



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd
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the Love of Christ*

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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. - Mt 17:1-2

Jesús tomó consigo a Pedro, a Santiago y a Juan, el hermano de éste, y los hizo subir a solas con él a un monte elevado. Ahí se transfiguró en su presencia: su rostro se puso resplandeciente como el sol y sus vestiduras se volvieron blancas como la nieve. - Mt 17, 1-2

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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

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 (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-9am;

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 Ceme-

ttery. Any other arrangements should be discussed with parish

priest.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE: 510-259-8706



Take courage. It is I, do not be afraid (Mt. 14:27)

When the disciples found themselves in a storm-tossed boat, frightened and unsure of their fate, Jesus approached them, walking on water. Sensing their fear, he reassured them, saying, “Take courage. It is I, do not be afraid”

It is I.” Jesus reminds us that He is always present with us, even amid life’s storms. He is our constant, unwavering source of strength and peace. When we face trials and uncertainties, we can find comfort in knowing that Jesus is right there with us, ready to support and guide us through it all.

“Take courage. Do not be afraid.” Jesus calls us to take courage in the face of fear and adversity. He understands our human frailties but doesn’t want us to be paralyzed by fear. Instead, He urges us to find strength in Him, trusting He can overcome any obstacle or challenge. He invites us to rely on Him wholeheartedly, knowing His love and grace outweigh any fear we may face.

What a timeless message of hope, comfort, and encouragement! ~Fr. Arn

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

The Transfiguration of the Lord

What is Christianity finally about? These days if you ask almost anyone who doesn’t know the Bible you’ll probably hear an answer like this: “Being a good person” or “following the golden rule.” No offense to the golden rule, but our faith is simply much stranger than that. This week’s feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord is a luminous example of this. Jesus becomes radiantly and overwhelmingly beautiful. The glory of God literally shines forth from his body and even his clothes. Here we see that Christianity is not mainly a moral system, but a relationship with God in Christ, one that finally makes human beings gloriously beautiful.

Now we can see our good and bad deeds in a new and de-centered way. Our morality isn’t about a heaven or hell scorecard. It’s about lives open (or closed) to transfiguration, lives capable of revealing the glory of God in Christ to the world. Spouses, children, friends, co-workers, priests, consecrated women and men, and so on — we are all called to let the beauty of Jesus make our lives beautiful, little by little. His beauty in us is the center of our faith.

— *Father John Muir* ©LPi

La transfiguración de Jesús

Nuestra vocación cristiana tiene su raíz en la revelación del amor de Dios por medio de Jesús. Este domingo, pidámosle a Dios, que nos dé el regalo de seguir escuchando su voz y profundizar en su Palabra: “¡Este es mi Hijo, el Amado; éste es mi Elegido, ¡escúchenlo!” (Mateo 17:5). Señor, tres discípulos tuyos fueron los elegidos para acompañarte al monte y ser testigos de verte transfigurado. Hoy, también a nosotros nos ofreces momentos íntimos para estar contigo, para admirar todo lo que haces por nosotros en el vivir de cada día. Nuestro compromiso de cristianos es estar bien atentos a tu diaria presencia en nuestra vida.

Jesús, antes de su Pasión, nos muestra su Transfiguración para que estemos listos a entender el misterio de su sufrimiento. El misterio de amor, dar su vida por nosotros. Gloria y sufrimiento se unen mostrando el infinito amor de Dios. Ante el sufrimiento, no debemos tener miedo, sino fijarnos cómo Jesús es valiente en aceptar la voluntad de su Padre. La experiencia de los discípulos fue de gozo y de miedo, sin embargo, Jesús anima diciendo: “Levántense, no tengan miedo. Ellos levantaron los ojos, pero ya no vieron a nadie más que a Jesús” (Mateo 16:7-8). Él nos levantará de todos nuestros sufrimientos y miedos. La esperanza debe estar puesta en su resurrección. Los momentos de fe y gracia que el Señor nos da, nos alentarán.



