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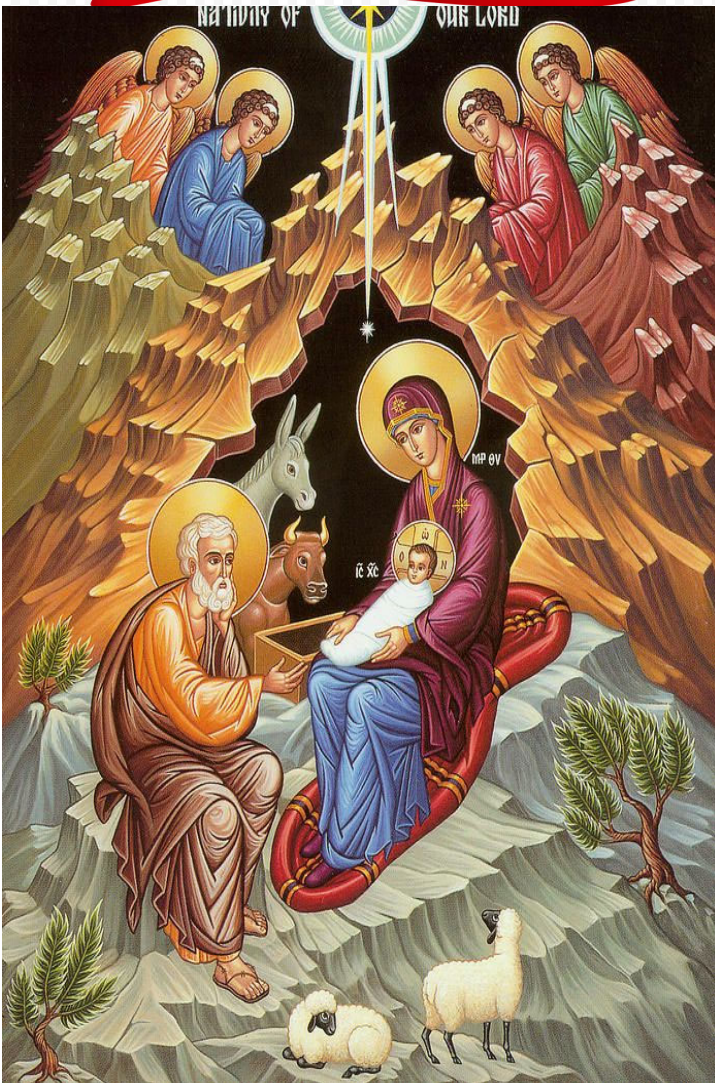
Good Shepherd

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

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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), 6:30pm (Is) & 7:30pm (Sp)

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

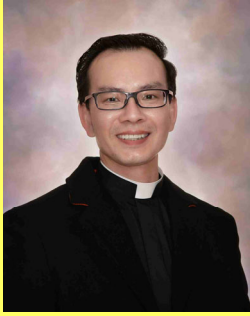
Lorena goodshepherdpittsburg.org

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

Christmas Message 2022



Dearest Good Shepherd Family,

May the joy and peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you and your family!

I would like to extend my blessings to you and your family as we all prepare for Christmas and New Year. I am grateful for all the blessings that God has bestowed upon our parish; and I am deeply thankful for your amazing support, sharing your time, talents and treasures to build up our Good Shepherd Family filled with love and hospitality.

We are about to say goodbye to 2022. Another year has passed with its ups and downs, with sadness and joys, touching our lives in various ways, all coloring our memories of this past year. You may have lost a loved one since last Christmas, or you may be overburdened by financial crisis, family problems or many other reasons. If you are, we want to assure you that, as a parish community, we do care and offer you our prayers and support. Just as we are going through difficult times, Joseph and Mary were also going through tough times while awaiting the birth of their child Jesus. They were uncertain of what the future holds for them. Yet, they both placed their trust in God who has never forsaken his faithful children.

