

Church of the Good Shepherd

July 31, 2016

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary

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

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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.

Our newly formed **Youth Leadership Core Team** thanks you for your financial support for the trip to Arizona. Here are their Steubenville West Testimonies:

“This trip has impacted me a lot. From the songs (which made me feel more and more joyful) to adoration... Just being with all those people made me feel more open and happy to be there. This trip helped me to give my life up to God and it gave me a chance to be closer to Him, and I realized how much Jesus really gave up for us...I hope I go next year.”

-Cristian Villa

“Steubenville West was the event, the day where I encountered the Holy Spirit with and in me the strongest. After attending Catechism classes for 12 years, this was one of the most faith changing experiences I have had. This made me want to live a better life as a Catholic and expand my relationship with my God. That weekend has forever changed me spiritually, and I will speak about my experience to encourage others to encounter what I have. #SteubieWest”

-Riodelle Reyes

“I really loved going to Steubenville; it was a really fun experience. During the conference, someone said that praying and being closer to God shouldn't only be done on Sundays at church but should be done everyday. This really inspired me; it made me think that my faith should be stronger than how it was before. Next year I would want more teens from Lifeteen to come because, honestly, going on this trip really touched my heart and it made me closer to God.”

-Xuan Phan

“I'd like to begin by saying thank you for everyone's support and donations; not only did we meet the budget but, we got more than we could have hoped for. In doing so we were able to make this memorable, life-changing trip to Arizona. Throughout this experience, I personally felt that it has changed my perspective of God. This experience allowed me to see what it means to be a Catholic. Seeing all those teens in one building, I was astonished. Astonished by how many strong believers in God and in their faith there were. I've learned a few things on this trip. I learned that, “God will never meet your expectations, he will surpass them”. This has to be one of the most memorable quotes I remember. This experience has helped me see that this is a life-changing, explode in your face kind of event! I hope that the other youth students will be able to experience this in the following years. I have faith that the people of our parish will continue to support our youth group if we plan on doing a trip like this in the near future. **-Don Phan**

“My trip to Arizona was one I will always remember. I came in with an open mind and an open heart and I left with a closer relationship with God. I now understand certain teachings of the Catholic Church better. I now do the sign of the cross not only because it is part of my religion, but because it is a sign of my faith. It is a symbol of my Savior who died on the cross for me. Steubenville did not just teach me about my faith, but it also taught me about myself. It taught me that my physical appearance is from my parents, but my soul is from God. I created a much closer friendship with some of my peers and also with Brother Arturo. I recommend that next year, we get as many people as possible to come and experience this life-changing event. It will benefit you in so many ways.” **-Sofia Viart**

“The best part of the conference for me was watching our Youth from GS stand up and give their lives to Jesus! I believe that Adoration was a major part of the weekend for the youth as well as the adult leaders. Jesus transformed many lives over that weekend and I feel blessed to have been able to attend. Thank you all for your support of our youth at GS.” **-Debbie Lawson**

“This whole trip was surreal to me. I went to a Youth Ministry Conference in June and when I came back, my heart was energized and I wanted to see our youth attend a Steubenville Conference, which I'd heard amazing things about. When the youth showed interest, and we got approval, I was overjoyed, but nervous because we had less than a month to plan and fundraise—and the trip wouldn't be cheap. I went to adoration almost every day praying that God would bless this trip if it were His will. And He came through. He gave us almost twice of what we needed. His goodness left me in tears. So thank you so much, all of you parishioners, because you allowed God to use you as part of His will. Your generosity gives us hope that more of our youth can do things like this. When I saw not one, but nearly all of our youth break down in tears, on their knees worshipping Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist, when I saw the most unlikely teen lifting his hands (and heart) up during a powerful worship song...that made all of this, the planning, the 13hr drive worth it. Lots to say, not enough space...I can't thank you enough for helping this happen. God bless you.” **-Cristina Esquivel**

July 31—18th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In the Gospel, Jesus tell the parable of the rich man who selfishly stored all his grain and goods only to die and not enjoy his abundance anyway. What we struggle all our lives to learn is that life does not consist of possessions nor our perceived security, but of being possessed by God.

Each week the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is able to provide groceries to meet the basic needs of 80 - 100 families. Thank you for selflessly sharing from your resources and abundance, and for being a blessing to others. "I pray our Lord himself will be your strength and life, as he is for all those who feed upon his love." ~ St. Vincent de Paul

CALLED TO BE CATHOLIC? KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS, OR WANT TO LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH?

Are you an adult interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Perhaps you've been thinking of becoming a member of Good Shepherd, or perhaps you are just curious about what Catholics believe. Maybe you wish to receive sacraments you missed earlier in life. Four dynamic speakers will give their testimony on 8/29, 9/12, 9/19, and 9/26, at 7pm. Come to the first 4 weekly sessions to learn if you are being called to faith, or to learn more about your faith. Current parishioners are invited. All are welcome. No obligation. If you'd like more information, e-mail david@delunatic.com or call the parish office.