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 75.77% of our goal
Thank you!

Statues Project

All the statues, Our Lady of Fatima and the Good Shepherd, Divine Mercy, our Lady of Guadalupe, and St. Padre Pio were successfully installed on our church premises. We soon will install the benches and do the landscaping around statues to make them stand out and beautiful.

We need your help to be able to complete this project. If you donate \$500 or more, your name will be engraved on the donation plaques.

Thank you so much for your generous support. God bless your gracious hearts.

Our Good Shepherd choirs gathered together and had lots of fun. We thank them for sharing their singing talents at our Masses.



St. Martha's Feast Day reception



Blessings for members of the St. Martha's Guild, as they celebrated their Feast Day on July 29.

Mass Intentions August 7 – August 13

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Ruben Gutierrez
Tue	7:30 am	Joe Mercurio † (Birthday)
Wed	7:30 am	Eleanora Clawson †
Thu	7:30 am	David De la Torre (Birthday)
Fri	7:30 am	Michael Belleci †
Sat	8:00 am	Phillip Arnold Cotton†
	5:30 pm	Genaro J. Narez †
Sun	8:00 am	Josie Viscuso † (Birthday)
	10:00am	Llenos Family (In Thanksgiving)
	12 pm	Osundo Ojiako †
	3:00 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

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RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

**Do you feel called to come back to
the Catholic Church or to
complete the
Sacraments of Initiations?**

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

Weekend of JULY 30, 2023

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$7,748.35

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$3,459.02

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

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:22-33

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

MUSIC LICENSES & MATERIALS

Feast of the Assumption, August 15. Mass Schedule
7:30am -English; 7:00pm Bilingual Mass with Rosary Procession at 6:30pm.
Use this below form for Mass Sponsorship. Thanks.

Mass Sponsorship for Feast/Mass

DATE	August 15, 2023
MASS (Please indicate Feast name)	The Feast of the Assumption
DONATION AMOUNT (If in check, please make it out to: Church of the Good Shepherd as payee)	\$
NAME/S OF SPONSOR/S (Please write full name legibly and as you want it read at Mass or shown in program)	
INTENTION/S	
SIGNATURE OF SPONSOR	
SPONSORS PHONE NUMBER	

For Questions, Please Contact:

Tammy Vo (925) 698-4559

Jasper Espiritu (415) 503-8845

Villia Frizzell (925) 231-5642



Let the good times Boil!
 Join us for a
Crawfish Boil Party



When: Saturday, August 19th at 6:30 pm

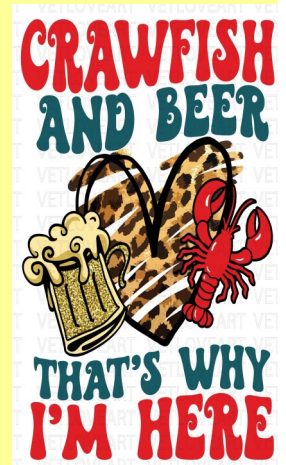
Where: *Church of the Good Shepherd*
3200 Harbor St, Pittsburg, CA 94565

Who: Everyone is invited!

What: Crawfish or Steak (please let us know, if you want steak ahead of time)

Menu

Summer sizzling Seafood boilers (southern style), appetizers (lumpia and shumai). Salad with dressing, rice and garlic noodles, crawfish or steak, shrimp w/head on, sausage, potatoes, & corn.



How much: \$50 per Adult; \$15 for Children from 6-12 yrs. Free for children of 5yrs & under.

Purchase tickets after weekend Masses or buy them at our parish office: 925-432-6404 or via Tammy Vo at 925-698-4559



- August 9- 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
- Sept 13- Fatima Procession 7pm
- Sept 10-Faith Formation and youth confirmation kick off
- Sept. 23- Spanish Group Convalidation 11am
- 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

Church of the Good Shepherd
 Christian Youth Organization
 Boys/Girls Basketball Sign Ups is Open
 Until September 8, 2023
www.goodshepherdcyo.com

For 2nd through 8th grade
 (2nd grade plays at 3rd grade level)

For more information, please email
goodshepherdcyo@gmail.com
or call 925-437-8044

Great opportunity for your child to have fun and work within a team structure.

