jesus sets up for us is “Do to others what you would have them do to you” (Mt 7:12). We are here not to condemn but to help one another to be better. We are here not to put others down, but lift them up to their dignity. Sometimes I wonder why God is so loving and compassionate to us, but we are so critical, judgmental, and hateful to each other. Don’t we remember that we are all sinners and we are all them same unworthy? So who are we to judge?

Holy Week is just seven days away. Let us take this opportunity to bend down in humility, and instead of looking at the sins of others, let us write down our sins on the ground. Let these sins remain on the ground never to be taken up again. Then when Easter comes, we will all rise up victoriously and join the Psalmist in his song: “The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!”

Live your Lent happy!
Fr. Thi Hoang



**Children’s Mass this Sunday at 10am.
All children are welcome!**

**La Misa de Niños es el domingo 3 de abril a las 3pm.
¡Todos los niños son bienvenidos!**



Dios se hizo hombre para que el hombre sea Dios" (San Atanasio). Sí, Dios vino a restaurar al hombre a su belleza y dignidad originales, como El dijo: "He venido para que tengas vida y la tengas al máximo" (Juan 10:10).

El Evangelio de este Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma es una evidencia para esta afirmación. Los Fariseos trajeron a una mujer atrapada en adulterio para probar a Jesús. Lo hicieron porque sabían que si Jesús decía "No" para apedrear a la mujer, él estaba en contra de las leyes de Moisés. Si Jesús decía "Sí", él estaba en contra de su propia enseñanza sobre la misericordia y el perdón. Así que fue una trampa. Pero Jesús lo sabía. Se inclinó y escribió en el suelo. ¿Qué escribió Jesús en el suelo? No sabemos lo que estaba escribiendo, pero estos acusadores empezaron a retirarse uno por uno. Algunos dijeron que, la primera vez podría haber estado escribiendo los nombres de los acusadores; la segunda vez que estaba a punto de escribir junto a sus nombres los pecados que habían cometido. Por eso tenían miedo; así que se retiraron. Jesús se quedó con la mujer, perdonó sus pecados y restauró su dignidad.

A veces fallamos a Dios y a los demás. Rompemos las leyes de vez en cuando. A veces es una violación menor; otras veces podría ser una violación mayor. Menor o mayor, cuando nos pillan violando la ley, cada uno de nosotros desea que nos traten con comprensión y perdón. ¿Alguna vez ha sido detenido por la policía por violación de tráfico? A mi me pasó. Cuando nos sucede deseamos que los oficiales nos den una advertencia en lugar de una multa o ticket. ¿Desearías que tu profesor te diera una segunda oportunidad si fallaras en tu examen?

El Evangelio nos enseña una gran lección. Debemos aprender a tratarnos mutuamente con amor, misericordia y compasión. Somos una familia humana. La regla de oro que Jesús nos prepara es "Haz a los demás lo que te gustaría que te hicieran a Ti" (Mt 7:12). Estamos aquí para no condenar sino para ayudarnos mutuamente a ser mejores. Estamos aquí para no dejar a los demás, sino elevarlos a su dignidad. A veces me pregunto por qué Dios es tan amoroso y compasivo con nosotros, pero somos tan críticos, juzgándonos y odiándonos el uno al otro. ¿No recordamos que todos somos pecadores y que todos somos indignos? Entonces, ¿Quiénes somos para juzgar?

La Semana Santa está a sólo siete días de distancia. Aprovechemos esta oportunidad para inclinarnos con humildad, y en lugar de mirar los pecados de los demás, escribamos nuestros pecados en el Suelo. Dejemos que estos pecados permanezcan en el suelo y que no vuelvan a ser retomados. Entonces, cuando llegue la Pascua, todos nos levantaremos victoriosamente y nos unimos al Salmista en su canto: "El Señor ha hecho grandes cosas por nosotros; estamos llenos de gozo!"

