



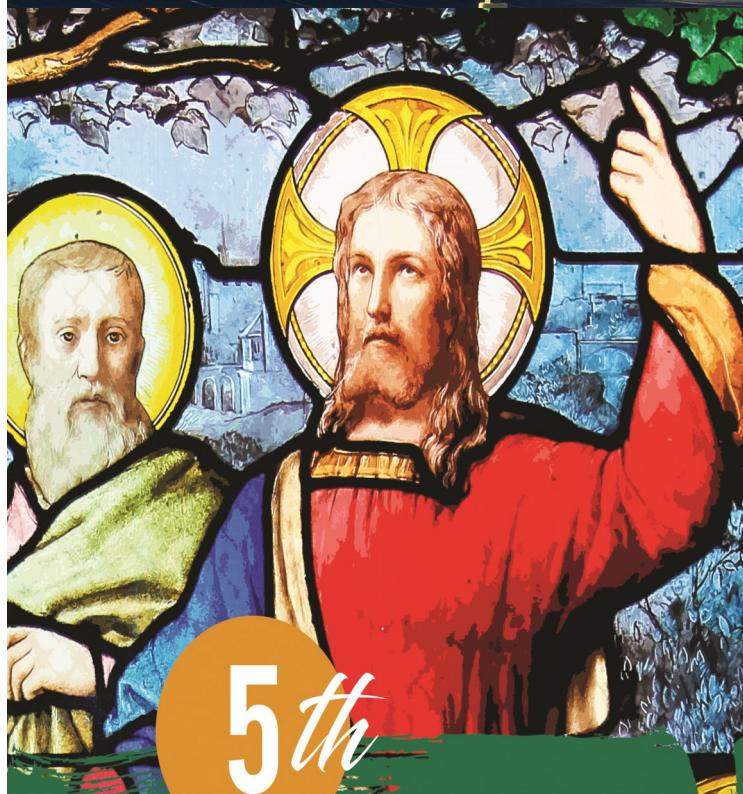
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5th

SUNDAY OF EASTER

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places." - Jn 14:2

"En la casa de mi Padre hay muchas habitaciones". - Jn 14, 2

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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)

12 noon & 3pm Spanish

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 (ls) & 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 par-

ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE: 510-259-8706



"Do let your heart be troubled. Have faith in God and have faith in me."

Life doesn't always go smoothly for all of us. Sometimes we bring troubles upon ourselves. Other times troubles just come our way. We feel troubled when someone we know and love has died. A friend has been diagnosed with cancer. Our friends have lost their jobs. Others are lonely and depressed, and we feel helpless to help them.

The first reading tells us that there was trouble in the early Christian community as well. The Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected. In the Gospel reading, the disciples were troubled when Jesus told them that He was going to leave them. They have left their houses, their families, their friends, their professions to follow Jesus, hoping that he would give them a position in his new kingdom, but there is no sign of the new kingdom; then he was talking about leaving them. Thomas is frustrated, "Master, we do not know where you are going, how we can know the way?" Jesus replied: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Have faith in God and in me." By saying this, he calls his disciples and all of us to trust him.

Friends, each day we are given a choice to believe either God is in control of everything, that good things are in store, or we can go around worried and terrified. Fear and faith have some thing in common. They both ask us to believe in something that we don't know for sure. Fear says the pain in your stomach is the same pain your grandmother died from. It is going to happen to you. You better start planning your funeral. The truth is you just ate too much pizza the last night. Here is the key: faith or fear, whatever you meditate on, it is going to take root in you. If you think of fear again and again, you will give it a right to become reality. If you focus on faith, you will become faithful people, no matter what happens.

So my dear friends, when fear knocks, let your faith answer the door. Fear always presents itself much bigger than its reality. It tells you all the worst case scenarios, trying to get you worried and panic. So learn to activate your faith, believing God will bring your stormy days to pass. You will overcome every obstacle, defeat every enemy and become everything God has created you to be. Faith is the passion to the impossible. By saying: *Do not let your hearts be troubled*, Jesus is asking us to trust, to surrender to his providential care. He is asking us to have faith.