In person sign ups can be arranged at Church of the Good Shepherd
 3200 Harbor Street, Pittsburg, CA

Revive & Rekindle the fire
September 15, 2023
"I Am With You Always" (Youth)
 5:00pm - 11:00pm
September 16,

8-9 DE SEPTIEMBRE, 2023 (ESPAÑOL)
 SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2023 (ENGLISH)

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Available Ad Space

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Jaime Arvizu from LPi, our parish communication partner, will be working with us, securing new ads for our bulletin. Please consider purchasing an ad, sponsoring a charity, or in Memory of a Loved One. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you

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- Local, targeted community advertising for **one full year, at one low price.**
- A FREE ad listing on **parishesonline.com.**
- FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

JAIME jarvizu@4LPi.com
602-642-4136

Faith Formation Registration for 2023-2024. Here are the details:

Registration 2023 begins July 3rd

A Baptism and Birth Certificate are required with your child's registration form.

Classes:

RCIC—Class for children **7 years or older** to receive Baptism and First Communion. It is one year, no matter what grade they start.

(Starting Date: Sunday, September 10 2023 from 11:15-12:15pm)

First Communion Class is 2 years no matter what grade they start.

(Starting Date: Sunday, September 10, 2023. 9:00-9:50am, 1:10-2:00pm, 2:00-2:50pm)

EDGE—Our junior high program to receive a sacrament.

(Starting Date: Wednesday, September 13, 2023 from 4:30-5:30pm)

Youth Confirmation Class is 2 years starting in 9th, 10th, or 11th grade.

(Starting Date: Sunday, September 10, 2023 from 11:15-12:45pm)

Adult Confirmation—Class for adults that are interested in receiving the sacrament of Confirmation.

(Starting Date: Monday, September 25, 2023 at 7:00pm)

Parents Classes—Mandatory Parent Sessions once a month. Session dates TBA.

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

If you're feeling called to be a catechist, please contact Klarisse at the email above. No experience is required, we will have a training day for anyone interested. Training date TBA.

El Registro 2023 Comienza el 3 de julio

Necesito una copia del certificado de nacimiento y el certificado de bautismo de su hijo, junto con la registracion.

Classes:

RCIC— Clase para niños de **7 años o más** para recibir Bautismo y Primera Comunión. En un año, sin importar qué grado van de escuela.

(Fecha de inicio: domingo, 10 de Septiembre de 2023 de 11:15-12:15pm)

La preparacion para la **primera comunion** es de 2 años.

(Fecha de inicio: domingo 10 de Septiembre de 2023. 9-9:50am, 1:10-2:00pm, 2:00-2:50pm)

EDGE—Nuestro programa de secundaria para recibir un sacramento.

(Fecha de inicio: miércoles 13 de septiembre de 2023 de 4:30-5:30pm)

La clase de **confirmación** para jóvenes es de 2 años a partir de 9, 10, y 11 grado.

Clases empiezan: domingo 10 de Septiembre de 2023 de 11:15-12:45pm

Confirmación de Adultos—Clase para adultos que están interesados en recibir el sacramento de la Confirmación.

(Fecha de inicio: lunes 25 de Septiembre de 2023 a las 7:00pm)

Mandatorio sesion para padres una vez al mes. Se daran a conocer cuando empiezen las clases de catecismo.

Vaya a nuestro sitio web en goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Educación Religiosa

Información de registro Encontrará enlaces para formularios y pagos.

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

Si sienten el llamado para ser catequistas les invitamos a participar en esta bella jornada de catecismo. No necesita experiencia. Tendremos un entrenamiento. Después se les dará la fecha. Por favor comuníquese con Lorena al correo electrónico mencionado arriba.