God created us and he knows what we have gone through. Through the mystery of incarnation, God wanted to meet with us. He came to console a widow whose only son just passed away to say: "Don't cry!" He came to the blind to restore their sights. He came to the lepers to heal their diseases. He came to the prostitutes and the tax collectors to forgive their sins. Today God is still coming to us. We don't have to wait until next year to celebrate our Christmas. Everyday can be our Christmas if we let Christ be born again in us. Christmas invites us to reflect on the mystery of God who wanted to become human like us so He can be our friend, feeling our pains and suffering. He wants to say to us: *"I know you are not perfect, but I love you anyway and I want you to be my child."* God came into the world more than 2 thousand years ago. He is still coming to us today. He speaks our language and invites us to follow him so that he can take us to the Father. May we be all inspired in this season of grace so that we may recognize the presence of God among our brothers and sisters to love them as God has loved us.

Christmas is an opportunity to thank so many parishioners who give abundantly of their time and talents and treasures in making our parish the vibrant, faith-filled community that it is. As your administrator, I treasure the gift of you and your generosity, sacrifices, and hard work you have contributed to make this parish a beacon of Christ's love. In particular, I thank all volunteers who serve in the various ministries and organizations. On behalf of Father Arn, Deacon Alberto, and all the parish staff, I wish each of you a grace-filled Christmas and a blessed New Year! Please be assured of my prayers for your intentions and a remembrance at Holy Mass. May the peace, joy, and love of the Holy Family be present in your lives each day of the New Year. **Fr. Thi Hoang**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2023!

Children's Mass

First Sunday of every month at the 10:00 AM mass and 3pm in Spanish.

All Children are welcome.

Mensaje de Navidad 2022

Querida Familia del Buen Pastor,

¡Que la alegría y la paz de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo esté con usted y su familia!

Me gustaría extender mis bendiciones a usted y su familia mientras nos preparamos para la Navidad y Año Nuevo. Estoy agradecido por todas las bendiciones que Dios ha otorgado a nuestra parroquia; y estoy profundamente agradecido por su increíble apoyo, compartiendo su tiempo, talentos y tesoros para construir nuestra Familia del Buen Pastor llena de amor y hospitalidad.

Estamos a punto de despedir el 2022. Ha pasado otro año con sus altibajos, con tristezas y alegrías, tocando nuestras vidas de varias maneras, todo coloreando nuestros recuerdos de este año pasado. Es posible que haya perdido a un ser querido desde la Navidad pasada, o que esté abrumado por una crisis financiera, problemas familiares o muchas otras razones. Si es así, queremos asegurarle que, como comunidad parroquial, nos preocupamos y le ofrecemos nuestras oraciones y apoyo. Así como nosotros estamos pasando por momentos difíciles, José y María también estaban pasando por momentos difíciles mientras esperaban el nacimiento de su hijo Jesús. No estaban seguros de lo que les deparaba el futuro. Sin embargo, ambos depositaron su confianza en Dios, que nunca ha abandonado a sus hijos fieles.

Dios nos creó y sabe por lo que hemos pasado. A través del misterio de la encarnación, Dios ha querido encontrarse con nosotros. Vino a consolar a una viuda cuyo único hijo acababa de fallecer para decirle: “¡No llores!”. Vino a los ciegos para devolverles la vista. Vino a los leprosos para sanar sus enfermedades. Vino a las prostitutas y a los recaudadores de impuestos para perdonar sus pecados. Hoy Dios sigue viniendo a nosotros. No tenemos que esperar hasta el próximo año para celebrar nuestra Navidad. Cada día puede ser nuestra Navidad si dejamos que Cristo renazca en nosotros. La Navidad nos invita a reflexionar sobre el misterio de Dios que quiso hacerse humano como nosotros para ser nuestro amigo, sintiendo nuestros dolores y sufrimientos. Quiere decirnos: *“Sé que no son perfectos, pero los amo de todos modos y quiero que sea mis hijos”*. Dios vino al mundo hace más de dos mil años. Él todavía viene a nosotros hoy. Habla nuestro idioma y nos invita a seguirlo para que nos lleve al Padre. Que todos estemos inspirados en este tiempo de gracia para que podamos reconocer la presencia de Dios entre nuestros hermanos y hermanas para amarlos como Dios nos ha amado.