May God take away our fear and increase our faith so that in all the storms of life we shall have our eyes and our trust fixed on Jesus who is the way, the truth and the life.

Fr. Thi Hoang

“Deja que tu corazón se turbe. Ten fe en Dios y ten fe en mí”.

La vida no siempre va bien para todos nosotros. A veces traemos problemas sobre nosotros mismos. Otras veces, los problemas simplemente se cruzan en nuestro camino. Nos sentimos preocupados cuando alguien a quien conocemos y amamos ha muerto. A un amigo le han diagnosticado cáncer. Nuestros amigos han perdido sus trabajos. Otros están solos y deprimidos, y nos sentimos impotentes para ayudarlos.

La primera lectura nos dice que también hubo problemas en la comunidad Cristiana primitiva. Los Helenistas se quejaron de los Hebreos porque sus viudas estaban siendo desatendidas. En la lectura del Evangelio, los discípulos se turbaron cuando Jesús les dijo que los iba a dejar. Han dejado sus casas, sus familias, sus amigos, sus profesiones para seguir a Jesús, esperando que les dé un puesto en su nuevo reino, pero no hay señales del nuevo reino; luego estaba hablando de dejarlos. Tomás se siente frustrado: “Maestro, no sabemos a dónde vas, ¿cómo podemos saber el camino?” Jesús respondió: “No se turbe tu corazón. Ten fe en Dios y en mí”. Al decir esto, llama a sus discípulos y a todos nosotros a confiar en él.

Amigos, cada día se nos da la opción de creer que Dios tiene el control de todo, que nos esperan cosas buenas, o podemos andar preocupados y aterrorizados. El miedo y la fe tienen algo en común. Ambos nos piden que creamos en algo que no sabemos con certeza. El miedo dice que el dolor en tu estómago es el mismo dolor del que murió tu abuela. Te va a pasar a ti. Será mejor que empieces a planificar tu funeral. La verdad es que comiste demasiada pizza la noche anterior. Aquí está la clave: fe o miedo, sea lo que sea que medites, se va a infundir en ti. Si piensas en el miedo una y otra vez, le darás derecho a convertirse en realidad. Si te enfocas en la fe, te convertirás en una persona fiel, pase lo que pase.

Así que mis queridos amigos, cuando el miedo llame, dejen que su fe le abra la puerta. El miedo siempre se presenta mucho más grande que su realidad. Te cuenta todos los escenarios del peor de los casos, intentando que te preocunes y entres en pánico. Así que aprenda a activar tu fe, creyendo que Dios hará que pasen tus días tormentosos. Superarás todos los obstáculos, vencerás a todos los enemigos y te convertirás en todo lo que Dios te ha creado para ser. La fe es la pasión por lo imposible. Al decir: *No se turbe tu corazón*, Jesús nos pide que confiemos, que nos entreguemos a su cuidado providencial. Él nos está pidiendo que tengamos fe.

Que Dios nos quite el miedo y aumente nuestra fe para que en todas las tormentas de la vida tengamos los ojos y la confianza fijos en Jesús que es el camino, la verdad y la vida.



Children's Mass

Children's and Family Mass has started again. First Sunday of every month at the 10:00 AM mass All are welcome.

We are in need of more children to do the reading and bring up the gifts.

**We will provide the reading
and help them practice. If your child is
interested please contact
Klarisse at 925-432-6404 x21**

Les recordamos que cada primer Domingo del mes se estarán ofreciendo misas para los niños, en las cuales están invitados a participar en alguna de las siguientes actividades; Bienvenida, Liturgia de la palabra , colecta y/o llevar las ofrendas al altar . Si les gustaría participar por favor comunicarse con Lorena Reyes (925) 432-6404 ext 20



Spanish

First Holy

Communion

Parent

Retreat

COME AND JOIN US

RED HAWK CASINO
6 HOURS IN THE CASINO

SATURDAY May 20, 2023

RESERVE YOUR SEAT NOW!!!

