

Church of the Good Shepherd

January 19, 2014

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We, the members of Good Shepherd Catholic Church, are a sacramental community of faith, guided by the Holy Spirit, inspired by the Word, and centered in the Eucharist.

We are diverse in culture and talent, but one in purpose – to make known the presence of God’s saving love as revealed to us by Jesus Christ.

In partnership with other Christians in our deanery and diocese, and with the larger community, we share responsibility to foster spiritual growth and conversion, and to reach out to all people in their spiritual and temporal needs.

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL-St. Peter Martyr 439-1014
 PARISH MINISTRY
 Altar Guild – 432-6404
 Altar Servers – Dina Russell 439-1092
 Bingo Office (Tuesdays only) 439-3100
 Buildings & Grounds 432-6404
 Music Ministry
 Parish Music Dir.–Rocco Enea 432-6404
 Instrumental Music Dir. – Damian Ting 432-6404
 8:00 a.m. Choir – Evelyn Arms 439-5351
 10:00 a.m. Choir – Sal Bruno 432-0736
 Couples for Christ – FFL
 Napoleon & Theresa Umadhay 427-5457
 CYO – Diane George 432-3043
 Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 Ann & Bill Abitz 432-3995
 Extra Ordinary Ministers to the Sick – Rose Riso 432-4362
 Finance – Sergio Palaganas 206-7416
 Grief Ministry – Judy Dudziak
 Italian Catholic Federation – Patty Jarrett 228-0810
 Knights of Columbus – Ted Franger 252-0421
 Lectors – Ina Kinadeter 432-7726
 Liturgy Committee - Staff 432-6404
 Pastoral Council –
 Religious Education/Sacramental Preparation
 Faith Formation – Dina Russell 439-1092
 Youth Ministry – Debbie Lawson 439-1091
 RCIA –Deacon Ken Wedge 432-6404
 Baptismal Prep – Robert & Sheena Beck 427-5926
 Returning Catholics 432-6404
 Santo Nino Family Prayer Ministry
 Romeo & Sery Razo 439-7706
 Social Justice – Deacon Ken Wedge 432-6404
 St. Vincent DePaul 470-5222
 Stewardship – Darla Kilgannon 432-0243
 Ushers – Frank DiMaggio 776-5107
 Vocations-Parish Office 432-6404
 Wedding Liturgy Coordinators-
 Danette Shipe 427-9561
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Schedule of Masses

Sundays 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12 noon
Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m.
1st Tuesdays & Fridays 7:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Hours/Morning Prayer 6:45 a.m.
Saturdays 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. (Vigil)
Holy Days 7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Confessions: Saturday, 4:00 p.m., Tuesdays at 7 p.m., or by appointment.

Baptisms: In order to make baptismal arrangements, parents are required to call the parish office to make an appointment to fill out paperwork and schedule a baptismal class (required of parents and godparents) and a baptismal date.

Marriages: Couples are required to make arrangements with the priest at least six months prior to the date of marriage and attend a marriage preparation program. Contact the parish office to begin this process.

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 first be discussed with parish priest.

As you are reading my thoughts this weekend, I would like to inform you that I am here in the Philippines to attend my Uncle's Funeral and also to spend 12 days of vacation after all the busyness of Christmas. I will be back on the 28th of January. In my absence, Father Conrad will take care of the pastoral and sacramental needs of the parish. The office staff will take care of any business related matters.

I would like to thank all those who have given Christmas donations to our church and to all the Christmas gifts and cash gifts I received from so many parishioners. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity and may God reward you a hundredfold.

FYI: On January 25th, our Bishops in the Bay Area are encouraging us to join the Walk for Life in San Francisco. This walk every year gathers thousands of people from different parishes, Christian denominations and organizations to tell the world of the evil of abortion and to pray that all people, especially leaders of our government, protect human life from its conception until its natural death. I posted a flyer in our vestibule for your information and also you could check this website: <http://www.walkforlifewc.com/event-info/event-schedule/>. I invite you also to at least pray "Three Hail Mary's" everyday for the protection of the sacredness of human life.

Deacon Ken Wedge last weekend formally announced to us of his leave of absence due to a health issue. Let us pray for his complete healing. In his absence, Fr. Jerry Brown, pastor from the Immaculate Heart of Mary, gave his permission to allow his two deacons to help us. Let us welcome Deacon Ron Horan and John Korteum for their YES to serve our parish.

Our parish hall this year received generous donations from two families. We bought a heavy duty scrubber machine to maintain the floor. With the help of this machine, it will be easier to maintain the floor and our hall for rental purposes. I will sit down with our finance council on how we could effectively and efficiently maintain our parish hall due to the increasing demand of renters using our hall and also of different ministries in the parish. I have decided also that the hall is to be made available for funeral receptions this year. There will be no set rental fees, however, a generous donation is encouraged for the use of energy and maintenance. Please call Yvette for more information.

