



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

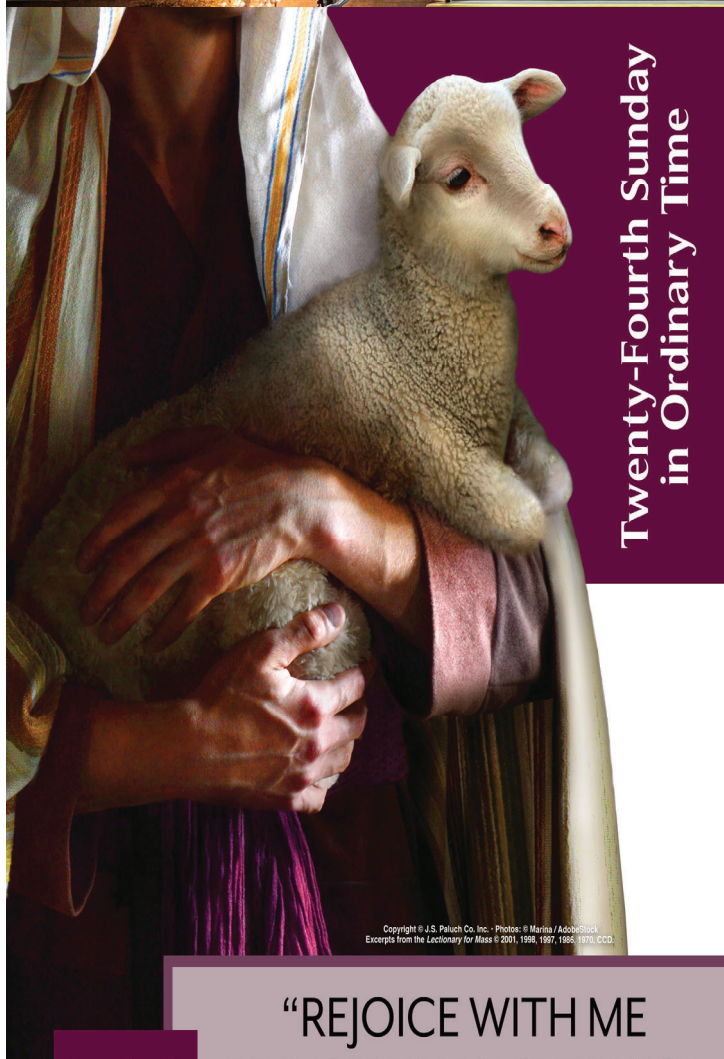
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the Love of Christ*

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Twenty-Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

“REJOICE WITH ME
BECAUSE I HAVE FOUND
MY LOST SHEEP.”

LUKE 15:6

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 8am—12 pm & 1 pm-4pm

Fridays: 9am– 12:pm & 1pm- 3pm

(covered by volunteers with limited service)

MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays: 8am, 10am (livestreamed)

12noon & 3pm Spanish

Mon-Fri: 7:30 am (livestreamed)

1st Fridays: 7:00 pm (livestreamed)

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

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

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

Confessions: Fridays: 8 am-9 am

Saturdays: 4pm-5 pm or by appointment

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 or

Lorena Lorena@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.

September
11
2022

ANointing OF THE SICK HOTLINE: 510-259-8706



A Father's great love.

We may question God's great love for us when we are put in a situation where everything puzzles and confuses us. When we find no meaning despite the hard work to do what pleases God, when everything seems cloudy, and desolation enters our consciousness, we continue to ask: Where is God? Is God's love real?

A Father's great love!

The two sons in today's gospel lead us to ponder God's great love for us. Indeed, God's love and mercy are beyond measure. Who, then, can fathom the limitless compassion of God? Who can capture the boundless love of God? Today, we are reminded again of God's great love for us. He manifests his passion in the humble and repentant sons and daughters. The prodigal son highlights the truth about the goodness of humility and repentance. Indeed, a father's heart melts, and love conquers human weakness and shortcomings. Also, a father's great passion is found in the arrogant and proud son in the parable. Just as the repentant son, who shows humility, is not condemned but forgiven, the proud son is also guided to realize to count his blessings received instead of cursing others.