7:30 AM - passengers check in.

8:00 AM - Bus will leave Good Shepherd Church parking lot

6:30 PM - Approx return to Good Shepherd parking

FREE BREAKFAST ON BOARD

Cost: \$45.00 per person

Refund: \$25.00 for free play

BINGO, AND A LOT OF FUN INSIDE THE BUS

To sign up, please call: Cora (925) 354-2259

Cecille (925) 300-6234

Lani (925) 212-8408

Fe Reyes (925) 642-6854

Hosted by: Saint Padre Pio Prayer group

Bus: Martell

All passengers must bring a valid government photo ID.

If you have already a Red Hawk Casino card, please bring it.



I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL 2023

2023 Bishop's Ministries Appeal. Our goal this year is: \$35,600.00,
We have reached 47.61% of our goal

Please visit our website to learn more about our Bishop's Appeal.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

All Young Adults 21 - 35 years old are invited to join our Young Adult Ministry! We gather together on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions, or would like to be added to the email list, please contact Dulcinea at yam@goodshepherdpittsburg.org



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

Hosted by
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FR. JOSEPH TUAN LE
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The Good Shepherd Feast Day Celebrated with The Most Reverend Bishop Michael Barber April 30th, 2023



Our Feast Day ended up as great success. Our Bishop was very happy and impressed with hospitality (See his Thank You note next page). Thank you all for your heartfelt contributions to make our Feast Day joyful, meaningful and successful. God bless your good and gracious hearts. We will do it again every year when our Feast Day comes. God is good. All the time! Fr. Thi

Mass Intentions May 8– May 14

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Elaine Calone †
Tue	7:30 am	Fr. Stanislaw Zak †
Wed	7:30 am	Bernard Panetta † (<i>Birthday</i>)
Thu	7:30 am	Martha De la Torre, Socorro Bernal & Magdalena Torres †
Fri	7:30 am	Brenda Francisco †
Sat	8:00 am	Theresa Navarro (<i>Mothers Day</i>)
	5:30 pm	Teresa Masturzo †
Sun	8:00 am	Jess & Mary Hernandez †
	10:00am	Nita Esposito †
	12 pm	Francis Ed Bonifacio (<i>Birthday</i>)
	3:00 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH



Multilingual Rosary Prayer & Procession

Traditionally, the Church dedicates the Month of May to honor the Blessed Lady, and to commemorate her first apparition in Fatima, May 13th, 1917.

In response to such a beautiful tradition, our family of the Good Shepherd will have a multilingual Rosary Prayer procession and Mass to honor our Blessed Mother and to pray for respect life and peace in the world.

The Rosary procession will be held on Saturday, May 13th at 6:30pm (right after 5:30pm Mass). Come and join us for this special holy event. This is a good opportunity to come together as a Good Shepherd family to pray for one another and for the world.

Blessings, Fr. Thi Hoang

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Weekend of APRIL 30, 2023

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$11,657.81

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$3,450.18

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

Cf. Isaiah 48:20
1 Peter 3:15-18
John 14:15-21

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Save the Date

May 21, 2023

We will be Celebrating
Fr. Thi's 10 Year
Sacerdotal Anniversary
of being a Priest.
After the Noon Mass In the
Parish Hall.



Dear Fr. Thi:

I am so grateful for your invitation to celebrate Mass last Sunday.

Please read this Thank you note from our Beloved Bishop when he came to celebrate our Feast Day.

The Liturgy was reverent and full of devotion. Your people were so enthused and engaged. I wish I could have stayed longer at the Reception to view more of the songs and dances. Thank you for your generous gifts. I am so glad you are there, and serving so loyally and faithfully. Please extend my thanks to all your congregation.