¡Vive tu Cuaresma feliz!
Fr. Thi Hoang

The Passion Play actors
Selling T-shirts this
weekend at all the
Masses & Ricky Barrera
the soldier getting ready
for tonight's first
performance. Hope
to see you in the Church
at 7PM



Farewell Potluck Party for Dn. Gustavo Escruceria

Dearest Flock of the Good Shepherd,

Deacon Gustavo Escruceria and his wife will be moving to Texas in April, 2022 for their family reunion. It is sad to see him go for he has done so much for our community in general and for Spanish community in particular. We are going to have a potluck farewell party for him on Sunday April 3rd at 4:30pm (After 3pm Mass).

Please arrange your time to come, bringing your favorite dish to share and to thank Dn. Gustavo for his dedicated service to our community.

Contact our staff Lorena Reyes if you have any questions.

Querido Feligreses de la comunidad de El Buen Pastor,

El Diácono Gustavo Escrucería y su esposa se van a vivir al estado de Texas en abril de 2022 para reunirse con su familia. Nos da tristeza saber que ya no estará con nosotros, pues él ha hecho mucho por nuestra comunidad en general y particularmente con la comunidad hispana.

Tendremos un convivio para que todos tengan la oportunidad de despedirse de él. Domingo, **3 de Abril a las 4:30pm (después de la Misa de 3:00 pm en español).**

Esperamos verlos aquí y puede traer su comida favorita para compartir y agradecer al Diácono Gustavo por todo su dedicación al servicio a la comunidad.

Comuníquese con Lorena Reyes

En la oficina si tiene alguna pregunta.

Second Collection Repurposed!

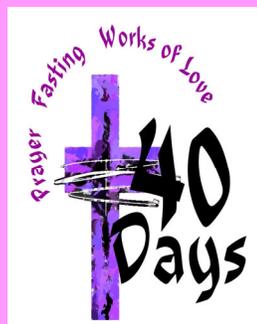
The second collection scheduled for April 24 will be for the Ukrainian refugees, instead of the Bishop's Ministries Appeal

CATHOLIC SCHOOL-St. Peter Martyr 439-1014 PARISH MINISTRIES

St. Martha's Guild	Mercy Cruz	408-960-9737
Altar Servers	Ronne Lagarejos	642-0493
	Lisa Hart	421-3085
Catholic Daughters	Rosanne Ortland	783-8315
CYO	Suzette Crayton	sueissick3@gmail.com
Divine Mercy	Becky Naca	858-9217
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
	Ann & Bill Abitz	432-3995
Homebound Ministers to the Sick		
	Deacon Gustavo	783-0656
	Lidia Castañeda (Español)	705-3045
Filipino Ministry	Lelani Andes	212-8408
Finance	Robert Calone	432-3300
Grief Ministry	Carol Mondragon	457-3909
	Cynthia Greely	437-7846
Italian Catholic Federation	Patty Jarrett	957-6457
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
Nigerian Community	Ann Ekweogu	300-6327
Padre Pio	Mila Benitez	726-7526
Pastoral Council	David De Luna	698-8585
Religious Education/Sacramental Preparation		
Faith Formation	klarisse@goodshepherdpittsburg.org	
RCIA	david@delunatic.com	
Baptismal Prep	david@delunatic.com	
Santo Nino	Ofelia Tanyag	890-2066
Our Lady of PP Help	Alma Espiritu	597-2515
Shepherd's Closet – 2nd Tuesday 10:00 am to 12:00 pm		
	Ann Abitz	432-3995
Spanish Ministry	Arturo Alvarez	415-748-1771
St. Vincent DePaul	Chelo Gonzalez	
Tongan Community	Florentina Tangitau	278-4813
Ushers	Benedict Vilorio	550-6475
	Rosanne Ortland	783-8315
Wedding Coordinators	Danette Shipe	427-9561
	Bee Francisco	473-9247
Young Ladies Institute	Gina Llaguno	698-0825



2022 Lenten & Easter Celebrations



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES DURING LENT

Confessions: Fridays 8-9 am; Saturdays 4-5 pm
and every Thursday during Lent from 7-8 pm

Lenten Parish Reconciliation: March 28 @ 7pm (Bilingual)

Adorations: Fridays 8 am– 9 am; First Friday from 8am to 7pm followed by Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Stations of the Cross: All Fridays of Lent @ 7 pm