We have hired a new grounds maintenance and landscape person. His responsibilities are to maintain our prayer park and also our Church Property grounds and plants. He will be with us twice a week and on occasion when there are funerals and weddings to clean the church grounds and to pick up litter.

My greatest concern is the prayer park. A big chunk of our ground maintenance budget is being paid for the prayer park maintenance. As most of you know, our prayer park is being maintained by the parish budget since the inactivity of the prayer park committee. I wish that this committee be resurrected in the future. I hope and pray that those who helped before would step up again. This park has been very helpful for me spiritually and for many. I like to walk around the park praying the rosary and doing my other devotions, especially the stations of the cross and the divine mercy chaplet. When I come back from my vacation, we shall set hours of operations for our park. I heard reports that some people without reverence vandalize the park. If state parks and other parks have hours of operation, it is practical and necessary to protect this park and the investment of our donors. This place is meant for praying and not for unruly teenagers and others who make our park a love nest, or a skate board park, or a baseball field or a soccer field, or a "pot session" area.

One of the priorities of the new administration under my leadership is to maintain well and take care of this place, our worship space and properties which were made possible through your generosity and our supportive benefactors.

From the sunny Island of Panay, Philippines, Father Carl

An important message from Deacon Ken

I have asked Father to share this message with you. I have not been well for most of 2013. I have been tested for many possible diseases but to date the doctors have not been able to determine the cause. It has been discovered that I have affected lymph nodes in several of my major organs, chronic coughing and shortness of breath along with fevers, cramps, and chest pains. After prayer and consultation I have asked Bishop Barber for a medical leave from my duties as deacon at Good Shepherd in order to concentrate on my health issues, and when the cause is determined, my treatment. He has approved my request.

I do not know how long I may be gone. I feel very comfortable knowing you are in the care of Fr. Carl and Fr. Conrad. I ask for your loving support of them both as I worry my absence will cause additional strain on them. I will continue to keep you all in my prayers, and hope that you will keep me in yours. I and my doctors are doing all we can to discover the cause and I am at peace knowing God's will is in control. May the Peace of this season be with you and the Hope a New Year brings be with us all.

God does not always give us what we want, but He will always give us what we need.
Deacon Ken

PARISH EVENTS:**INSTRUMENTALISTS NEEDED**

Music Ministry is seeking an acoustic bass and/or electric bass player for our 8 am and 10 am liturgies. If you play acoustic bass or electric bass, please consider sharing your talents with our parish! If interested, please contact any Music Ministry member.

**STEWARDSHIP NEWS!**

Ministry Fair returns January 25/26. Stop buy to purchase crab feed tickets, sign up to be a Eucharistic Minister or sign up to learn more about all of the other wonderful ministries in our parish!

PARISH GENERAL CALENDAR

**Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday
9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon & 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Fridays CLOSED**

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| Mondays | Prayer Group for the Sick -11 am to 12 noon in the Ministry Building
RCIA -7 pm- Ministry Building-1st & 3rd Mondays of the month
Confirmation Class -7 pm-Ministry Building-2nd & 4th Mondays (Sept-May) |
| Tuesdays | Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help (Mass on each first Tuesday) ~Church~7 pm
Bad Girls of the Bible ~Office~7 pm |
| Wednesdays | 8 & 10 Choir Rehearsals ~7 pm
Stewardship ~Office~7 pm
Youth Formation ~Parish Hall 4-5,6-7,7:30-8:30 Sept-May |
| Thursdays | Bible Study ~Office~7pm
Senior Brown Bag Program ~Hall 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month 10 am~12 noon |
| Fridays | Adoration begins after 7 am mass until 4 pm
Chaplet of Divine Mercy -3 pm
Teresita #123, YLI Pray & Chat with Divine Mercy Group
All above events take place on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month in church |
| Saturdays | La Pieta International Prayer Group
Every Saturday after the 8 am mass |
| Sundays | Life Teen -Parish Hall-1-3 pm
September-May |

ANNOUNCING THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB FEED!!!!

Tickets are on sale now after all masses and in the parish office for the Knights of Columbus Crab feed on Saturday, February 8, 2014. Dinner is \$45 per person.

**Limited space available so buy your tickets early. No tickets sold at the door!
We hope you join us!**

COMMUNITY EVENTS:**PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Queen of the Americas Guild 2014 Pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City February 27-March 4.
Call 630-584-1822**

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje
March 16-26, 2014
Call 1-800-206-2014
Lynn Hoffman**

REDHAWK CASINO TRIP

Saturday, February 1, 2014

Leave GOOD SHEPHERD at 8 am

Return at 6 pm

COST is \$31 per person with FREE PLAY & FOOD REFUNDS!