You are truly the "Good Shepherd" of which Jesus speaks.

Bishop Barber

+Michael C. Barber, S.J.
Bishop of Oakland

thank you

MAY 6, 2023 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS

Audrey Sienna Aguba

Jonathan Alferez

Brandon Badillo

Iker Barragan

Anthony Bazan

Niccolai Behrens

Vivianne Behrens

Jaycef Cabading

Galilea Cabrales

Alyssa Casey De Luna

Eliana Casey De Luna

Makayla Castro

Cherich Catipon

Brian Cisneros-Gutierrez

Grayson Dcruz

Alleanah Felices

Angeline Fernandez Mojica

Gabriel Fernandez Mojica

Juan Fernandez

Lucas Fernandez

Peter Fernandez

Vanessa Fernandez

Maxine Garcia

Nicholas Gonzalez

Daniel Guzman

Isabella Guzman

Chiamaka Ijeoma

Ogechi Ijeoma

Oluchukwu Ijeoma

Malcolm Ita

Isabella Jimenez Nieves

Chelssey Julian

Gavin Laig

Xander Laigo

Zoey Laigo

Lucas Jeffrey Leong

Jian Linsangan

Alexander Lopez

Brandon Lopez

Trischelle Macaalay

Madison Malcampo

Ailani Marin

Julian Medina

Brandon Mendoza

Ivette Mendoza

Jaden Mendoza

Kaylie Mendoza

Chidozie Okonkwo

Divine Omosowho

Erin Ong

Gwen Ong

Alessandra Orozco

Benjamin Orozco

Michaela Roxas

Daisy Solis

Adoeze Udoeh

Petelo Vaohea

Kalea Viray

MAY 13, 2023 FIRST COMMUNION STUDENTS

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- Sebastian Aguilar
Sophia Aguilar
Jonathan Alferez
Johnny Altuzar
Ashley Alvarez
Alvaro Amezcua Jr.
Roberto Angel
Gael Angel-Gonzalez
Ximena Angulo Ramirez
Mia Arreola Soto
Jas Arreola
Fernando Arriaga
Daniela Arriaga-Canales
Leilany Arriola Lopez
Yareli Avila
Salvador Baez Cerpas
Emmanuel Barreras
Kenya Becerra
Gael Calderon
Natalia Calderon
Shamira Cardenas
Avy Castillo Rogel
Yaretzi Castro Aguilar
Brianna Cerpas
Michael Contreras Arriaga
Peter Contreras Arriaga
Francisco Elias Chavez
Ximena Fernandez Carmona
Brenda Fernandez
Leila Flores
Naima Flores
Andres Fraire Lopez
Dina Belen Gallardo-Munoz
Luna Gallegos
Ruth Gallegos
Galilea Garcia Gutierrez
Javier Garcia
Benjamin Garibay
Yolanda Garibay
Angel Gonzalez
Diego Gutierrez
Ricardo Guzman
Dalia Hernandez
Aron Hipolito
Marisol Hipolito
Paloma Estephania Huitron-Diaz
Joshua Juarez Martinez
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Kamila Longoria Contreras
Carlos Longoria
Darey Lopez
Gilberto Lopez
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Miguel Lopez
Victoria Lopez
Dylan Lozano
Jaylah Medina Lopez
Athziry del Carmen Morfin
Daira Nogueda Martinez
Michell Nunez Fonseca
Izabella Ochoa Alvarez
Noe Ochoa Alvarez
Jasmin Ortega
Jocelyn Ortega
Melanie Ortiz
Camila Parra Lara
Christopher Parra Lara
Georgette Quintero Santiago
Aimee Ramirez
Jonathan Ramirez
Yarely Ramos Gonzalez
Gabriela Raya
Hugo Raya
Joel Raya
Ulises Raya
Jeanette Reyes
Kevin Reyes
Kenya Rodriguez
Mariela Rodriguez
Rodrigo Rodriguez
Yuridia Romo
Cain Ruiz
Joel Ruiz
Adriana Sanchez
Ian Sanchez
Marisol Sandoval
Eyden Sepulveda
Jorge Sepulveda
Angela Silva Samaniego 6
Valeria Silva Samaniego
Vanessa Solis Ruiz
Alonso Torres Vasquez
Jade Urbina Carrasco
Edward Vargas
Giselle Vieyra
Erick Zamaniego
Kevin Zamaniego
Alexandra Zavala Rogel

