

Church of the Good Shepherd

February 28, 2016

3rd Sunday of Lent

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

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Bingo Office (1st Tuesday of month only) 439-3100
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Music Ministry
Parish Music Dir. Rocco Enea 432-6404
8:00am Choir Evelyn Arms 439-5351
10:00am Choir Sal Bruno 432-0736
12 Noon Choir Leandra Ramm 432-6404
5:30 Spanish Leandra Ramm 432-6404
Catholic Daughters Jane Russo 432-7889
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Napoleon & Theresa Umadhay 427-5457
CYO Diane George 432-3043
Divine Mercy Ministry Becky Naca 858-9217
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy
Communion Ann & Bill Abitz 432-3995
Extra Ordinary Ministers to the Sick – Confetti’s 439-8958
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Grief Ministry Judy Dudziak 565-2700
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St. Vincent DePaul Assistance Line 727-5712
Stewardship 432-6404
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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:
baptisms@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

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

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

◆ Stations and Dinner, February 26

6PM Lenten Dinner Tortellini & Pesto followed by 7:30 PM Stations of the Cross with YFL (Bi-lingual)
RSVP to the parish office 432-6404 **by February 29** if you plan on attending the dinner.

Father Carl's Corner Feb 27-28 2016 ~ Deanery Lenten Penance and Reflection

You are all invited to a 24 Hours of Mercy - Evening of recollection on Friday night the 4th of March -- at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Brentwood, CA from 7:30pm to 9pm including a presentation in Spanish/English. Monsignor Tony Valdivia will lead our evening of reflection.

I would like to present to you a list of reconciliation opportunities including regular confessions and special Lenten reconciliations in our deanery. If you cannot make it to our March 7th Penance Service, you could go to the following parishes:

1. St. Anthony 3/2 7:00 PM
2. Good Shepherd 3/7 7:00 PM
3. St. Peter 3/10 7:00 PM
4. Holy Rosary 3/14 7:00 PM
5. St. Anne 3/15 7:00 PM
6. St. Ignatius of Antioch 3/17 7:30 PM
7. Queen of the World 3/21 7:00 PM

Stations of the Cross

As part of our Lenten Celebration, we invite you to join our Stations of the Cross on Fridays of Lent.

4:00 PM in Spanish at the Prayer Garden
7:30PM in English in the Church.

This catholic devotion is so popular during Lent for it helps us reflect upon the passion, death and resurrection of Christ. I also encourage you to visit the garden during the week on your day off or leisure time and pray using the stations of the Cross. We provided a copy of the prayers for stations of the cross at the gate of the prayer garden.

Lenten Dinners

As part of building friendship and fellowship during Lent, I invite you to join our Lenten parish dinners at the parish hall from 6PM followed by our 730PM Stations of the Cross. I would like to thank Gywnne Davi and her team for their generosity to help us in preparing for the dinners. Since 2015, they have been cooking for our parish dinners and Lenten dinners to raise funds to renovate our Kitchen which is our goal and target for the year 2016. I assured them that the renovation will happen this year and hopefully with that we could have more parish dinners and also use our kitchen for other community events and other affairs or celebrations that would bring us closer to each other. Please support our Lenten dinners and all our parish dinners to come. Call our office for more information.

**ARE YOU REMEMBERING TO.....
Honor your pledge payments to the Diocesan
Capital Campaign?**

In order for the parish to receive our fair share, you must keep up with your commitment. Thank you!

February 28: Third Sunday of Lent

"Of the three marks of Lent-prayer, fasting and almsgiving-almsgiving is surely the most neglected. And yet, in the only place where the Bible brings all three together, the inspired author puts the emphasis firmly on the last: 'Prayer and fasting are good, but better than either is almsgiving by righteousness...It is better to give alms than to store up gold; for almsgiving saves one from death and expiates every sin. Those who regularly give alms shall enjoy a full life' (Tob 12:8-9).

Why is almsgiving better than prayer and fasting? Because it is prayer, and it involves fasting. Almsgiving is a form of prayer because it is 'giving to God' - and not mere philanthropy. It is a form of fasting because it demands sacrificial giving - not just giving up something, giving till it hurts." ~ Mike Aquilina. "Introduction to Lent: Almsgiving." *The St. Paul Center blog* (February 27, 2012).