For reservations call

GINGER at 439-1978 or FELI at 207-3501

**St. Peter Martyr School
Open House & Enrollment**

St. Peter Martyr School is accepting fall 2014 applications for Preschool, PreKindergarten, Kindergarten, and grades 1-8. The school offers extended care, extra curricular programs, and a strong academic program. Applications for the 2014-2015 school year are available at St. Peter Martyr School and www.stpetermartyrschool.org. The Catholic school, located at 425 West Fourth St. in Pittsburg, is fully accredited and invites all families to an Open House Sunday, January 26, from 10:00 A.M. until noon. Bring the family, meet the teachers, visit the classrooms, and register for the fall. For further information about our affordable rates call the school at 925-439-1014 or visit:

www.stpetermartyrschool.org.

**A CONCERT WITH DAN SCHUTTE
FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 AT 7:30 PM
ST. BONAVENTURE CHURCH
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
925-672-5800 EXT, 2230**

FREE WILL OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN!

DIOCESAN EVENTS:**HOPE & HEALING AFTER ABORTION**

This 8 week post-abortion healing and scripture study group will begin January 29, 2014 in San Mateo.

This event is offered by First Resort in collaboration with the Diocese of Oakland.

All inquiries are confidential. For more information, or to sign up contact Christine Watkins at 415-260-4406 or christinew@firstresort.net.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

A weekend retreat for healing after abortion

February 7-9, 2014

At the Angela Center in Santa Rosa, CA

This retreat is offered in collaboration with the Diocese of Oakland and the Diocese of Santa Rosa.

All inquiries are confidential. For more information, or to sign up contact Christine Watkins at 415-260-4406 or christinew@firstresort.net.

**MAGNIFICAT, A Ministry to Catholic Women
invites you to their**

MARCH PRAYER BREAKFAST

March 1 9:30 am—12:30 pm

Crowne Plaza, 45 John Glenn Dr Concord

Tickets are \$28—\$35 after 2/22/14

www.magnificatsoti.org or 925-788-7762

Brenda Sharman model, actress and beauty queen will speak on her conversion to Catholicism.

10th Annual San Francisco**WALK FOR LIFE**

Because Women Deserve Better than Abortion

Civic Center Plaza, SF

Saturday, January 25

Info Faire at 11 am –Rally at 12:30 pm

After Rally, the walk begins on Market

Street and ends 2 miles away at Justin

Herman Plaza/Ferry Building.

(BART stations at both locations)

Register by calling 415-658-1793

Fr. Carl strongly encourages his flock to support all Respect Life events!

Mass Intentions

Jan 20-26

Mon	7 am	Leanora Abejo † !
Tue	7 am	Michael Glanzman † # Death Anniversary
Wed	7 am	Norma Razo Shramm † #
Thu	7 am	Ellie Marchoke † #
Fri	7 am	Stephen & Nita Esposito † #
Sat	8 am	John Crespo † #
	5:30	Santo Nino Family & Friends #
Sun	8am	Eduardo Castillo † %
	10am	FOR THE PEOPLE %
	12pm	Pete Coniglio † %

*= Fr. Carl Arcosa
 #=Fr. Conrad Bayor
 != Fr. Ricardo Chavez
 %=Fr. Ken Nobrega

THE 2014 MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN!

Mass intentions are \$10 each

Come to the parish office any time

Monday-Thursday between 9 am & 4 pm to re-serve your dates

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!

END OF YEAR TAX INFORMATION

If you wish to receive a tax letter of your contributions for the year 2013, please call the parish office at 432-6404 and make your request. Please also indicate whether you wish to pick it up or have it mailed to your home.

WEEKLY COLLECTION UPDATE

\$9,700.00 Needed~1st Collection & EFT
 (budgeted as income needed for 1st collections only for 2014)

\$ 6,113.66 First Collection

\$ 730.00 EFT

\$ 6,843.66 Total 1st Collection

Negative this week: \$2,856.34

Negative Year to Date: \$7,742 as of 1/13/14

Last weekend's 2nd Collection for

Debt Reduction took in: \$2,059.75

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

Baptisms	1
First Holy Communions	
Confirmations	
Deaths	2
Weddings	1
Sick Calls	

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE FOR JAN 25-26

Saturday

5:30 Rafael Almarinez, Eva Jimenez, Chase Smith, Frederick Alesna

Sunday

8:00 Cameron Mendoza-Tanyag, Mina Romingquet
 10:00 Justin, Joshua & Juliana Carrillo, Alyssamae Buena
 12:00 Jasper Lomod, Matthew Moynihan, Jannah & Julianna Castro

LECTORS SCHEDULE FOR
Jan 25-26

Saturday	1st	2nd
5:30	Chelo Gonzalez	Jessica Florido
Sunday		
8:00	Chris Ghiselli	Ina Kinadeter
10:00	John Adams	Linda Whatford
12:00	Bonnie Ozel	David De Luna

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 8:23-9:3, 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17,
 Matthew 4:12-23

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL