

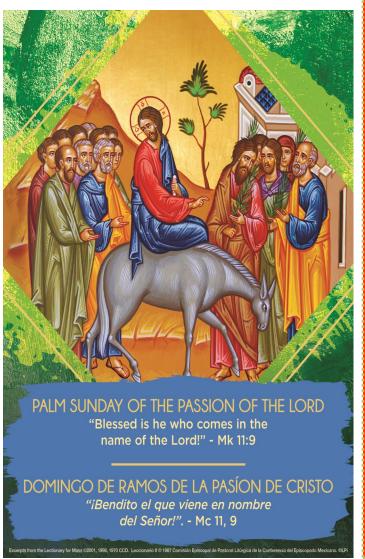
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MARCH 24, 2024



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

8am, 10am (livestreamed) **Sundays:**

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.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

A few months before they married, my twenty-three-year-old sister and her fiancé planned a cross-country road trip to visit his family. My parents told them that they could only go if they slept in separate hotel rooms, offering to foot the bill. It might sound prudish, but my parents wanted the young couple to understand that their approaching unity was close, but not yet. Patience solidifies love.

What could this possibly have to do with Palm Sunday? It's usually overlooked, but the Gospels tell us that, after entering Jerusalem, Jesus "looked around ... and since it was late, went out to Bethany with the twelve" (Mk 11:11) for the night. Who cares? Why include this detail? Jews in those days believed that the new Davidic King would one day reenter and "marry" the city. A new future marked by fidelity would begin for God's people. Israel's God would be in union with His people forever. Without over-sexualizing the metaphor, perhaps Jesus refused to sleep in Jerusalem to remind us of his *marital* purpose. He was entering Jerusalem as the bridegroom-king. It was almost time, but not yet. Soon he will sleep in Jerusalem in the tomb and then something new will begin: his one body, his Church.

Lenten challenge: This Holy Week, I challenge you to keep this image in your mind all the way until Easter Sunday: Jesus is the faithful bridegroom who patiently prepares his bride for their new life together. Go to the Good Friday liturgy and kiss the cross. When you do, let that gesture be the long-awaited "I do" to our faithful God, who always waits for

— Father John Muir ©LPi

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO -ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión de Cristo

La procesión del Domingo de Ramos sirve de entrada a la Semana Santa. Jesús lleva a cabo su última actividad antes de su arresto el Jueves Santo. Entra triunfante en Jerusalén y la alegría no se hace esperar, grandes y chicos lo reciben, le aplauden y alaban cantando: "¡Hosanna! ¡Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor!" (Marcos 11, 9). Hoy damos comienzo a nuestra celebración con un ramo de palmas en la mano y cantamos la misma alabanza de hosanna. El misterio Pascual da comienzo y nosotros debemos de participar, no como actores, sino como verdaderos discípulos del Señor. ¿Con qué disposición y actitud daré comienzo a la Semana Santa? ¿A qué servicios asistiré en mi parroquia?

En estos días santos, tenemos la oportunidad de enmendar muchas situaciones que nos estorban para ayudar a otros. Tenemos la oportunidad de acercarnos en familia al enfermo y al triste para compartir el mensaje de misericordia y compasión que Jesús nos muestra en este tiempo tan especial. Deben ser días de purificación de nuestra fe y enfocarnos en los hechos litúrgicos que la Iglesia nos propone para un verdadero crecimiento espiritual. El Papa Francisco, durante el tiempo de la pandemia, nos alentaba con las siguientes palabras: "Invito a las personas y las familias que no puedan participar en las celebraciones litúrgicas a recogerse en casa para rezar..." (04-05-2020). Su mensaje sigue vivo ahora. ¿Acompañaremos a Jesús o lo dejaremos solo en su Triduo Pascual?

Attention! Attention! Attention!

Recently we have found some consecrated hosts on the floor. It is truly an act of sacrilege. It is an offense to our Lord. This sinful act should never happen in the church. So we ask you please consume the host right away after you receive Him. Also please help us keep an eye on those who don't consume the host and bring Him to the pew. Remind them not to do so as a respect and reverence to our Lord. Thank you!



¡Atención! ¡Atención! ¡Atención!

Recientemente hemos encontrado algunas hostias consagradas debajo de los bancos. Es verdaderamente un acto de sacrilegio. Es una ofensa a nuestro Señor. Este acto pecaminoso nunca debería ocurrir en la iglesia. Por eso te pedimos que consumas la hostia inmediatamente después de recibirla. También ayúdanos a vigilar a aquellos que no consumen la hostia y lo llevan al banco. Recuérdeles que lo consuman de inmediato como respeto y reverencia a nuestro Señor. ¡Gracias!