Next weekend we will hear a message how we, as a parish, can put almsgiving into action by "giving till it hurts" to those who hurt.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

- ◆ **Seeking God's Dream for Me; A Young Adult Retreat (Ages 15-35), Saturday, March 5 from 10 am to 5 pm-Notre Dame De Namut Campus in Belmont, CA featuring Fr. Christopher Nugyen, SJ. Cost is \$10 including food! Register on line at [HTTP://BIT.LY/GODSDREAM](http://BIT.LY/GODSDREAM)**
- ◆ **Diablo Choral Artists presents a concert *Bach and His Predecessors* March 11 at 8 pm St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Walnut Creek and March 14 at 3 pm St. Stephens Episcopal Church, Orinda—Tickets are \$25 <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/producer/16457>:

 - ◆ **Monastic Retreat for Catholic Men March 11-13 at Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux-Vina, CA www.newclairvaux.org to register****
- ◆ **Magnificat Women's Ministry Breakfast—March 12 Crown Plaza Hotel in Concord-9:30 am to 12:30 pm Denise Bossert will share her conversion story- 925-788-7762

 - ◆ **Workshop on Human Trafficking, Saturday, April 16 from 2—5 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Brentwood 522-9244**
 - ◆ **YMI Membership Drive, April 23 & 24****

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

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| Mondays | Prayer Group for the Sick -11 am to 12 noon in the Ministry Building
Confirmation Class -7 pm-Parish Hall -2nd & 4th Mondays (Sept-May)
Grief Ministry -1st & 3rd Mondays at 7 pm in the Apartment
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~439-3181 |
| 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 |
| Sundays | Life Teen -Parish Hall-11-1 pm September-May
12 Noon Choir Practice -1 pm
Spanish Choir Practice -4 pm |

Singers Wanted

Our 8:00 and 10:00 Choirs are seeking new choir members. If you enjoy singing and praising God through song come join our Music Ministry. Contact any choir member after Mass or call the church office and leave a message to join.

Good Shepherd Celebrating Year of Mercy 2016**March Intention: (Month for Refugees and Migrants)**

- 4, 11, 18 6PM Lenten Dinner followed by 7:30 PM Stations of the Cross with YFL
(Bi-lingual)
- 5&6 St. Vincent De Paul Campaign at all masses
- 7 **Parish Lenten Penance Service with Fr. Mel Jurisich**
- 13 Passion Play 7 PM
- 19 Feast of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary 8 AM Mass St. Joseph's Table and Lunch
for the SVDP Volunteers, Clients and Indigents with ICF Members
Passion Play 7 PM
- 20 **Palm Sunday**—Passion Play 1:30 PM
- 23 Passion Play 6:30 PM
- 21-26 Holy Week**
- 24 Triduum: Holy Thursday
8AM Morning Prayer
Mass of the Last Supper 7AM
- 25 Triduum: Good Friday
8AM Morning Prayer
12Noon Stations of the Cross and Liturgy (Spanish)
3PM Good Friday Liturgy (English)
7PM Good Friday Liturgy (English with Youth Ministry)
- 26 Triduum: Holy Saturday
Morning Prayer 8AM
Easter Vigil 730PM
- 27 Easter Sunday With Children's Easter Egg Hunt after Masses at the
Prayer Garden with Parish Youth Ministry
- April Intention: (Month for the Elderly)**
- 2 Feast of Pedro Calungsod 8AM Mass
- 3 Divine Mercy Sunday
- 4 Healing Mass
- 21 Parish Dinner with, Choir, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

**SHEPHERD'S FIELD OLIVE WOOD
HANDCRAFTS RETURN TO
GOOD SHEPHERD TODAY!**

A group from the Holy Land will be selling religious articles after masses to support the Catholic Christian minorities in Bethlehem. As a tradition, many of the Catholic families there work in small workshops to produce religious articles made of olive wood. Due to lack of tourists in the Holy Land, they are facing economic hardship and are offering their wares in other places. The population of Christians has dropped to 2%. In effort to preserve the Catholic identity of the birthplace of our Savior Jesus, please support these crafters.