A Father's great love is for all, humble or proud, repentant or conceited. Let alone we allow our Father's great love to make us his humble sons and daughters. Everything is for our Father's honor and glory.

Fr. Arn Cabrias

El gran amor de un Padre.

Podemos cuestionar el gran amor de Dios por nosotros cuando nos encontramos en una situación en la que todo nos desconcierta y nos confunde. Cuando no encontramos sentido a pesar del arduo trabajo por hacer lo que agrada a Dios, cuando todo parece nublado, y la desolación entra en nuestra conciencia, nos seguimos preguntando: ¿Dónde está Dios? ¿Es real el amor de Dios?

El gran amor de un Padre!

Los dos hijos del evangelio de hoy nos llevan a reflexionar sobre el gran amor de Dios por nosotros. De hecho, el amor y la misericordia de Dios son inconmensurables. ¿Quién, entonces, puede sondear la compasión ilimitada de Dios? ¿Quién puede capturar el amor ilimitado de Dios? Hoy, se nos recuerda nuevamente el gran amor de Dios por nosotros. Manifiesta su pasión en los hijos e hijas humildes y arrepentidos. El hijo pródigo destaca la verdad sobre la bondad de la humildad y el arrepentimiento. De hecho, el corazón de un padre se derrite y el amor vence las debilidades y los defectos humanos. Además, la gran pasión de un padre se encuentra en el hijo arrogante y orgulloso de la parábola. Así como el hijo arrepentido, que muestra humildad, no es condenado sino perdonado, el hijo orgulloso también es guiado a darse cuenta de contar sus bendiciones recibidas en lugar de maldecir a los demás.

El gran amor de un Padre es para todos, humildes u orgullosos, arrepentidos o engreídos. Mucho menos permitimos que el gran amor de nuestro Padre nos haga sus humildes hijos e hijas. Todo es para honra y gloria de nuestro Padre.

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ANNUAL FLOCK PARTY

Sunday, October 2, 2022

All day in the Garden from 9:00am-5:00pm

The day will include Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm and 2pm in Spanish.

Multicultural food such as Mexican, Italian, Nigerian, American, Filipino, Tongan, Vietnamese, Pakistani; drinks, live music, dancing, games and all sorts of entertainment and best of all: Family fun!

You also have a chance to win a big raffle prize. These are the prizes:

1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes valued at \$2,000 each. (These are vacation packages for 2 nights stay anywhere in the United States for 2 persons. Airfare included. Taxes and fees are not included),
4th prize \$500 cash, and many other consolation prizes.

Tickets are \$5 each or 6 tickets for \$25. You don't need to be present to win.

All the proceeds we make from this festival will be used for the repainting of the church buildings.

Bring your family and friends and stay with us for the whole day.



New Altar Servers Training

All children having already received First Holy Communion are invited to be altar servers. There will be a training on Saturday, October 15 at 10am in the church. If you feel called to serve Christ and his people at Masses, please contact Liza Hart at 925-421-3058.

Para todos los niños que ya hicieron la primera comunión les hacemos una cordial invitación para ser monaguillos. Tendremos un entrenamiento Octubre 15 a las 10:00 am en la iglesia. Si sientes el llamado para servir a Cristo y su comunidad en las misas por favor de comunicarse con el Sr. Bulmaro Mendieta (925)286-2276



Dance practice, getting ready for Flock Party



FEAST OF SAN LORENZO RUIZ
October 2 at 12 Noon Mass in the Spiritual Garden

Mass sponsorship forms will be available in the church vestibule or by calling
Cecille Perez @ 925-300-6234 or
Cora Clavel @ 925-354-2259



Children Mass this Sunday Sept 11 at 10am. All are welcome!

