

Church of the Good Shepherd

December 11, 2016

Third Sunday of Advent

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

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5:30 Spanish

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Schedule of Masses

Sundays 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m.

1st Tuesdays & Fridays 7:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer 6:30 a.m.

Saturdays 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

(Vigil)

Holy Days 7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Confessions: Daily after mass, Tuesdays at

7 p.m., Saturdays at 8:45 am, Sundays

at 4:30 pm in Spanish or by appointment.

Baptisms: In order to make baptismal

arrangements, contact:

carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Marriages: Couples are required to make

arrangements at least six months in

advance at:

carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Quinceaneras: In order to schedule a 15th

Birthday Mass, contact:

carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Funeral Arrangements: Should be ar-

ranged by family, church and mortuary.

Normal Christian burial consists of Vigil

Service, Holy Mass and Burial in a

Catholic Cemetery. Any other arrange-

ments should first be discussed with

parish priest.

DECEMBER 12 PARISH ADVENT TALK BY SANDY HEINISCH

Today let us welcome Sandy Heinisch who will speak to us about a workshop she is doing on December 12 to help those who have suffered a loss. Loss can be from death, separation, divorce, job or any other life change. This workshop will be held here at Good Shepherd from 7-9 pm and will be conducted by Sandy Heinisch, Grief Minister/Counselor and Trainer from the Diocese of Oakland. Sandy will speak to all of us at the 8 am, 10 am and 12 noon masses on December 11. For more information, see Ms. Heinisch after mass today or contact Carmen in the parish office at 925-432-6404, ext. 10.

Good Shepherd Celebrating Year of Mercy 2016

December	Intention: (Month for Abused Children and Suffering Children)
11	5AM Mananitas & 5:30PM Mass (In Spanish)
12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe—Spanish Masses at 7 am & 8:30 am
17	Parish Christmas Giving Tree
18	Posadas with Hispanic Ministry
16-24	Simbang Gabi with Filipino Ministry
24	Children's Christmas Mass 530PM
25	Christmas Mass at 12MN, 8AM, 10AM, 12N and 530PM (Spanish)

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS

If you are a registered parishioner, you should have received your Christmas Mailing by now. If you are not registered, the following is the schedule for this year. Please consider officially joining our parish to receive important information throughout the year, particularly at Christmas and Easter!

Simbang Gabi	9 Dawn Masses Daily From December 16 to 24
Christmas Eve	8 am Morning Mass 5:30 pm Childrens' Mass 11:30 pm Carols Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	Masses at 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm & 5:30 pm (Spanish)
Solemnity of Mary	Holy Day of Obligation 5:30 pm Vigil Mass (Dec 31) 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm & 5:30 pm in Spanish (Jan 1)

ANNOUNCING 2017 PASSION PLAY TRY-OUTS!

All Youth Ministry members and Peer Leaders are invited to audition for the 2017 Passion Play!

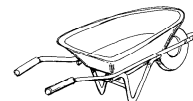
Sunday, December 18th, 12:00 pm
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In its 25th year, the Passion Play is a Good Shepherd tradition, spanning two generations, that is presented by the youth and young adults of our parish community. Whether you want to be on stage or backstage, come and sign up to be a part of this exciting and meaningful presentation of the Lord's Passion!

HELP WANTED!

We are currently looking for anyone interested in volunteering to spread the woodchips behind the church in between the back parking lot and the new sound wall.

Bring a shovel, bring a wheel barrel and bring a friend any time it's convenient for you to do a little work to spruce up the church and glorify God!



ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB FEED ~ JANUARY 21, 2017

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH HALL

Early Bird tickets are \$45 per person or
\$40 per person if you buy a table of 8 or
more at the same time.

Tickets will be available at the parish office
beginning Monday, November 14.

Early Bird sales

ARE HAPPENING OUTSIDE OF MASS

TODAY

and end December 23rd so get your tickets
soon!