UPCOMING*Mark Your Calendars*
EVENTS

- May 8-9 - Confirmation discernment at 5pm
May 10- Confirmation Confession at 7pm
May 13- First Com Spanish 10am
May 13 – Fatima- Marian Procession & Mass 6:30pm
May 21 – Fr. Thi 10 Year Anniversary Celebration
 Youth Confirmation at 5pm
June 13- Fatima procession 7pm
June 17- Music Concert in the church at 7pm
July 1- Faith Formation registration beginings
July 13- Fatima Procession 7pm
July 15- Parish Dinner Fundraising at 7pm
August 2- Staff Retreat – all day
August 12- Group Convalidation at 12pm
August 15- Feast of the Assumption: 7:30am Mass and 6:30pm
 Procession and Bilingual Mass
August 19- Parish Crawfish Dinner at 7pm
August 23- Spanish Group Convalidation 11am
Sept 13- Fatima Procession 7pm
Sept 17-Faith Formation and youth confirmation kick off
Sep 25- RCIA & Adult confirmation kick off
Oct 1- Flock Party
Oct 13- Fatima Mass and Procession 6:30pm
Nov 18- Appreciation dinner for volunteers at 7pm
Nov 23 – Thanksgiving at 10am
Nov 26- Advent
Dec 3- Christmas Concert 5pm
Dec 8- Feasts of the Immaculate Conception: 7:30am Mass & 7pm Bilingual
Dec 10-O.L Guadalupe 3pm Mass
Dec 11- Advent Reconciliation 7pm
Dec 16- Simbang Gabi 5:30am
Dec, 24 Christmas Eve, 4pm, 6pm, 12Midnight
Dec 25- Christmas Day: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 1:30pm
Dec 31- New Year's Eve: 5:30pm Mass and Party at 7pm
New Year 2024, 10am

St. Peter Martyr's School News

2023-2024 School Year Applications and Re-Registration

We are now accepting applications for the 2023-24 school year for all grade levels, Preschool (3 years old by September 1), Prekindergarten (4 years old by September 1), Kindergarten (5 years old by September 1), and grades 1-8. If you have a child who is not currently enrolled at St. Peter Martyr School and wish them to attend during the 2023-2024 school year, please complete the online application and we will reach out to schedule an assessment.

"Tell A Friend": Current St. Peter Martyr School families may earn a tuition credit of \$300.00 for each new family they bring to our school. The new family must list you as the source of the referral on their application to SPM School. The credit will be issued upon the acceptance and payment of the new family's registration fee. If more than one family is listed as a referral the \$300 tuition credit will be shared equally among the names listed.

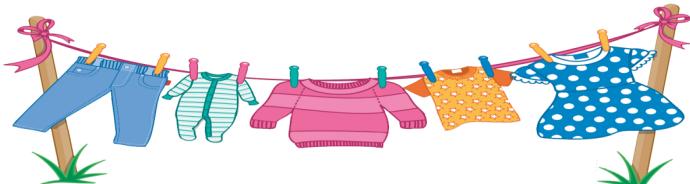
SHEPHERD'S CLOSET

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

Returning families, please bring your identification cards.

All families in need of help are welcome.

If you have any questions or problems, call Ann or Bill Abitz at 925-432-3995



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Santo Nino Ofelia Tanyag 890-2066

Shepherd's Closet – 2nd Tuesday 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

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Tongan Community Florentina Tangitau 278-4813

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