CCD and Youth Confirmation Classes begin today.

May God bless our religious school year!

Announcement:

Looking to share my beautiful home in Brentwood! 3 beds 2 baths, laundry room.

Full garage to use to park car. Outdoor barbecue to use with large yard

Private entrance. Supply own food. \$1,200 per month. Rent includes all utilities and gardener

Right across from Brentwood water park

Call Fran: (925) 428-1336 or text



VOLUNTEER SHORTAGE

The St. Vincent de Paul Dining Room urgently needs help serving lunch on Saturday and Sunday at our Pittsburg location at [1415 Simpson Court](#) (off East Leland), 9:30am to 1:00pm. Please help us by signing up to volunteer to feed

our neighbors in need by emailing lisag@loavesfishescc.org or visiting Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa's website at <https://loavesfishescc.org>.

Faith Formation Registration for 2022-2023.**Registration 2022 NOW Happening**

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

To register, you can do it at the parish office or go to our website at goodshepherdpittsburg.org. Click—Religious Education and then Click—Registration Information. You will find links to forms and payments. Then fill out your forms; you can email them to me at klarisse@goodshepherdpittsburg.org.

El Registro 2022 Comienzo el 13 de junio

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

Después de completar sus formularios, puede enviarme un correo electrónico a Lorena@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

First Communion and Youth Confirmation Classes start September 11 with a beginning of school year Mass at 10am. All are welcome. Edge/Jr High Classes begin on Wednesday, Sept 14. RCIA/Adult Confirmation class begins Sept 26.

PLEASE JOIN US!

The members of St Padre Pio Prayer Group of Good Shepherd Church, Pittsburg CA, will be celebrating his Feast Day on September 23, 2022. Everyone is invited. We have a 9-day novena from September 15-23, 2022 at 6:30 PM. Sep. 15, 16 & 22 in the Garden. Sep. 17, 18 & 23 in the church, Sep. 19, 20 & 21 in parish office.



The Feast Day Mass will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 8:00 AM followed by a hearty breakfast at the Spiritual Garden. Please come in join us in these activities as we pray and sing “Be with me, Lord” through the intercession of Saint Padre Pio in our lives. For more information, pls call: Mila Benitez – (925)626-7526 or Cora Clavel (925) 354-2259 For Mass Sponsor, Pls contact: Cynthia Auza – (925) 597-1178 or Cecille Perez- (925) 300-6264

Join us for the celebration of the Feast of St. Nicolas on Sept 11 at 12pm Mass. For Mass sponsorship and Mass intentions, please contact Thea at 925-768-1641.



Araceley Delgado Happy 15th Birthday



Filipino Ministry meeting, getting ready for the Flock Party.



Welcome to Church of the Good Shepherd - Holy Baptism
Monica Jazmin Cervantes Chavez, James Benedicto Amaya Ramos, Mayelli Guadalupe Orozco, Arielle Roman Ruiz, Lucians Lynette Hidalgo

GOOD SHEPHERD CYO BASKETBALL NEWS

Sign-ups for grades 2nd-8th. Deadline September 16th 2022.

Website to sign up: www.goodshepherdcyo.com

Coaches and sponsorships also needed.

Contact Athletic Director

Suzette Crayon 925-437-8044

You are invited

What: Life in Christ Seminar (LCS)

When: Sunday, Sept 11 & Sept 25, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM

Where: Church of The Good Shepherd
Ministry Bldg.

Guest Speakers: Fr. Thi Hoang

Fr. Arn Cabrias

Online Registration: <https://forms.gle/kGP2yBUHvej5DNth7>

Be brought to a personal relationship with Jesus and
towards a deeper spirit-filled Christian Life.

It is a response to the call of the Holy Father to the New Evangelization.

Hosted by Missionary Families of Christ

Free of Charge



SHEPHERD'S CLOSET

The next Shepherd's Closet will be open on Tuesday, September 13th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Ministry building. Returning families, please bring your identification cards if you've lost it, we will issue you a new one. All families in need of help are welcome.

