



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

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

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NOVEMBER 5, 2023

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-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 & OL of Manaoag ~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.



31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The greatest among you must be your servant."

- Mt 23:11

31ER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

"Que el mayor de entre ustedes sea su servidor".

- Mt 23, 11

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

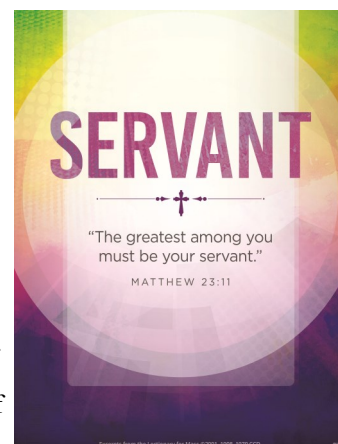
November 5, 2023
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Last Easter season a new convert to Catholicism at my parish asked me with a grave tone in her voice: “Why do we call priests ‘father’ if Jesus says, ‘**Call no man on earth your father, for you have one Father, who is in heaven?**’” Thinking myself clever, I asked, “Do you think it’s okay to call someone your ‘teacher’ or ‘mister’ or ‘dad?’” She said, “Yes, I do.” I responded, “Well, Jesus seems to forbid that, too. So, it’s obviously hyperbole that he’s using.” She thought for a moment and declared, “Then I will stop using those words, too!” And she walked away. Not the outcome I was seeking.

We shouldn’t be too hasty in dismissing this complaint voiced by many non-Catholics. The expression “father” for ordained priests is not honorary for the individual man. The priest’s fatherhood doesn’t begin or end in him at all. Rather, the title “father” indicates that he is a sacramental sign of God’s Fatherhood revealed in Jesus. I can tell you, as a very unworthy bearer of that title, we should give and receive that title with some trepidation (because of God’s awesomeness) and with a little sense of humor (because of the lowliness of the men with the title).

The longer I’m a priest, the more I’m comfortable with people not using the title “father” and just calling me “John.” After all, only God is Father in the truest sense. At the same time, Jesus has brought the Father close to us, very close. We honor this closeness in some men with the title “father.” Who are the priests in your life whom Christ has sent to you? How wonderful that Christ has surrounded us with humble signs of his Father’s love. It’s good to celebrate that love with gratitude for the priests in our lives.

Father John Muir ©LPi



MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

5 de noviembre de 2023
31^{er} Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

“El que se enaltece será humillado, y el que se humilla será enaltecido” (Mateo 23,12). De ahí viene el consejo de Jesús de no imitar a los maestros de la ley, quienes solían poner cargas muy pesadas a la gente y ellos no hacían nada por llevarlas a cabo. Cuando se emprende algún proyecto, ya sea en familia o comunidad, se supone que el líder debe de poner el ejemplo al realizar las tareas, sean grandes o pequeñas. Se trata de servir siempre con alegría y buen ejemplo: *“El más grande entre ustedes se hará el servidor de todos” (Mateo 23,11).* Sin buscar honores ni complacencias con nosotros mismos. ¿Qué te parece? Serás capaz de ser humilde y servir a los que te rodean con ese amor que Jesús nos muestra en el Evangelio de hoy.



“Nosotros, discípulos de Jesús, no debemos busca títulos de honor, de autoridad o de supremacía. Yo les digo que a mí personalmente me duele ver a personas que psicológicamente viven corriendo detrás de la vanidad y condecoraciones. Nosotros, discípulos de Jesús, no debemos hacer esto, ya que entre nosotros debe haber una actitud sencilla y fraterna” (Papa Francisco 11-05-2017). Gracias, Papa Francisco, por ubicarnos en lo que es verdaderamente importante. Gracias, por prevenirnos ante la tentación de la vanagloria

y de los primeros lugares. Aunque no es malo que nos den las gracias por lo que hacemos, el sentido es que seamos humildes y agradecidos.

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ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE & LUNCHEON

WHEN: SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2023
WHERE: ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL
TIME: 9:00AM - 2:00PM

LOCAL ARTIST & CRAFTERS WILL SURPRISE AND DELIGHT YOU WITH:
HOMEMADE TREATS, HANDCRAFTED JEWELRY, HOMEMADE SOAP & BATH SALTS, KITCHEN LINENS, APRONS, PHOTO CARDS, SPECIALTY BABY ITEMS, AND SO MUCH MORE.

