

Church of the Good Shepherd

September 4, 2016

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

3200 Harbor Street ~ Pittsburg, CA 94565
 Phone: 432-6404 Fax: 432-6748
 www.goodshepherdpittsburg.org
 www.Facebook.com/goodshepherdchurchpittsburg

CATHOLIC SCHOOL–St. Peter Martyr 439-1014
 PARISH MINISTRY
 Altar Guild Namie Fontecha
 Altar Servers Ronne Lagarejos 642-0493
 rlagarejos@gmail.com
 Bingo Office (1st Tuesday of month only) 439-3100
 Buildings & Grounds-Finance Council 432-6404
 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 Cynthia Auza 427-0778
 5:30 Spanish
 Catholic Daughters Cynthia Greely 437-7846
 Couples for Christ FFL
 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
 Filipino Ministry Feli Buettner 432-7382
 Finance Council Robert Calone 432-3300
 Grief Ministry Carol Mondragon 457-3909
 pizazz_travel@yahoo.com
 Cynthia Greely 437-7846
 cynthiamg@sbcglobal.net
 Italian Catholic Federation – Patty Jarrett 228-0810
 Knights of Columbus – John Bellando 446-7974
 Lectors David De Luna 698-8585
 Liturgy Committee Rocco Enea 439-1014
 Pastoral Council David De Luna 698-8585
 Religious Education/Sacramental Preparation
 Faith Formation dina@goodshepherdpittsburg.org
 Youth Ministry debbie@goodshepherdpittsburg.org
 RCIA 432-6404
 Baptismal Prep – 432-6404
 Returning Catholics-Fr. Carl Arcosa 432-6404
 Santo Nino Family Prayer Ministry
 Romeo & Sery Razo 439-7706
 Social Justice 432-6404
 Spanish Ministry Graciela Corona 510-912-1102
 St. Vincent DePaul Assistance Line 432-6404 ext 25
 Stewardship 432-6404
 Ushers Patricia Cadena 439-3181
 Vocations Fr. Carl Arcosa 432-6404
 Wedding Liturgy Coordinators
 Danette Shipe 427-9561 or Bee Francisco 473-9247
 Young Ladies Institute-Darla Kilgannon 432-0243

Parish Staff

Fr. Carl Arcosa,
 Parochial Administrator
 fr_carl@goodshepherdpittsburg.org
 925-432-6404 Ext. 23

Fr. Conrad Bayer,
 Resident Priest
 cbayer@ses.gtu.edu
 510-590-8346

Deacon Gustavo Escruceria

Grace Yvette Ripoli,
 Business Manager
 yvette@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

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.

Consecration to Mary Continues to September 8, 2016



Carmen: 925-432-6404 Becky: 925-858-9217
carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org acans4@yahoo.com

Good Shepherd CYO Basketball News

Register your child for the 2016 – 2017 Season. The program is open to boys and girls in the grade level of 2nd – 8th. Go online www.goodshepherdcyo.com to register ASAP.

Join our team by becoming a volunteer CYO Good Shepherd Basketball Coach – Give back to your community by teaching kids the game of basketball in a safe and Christian environment. If you are interested please contact Erin Larsen [925 250 7887](tel:9252507887).

St. Peter Martyr School Now Enrolling for 2016-2017

THERE'S STILL TIME!

St. Peter Martyr School is accepting applications for Preschool, PreKindergarten, Kindergarten, and grades 1-8. In addition to our strong academic program, students receive spiritual knowledge of our Catholic faith, morals, and values. Extended Care and extra curricular programs are also available.

Applications are available at the school and at www.stpetermartyrschool.org. St. Peter Martyr School is located at 425 West Fourth St. in Pittsburg. We are fully accredited and invite you to become part of our Catholic school family. For further information about our affordable rates call the school at [925-439-1014](tel:9254391014) or visit www.stpetermartyrschool.org.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE EAST BY INVITES YOU TO TAKE THE TOUR:

**TRANSFORMING LIVES TOURS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
10 AM AND 1 PM**

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH HALL

**Come and see how Catholic Charities is helping to Welcome the stranger
Foster self-sufficiency
Heal trauma**

These enlightening and informative tours take exactly one hour of your time and are worth every minute you spend learning what Catholic Charities of the East Bay does and where your donations to Catholic Charities are spent.

This is not a plea for donations. It's about spending a little time thinking about social justice.

Make your reservation by calling the parish office at 432-6404 and indicating which time slot you'd like to attend.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE NEXT PARISH MONTHLY DINNER ON

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH
AT 6 PM**

**IN THE PARISH HALL
Menu to be announced.**

Deadline to RSVP will be Monday, September 26 at 4pm.



.....
■ Did you know our own Fr Conrad is a Biblical Scholar? He is charged with translating the Old Testament into the native language of Ghana, and thus here on advanced studies at GTU Berkeley. Access to such a Scripture authority gives us a very unique opportunity. Fr Conrad is offering an 8-week Bible study each Wed. at 7pm starting 9/7/16 in the ministry building. Not to be missed! Contact Dina or Debbie.
.....

