

# Church of the Good Shepherd

October 2, 2016

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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12 Noon Choir Cynthia Auza 427-0778  
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.

**2016 PRE-HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR SIGN UPS**

We are still taking sign ups for the Pre-Holiday Craft Fair this year to be held Sunday, October 23, 2016 from 9-3 pm.

We are also welcoming volunteers of all ages to wear and show a traditional cultural outfit you use from your country. This will happen after each of the masses the day of the fair. If you are interested in joining as a vendor or wear and show an outfit, please contact Awilda Graff at [\(925\) 642-0876](tel:9256420876) or email at [sewasuno@gmail.com](mailto:sewasuno@gmail.com).

**CONGRATULATIONS TO FR. CARL ARCOSA AS HE COMPLETES HIS 3RD YEAR OF SERVICE TO THE PARISH AS OUR PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR! LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR HIM AND SUPPORT HIM IN HIS WORKS!**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!**

**Our brothers and sisters at St. Bonaventure Church invite us to their  
*Gala & Boutique*  
November 4-5, 2016  
5562 Clayton Rd., Concord  
925-672-5800**

**Friday night "Winter Wonderland" includes wine, appetizers, auction, raffles, wine pull, Boutique and Country Kitchen from 6-8 pm.**

**The event continues on Saturday at 10 am with the Classy Crafters Boutique and Country Kitchen until 2 pm.**

**Proceeds benefit the church and their food pantry.**

**Admission is *FREE!***

**Singers Wanted**

Our 8:00, 10:00, and Noon 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.

**SPM PANCAKE BREAKFAST & BAKE SALE****TODAY**

The School of St. Peter Martyr's 8th grade class will hold a Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale on Sunday, October 2 at Good Shepherd Church Hall from 7:30 am until 12 noon.

Please stop by and support the class.  
Price: Adults \$7 ~ Children \$5

**Gabriel Project Volunteer Meeting**

There will be an Orientation and Training for those who signed up to become a volunteer in the Gabriel Project Ministry. It will be from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Ministry Building on Tuesday, October 4th. If you are still interested in helping in this ministry, it is very important you attend. Please advise whether or not you will be attending the meeting. You can call Ann Abitz at [\(925\) 432-3995](tel:9254323995).

**Clothing Drive**

October 15th & 16th

Good Shepherd Church will sponsor a clothing drive to benefit Fr. Helmut's **Jail Ministry**.

Various Men's clothing slightly used and clean, most particularly bottoms: slacks, gym shorts, Levi's, shorts. The following items must be in original packaging for hygiene reasons: t-shirts, white socks, underwear, briefs & boxers.

Fr. Helmut will be available to accept these donations after each mass on October 15-16

Please call the Parish Office or Fr. Helmut at [925-382-8186](tel:9253828186) with any questions.

Thank You for your support and generosity.

**Dear Parishioners:** As we approach the November National Elections, I would like to present the following principles in discerning and choosing for the public officials who will serve our country and our common welfare. For this month and next month, I shall devote my article in presenting these principles on voting for our candidates... the catholic way.

*A Brief Catechism for Catholic Voters*  
Fr. Stephen F. Torracco, PhD

**Is it morally permissible to vote for all candidates of a single party?**

This would depend on the positions held by the candidates of a single party. If any one or more of them held positions that were opposed to the natural moral law, then it would not be morally permissible to vote for all candidates of this one party. Your correctly informed conscience transcends the bounds of any one political party.

**If I think that a pro-abortion candidate will, on balance, do much more for the culture of life than a pro-life candidate, why may I not vote for the pro-abortion candidate?**