Holy Week Timeline Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday

While Holy Week marks the final week of Jesus' earthly life, it is also the end of the Catholic Liturgical season of Lent on Holy Thursday and the 40 day Lenten fast on Holy Saturday. The week begins with Palm Sunday. The exact timeline is debatable but here is a possible timeline of Jesus' final week:

Palm Sunday

On the Sunday before his death, Jesus began his trip to Jerusalem. Nearing the village of Bethlehem, He sent two of his disciples ahead to look for a donkey and a colt. Riding on the donkey, He humbly but triumphantly entered into the city of Jerusalem. The gathering crowds spread their cloaks and palm branches on the road and sang "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

Upon arriving, Jesus entered the temple area and with righteous anger overturned the tables and seats of the money changers and merchants saying, "My house shall be a house of prayer."

Holy Thursday

Holy Thursday is the first day of the Feast of the Unleavened Bread and preparation for the Passover. Jesus' disciples prepare the upper room for it as Jesus had ordered. That evening after sunset, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as they prepared to share in the Passover. While they were eating, Jesus announces to His apostles that one of them will betray Him. And then He took the bread and wine and instituted the Holy Eucharist.

After supper and signing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives where Jesus foretold the denial by Peter. And then they went to Gethsemane so that

Jesus could pray. The agony He was feeling was so great at this time that an angel appeared to strengthen Him. Upon finding His disciples asleep three times, He told them to get up because His betrayer was at hand. At this time, Judas and a crowd with swords and clubs sent by the chief priests and elders arrived and arrested Jesus. They sent Jesus to Caiaphas the high priest along with the Sanhedrin who tried to get Jesus to give false testimony. He remained silent until finally He said that the Son of Man is coming. Peter, hiding out in the courtyard, denied knowing Jesus three times.

Good Friday

In the morning, the Sanhedrin leads Jesus to Pilate. Pilate questions Jesus but could not find any crime He committed. He offered to release a murderer named Barabbas or Jesus and the crowds called for Barabbas and for Jesus to be crucified. He washed His hands

Soldiers then took Jesus away and stripped Him of His clothes, crowned Him with a crown of thorns, mocked and spit on Him and then beat Him before leading Him away to be crucified. They pressed a man named Simon into service to help Jesus carry His cross. Upon arriving at Golgotha around nine in the morning, they crucified Him along with two criminals. From noon onward, darkness came over the land. At three o'clock, Jesus cried out "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me." Jesus then cried out again and died. His body was taken down and placed in a tomb.

Holy Saturday

The chief priests requested that a guard be placed at the tomb so that Jesus's body could not be stolen and then later claimed to have risen from the dead. Pilate agreed and so they secured the tomb, fixed a seal upon the stone and set a guard.

Easter Sunday

At dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body. They found the stone rolled away and the tomb empty and an angel of God was there who told them that Jesus was not there and that He had been raised from the dead. He told them to go tell the disciples. Jesus met them on their way there and told them not to be afraid. He sent the Marys to Peter and the apostles to tell them to meet Him in Galilee.

He met the eleven apostles there at Galilee. There, He commissioned them "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." After telling them He will be with them until the end of the age, he ascended into Heaven and took His seat at the right hand of God the Father. Alleluia! Christ the Lord is Risen.



Feast Day of St Pedro Calungsod

Come and join us for the celebration of the Feast of St. Pedro Calungsod on April 14 at 12pm Mass. If you would like to have Mass sponsorship for this Feast Day, please fill out the form below or contact our coordinators.

DATE	APRIL 14, 2024, 12 NOON MASS
MASS:	FEAST OF SAN PEDRO CALUNGSOD
DONATION AMOUNT:	
Please issue check payable to: Church of the Good Shepherd	
NAME OF SPUNSORS	
(all in capital letters)	
INTENTIONS (all in capital letters)	
Signature of Sponsor/s	(9)
Pangor's Phone No.	rm to: Shirley Quejado (925/586-7668) or Ofelia S Tanyag (938).



Hosted by the YLI!
Saturday, April 20, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.
Buffett Lunch with BUNCO to follow
(doors open at 12:30 p.m.)

Good Shepherd Ministry Building (behind the Church Hall) 3200 Harbor Street

COST: \$25.00
Cash Prizes and Raffle

Limited Seating - Pre-Pay Required For Reservations Call Gina (925) 522-6164



"Humanity will not find peace until it turns trustfully to divine mercy." (St. Faustina's Diary, p. 132)

April 7, 2024

Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 3pm Spanish

The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy will be said after each Mass.

Note: We will especially celebrate this Feast Day at 12pm Mass with Procession, Mass offerings and Sponsorship.

Contact Becky Naca at 925-858-9217 for Mass sponsorship!

