

Church of the Good Shepherd

March 16, 2014

Second Sunday of Lent

Good Shepherd Catholic Parish: One Flock, One Family, Living and Sharing the Love of Christ!

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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 (1st Tuesday of month only)	439-3100
Buildings & Grounds	432-6404
Music Ministry	
Parish Music Dir.–Rocco Enea	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 – Confetti's	439-8958
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@goodshepherdpittsburg.org	
Youth Ministry – debbie@goodshepherdpittsburg.org	
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
Bee Francisco	473-9247
Young Ladies Institute-Feli Buetner	432-7382

Parish Staff

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Business Manager
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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 ar-
rangements, contact:
baptisms@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Marriages: Couples are required to make
arrangements at least six months in ad-
vance at:
weddings@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Quinceaneras: In order to schedule a 15th
Birthday Mass, contact:
quince@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Funeral Arrangements: Should be arranged
by family, church and mortuary. Normal
Christian burial consists of Vigil Ser-
vice, Holy Mass and Burial in a Catholic
Cemetery. Any other arrangements
should first be discussed with parish
priest.

Father Carl's Corner
March 15-16

A REFLECTION ON LENTEN FASTING

by Rev. Daniel Merz, *Associate Director, USCCB Secretariat of Divine Worship*

In the early Church and, to a lesser extent still today, there were two fasts. There was the "total fast" that preceded all major feasts or sacramental events. The ancient name for this fast was "statio" from the verb "sto, stare" to stand watch, on guard or in vigil.

The second fast was a fast of abstinence from certain foods, e.g., meats or fats. This was more an act of self-discipline and self-control. The *statio* fast was total and a means of watching and waiting...i.e. *for* something. The fast of abstinence was more general and personal, to help oneself be more disciplined or self-controlled.

The total fast is still kept today prior to reception of Holy Communion. Following Holy Communion, the total fast ceases because Jesus had explicitly stated that we don't fast when the bridegroom is here, in other words, what we're keeping vigil for has arrived, the wait is over. On the other hand, the fast of abstinence was allowed on Sundays because the continuity of abstinence can be important for it to be effective.

These initial observations, then, teach us that the Eucharist is always the end of a preparation. It is always the fulfillment of an expectation. In the Orthodox Church during Lent, they have Eucharist only on Saturday and Sunday. But because Wednesdays and Fridays are total fast days, those two days are also days for the Communion service (Liturgy of the PreSanctified) which are held in the evening, i.e., after the day of preparation. Fasting is always *preparatory*.

But how did *fasting* become such an important means of preparing for the Eucharist and of learning virtue through self-discipline? Christian fasting is revealed in an interdependence between two events in the Bible: the "**breaking of the fast**" by Adam and Eve; and the "keeping of the fast" by Christ at the beginning of his ministry.

To be continued...

PARISH EVENTS:

LENTEN DINNER & STATIONS CONTINUE! Gwynne Davi, Sal Evola, Paul Flores and crew will be cooking another delicious Lenten dinner this coming Friday at 6 pm (**NOTE TIME CHANGE TO BETER COINCIDE WITH STATIONS OF THE CROSS**) in the Parish Hall. Stations of the Cross will follow at 7 pm in the Church. The cost for dinner is \$12.50 per person and proceeds benefit the remodeling of the parish hall kitchen. This Friday's menu is: *Tortellini with pesto, garlic bread & salad!*

Contact the parish office by **Wednesday** at 432-6404 to make your reservation for this Friday or any Friday during Lent!

CANDLE MINISTRY NEWS!

We are happy to inform you that if you wish to purchase candles for use at home, you can do so at the parish office any time during business hours, Monday through Thursday from 9 am until 4 pm. The requested donation is \$3 per candle. Please remember to return the empty glass to the church since we get a rebate for all glass returned to the candle company. If you do purchase candles directly from the church to take home, please make sure you have exact change and **DO NOT** remove any candles from the stands. Make your candle request to the Sacristan. Thank you!

SHEPHERD'S CLOSET NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Thank you to the many parishioners who have already donated many times to help build our inventory of needed baby clothes and accessories. As Lent begins we find it necessary once again to ask for your help. We are requesting clothes for children sizes newborn-24 months, 2T-5T, and sizes 4-8. We are looking for new and gently used clothes that can be used as Easter outfits and afterward for church and school. We could also use help locating creepers in all infant sizes. In addition, we need safe and usable furniture, such as regular or umbrella strollers, carryalls, cribs, highchairs, and bouncers. There will be boxes located in the vestibule of the church in which to place your donations. If you are unable to shop, we will accept financial donations and do the shopping for you! For questions call Ann Abitz at 432-3995

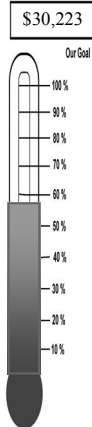
Set the World on Fire: Bishop's Appeal 2014

Every family is asked to make a proportionate sacrificial gift or pledge to the Bishop's Appeal. We realize that not everyone can make the same size gift, but we can all make the same size sacrifice!