April 3

April 8

April 9- Palm Sunday

April 10– Palm Sunday

April 13– Holy Wednesday

April 14-Holy Thursday

April 15-Good Friday

7pm Opening Passion Play Performance 1

7pm Lenten Taize Prayer

HOLY WEEK

Vigil 5:30 pm Mass- 7pm Passion Play Performance 2

8am, 10am, 12pm, 3pm (Spanish); 5:30pm Passion Play Performance 3

6pm—Passion Play Performance 4

7:30am Morning Prayer/Liturgy of the Hours

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and Washing of Feet followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Mid-Night.

7:30am Morning Prayer/Liturgy of the Hours

12pm Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross

3:00pm Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross (Spanish)

6:00pm Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross

7:30pm Passion Play Performance 5

EASTER VIGIL/ EASTER

April 16-Holy Saturday

8:00am—Morning Prayer/ Liturgy of the Hours

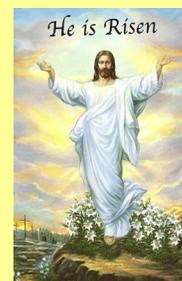
8:00pm Easter Vigil (*livestreamed as well*)

April 17-Easter Sunday

7:00am Mass; 8:30am Mass; 10am Mass;

12:00pm Mass; 3:00pm Mass – Spanish

April 24- Divine Mercy Sunday



Celebracion de la cuaresma y la Pascua para la comunidad Hispana

Jueves Santo: 14 de Abril a las 7:00pm

Misa de la Ultima Cena del Señor y Lavatorio de Pies seguido de Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento hasta media noche.

Viernes Santo: 15 de Abril - 2:00pm Rezo del Via Crucis con los niños de Armada Blanca en español en el Jardín y a las 3:00pm Liturgia y veneración de la cruz en español

VIGILIA PASCUAL / PASCUA

Sábado Santo: 16 de Abril a las 8:00pm Vigilia Pascual

Domingo de Resurrección: 17 de Abril a las 3:00pm Misa en Español

ARISE! LET'S GET LIT!

JOIN THE BATTLE OF REVIVAL!

CALLING ALL YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS OF ALL AGES
COME AND LET THE HOLY SPIRIT SET YOU ON FIRE!
DYNAMIC PRAISE AND WORSHIP!



FR. JAMES BLOUNT, SOLT

3 DAYS OF POWER TALKS

BY FR. BLOUNT AND CHRISTINE WATINKS



FILLED WITH POWER MUSIC AND MUCH MORE!



CHRISTINE WATINKS

FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 5:00 PM

SPECIAL BLESSING FOR YOUTH BY FR. JAMES BLOUNT, SOLT. ADORATION WITH SACRED SONGS FOLLOWED BY POWERHOUSE MUSIC OF "WAL" AND HIP HOP ARTIST, ALVARO VEGA, A.K.A. "COMMUNION"

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 7:00 PM

HEALING MASS WITH FR. JAMES BLOUNT, SOLT

SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 5:30 PM

SPECIAL TALK TO THE YOUTH BY FR. JAMES BLOUNT, SOLT

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
3200 HARBOR ST
PITTSBURG, CA 94565

INFO: FRAN 925-428-1336

FREE ADMISSION

DONATIONS ACCEPTED TO HELP FUND THIS EVENT. THANK YOU!



JOSHUA HERNANDEZ



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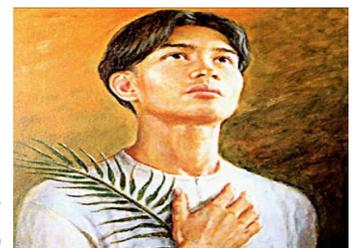
REGISTER AT WWW.GOODSHEPHERDPITTSBURG.ORG

St. Pedro Calungsod Feast Day Celebration this Sunday at 12pm. All are welcome!

FILIPINO MINISTRY

MASS SPONSORSHIP for Filipino Feast/Masses

DATE	
MASS <small>(indicate feast name)</small>	San Pedro Calungsod Feast Mass
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:	
Sponsor's Telephone No.	