BROWSE AND SHOP, ENJOY SOME HOT LUNCH, RAFFLE, BAKE SALE & PICTURES WITH SANTA

Raffle Prizes include:
1st Prize: Bliss Mind & Body Massage & Dinner
2nd Prize: Italian Date Night Gift Basket
3rd Prize: Cozy Night In Basket
And many more prizes

QUESTIONS:
CONTACT LOUANNE DRILLO
ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL (925) 459-1014

ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL - 405 W. 4TH STREET PITTSBURG, CA 94645

GOOD SHEPHERD GIVING TREE PROGRAM - 2023

Are you, or do you know of, a family who could use help in giving their children a blessed Christmas this year? All information will be kept confidential.

To register to receive gifts for children (up to 16 years of age) send an email to gsgivingtree@gmail.com requesting an application. Application's are also available in the parish office.

Deadline to register November 11th

PROGRAMA GOOD SHEPHERD GIVING TREE - 2023

¿Es usted, o sabe de, una familia que podría usar ayuda para dar a sus hijos una bendita Navidad este año? Toda la información se mantendrá confidencial. Para registrarse para recibir regalos para niños (hasta 16 años de edad) envíe un correo electrónico a gsgivingtree@gmail.com solicitando una solicitud. La solicitud también está disponible en la oficina parroquial.

Fecha límite para inscribirse el 11 de Noviembre

SIMBANG GABI NEWS!

COME AND JOIN US
CACHE CREEK CASINO TRIP (5 hours)
SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 11, 2023

Check in: 10:15 am - Good Shepherd Church parking lot
Departure time: 10:30 am

Cost: \$45.00 per person
Refund: \$20 free play

Breakfast, snacks, and water will be served in the bus.
Bingo games and raffles in the bus.

To reserve your seat, please call or text:
Feli Buettner (925) 207-3501
Alma Espiritu (925) 597-2515

Hosted by: YLI (Young Ladies Institute)

All passengers must bring a valid government photo ID and your Cache Creek card, if you have one already.



We will celebrate our yearly tradition of Simbang Gabi Masses on December 16-24, 2023. The mass will start at 5:30am in the church. We will also livestream as well. There will be four big recep-

tion days after the Mass, instead of everyday; first day (Dec 16th), Sunday (Dec 17th, Saturday)(Dec 23 and Sunday Dec 24). Besides these 4 big receptions, there will be coffee and donuts served after the week days Masses.

For Mass sponsorships, please contact our coordinator Jasper Espiritu at 415-503-8845.

P/s: Our parish will be hosting the Diocesan Simbang Gabi kick off Mass on Dec 9 at 10:00am. Our Bishop Barber will preside the Mass.

Mass Intentions October 30 – November 5

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	George Cardinale †
Tue	7:30 am	Theresa Navarro
Wed	7:30 am	All Deceased Members of Vitalie Families †
	7:00 pm	Jacinta S. Cabrera (76 Birthday, Living)
Thu	7:30 am	All Deceased Members of Contimente & Riva Families †
	7:00 pm	Esposito & Sorci Families †
Fri	7:30 am	Ben Aguba †
	7:00 pm	Dr. Ike Muonekwu †
Sat	8:00 am	David Lopez †
		Lu Ann Richardson †
	5:30 pm	John Lane Mangante †
Sun	8:00 am	Yvette Quezada †
	10:00am	Mateo & Pina Romero †
	12 pm	Bobby Meza †
	3:00 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

Staff Contact Information

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Gerry Brochu, Maintenance

Gerry@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

All Young Adults 18 - 39 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 Conference Room. If you have any questions, or would like to be added to the email list, please contact Dulcinea at YAM@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Weekend of OCTOBER 29, 2023

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$8,942.16

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$4092.75

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

Wisdom 6:12-16
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

DIOCESAN ASSESMENT

Save ^{the} Date

**NEW YEAR EVE PARTY
DECEMBER 31, 2022 @ 7PM IN
THE PARISH HALL
More details coming soon!**

Our Lady of Guadalupe's Celebration

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10TH
5AM Mananitas with breakfast to follow
3PM Mass with reception to follow**

**ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF THE
2024 MASS BOOK!**

We opened the 2024 Mass Book Thursday, October 19th. In order to insure your health and safety as well as the staff's, we will take mass intention requests again this year via email or in written form beginning Thursday, October 19 at 8:00 am (any received prior will not be valid) and prioritize them in the order we receive them with a maximum of 6 masses for the 1st round (until Nov. 10) then you can request more (6 max. @ a time). No phone calls please so that we can maintain a written, prioritized list as the requests come in. We ask that you make sure your email address and telephone number are included in your request so that we may contact you if there are conflicts with the date requests.

