



CHURCH OF THE

*Good Shepherd*

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the Love of Christ**

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**JANUARY 7, 2024**



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.

- Mt 2:10

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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-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

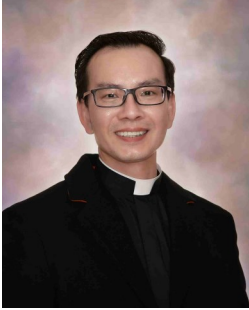
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**Marriages:** In order to make marriage arrangements contact [carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org) 6 months prior to marriage date.

**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.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE: 510-259-8706**



**January 7, 2024**

## **The Epiphany of the Lord**

A stranger in a foreign land, I was exhausted and homesick as my summer Spanish immersion ended in Guatemala. The rusty minivan arriving outside my small residence filled me with joyful hope. I was flying home to the U.S. and would be, at long last, completely happy. Or so I thought. After about half an hour of being home, I thought to myself, “This place is boring. I want to go somewhere.” So, I hopped in my car and left to see my friends. As I drove, I wistfully wondered, “Where am I truly at home?”

The feast of Epiphany has a lot to do with our notion of home. Where is our origin? Where are we going? When is our wandering done? Saint Matthew tells us of the Magi, “They were overjoyed at seeing the star.” This star will bring them home, to a place where their questing will end, and they will be satisfied. Their real home is neither in the East nor in the earthly Jerusalem. Somehow, their home is wherever this boy and his parents are.

If you’re a teenager or older, you probably know by now that every physical home we have is temporary. So, we look up at the countless stars in our proverbial skies: things which bedazzle and beckon us to follow toward peace. The Gospel invites us to behold that — at long last — God has sent us a star to follow home, one that whispers, “Follow me! I will take you home!” Perhaps that star is your spouse. A friend. An opportunity. A cause. An intuition about a new direction. A prayer group. What is it for you? How will you know? It will lead you to Mary and Joseph and their son, and you will be home.

— Father John Muir

**7 de enero de 2024**

## **Día de la Epifanía del Señor**

El deber nuestro es anunciar o manifestar la misericordia de Dios en nuestra vida. Dios no quiere nuestras cosas, quiere nuestra persona comprometida con su Hijo Jesús. La Epifanía nos recuerda que Dios es para llegar a todos sin distinción. Anunciar la alegría del Evangelio a otros es una clara manifestación de que Cristo camina a nuestro lado. El Profeta Isaías anima a sus oyentes de la siguiente manera: “Tú entonces, te pondrás radiante, palpitará tu corazón muy emocionado: traerán a ti tesoros del otro lado del mar y llegarán a ti riquezas de las naciones” (Isaías 60,5). San Pablo, también, lo manifiesta como una gracia: “Anunciar a los pueblos paganos la incalculable riqueza de Cristo” (Efesios 8). El reto actual es ver la manera de que cada cristiano manifieste los bienes recibidos por Dios. Somos de muchas culturas diferentes, con un fin único, caminar hacia Dios con Cristo como centro.

El Papa Francisco nos anima a demostrar como el Evangelio de hoy nos hace ser los magos que buscan a Jesús para adorarle: “La adoración es un gesto de amor que cambia la vida. Es actuar como los Magos: es traer oro al Señor, para decirle que nada es más precioso que Él; es ofrecerle incienso, para decirle que sólo con Él puede elevarse nuestra vida; es presentarle mirra, con la que se ungían los cuerpos heridos destrozados, para pedirle a Jesús que socorra a nuestro prójimo que está marginado y sufriendo, porque allí está Él (01-06-2020). ¡Feliz Año, seamos estrella que guía, seamos Evangelio vivo!



## *New Year 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.

Fr. Thi, Fr. Arn, Deacon Alberto and the staff of Church of the Good Shepherd wish all of you a grace filled 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 Tuesday after the New Year!*



### **SIMBANG GABI FINANCIAL REPORT**

**WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP GRATITUDE TO THE FILIPINO MINISTRY AND ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO WORKED SO HARD TO BRING GREAT SUCCESS TO OUR SIMBANG GABI THIS YEAR. WE HAVE MADE A TOTAL INCOME OF \$17,753.69 INCLUDING THE PLATE COLLECTIONS. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LOVING SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISH. GOD BLESS YOUR GOOD AND GENEROUS HEARTS. SALAMAT!**

**Parish Crab Feed Dinner**  
**Saturday, February 24**  
**at 5:30 pm**

*Call the parish office to make reservation.*  
*More details to follow closer to the date.*

Our Lady of Lourdes

The World Day  
of the Sick  
Healing Mass at  
10am,  
February 10.  
Come and Be  
Healed!