Please place your clearly marked donations in any collection basket today or in the coming weeks.

Your generosity in helping our parish meet our goal is very much appreciated!

FYI-Last's Appeal rebate was \$7,071.49 half of which will stay in the [parish and half will go to pay down our diocesan debit.

**FEAST OF SAN PEDRO CALUNGSOD**

April 5, 2014

5:30 pm Mass celebrated by Fr. Gerald Pedrera.

A reception will follow outside of the church immediately following the Mass.

!BATHROOM ALERT!

Do we have your attention? Good! We need to again put out a plea to have everyone help keep the church bathrooms tidy. It is very difficult to keep them up during the busy weekends so we are asking parents to accompany their children to the restrooms and adults to please pick up after yourselves when you use the facilities. Our parish is our home and we all need to take part in keeping it clean for each other. Thank you!



SHEPHERD'S FIELD OLIVE WOOD HANDCRAFTS WILL BE SELLING THEIR BEAUTIFUL HANDCARVED PIECES IN FRONT OF OUR CHURCH THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 22-23, JUST IN TIME FOR THE LENTEN & EASTER SEASON!

BUKAS PALAD MUSIC MINISTRY WILL PERFORM AT ST. JOAN OF ARC ON MARCH 29 AT 7:30 PM. THIS GROUP HAS RECORDED 18 ALBUMS AND HAVE PERFORMED WORLD-WIDE! PROCEEDS BENEFIT SIMBANG GABI & MUSIC MINISTRY. CALL 925-252-6821 FOR TICKETS!

JOIN US!

**40 DAY HOLY HOUR
CONTINUES NIGHTLY IN THE
CHURCH FROM 7-8 PM!!!**

**Please join us in adoration and prayer as
we prepare our hearts
during this Lenten Season for Christ's
Resurrection!**

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Our Parish Festival is coming!
Mark your calendars for:

**Sunday, June 1st**

This is going to an event for the entire family. Food booths, LOTS of kids games and activities, beer, wine, beverages, live band, DJ, contests for all ages and a WHOLE LOT MORE! The drawing will be for an all expense paid trip to the HOLY LAND, including airfare! Don't miss this party. Bring the whole family. Watch for more information coming soon!

FYI!

If you wish to make contact with our former Pastor, Fr. Helmut Richter, he can be reached in any of the following ways:

Cell phone: 925-382-8186

Email: papahelmut@yahoo.com

Address: 107 Peppertree Way
Pittsburg, CA 94565

LOST AND FOUND

We have recently found a black watch in the church. If you believe it to be yours, call the parish office at 432-6404 and describe it and we will gladly return it to you!