If a political candidate supported abortion, or any other moral evil, such as assisted suicide and euthanasia, for that matter, it would not be morally permissible for you to vote for that person. This is because, in voting for such a person, you would become an accomplice in the moral evil at issue. For this reason, moral evils such as abortion, euthanasia and assisted suicide are examples of a "disqualifying issue." A disqualifying issue is one which is of such gravity and importance that it allows for no political maneuvering. It is an issue that strikes at the heart of the human person and is non-negotiable. A disqualifying issue is one of such enormity that by itself renders a candidate for office unacceptable regardless of his position on other matters. You must sacrifice your feelings on other issues because you know that you cannot participate in any way in an approval of a violent and evil violation of basic human rights. A candidate for office who supports abortion rights or any other moral evil has disqualified himself as a person that you can vote for. You do not have to vote for a person because he is pro-life. But you may not vote for any candidate who supports abortion rights. Key to understanding the point above about "disqualifying issues" is the distinction between policy and moral principle. On the one hand, there can be a legitimate variety of approaches to accomplishing a morally acceptable goal. For example, in a society's effort to distribute the goods of health care to its citizens, there can be legitimate disagreement among citizens and political candidates alike as to whether this or that health care plan would most effectively accomplish society's goal. In the pursuit of the best possible policy or strategy, technical as distinct (although not separate) from moral reason is operative. Technical reason is the kind of reasoning involved in arriving at the most efficient or effective result. On the other hand, no policy or strategy that is opposed to the moral principles of the natural law is morally acceptable. Thus, technical reason should always be subordinate to and normed by moral reason, the kind of reasoning that is the activity of conscience and that is based on the natural moral law.

**PRAY AND VOTE WISELY!**

**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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| <b>Mondays</b>    | <b>Prayer Group for the Sick</b> -11 am to 12 noon in the Ministry Building<br><b>Confirmation Class</b> -7 pm-Ministry Building-2nd & 4th Mondays (Sept-May)<br><b>Grief Ministry</b> -1st & 3rd Mondays at 7 pm in the Ministry Building<br><b>Novena to Holy Infant Jesus (Santo Nino)</b> - 7 pm in church (Mass on 1st Monday of the month). Blessing of the statues takes place before mass. |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   | <b>Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help (Mass on each first Tuesday)</b> ~Church~7 pm<br><b>Bad Girls of the Bible</b> ~7 pm~432-3181  |
| <b>Wednesdays</b> | <b>8 &amp; 10 Choir Rehearsals</b> ~7 pm<br><b>Stewardship</b> ~Office~7pm~ 2nd & 4th<br><b>Youth Formation</b> ~Parish Hall 3-4, 4:30-5:30, 6-7, 7:30-8:30 Sept-May   |
| <b>Thursdays</b>  | <b>Bible Study</b> ~Office~7pm<br><b>Senior Brown Bag Program</b> ~Hall 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month 10 am~12 noon   |
| <b>Fridays</b>    | <b>Adoration</b> begins after 7 am mass until 7 pm<br><b>Chaplet of Divine Mercy</b> -3 pm<br><b>Teresita #123, YLI Pray &amp; Chat with Divine Mercy Group</b>  |
| <b>Saturdays</b>  | <b>La Pieta International Prayer Group</b> Every Saturday after the 8 am mass<br><b>Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Prayer Group</b> 1st Saturday of the Month From 9-10:30 am in the Ministry Bldg   |
| <b>Sundays</b>    | <b>Life Teen</b> -Parish Hall-11-1 pm September-May<br><b>12 Noon Choir Practice</b> -1 pm<br><b>Spanish Choir Practice</b> -4 pm (4:30 on 3rd Sundays of the month)   |

Please join the Morning Prayer Group daily at 6:30 am to pray the Liturgy of the Hours in the Church before morning mass!

**Good Shepherd Celebrating Year of Mercy 2016**

<b>October</b>	<b>Intention: (Month for Life)</b>
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
17	Parish Dinner with Knights of Columbus
<b>November</b>	<b>(Stewardship Month)</b>
1	All Saints Day 7AM and 7PM Masses
2	All Souls Day 7Am and 7PM Masses
7-17	Parish Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to the Holy Land
19	St. Vincent De Paul Thanksgiving Baskets
19-20	Stewardship Sunday and Testimonials at Sunday Mass
24	Thanksgiving Day at 7 am and 10 am
<b>December</b>	<b>Intention: (Month for Abused Children and Suffering Children)</b>
8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 7AM & 7PM Masses
11	5AM Mananitas & 5:30PM Mass (In Spanish)
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)
30	Feast of the Holy Family 7AM & 7PM Mass with FFL and Matrimonios Para Cristo

**ALL SAINTS, NOVEMBER 1**  
**ALL SOULS, NOVEMBER 2**  
**7 PM MASS ON BOTH EVENINGS**

**ADVENT WREATH CANDLE BEARERS  
NEEDED!**

If you would like to participate in bringing in the Advent candle one Sunday during Advent, please call the parish office and indicate your preferred date and time. We encourage all individuals and families to consider participating in the Mass in this special way. We will schedule on a first come, first served basis. Currently, all of these spots are open. Parish Office 432-6404.