Come and experience St. Peter Martyr School! We are a community of lifelong learners and believers. We prepare children to be God-centered, socially aware citizens who can effectively communicate. We're committed to their spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, social, and cultural development.

**JANUARY 28, 2024**  
**10 AM - 12 PM**

- ✔ Experience the close community
- ✔ Learn about academics and activities
- ✔ Take a tour around the campus
- ✔ Meet students, staff, and teachers



A Lumen Christi Academy



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**ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL**



**2024 - 2025**  
**ADMISSION OPEN**

St. Peter Martyr School prepares children to be God-centered, socially aware citizens and lifelong learners who can effectively communicate. We're committed to their spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, social, and cultural development.

**School Facilities:**

Small class sizes, individualized learning, diverse community, library, garden, and fresh made meals.

**Enroll Now!**

(925) 439-1014



**Santo Nino Feast Day**  
**Sunday, January 14, 2024**  
**at 12 pm Mass and reception to follow.**

If you would like to make a Mass offering for your special intentions. Please contact our ministries coordinators: Ofelia 925-427-1197.

The Santo Niño de Cebú is a Roman Catholic title of the Child Jesus associated with a religious image of the Christ Child widely venerated as miraculous by Filipino Catholics. It is the oldest Christian artifact in the Philippines, originally a gift from explorer Ferdinand Magellan to Rajah Humabon and his chief consort on account of their Christian baptism in 1521.

**CELEBRATION OF OUR**  
**LADY OF MANAOAG,**  
**SUNDAY 7TH AT 12PM**  
**MASS.**  
**COME AND JOIN US!**



The apparition of Our Lady of Manaoag is a miraculous church event with a 400 year long history of renowned miracles and pious occurrences. According to the legend of its origin centuries ago, a farmer was walking through a field when he heard a woman's voice. He looked around and saw the Virgin Mary with a rosary in her right hand and the child Jesus in her left, standing in a cloud veiling a treetop. The man fell to his knees before the apparition, who told him where she wanted her church to be located. He told people of his vision and soon a church was built on the spot where the lady appeared. A town quickly flourished around it, and was called "Manaoag". "Our Lady of Manaoag" actually refers specifically to an ivory statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary, brought from Spain via Acapulco in the early 17th century to the Philippines by Padre Juan de San Jacinto. Now located in the shrine in the church, the image is one of the most venerated Marian images in the country, and is thought by believers to possess healing powers as patroness of the sick, the helpless and the needy.



## Mass Intentions Jan 8 - Jan 14, 2024

# Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	10:00am	James Bruno † ( <i>Birthday</i> )
Tue	7:30 am	Anthony Joseph Garbo
Wed	7:30 am	Jess & Evelyn Segovia † ( <i>Birthday</i> )
Thu	7:30 am	Nanette Vidal †
Fri	7:30 am	Rodolfo Navera ( <i>92nd Birthday</i> )
Sat	8:00 am	Eva Viray † ( <i>Death Ann.</i> )
		Graciela Corona ( <i>Birthday</i> )
	5:30 pm	Taylor Bustos
Sun	8:00 am	Nestor Fernando †
	10:00 am	Judy Vigil Dunning †
	12:00pm	Mathias Jacob Solis ( <i>10th Birthday</i> )
	3:00 pm	For the people of the parish.

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**1- Santo Nino Feast Day**  
Sunday, January 14th, 2024 at  
12pm Mass and reception  
to follow



**2- Celebration of our Lady of**  
Manoag, January 7 at 12pm Mass

**3- Healing Mass, February 10 at 10am**

**4- Parish Crab Feed, Saturday,**  
February 24th, 2024 at 5pm.

**5- Parish Good Shepherd Feast Day**  
Sunday, April 21st, 2024 at 11am.

More details will be announced on these  
important dates

## Weekend of DECEMBER 25, 2023

**1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$7,712.90**

**2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$4,951.77**

**Christmas \$12,948.71**

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 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19  
1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20  
John 1:35-42

### NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

**DIOSEAN ASSESSMENT**

**Come and join  
ADORATION of THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

*Every First Friday of the Month from 8  
AM to 6:45 PM, followed by a Mass  
for the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus  
at 7 PM*

**HOLY Baptism December 23, 2023  
AETHEL KAHLIA and CORY LEVI with Fr Arn**



**SIMBANG GABI DAY 9**



MAGI FROM THE EAST

“ WHERE IS THE NEWBORN KING OF THE JEWS? ”

- THREE WISE MEN

**CHILDRENS MASS DECEMBER 24TH**