PARISH LITURGY & EVENTS CALENDAR**Year 2014**

March 21, 28	Stations of the Cross-Lenten Dinner
March 17	Feast of St. Patrick
March 19	Feast of St. Joseph-Table for the Poor, Edge
March 9 -	
April 17	40 Day Holy Hour Devotion 7-8 pm
March 25	Parish Reconciliation & FHC Children
April 4, 11	Stations of the Cross-Lenten Dinner
April 5	Feast of San Pedro Calungsod
April 13-19	Holy Week
April 6, 12, 13,	
16, 18	Passion Play Presentations
April 17, 18, 19	Holy Triduum
April 20	Easter Sunday – with Children’s Easter Mass
April 18-26	Novena of the Divine Mercy
April 27	Divine Mercy Sunday
May 3	First Holy Communion (youth)
June 1	Parish Festival & Ministry Fair
June 8	Pentecost Sunday
	Confirmation @12:00 Mass (w/the Vicar)
June 13 – 21	Novena for the Feast of Corpus Christi
June 22	Corpus Christi Sunday
June 24-26	Triduum - Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
June 27	Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (2 Masses)
July 4-29	Fr. Brendan Carmody, SJ Visiting Priest
July 28-29	Jesuit Missionary Coop Appeal
August 15	Solemnity of the Assumption of the BVM (Holy Day of Obligation)
August 16-20	Parish Mission w/Redemptorist Priest
August 30-31	Food for the Poor Campaign w/Visiting Priest
September 6	Deacon Ken’s Flea Market
September 27	Feast of St. Vincent de Paul-Filipino Fiesta
September 28	Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz
October 4	Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
October 4/5	Respect Life Sunday
October 7	Feast of our Lady of the Holy Rosary
October 13	Feast of Our Lady of Fatima
October 1-31	Month of the Holy Rosary/Month for Life
October 18/19	World Mission Sunday w/Maryknoll Priest
October 31	International Rosary
	Trunk-or-Treat
November 1	All Saints Day
November 2	All Souls Day (2 Masses)
November 8-9	Fr. Dan McKinnon (Redemptorist Priest)
	Onbound Ministry -Vocation Awareness
	&Stewardship Sunday /Min Heads Speaking
November 16	Parish Craft Fair
November 23	Feast of Christ the King-Commitment Sunday
November 27	Parish Thanksgiving Mass 9AM
December 1	Advent Parish Reflection
December 2	Parish Advent Reconciliation
December 8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
December 12	Feast Our Lady of Guadalupe/Spanish Mass
December 16-24	Simbang Gabi – 9 Novena (5am) Masses
December 25	Christmas Day with Children’s Mass
December 31	Evening Mass for Peace (Vigil of the Solemnity of the Mary, Mother of God)

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**

CHAPEL HOURS: Monday-Sunday 7 am-7 pm

Beginning Friday, April 25: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday from 8 am—6 pm

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

YLI RED HAWK CASINO BUS TRIP
Saturday, April 5th

\$31 per person

Call: Ginger 439-1978 or Feli 207-3501



**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THE
MOVIE PREMIER OF “NOAH”**
Thursday, March 27 at 7 pm at Maya Cinema
**Cost is \$15 per person and all proceeds go to the
Emergency Fund. Call Feli at 207-3501 or the
Parish Office at 432-6404 for reservations.**

Mass Intentions

Mar 17-23

Mon	7 am	Westly Legaspi † *
Tue	7 am	Bertha & Jesse Lieber † *
Wed	7 am	Dominic Minh Vu † #
Thu	7 am	Maria Louisa Jakosalem † #
Fri	7 am	Dominic Minh Vu † *
Sat	8 am	Virgilio Navarrete Sr. † #
	5:30	Horace & Marion Ferrante † *
Sun	8am	Delores Butler † #
	10am	In Thanksgiving for Max Acosta *
	12pm	For the People #
	5:30pm	Spanish Mass *

* = Fr. Carl Arcosa

= Fr. Conrad Bayor

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

Baptisms	12
First Holy Communions	0
Confirmations	0
Deaths	6
Weddings	2
Sick Calls	8

END OF YEAR TAX INFORMATION

If you wish to receive a tax letter stating 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, have it emailed to you or have it mailed to your home.

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

reserve your dates

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!

SPANISH MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLEAT 5:30 PM FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR.BOOK NOW!!!!!!!

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE FOR MAR 22/23

Saturday

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

Sunday

8:00 Cameron Mendoza-Tanyag, Don Phan

10:00 Tiffany Vo, Kyle Dozier, Sofia Escajeda, Carl
Camarao12:00 Macey Robles, Matthew Moynihan, Jannah &
Julianna Castro5:30 Jasper Lomod, Jesus Antonio & David Diaz,
Baruch Rios

LECTORS SCHEDULE FOR

Mar 22/23

Saturday 1st 2nd
5:30 Joyce Fox Cynthia GreelySunday
8:00 Tom Dudziak Chris Ghiselli
10:00 Marina Bond Rosy Rivera
12:00 Bonnie Ozel David De Luna
5:30 Rosa Granados Graciela Corona

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR MAR 22/23

Saturday

5:30: Bill & Ann Abitz, Loreta Cellan, Virgil Gulingan,
Lucilla Mangante, Josephine Saca

Sunday

8:00 Patrick Wilson, Cynthia Auza, Bob & Sheena Beck,
Patricia Dominguez, Ed Woodrow10:00 Laura Canciamilla, Florida Castillo, Becky & Jun
Naca, Robert Pascual, Dina Russell12:00 Evelyn Labao, Alexander Tai, Ronnie & Roy
Lagarejos, Steve Confetti, Sonja Shephard

5:30 Lydia Madrigal, Alicia Leon, Angeles Rios

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Exodus 17:3-7, Romans 5:1-2, 5-8, John 4:5-42

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

PASSION DRAMA