The Filipino Community is celebrating the Feast of the second Filipino saint, Saint Pedro Calungsod at the noon mass on Sunday, April 3rd, 2022. If you would like to be a mass sponsor, please contact and turn in your sponsorship forms to the organizers: Lelani Andes, Cecille Perez, Cora Clavel and Cynthia Auza.

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.

Mass Intentions

April 4 - April 10, 2022

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Jesse J Hernandez †
Tue	7:30 am	Family of Dr. Ike Muonekwu
Wed	7:30am	Jose Rosalez † First Death Anniversary
Thu	7:30 am	Alex Rubang, Sr. †
Fri	7:30 am	Feliciano Navera †
Sat	8:00 am	Mike Giambona † John Vitalie†
	5:30 pm	Paul Orlando †
Sun	8:00 am	Marianna Mercurio †
	10 am	Passion Play Cast and Crew
	12 pm	Souls in Purgatory † & members of FOSS
	3 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

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The Holy Father's March 2022 Prayer Intention: For Christian response to bioethical challenges. We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

2022 Bishop's Ministries Appeal. Our goal this year is: \$35,600.00. Please give to support our Diocese. Thank you!



*"Feed my lambs,
feed my sheep"*

2022 BISHOP'S
MINISTRIES
APPEAL

WEEKLY COLLECTION RECAP Weekend of March 27, 2022

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 9,138.30

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 1,921.07

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.

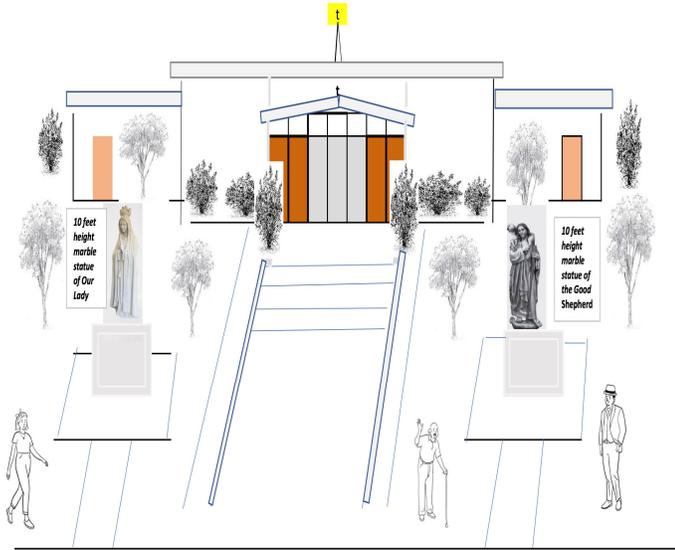
Thank you!

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS April 10, 2022

Isaiah 50: 4-7
Philippians 2:6-11 Luke 22:14-23:56

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

Easter Flowers



Dearest Flock of the Good Shepherd, I pray that the Lord may shower his grace and protection to all of you and your families. God is creating us every day to make us alive. He founded his Church and entrusted her to our care. We are grateful that we have a church with beautiful premises. We are committed to keep the church vibrant, nice and neat. So we are going to build two statues in front of the church: The Good Shepherd and Our Mother Mary (see the picture). They are 10 feet height and are made of marble. The total cost for this project is estimated about \$50,000. I appeal to your kindness and generosity in this effort to achieve our goal. If you or your ministries donate \$500 for each statue or more, your names will be engraved on the donation plaques. Thank you so very much for your loving support for such an important project.

We want to thank the following people for their generous donation of \$500. or more towards the Good Shepherd and Mother Mary Statues.

**So far we have received \$19,515.49
Of the \$50,000 we need.
We're off to a great start!**

Rocco Enea
Elizabeth Pittman / Morales
Knights of Columbus
Angelina Elias
Aurea Andres
And your names

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The Bành Mì crew at 5:30 AM preparing over 800 Sandwiches.

We made \$4,555 towards the statues.



Welcome to Church of the Good Shepherd - Briella Rose Graner, Grace America Graner, Paisley Joy Rose Silva - Holy Baptism March 26, 2022