If you have any questions or problems, call

Ann or Bill Abitz at 925-432-3995.



Our Holiday Craft Fair is back on Sunday, October 23, 2022. If you are interested in being a vendor, please call Awilda Graff at 925 642-0876.

Also we are looking for different cultures in our

church to be part of our fashion show again. Please contact us if you can help after any of the masses the day of the fair. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 11th– Confirmation/RCIC/FHC Kick Off

September 13th-L Fatima: Marian Procession - 7pm

September 24th St. Padre Pio Feast Day Mass 8:00am

September 26th- RCIA Kick Off

October 2nd– Flock Party

October 13th– O.L. Fatima, Procession and Mass at 6:30pm

November 1 st - All Saints: 7:30am, 12pm, 7pm (Bilingual)

November 2 nd - All Souls: 7:30am, 12pm, 7pm (Spanish)

November 12th– Appreciation Dinner at 7pm

November 24– Thanksgiving 10am Mass

November 19- Healing Mass at 11am

November 27th—Advent

December 8- Immaculate Conception of Mary: 7:30am, 12pm, 7pm

December 9- Taize Prayer at 7pm

December 11/12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 15– Parish Reconciliation at 7pm

December 16—Kick off of Simbang Gabi 5:30am & Posadas 7pm

Dec 24– Christmas Eve 4pm, 6pm, 12am

December 25 Christmas, 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm Sp

Dec 31st -New Year Eve 5:30pm

Jan 1st—New Year 2023, 8am, 10am, 12pm, 3pm Sp

DIOCESE OF OAKLAND DISCERNMENT DAY

Grant Us Lord, Faith-Filled Leaders!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
ST PATRICK'S SEMINARY
320 MIDDLEFIELD RD. MENLO PARK, CA

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Register with Fr Carl Arcosa at
CArcosa@OakDiocese.org

Mass Intentions September 12 – September 18

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Thanksgiving of Thomas, Katie & Tiffany
Tue	7:30 am	In thanksgiving for Tammy Vo and Family
Wed	7:30 am	Ben Lopus †
Thu	7:30 am	Magdalena Auza †
Fri	7:30 am	Ben Lopus First year death anniversary †
Sat	8:00 am	Josie Orozco † Maximino, Glafira & Miguel Avila †
	5:30 pm	Sancho Alesna Sr. †
Sun	8:00 am	Auza Family Thanksgiving
	10 am	Robert De Pasquale † Brianna Flint
	12 pm	Francisco Sevilla †
	3 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Do you feel a calling to come back to the Catholic Church?

Join our RCIA program which will begin in September of this year. For more information, please contact our faith formation office at 925-432-6404.

**2022 Bishop's Ministries
Appeal. Our goal this year is:
\$35,600.00.**

**We have raised \$22,406.30
(62.94%) so far. Please give to
support our Diocese.
Thank you!**



"Feed my lambs,
feed my sheep"
2022 BISHOP'S
MINISTRIES
APPEAL

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WEEKLY COLLECTION RECAP Weekend of September 4, 2022