Mark Your Calendars PCOMING

March 30- Easter Vigil 8:00pm

March 31 - Easter: 7am; 8:30am; 10am; 12pm; 3pm (Spanish)

April 7- Parents Class E

April 10- First. Com. Confession 6pm

April 13- Confirmation Student Retreat and Confession & Discerment

April 21- Parish Feast Day- Combined Mass at 11am Mass and Potluck reception to follow

May 4- First Communion E at 10am

May 11- First Com Spanish 10am

May 13 – Fatima- Marian Procession & Mass 6:30pm

May 18- First HC Spanish 10am

June 2 – Youth Confirmation at 5pm

June 13- Fatima procession 7pm

July 13- Fatima Procession 6:30pm

June 17- Faith Formation registration Kick Off

July 20- Parish Hawaii Dinner Dance- Fundraising

at 7pm

August 7- Staff Retreat

August 15- Assumption Mass and Procession

6:30pm

August 17- Summer Music Concert 7pm

Sept 13- Fatima Procession 7pm

Sept 15-Faith Formation begins

Sep 23- RCIA begins

Oct 6- Flock Party

Oct 13- Fatima Mass and Procession 6:30pm

Nov 1- All Saints- 7:30am; 12pm, 7pm Bilingual

Nov 2- All Souls- 7:30am, 1pm Holy Cross

Cemetery, 7pm Bilingual

Nov 16- Appreciation dinner for volunteers at 7pm

Nov 23 – Thanksgiving at 10am

Dec 1- Advent

Dec 6- Taize Prayer 7pm

Dec 8- O.L of Guadalupe- 5am Mananitas and

3pm Mass

Dec 14- Christmas Concert 7pm – Potluck

Christmas Party

Dec 16- Advent Reconciliation 7pm

Dec, 24 Christmas Eve, 4pm, 6pm, 12Midnight

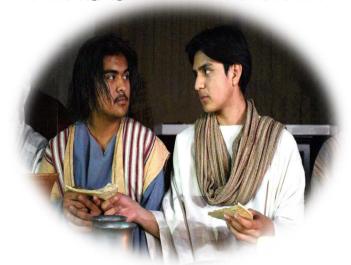
Dec 25- Christmas Day: 8am, 10am, 12pm,

1:30pm

Dec 31- New Year's Eve: 5:30pm Mass & 7pm

Party

The 31st Annual PASSION PLA



Experience the Passion of our Lord with the youth and young adults of this parish.

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Sunday, March 17th - 7:00 PM - Opening Performance (with informal reception) Saturday, March 23rd - 7:00 PM

Palm Sunday, March 24th - 5:00 PM

Holy Wednesday, March 27th - 6:00 PM

Good Friday, March 29th - 7:30 PM

Friday, March 29th - 7:30 PM (with veneration of the Cross)

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In our In our effort to raise funds for supplies and equipment for the play, we will be selling commemorative

T-shirts after Masses on 3/2, 3/3, 3/9, 3/10, 3/16 and 3/17 We hope you will support this fundraising effort to bring the story of Christ's Passion to life.

Mass Intentions March 25- March 31, 2024

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Uy Family
Tue	7:30 am	Daniel Esquivel (Birthday)
Wed	7:30 am	Daniel Gonzalez †
Thu	7:30am	Morning Prayer (No Mass)
	7:00pm	John A. Billeci †
	7:30 pm	For the People of the Parish
Fri		See Good Friday Services- Page.
Sat	8:00am	Morning Prayer (No Mass)
	8:00 pm	For the Priests of our Parish
Sun	7:00 am	Cuca Hernandez †
	8:30 am	David Viray † (Death Anniversary)
	10:00am	Enrique Crespo † (8 Year Death Anniversary)
	12:00pm	Esposito & Sorci Families (Deceased & Living)
	3:00pm	For the People of the Parish



2023 Bishop's Ministries
Appeal. Our goal this year is: \$35,600.00
Let's work together to achieve our goal
again this year.

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Weekend of MARCH 10, 2024

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$8,858.63 2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT)\$2,688.50

Due to early submission of the March 24, 2024 Bulletin these will be updated next week

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

Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

EASTER
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 23- Palm Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm Mass

7pm Passion Play Performance 2

March 24– Palm Sunday 8am, 10am, 12pm, 3pm (Spanish)

5:00pm Passion Play Performance 3

March 27- Holy Wednesday 6:00pm—Passion Play Performance 4

March 28 -Holy Thursday 7:30am Morning Prayer/Liturgy of the Hours

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and Washing of Feet followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Mid-Night.

March 29 -Good Friday 7:30am Morning Prayer/Liturgy of the Hours

12pm Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross

3:00pm Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross (Spanish)

6:00pm Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross

7:30pm—Passion Play Performance 5

EASTER VIGIL/ EASTER

March 30 -Holy Saturday
8:00am—Morning Prayer/ Liturgy of the Hours

8:00pm Easter Vigil (livestreamed)

March 31 - Easter Sunday 7:00am Mass; 8:30am Mass; 10am Mass (livestreamed);

12:00pm Mass; 3:00pm Mass – Spanish



Celebraciónes de la Cuaresma y la Pascua para la Comunidad Hispana

Jueves Santo: 28 de Marzo a las 7:00pm

Misa de la Ultima Cena del Señor y Lavatorio de Pies seguido de Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento hasta media noche.

<u>Viernes Santo:</u> 29 de Marzo a las 3:00pm Liturgïa y veneracion de la cruz en español.

VIGILIA PASCUAL / PASCUA Sábado Santo: 30 de Marzo a las 8:00pm Domingo de Resurrección: 31 de Marzo a las 3:00pm Misa en Español