YOUTH BOGO FUNDRAISER!!!!

Youth Ministry is having a fund raiser to help our youth go on Retreat! Buy a key tag for \$20 and enjoy savings until November 2016! Buy One Get One FREE at Domino's Pizza or Togo's. Fantastic savings! See a youth ministry student or Debbie or Dina after Mass for this SPECIAL DEAL or contact the parish office.

BUY ONE! GET ONE FREE!

Mass Intentions		Feb 29-Mar 6
Mon	7 am	Tiglao Family-Flores De Mayo #
Tue	7 am	Rose & Albert Seeno Sr. † *
Wed	7 am	Rose & Albert Seeno Sr. † #
Thu	7 am	Damiana Rubang † #
Fri	7 am	Capupus Family & Joseph & Anna Nguyen † *
Sat	8 am	Rose & Albert Seeno Sr. † #
	5:30 _{pm}	Carlos Inductivo † @
Sun	8am	Deceased Members of the Marcial/Agripina Brofas Family † *
	10am	FOR THE PEOPLE @
	12pm	Rose & Albert Seeno Sr. † *
	5:30 _{pm}	Rafaela Gonzalez Armenta † *

*= Fr. Carl Arcosa #=Fr. Conrad @=Fr. Mel

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS	
Baptisms	11
First Holy Communions	
Confirmations	
Deaths	1
Weddings	1
Sick Calls	3

LECTORS SCHEDULE FOR MAR 5/6		
	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>
Saturday		
5:30	Chelo Gonzalez	May Plata
Sunday		
8:00	Ellen Viloría	Tess Cahayag
10:00	Flor Bartolo	Linda Ilas
12:00	Bonnie Ozel	Jane Russo
5:30	Reina Martinez	Maria Elena Trujillo

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE FOR MAR 5/6	
Saturday	
5:30	Arturo Bazan, Rafael Almarinez, Lelan Elegue, Patricia Briton
Sunday	
8:00	Cameron Tanyag, Elijah & Mariah Hart
10:00	Arturo Bazon, Alyssamae & Eugene Buena, Rebecca Esquivel
12:00	Ronne Lagarejos, Livy & Aidan Ross, Jamil Edwards, John Del Carmen
5:30	Arturo Bazon, Irene & Ashley Ramos, Julian Hernandez

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR MAR 5/6	
Saturday	
5:30:	Bill & Ann Abitz, Edward & Marina Bond, Josi Sobel, Jacqueline Hurtado
Sunday	
8:00	Patricia Dominguez, Milo & Adele Discipulo, Cynthia Greely Lynn Hoggatt, Danette Shipe
10:00	Debbie Lawson, George & Patricia Camacho, Florida Castillo, Dom & Fran Confetti, Namie Fontecha, Mimi Reynoso, David Viart
12:00	Carol & Ben Davi, John Bellando, Cecilio & Shirley Jemera, Edgar & Melis Ramirez, Romeo & Sery Razo
5:30	Maria Trujillo, Federico Andrade, Mariana Ortega, Rosa Granados, Librado Mata, Sonja Shephard

Pittsburg Community Theatre presents
 "Once Upon A Mattress"
 A musical twist of
 "The Princess and the Pea" fairy tale
 March 4-13 – California Theatre
 For Tickets - Call 925-427-1611
 or online at PittsburgCaliforniaTheatre.com
 FYI – Special guest appearance by our own
 Freddy Ripoli on Friday - March 11
 Come see Freddy as you have never seen
 him before, and probably never will again!

THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS (CDA) & THE YOUNG LADIES INSTITUTE (YLI) ARE HAVING A JOINT BUS TRIP TO CASH CREEK ON SATURDAY, MARCH 6, LEAVING FROM GOOD SHEPHERD AT 8 AM AND RETURNING AT 4 PM.
 CALL GINGER 925-207,2772,
 LETICIA 925-848-6990 OR JANE 925-432-7889.
 \$35 ~ PROCEEDS BENEFIT ST. PETER MARTYR, CARONDELET, DE LA SALLE AND HOLY ROSARY SCHOARLSIHPS

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS
Joshua 5:9a, 10-12, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Luke 15 1-3, 11-32

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION
BISHOP'S APPEAL