FR. CARL'S CORNER**Mark Your Calendar**

September 8 will be the celebration of the birthday of Mary. We will have 2 masses on that day. Please bring a flower or flowers to be offered during Mass as we honor our Blessed Mother Mary. In the evening mass, we will be also doing the finale of the Consecration to Jesus through Mary especially for those who journeyed with Mary for 33 days. I commend those who have supported this event especially to Teresita Freel, Divine Mercy Group and all those who volunteered in their unique ways.

RCIA and Confirmation Students

I welcome our candidates for confirmation and also those who wish to be Catholics to our 2016-2017 RCIA -Confirmation Formation Year. This year we have decided to have 3 weeks of testimonials from people who are living out their faith and to share with us on what does it mean or take to be a Catholic. You are invited and most welcomed to join us on Mondays at 7PM at the parish hall. Please keep in your prayers our candidates and those seeking to be a part and member of our Catholic family... living and sharing the love of Christ.

Be Alert

With the increase of terrorist attacks in the US and also abroad which targets public areas, schools and places of worship, I would like you all to be extra alert and responsive in reporting any suspicious personality during Mass or entering our Church to our ushers. I will soon meet with our Ushers and Greeters on how we can be prepared when such a tragedy happens in the church or while we are celebrating the Liturgy. I invite more male ushers particularly who have been in the military or law enforcement service to join us in our campaign to protect lives and maintain order during our mass. If you have any questions concerning this ministry or if you are interested to this ministry, please call PATTY CADENA 925 439 3181.

September 4—
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel, Jesus lays out the demands of following him, the great cost of discipleship. The Mission Statement of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul states: "Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice... the Society makes no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ."

Have you considered answering the call to help serve those in need by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? As we celebrate the Feast Day of Blessed Frederic Ozanam (founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul) this week, please take a moment to discern if this may be a ministry you might want to join, or support.

**CALLED TO BE CATHOLIC? KNOW SOME-
ONE 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

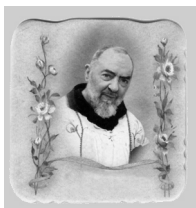
Sept	Intention: (Month for the Poor)
8	Birth of Mary 7AM & 7PM Masses—Consecration End
25	Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila @ 12Noon Mass
27	Feast of St. Vincent de Paul
29	Parish Dinner with Hispanic Ministry
October	Intention: (Month for Life)
1-31	Divine Mercy for Life –Home Visits
5	Feast of St. 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
17	Parish Dinner with Knights of Columbus
November	(Stewardship Month)
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 9AM
December	Intention: (Month for Abused Children and Suffering Children)
5	Parish Advent Penance Service 7PM with Fr. _____
8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 7AM & 7PM Masses
12	Our Lady of Guadalupe at 7AM Mass (English) 5AM Mananitas & 7PM 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

**A NEW DEVOTION IS COMING TO GOOD
SHEPHERD CHURCH THROUGH AN
ITALIAN SAINT:
*ST. PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA***

You are invited to a nine-day novena at 7 pm in the Good Shepherd Chapel starting September 14-22, 2016. There will be a 7 am mass at the church on St. Padre Pio's Feast Day, September 23, 2016.

Please join us!

For more information contact:



**Mila Benitez
925-726-7526
mgbenitez@comcast.net**

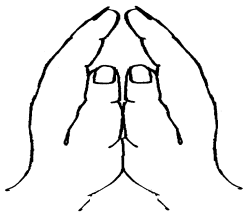
**Edna Balilli
925-550-3519
ednabalilli@gmail.com**

DIOCESAN SPONSORED EVENTS

- * Bishop Barber's Interfaith Meeting of Prayer for Peace, September 6 at the Cathedral Event Center. RSVP at 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.
- * Chautauqua 20th Anniversary Celebration, October 8, 9:30 am @ St. Lawrence O'Toole, Oakland, celebrating 100 years! oakdiocese.org/Chautauqua.
- * Annual Blue Mass, October 14 10 am celebrating first responders at the Cathedral. oakdiocese.org/BlueMass2016.
- * 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.

Mass Intentions		Sept 5-11
Mon	7 am	David Viray Zenaid Santo † #
Tue	7 am	Yvonne Hurtado Death Anniversary † ^
Wed	7 am	Jerry Boyd † *
Thu	7 am	Birthday of Lawrence N. Ramirez^
Fri	7 am	Capupus Family Joan Davi † *
Sat	8 am	Thanksgiving: Pilar Escudero #
	5:30 _{pm}	Dr. Eleuterio Acosta Jr. #
Sun	8am	Mary Linh † *
	10am	Jerry Boyd † #
	12pm	Mary Ann Palomino Messer † *
	5:30 _{pm}	FOR THE PEOPLE *

*= Fr. Carl ^=Fr. Mars #=Fr. Chavez



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.

MINISTERS	FOR NEXT	WEEKEND'S	LITURGIES	
Date	Time	Lectors	EM's	Altar Servers
Sept 10	5:30 pm	C Greely C Gonzalez		
Sept 11	8 am	L Madrigal E Viloría		
Sept 11	10 am	L Ilas L Whatford		
Sept 11	12 noon	F Bartolo N Villamor		
Sept 11	5:30 pm	A Gayton L Hernandez		

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS	NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION
Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14, 1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-32	NO SCHEDULED 2ND COLLECTION