1st Sunday of Advent, November 27  
5:30 pm (Saturday),  
8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

2nd Sunday of Advent, December 4  
5:30 pm (Saturday),  
8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

3rd Sunday of Advent, December 11  
5:30 pm (Saturday),  
8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

4th Sunday of Advent, December 18  
5:30 pm (Saturday),  
8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

**October 2-27th Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

In today's Gospel Jesus tells his disciples, "When you have done all you have been commanded, say: We are unprofitable servants; we have only done what we are obliged to do."

This week, please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned, for indeed we are only doing "what we are obliged to do."

If you are uncertain of how you can make a difference in the lives of those in need, you can either leave your contact information on the SVdP message line (925-432-6404 ext. 25), or send a note to [goodshepherd.vincentian@gmail.com](mailto:goodshepherd.vincentian@gmail.com). We will be happy to match your time, talent and/or treasure with the greatest need.

Mass Intentions

Oct 3-9

**Mon 7 am** Roma & James Roberts  
 Wedding Anniversary  
 F. Martinez Birthday #

**Tue 7 am** Jackie & Black Jack Moynihan †#

**Wed 7 am** Joseph & Anna Nguyen † #

**Thu 7 am** Mike Giambona † #

**Fri 7 am** Sarah & Vince Enea † #  
 All Souls in Purgatory  
 Members of FOSS

**7 pm** Martha McIntyre † \*

**Sat 8 am** David Viray † #  
 5:30<sub>pm</sub> Clint Daley †#

**Sun 8am** Deceased Members of the  
 Amador & Trini Ledesma  
 Family † \*

**10am** Jerry Boyd † #

**12pm** Francisco Melquiades † \*

**5:30<sub>pm</sub>** Jessica Alarcon Birthday #

\*= Fr. Carl

#=Fr. Conrad



YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

Baptisms	54
First Holy Communions	217
Confirmations	71
Deaths	28
Weddings	7
Sick Calls	10

**BAD GIRLS NEWS!**

Can you recite the Hail Mary?  
 Have you ever reflected on the words?  
 Bad Girls of the Bible are starting a new series of sessions with a DVD  
*"What Every Catholic Needs to Know About Mary"*  
 And  
*"Word – By – Word Slowing Down With the Hail Mary"*  
 Join us Tuesdays at 7pm to 8:30 PM.  
 Call Patty Cadena at 925-439-3181 for more information or pick up a  
 brochure in the vestibules of the church with details.

**ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF  
 THE 2017 MASS BOOK -**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20**

**9 AM**

**IN THE PARISH OFFICE**  
**STIPENDS REMAIN AT \$10 EACH**

MINISTERS	FOR NEXT	WEEKEND'S	LITURGIES	
Date	Time	Lectors	EM's	Altar Servers
Oct 8	5:30 pm	C Greely C Gonzalez	B Abitz, A Abitz, E & M Bond, M Duran, T Frecl, J Sobel	
Oct 9	8 am	L Madrigal E Vioria	P Dominguez, L Hoggatt, P Lorenzo, G Shipe, E Vioria, S Shepherd	
Oct 9	10 am	L Ilas L Whatford	D Confetti, F Confetti, M Baber, L Canciamilla F Castillo, R Pascual, M Plata, R Reyes, K King	
Oct 9	12 noon	D De Luna N Villamor	G Camacho, P Camacho, J Bellando, L Briones, N Ceballos, J, R & R Lagarejos S Quejado	
Oct 9	5:30 pm	A Alvarez L Hernandez	A Leon, A & M Alvarez, A Contreras, S Rodriguez	

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION

**2 Kings 5:14-17, 2 Timothy 2:8-13,  
 Luke 17: 11-19**

**YOUTH FORMATION SUNDAY**