Donation request remains \$10 per mass intention. In accordance with Diocesan policy, only the Saturday morning 8 am mass may be double-booked for intentions. Initially we are limiting the number of requests per family to 6 maximum so that everyone has a fair opportunity.

Mass intentions are available for Monday through Friday masses at 7:30 am, Saturday morning masses at 8 am, our weekend schedule of Saturday at 5:30 pm, Sunday at 8 am, 10 am , 12 noon and 3 pm in Spanish.

We also have mass intentions available on the 1st Friday of the month at 7 pm and the 3rd Friday of each month at 7 pm in Spanish if you'd like to request any of those and any other days of obligation.

Please feel free to use the form provided. You can email this form, mail this form, put it in any collection basket or place it in the mail slot in the parish office door or bring it into the office.

Please print legibly!

2024 Mass Intention Request Form

REQUESTED BY: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

Date	Time	Intention (Living or Deceased)
_____	_____	_____
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Amount owed \$	Amount paid \$	



Nov 1st– Feast of All Saints 7:30am; 7pm Bilingual
 Nov 2nd– All Souls 7:30am, 1:30pm (HC Cemetery),
 7pm Bilingual
 Nov 18– Healing Mass 10am
 Nov 18- Appreciation dinner for volunteers at 7pm
 Nov 23 – Thanksgiving at 10am
 Dec 3-Advent
 Dec 8- Feasts of the Immaculate Conception: 7:30am
 Mass & 7pm Bilingual
 Dec 9– Diocesan Simbang Gabi Kick Off 10am
 Dec 10-O.L Guadalupe 3pm Mass
 Dec 12– Feast of Guadalupe, Mass (Sp) 7pm
 Dec 18- 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 Party at 7pm
 New Year 2024, 10am



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd AT 9AM
ORGANIZED BY THE
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
More details coming soon!

CATHOLIC SCHOOL-St. Peter Martyr 439-1014

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Lisa Hart 421-3085
Baptismal Prep david@delunatic.com
Catholic Daughters Rosanne Ortland 783-8315
CYO Suzette Crayton sueissick3@gmail.com
Cameroon/French Community—Patrick: 415 919 8505
Divine Mercy Becky Naca 858-9217
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 Ann & Bill Abitz 432-3995
Homebound Ministers to the Sick
 Bill Abitz 432-3995
 Lidia Castañeda (Español) 705-3045
Faith Formation klarisse@goodshepherdpittsburg.org
Filipino Community Jasper Espiritu 415-503-8845
Finance Robert Calone 432-3300
Grief Ministry Tessie Freel 925-325-5896
Hispanic Community Arturo Alvarez 415-748-1771
Knights of Columbus Gerry Newell
Lectors May Plata 473-0835
Liturgy Committee Cynthia Auza 597-1178
Missionary Families for Christ Dennis Manalo 510-585-8220
Music Ministry Dennis Riray 432-6404
Nigerian Community Ann Ekweogu 300-6327
Our Lady of PP Help Alma Espiritu 597-2515
Our Lady of Manaog Rolly Brodie 925-203-0162
Pastoral Council Michelle Blair 698-8585
Pakistani Community Derrick Miranda: 510-712-9118
RCIA david@delunatic.com
St. Martha’s Guild Mercy Cruz 408-960-9737
Santo Nino Ofelia Tanyag 890-2066
St. Nicholas of Tolentino Thea 925-7681641
St. Padre Pio Mila Benitez 726-7526
Shepherd’s Closet – 2nd Tuesday 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
 Ann Abitz 432-3995
St. Vincent DePaul Chelo Gonzalez 925-519-3693
Tongan Community Florentina Tangitau 278-4813
Ushers Benedict Vioria 550-6475
 Rosanne Ortland 783-8315
Wedding Coordinators Danette Shipe 427-9561
 Bee Francisco 473-9247
Young Ladies Institute: Rosanne Ortland 698-0825
Young Adult Ministry: Dulcinea Jauregui
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Church of the Good Shepherd	
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Divine Mercy Ministry - Taize Prayer	
December 1, 2023 - 7:00pm - First Friday Mass Sponsorship	
DONATION AMOUNT	\$
Please issue check payable to Church of the Good Shepherd	
Name/s of Sponsor's (Please write the name legibly and as you want it read at mass or shown in program)	
INTENTION/s:	
Signature of Sponsor	
Sponsor's Telephone No.	
<i>*Please return completed form with your payment to Becky Naco</i>	

Flock's Activities last weekend!



Young Men Institute honored Tammy Vo woman of the year 2023.

Congratulations!