La Navidad es una oportunidad para agradecer a tantos feligreses que dan abundantemente de su tiempo, talentos y tesoros para hacer de nuestra parroquia la comunidad vibrante y llena de fe que es. Como su administrador, atesoré su regalo y su generosidad, sacrificios y arduo trabajo que ha contribuido para hacer de esta parroquia un faro del amor de Cristo. En particular, agradezco a todos los voluntarios que sirven en los diversos ministerios y organizaciones. En nombre del Padre Arn, el Diácono Alberto y todo el personal de la parroquia, ¡les deseo a cada uno de ustedes una Navidad llena de gracia y un Año Nuevo lleno de bendiciones! Tenga la seguridad de mis oraciones por sus intenciones y un recuerdo en la Santa Misa. Que la paz, la alegría y el amor de la Sagrada Familia estén presentes en sus vidas cada día del Año Nuevo.

¡Feliz Navidad y Próspero Año Nuevo 2023!

Youth Mass

Every 3rd Sunday of the month at 10am. All youth are welcome!

Diocese of Oakland



Are you being called?

Diaconate Formation Information Meetings

"By ordination, particularly and officially committed to service, the deacon is to inspire, promote and help coordinate the service that the whole Church must undertake in imitation of Christ. He has a special responsibility to identify to the Church those who are in need and particularly those who are without power of voice at the margins of our society. Among such people, the deacon is to speak about Christ and to offer them the Church's varied assistance. But in the Church, he is also to speak about the needy, to articulate their needs, and to inspire and mobilize the whole community's response. He thus becomes a representative figure in whom the Church reaches out to the needy and the needy challenge the Church." (National Conference of Catholic Bishops: Permanent Deacons in the United States – Guidelines on Their Formation and Ministry – 1984 Revision, par 37)

Candidate Qualifications

- Practicing Catholic for 10 years or more.
- Must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, and be validly married by the Church, if applicable.
- At least 33 years of age but not older than 60 years of age at the time of application.
- Good physical and mental health.
- Gainfully employed or otherwise financially secure.
- Sufficient time to devote to the formation program.
- Demonstrates leadership ability and calling to the social justice ministry of the Church.
- If married, both oral and written support, endorsement and consent of his wife and family. His wife should be willing to participate in the formation process.
- A commitment to celibacy is required of non-married candidates, as well as widowers.

Time 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday January 4, 2023
 Tuesday January 10, 2023

Time 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Friday January 6, 2023
 Thursday January 12, 2023

ZOOM meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8745798692>
 Phone Connection: 1 408 638 0968 Meeting ID: 874 579 8692#

Wives are encouraged to attend

For additional information contact, Diocesan Office of Clergy Services
 Cielo Barroso-Branco, 510-267-8356 C Branco@oakdiocese.org



Here it is, our 10 foot Good Shepherd statue. It is made of real and natural marble.

Statues Project Update

We are so sorry for the delay of the Statues Project. All statues we have ordered are in process of completion. They will be shipped and delivered sometime January or February, 2023.

Thank you for your patience.

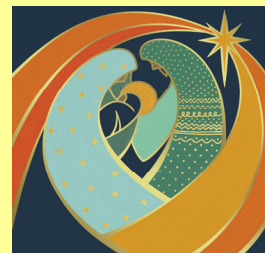
2022 Bishop's Ministries Appeal. Our goal this year is: \$35,600.00. We have raised 26,565.30 (74.62%) so far. Please give to support our Diocese. Thank you!



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

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

- December 24: Christmas Eve-Saturday**
 4:00pm Children Mass (livestream)
 6:00pm
 12:00am Midnight Mass (livestream)
- December 25: Christmas Day-Sunday**
 8:00am
 10:00am (livestream)
 12:00pm
 1:30pm (Spanish)



NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

- December 31: New Year's Eve - Saturday**
 5:30pm Vigil Mass
 7:00pm New Year's Eve Party
- January 1, 2023: New Year - Sunday – Mother of God- Holy Day of Obligation**
 8am
 10:00am (livestream)
 12:00pm
 1:30pm (Spanish)





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NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

DECEMBER 31, 2022 @ 7PM

With Live Band Singing and Dancing

RAFFLE TICKET

Raffle tickets for this event will be sold for \$5 each or 6 tickets for \$20.