PARISH GENERAL CALENDAR

Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday
9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon & 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Fridays 9 am to 3 pm

CHAPEL HOURS: Monday-Sunday 7 am-4 pm

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
Confirmation Class-7 pm-Parish Hall-
1st & 3rd Mondays (Sept-May)
Grief Ministry-1st & 3rd Mondays at
7 pm in the Ministry Building
**Novena to Holy Infant Jesus (Santo
Nino)** - 7 pm in church (Mass on 1st
Monday of the month). Blessing of
the statues takes place before mass.

Tuesdays **Novena to Our Mother of
Perpetual Help (Mass on each
first Tuesday)**~Church~7 pm
Bad Girls of the Bible~7 pm~432-3181

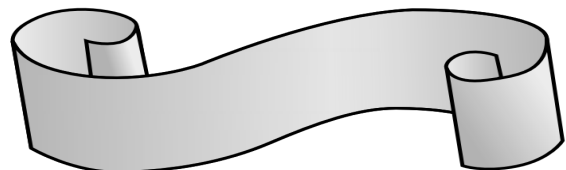
Wednesdays **8 & 10 Choir Rehearsals**~7 pm
Stewardship~Office~7pm~ 2nd & 4th
Youth Formation~Parish Hall
3-4, 4:30-5:30, 6-7, 7:30-8:30 Sept-May

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 7 pm
Chaplet of Divine Mercy-3 pm
**Teresita #123, YLI Pray & Chat with
Divine Mercy Group**

Saturdays **La Pieta International Prayer Group**
Every Saturday after the 8 am mass
**Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Prayer
Group** 1st Saturday of the Month
From 9-10:30 am in the Ministry Bldg

Sundays **Life Teen**-Parish Hall-11-1 pm
September-May
12 Noon Choir Practice-1 pm
Spanish Choir Practice-4 pm
(4:30 on 3rd Sundays of the month)



PITTSBURG COMMUNITY THEATRE

Home for Christmas
A Musical Review

December 17, 2016
2pm

For Tickets Call
925-427-1611
or online
www.PittsburgCaliforniaTheatre.com

**CALIFORNIA
THEATRE**
PITTSBURG CALIFORNIA

**ANNOUNCING A CHANGE IN THE
MORNING MASS TIME!
BEGINNING JANUARY 2, 2017 THE
WEEKDAY MORNING MASS TIME
WILL CHANGE FROM 7 AM
TO
7:30 AM**

Reclaiming Christ's Mission

We are proud of all our parishioners who have helped us reach 100% of our goal (pledges). We thank you for your prayers and generosity in making this happen.

We are already seeing the results. Our back parking lot has been repaved; paid for in full and we are now in the process of making plans to update our parish hall. ONLY with your help in fulfilling your pledge can we accomplish our plans here at Good Shepherd and in the diocese.

Please continue your pledge by sending in your payments as promised either weekly, monthly, or quarterly. Only in this way can we accomplish our goals.

If I can be of any help please feel free to contact me.

**Robert Calone, Chairman,
Reclaiming Christ's Mission**

SIMBANG GABI CHOIR NEEDS YOU!

Christmas is here again! And it means preparing for Simbang Gabi masses from December 16-24 at 5:00 am (yes, early morning)! The Simbang Gabi choir needs your help again! If you are interested in sharing your time and talent by joining us during all 9 day masses, please contact our choir director, Dennis Riray, or any member of the noon mass choir for more information. We will start rehearsing in November!

INFORM YOUR FAITH!

Television: EWTN on channel 261 on DISH Network or channel 370 on DIRECTV or channel 229 on Comcast

Radio: KSFB AM 1260 San Francisco
Sirius/XM Channels:
The Catholic Channel 129
EWTN 130
The Message 63

December 11: Third Sunday of Advent

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that the good news can be seen, touched, felt, and heard through the lives of God's people. We are now charged to take up Jesus's ministry, but we can't just ask people to take our word for it; our actions must speak for us.