Good Shepherd Celebrating Year of Mercy 2016

August	Intention: (Month for the Homeless)
6	Consecration to Mary until September 8 with Fr. Mars
15	Assumption 7AM & 7PM Masses (Day of Obligation)
18	Parish Monthly Dinner supported by YLI
27	Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Cathedral of Christ the Light
Sept	Intention: (Month for the Poor)
8	Birth of Mary 7AM & 7PM Masses—Consecration Ends
15	Parish Dinner with Hispanic Ministry
25	Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila @ 12Noon Mass
27	Feast of St. Vincent de Paul
October	Intention: (Month for Life)
1-31	Divine Mercy for Life –Home Visits
5	Feast of St. Faustina Kowalska 7AM Mass with Simple Refreshments
7	Feast of the Holy Rosary 7AM & 7PM Masses Rosary before Mass
8	Blessing of Pets/ Animals – St. Francis of Assisi Day at 9AM
20	Parish Dinner with Knights of Columbus

more to come.....

NOTICE:

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM 9 AM TO 12 NOON ONLY FROM AUGUST 1-5 SO THAT STAFF CAN ACCOMPLISH SUMMER CLEAN UP AND REORGANIZATION PROJECTS.

**SANTA ROSALIA FESTIVAL
(FESTA ITALIA)**

Saturday, September 10

Bus leaves Good Shepherd parking lot at 8:30 am and leaves Monterey at 4:30 pm.

\$40 confirms your bus reservation.

Space is limited.

Please respond by August 1 to Joann Thilgen ~ 925-625-0863.

**DIOCESAN SPONSORED EVENTS**

- * Catechist Crossfit-August 27 St. Joachim Parish, Hayward-Join this “spiritual workout” to strengthen and inspire as we begin a new year of ministry (our very own Debbie & Dina are guest speakers!) www.oakdiocese.org/crossfit
- * Bishop Barber’s Interfaith Meeting of Prayer for Peace, September 6 at the Cathedral Event Center. RSVP to www.oakdiocese.org/InterfaithMeeting
- * Rachel’s Vineyard-Sept 9-11-Renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Call 510-384-6875 for more information.
- * 8th Grade Days-Sept 13 or 14-Fun and games, mass with the Bishop and other activities for 8th grade students. www.eastbaycatholic youth.com
- * Marriage Encounter Weekends. Contact Mike and Rhoda at 925-292-9585.
- * Wedding Anniversary Mass, celebrated by Bishop Barber on Sunday, October 2 at 10 am, Cathedral of Christ the Light for Married Couples celebrating 25+ years of marriage. \$20 fee per couple. 510-267-8395.
- * Thanksgiving Mass for Health Care Providers, October 29 at 10 am, Cathedral of Christ the Light, in honor of those in physical, mental and spiritual health care professions. 510-893-4711.


INFORM YOUR FAITH!

Television: EWTN on channel 261 on DISH Network or channel 370 on DIRECTV or channel 229 on Comcast
Radio: KSFJ AM 1260 San Francisco
Sirius/XM Channels:
 The Catholic Channel 129
 EWTN 130
 The Message 63

Mass Intentions		Aug 1-7
Mon	7 am	Felina & Felomino Masalinto † #
Tue	7 am	Vincent Torrente † ^
Wed	7 am	Remedios Razo Ulept † ^
Thu	7 am	Vincent Torrente † #
Fri	7 am	Capupus Family & Freddy Russo † #
	7 pm	Lamberto Duran † ^
Sat	8 am	Valerie Hartzell † #
	5:30pm	Veronica Carlos ~ Healing ^
Sun	8am	Eduardo Castillo † #
	10am	Victor Perez † ^
	12pm	Joseph & Anna Nguyen † #
	5:30pm	FOR THE PEOPLE @

*= Fr. Carl ^=Fr. Mars #=Fr. Conrad
 @=Fr. Rafael

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS	
Baptisms	54
First Holy Communions	217
Confirmations	71
Deaths	28
Weddings	5
Sick Calls	8



Win 4 Disneyland Park Hopper Tickets!
 in Pittsburg Community Theatre's Fundraiser Drawing
 Value \$620 – Drawing August 27, 2016

\$10 a ticket * 3 for \$25 * 8 for \$50
(Available for purchase after the 8 am mass on July 31)

Don't miss your chance to win a day at "The Happiest Place on Earth!"

Tickets available from Dianna Schepers
 925-439-7529 or The Railroad Book Depot *
 California Theatre Box Office

NONOY ZUNIGA: THE MAN AND HIS MUSIC

Enjoy mellow Pop Music on Saturday, August 27, 2016 at 7:30 pm at the
California Theatre, Pittsburg

Tickets are \$38 & \$48 and are available by Googling *California Theatre, Pittsburg*

MINISTERS	FOR NEXT	WEEKEND'S	LITURGIES	
Date	Time	Lectors	EM's	Altar Servers
Aug 6	5:30 pm	D Lawson Y Ripoli	C Davi, B Davi, E & M Bond, M Duran, J Sobel, R Sorci	
Aug 7	8 am	E Vioria D Kilgannon	G Shipe, C Greely, L Hoggatt, I Kinadeter, P Lorenzo, M Marin, S Shephard	
Aug 7	10 am	B Francisco L Whatford	D Confetti, F Confetti, M Benitez, N Ceballos G & P Camacho, N Fontecha, A & J Los Banos	
Aug 7	12 noon	S Bellando T Cahayag	R Razo, M Baber, L Briones, M Cruz, R Lagarejos, K King, N & T Umadhay, T Vo	
Aug 7	5:30 pm	L Madrigal A Gayton	A Leon, P Dominguez, O Cardona, R Granados, M Diaz	

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS	NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION
Wisdom 18:6-9, Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 Luke 12:32-48	No Scheduled 2nd Collection