1st Prize valued at \$2000—*This is the vacation voucher of 2 nights stay for 2 in the US. Airfare included. Taxes and Fees are not included.*

2nd Prize-\$500; 3rd Prize-\$300; 4th Prize -\$200
Plus other consolation prizes.

Drawing at the New Year's Eve Party,
Need not to be present to win.

MENU

Bread & Butter

Green Salad

Pasta

Roast Pork Loin

Fish Fillet

Seasonal Fresh Veg's

Rice Pilaf

Fresh Fruit

Coffee & Water

Prices: \$25 for Adult; \$15 for Children of 12 yrs & under

Contact the parish office to make your reservation or call Tammy Vo at 925-698-4559

1- **Santo Nino Feast Day, Sunday,
January 15th, 2023 at 12pm
Mass and reception to follow**

2- **Parish Crab Feed Saturday,
February 18th at 5pm.**



More details will be announced on these important dates

Young Adult Ministry

All Young Adults from 21yrs to 35yrs are invited to join our Young Adult ministry. We meet twice per month on Wednesdays at 7pm in the ministry building. If you are interested, contact

Dulcinea at yam@goodshepherdpittsburg.org.

This is our upcoming meeting date **12/28**.

BIBLE DIARY 2023 BOOK SALE

We are selling this Bible Diary 2023 for \$20 each. This book can become your spiritual companion for the whole year of 2023 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.

Mass Intentions December 26– January 1

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Teresa Masturzo †
Tue	7:30 am	Arsenia Viloría † (<i>Death Anniversary</i>)
Wed	7:30 am	Guadalupe Garcia †
Thu	7:30 am	Arsenid Inaclang (<i>Birthday</i>)
Fri	7:30 am	<i>In Thanksgiving of</i> Benedict & Ellen Viloría
Sat	8:00 am	Marissa Hart (<i>Birthday</i>)
	5:30 pm	Elizabeth Brajkovich †
Sun	8:00 am	<i>In Thanksgiving of the</i> Tammy Vo Family Genoveva Aceves
	10:00am	<i>In Thanksgiving of the</i> Dang Family Elisa Guzman
	12 pm	Deceased Members of the Calone & Rodella Families
	1:30 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

Christmas Hospitality

We, the family of Church of the Good Shepherd, warmly welcome you to our church. If you are visiting us for the first time, we thank you for your loving presence. We hope you will visit us again. We hope you will feel at home in our community. We wish you a joyful Christmas with your loved ones. Hope to see you again!

Fr. Thi, Fr. Arn, Deacon Alberto and the staff of Church of the Good Shepherd wish all of you a grace filled Christmas and prosperous New Year. May the peace, joy and love of the Holy Family be present in your lives each day of the New Year.

In order for our priests and parish staff to enjoy the holidays with their families, the parish office will be closed on Monday after Christmas and Monday after New Year

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Weekend of DECEMBER 11, 2022

Due to early submission of the bulletin these numbers are running a week behind.

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 7,706.51

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 3,509.39

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

Numbers 6:22-27
Galatians 4:4-7
Luke 2:16-21

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

MAINTENANCE

BUILDINGS REFURBISHING AND PAINTING PROJECT

Dearest Parishioners,

We are so excited to have our church and surrounding buildings refurbished and painted. The church has needed this sort of maintenance for many years. There is dry rot in several locations, some of the side panels need replacing and paint chipping in many locations throughout the buildings. We received three bids for this project. CTE Group (*General Building Construction*) got their bid approved by the Diocese. They are actually working on this project right now. This refurbishing and painting project costs \$119,000.00.

I am writing this message to appeal for your financial support so we can get the project done successfully. Any \$\$\$ amount you donate is valuable and meaningful to us. Thank you so very much for your good and generous hearts. We truly appreciate your help. May God bless our painting project and keep the workers safe.



THE HOLY LAND
10 DAYS: OCTOBER 17-26, 2023

*Haifa
Tiberias
Nazareth
Bethlehem
Jerusalem*

Hosted by
FR. THI HOANG
FR. JOSEPH TUAN LE
FR. ANTHONY HUONG LE



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