Since Christmas is a time of love and gift giving, please share in Jesus's ministry by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are poor and in need can know the good news of Jesus. If you have any questions as to how you can give this holiday season, please leave a message and your contact information for us at 432-6404 ext. 25, or send a note to goodshepherd.vincentian@gmail.com.

A Note of Gratitude from SVdP

Dear fellow parishioners,

Earlier this year during the Almsgiving campaign during Lent, you graciously donated nearly \$1,300 towards the holiday food baskets for our friends at the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. This gift made a significant contribution towards Thanksgiving dinners for 147 families in our community. We are thankful for your generosity, and the sacrifices you made during the Lenten season.

With gratitude,

Your friends at St. Vincent de Paul

**ADVENT WREATH CANDLE
BEARERS NEEDED!**

There are still some slots available if you would like to participate in bringing in the Advent candle at one Sunday mass during Advent, please call the parish office at 432-6404 if you are interested in inquiring about a day and time.



Mass Intentions		Dec 12-18
Mon	5 am	Mañaitas
	7 am	Joseph Aliotti † #
	830 am	Our Lady of Guadalupe *
Tue	7 am	Ken Monnens † #
	10 am	Mariano D. Cabrestante † * (Diamond Ridge)
Wed	7 am	Grace Lucido † #
Thu	7 am	Leoncio Masongsong † *
Fri	5 am	Simbang Gabi *
	7 am	Emilio C. Escudero Jr. † #
Sat	5 am	Simbang Gabi #
	8 am	Robert Calone's Birthday *
	5:30 _{pm}	Jerry Boyd †
Sun	5 am	Paciano & Consolacion Guintivano † ^
	8am	Michael Glanzman † *
	10am	Francisco Escobar † #
	12pm	FOR THE PEOPLE #
	5:30 _{pm}	Padre Thomas L. Seagrave † (1st Death Anniversary) *

*= Fr. Carl ^=Fr. Phillip #=Fr. Conrad

THE 2017 MASS BOOK IS OPEN!

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

Baptisms	72
First Holy Communions	217
Confirmations	71
Deaths	37
Weddings	11
Sick Calls	10

SHEPHERD'S CLOSET NEEDS HELP ~FOR CHRISTMAS GIVEAWAY

Thank you once again to all parishioners who have generously donated many items to Shepherd's Closet throughout the year. As we prepare for Christmas, we ask you once again to help us provide NEW winter clothes children can wear for Christmas, for church and for school. We are looking for children sizes 6 months - 24 months, as well as sizes 2T- 5T, 4 - 6x and 7-8.

You will find Christmas boxes located in the vestibule of the church in which to place your donations. They will be there for your convenience until December 11th. If you are unable to shop, we will accept financial donations and do the shopping for you. May God bless you for adding Shepherd's Closet to your Christmas List. If you have any questions, call Ann Abitz at 432-3995.

MINISTERS	FOR NEXT	WEEKEND'S	LITURGIES	
Date	Time	Lectors	EM's	Altar Servers
Dec 17	5:30 pm	J Fox D De Luna	B Abitz, A Abitz, C & B Davi, L Mangante, J Sobel, R Sorci	
Dec 18	8 am	Knights of Columbus	P Wilson, B & S Beck, A & M Discipulo, C Greely, E Woodrow	
Dec 18	10 am	F Bartolo M Plata	D Confetti, F Confetti, M Baber, M Benitez, L Canciamilla, N Fontecha, B Francisco, K King, J Lomod	
Dec 18	12 noon	J Russo S Bellando	E Ramirez, M Ramirez, C Auza, J Bellando, C & S Jemera, L Madrigal, S Quejado, R Razo	
Dec 18	5:30 pm	A Hernandez A Alvarez	R Granados, M Diaz, A Leon, S Rodriguez, M Trujill	

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS	NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION
Isaiah 7:10-14, Romans 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-24	BUILDING FUND