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 11,778.41

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 2,978.04

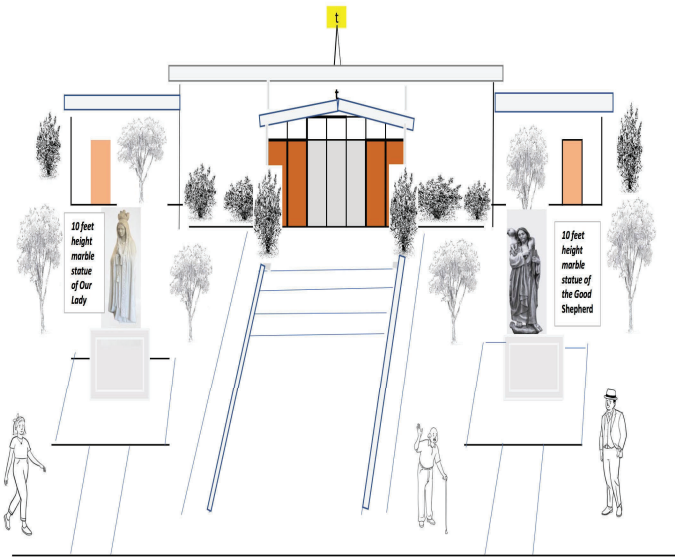
Please help contribute for the smooth operation and good services of our parish. We appreciate your generosity and for making Good Shepherd a part of your family. Also, please remember Good Shepherd when planning your last will and testament. *Thank you!*

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Amos 8:4-7
1 Timothy 2:1-8
Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

BISHOP'S APPEAL



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 in 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.

God is Good! All the time!

Fr. Thi Hoang

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 \$70,669.00 of the \$50,000 we need. We've done a great job! Here is the list of donors:

Rocco Enea, Elizabeth Pittman / Morales, Knights of Columbus, Angelina Elias, Aurea Andres, Betty and Ely Vilorio, Becky & June Naca, Helen Cuya, Sonny & Maribel Miguel, Kyle Scudder, Santo Nino Ministry, Adoracion T Gatus, Joseph Stewart Jr., St. Padre Pio Prayer Group, Francine Cruz Family, Crispin S. De Dios, Sylvia & Gabriel Solis, Robert and Sharon Calone, Iluminada R Gaerlan, Alberto & Elizabeth Sojuaco, San Nicolas De Tolentino Family Group, Mary & Latrell Carradine, Van Duc & Tinh Thi Nguyen, Su Dong, Severino & Mila Benitez and Arthur & Marianne Solis, Cora, Rod Clavel and Nerio & Dalisay Torres, Suzara & Francisco Gecanac Francisco, Shirley A. Schroth, Ma. Cecilia P. Sojuaco, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Benny & Alma Bautista Espiritu, Jubene Lararejos, Lafayette Ines,... And Jesusa Reyna-Arcilla & Arseno V. Arcilla, Angela Vicente, Alma Espiritu, Soledad B. Mendoza, Edward Grigg, and Joseph S. Alamay D. Siino, Rebecca Ariate, Gris Gorospe and Leonardo Matabang, MFC Ministry, Khanh & Chi Luu, Ken & Feli Buettner, Augustine E. Andres, Nelia Beaman, Divine Mercy Ministry, Jessica Los Banos, Pat Lesaca and Rico, Hermie Perez, Cecilia Oswood, "Otto" Emili Tanitau, Tongan Ministry, El Shaddai Pittsburg Chapter, Willie & Bles Dionisio & Valentina Aniban & Stephen Giadone,

Your names.....

OCTOBER 2, 2022

GOOD SHEPHERD'S ANNUAL FLOCK PARTY RAFFLE!

If you are a registered parishioner you should have received a mailing for this event that includes raffle tickets for a drawing that will take place at the Flock Party. If you did not receive the mailing, you can purchase tickets after any mass between now and the event. No need to be present to win ~ but we'd love to see you there! Tickets are \$5 each or 6 tickets for \$25.

The prizes are 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes valued at \$2,000 each. Prizes are Transferable however No Cash Value. (These are vacation packages for 2 nights stay anywhere in the United States for 2 persons. Airfare included. Taxes and fees are not included), 4th prize \$500 cash, and many other consolation prizes. Place your stubs in any Sunday collection basket, mail them in or bring them to the parish office.

FLOCK PARTY WATER AND SOFT DRINK DONATIONS NEEDED!

To help us offset expenses for the Flock Party, we are asking for donations from our generous parishioners .

If you can help us, bring your donations to the parish office any time during business hours, Monday-Thursday, 8 am to 4 pm.

Thank you!

