



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

*One Flock, One Family,
Living and Sharing the Love of Christ*

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Fourth Sunday of
LENT

March 31, 2019



"This son of mine was dead, and has come to life again;
he was lost, and has been found."

Luke 15:24

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510-259-8706**

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925-432-6404—Ext. 25**

**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday
9am-12 pm & 1-4 pm**

Schedule of Masses

Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12 noon & 3 p.m. Spanish

Monday through Friday : 7:30 a.m.

3rd Fridays (Spanish): 7:00 p.m.

1st Fridays: 7:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours): 7:00 a.m. (Chapel)

Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. (Vigil)

Holy Days: 7:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Confessions: Fridays after 7:30 a.m. Mass

Saturdays from 4-5 p.m. or by appointment

Adoration: Fridays after 7:30 am Mass until 9 am

or 24 Hour Adoration in the Chapel (door code required-call parish office)

Devotions: Divine Mercy Monday-Friday after 7:30am

Mass

Our Lady of Fatima/Perpetual Help~1st Saturday

Santo Nino~2nd Saturday

Divine Mercy~3rd Saturday

Saint Padre Pio~4th Saturday

Healing Mass~5th Saturday

(All devotions take place following 8:00 am Mass)

Baptisms: In order to make baptismal arrangements contact car-men@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Marriages: In order to make marriage arrangements contact car-men@goodshepherdpittsburg.org 6 months prior to marriage day.

Funeral Arrangements: Should be arranged by family, church and mortuary. Normal Christian burial consists of Vigil Service, Holy Mass and Burial in a Catholic Cemetery. Any other arrangements should first be discussed with parish priest.



Dear friends in Christ,

There is a great desire in all of us to find happiness and to feel fulfilled in our lives. For many of us, our daily focus in life is centered on experiencing enjoyment. The parable of the prodigal son that we hear in this fourth Sunday of Lent is a perfect example of this way of life. The younger son asked his father to give him his inheritance, which he thought he owned it; so he might have life on his own, seeking his own personal fulfillment, enjoyment, and happiness. He attempted to find happiness by satisfying every desire he possessed, it didn't matter if it was moral or immoral. His choice eventually led him to live with the pigs in the piggery.

The prodigal son squandered all that the Father had given him, because he did not understand his father's perspective—he was only interested in himself. If he had considered the long-term consequences of his decisions from his father's perspective, he would have been less selfish and made better decisions. Because he sought fulfillment by making selfish decisions, he found himself empty.

One of the principles of stewardship is that the need of the giver to give is greater than the need of the receiver to receive. The Dead Sea is "dead" because it is a dead-end, and has no outlet. It continually receives and never gives. Even secular psychologists point out that human beings have a great need to give. We are made that way. We seek possessions to hold them and look upon them; we think they give us power, respect, status, and influence. They really only make us more reliant on material goods. But our true mission is to rely on God, our loving Father Who wants what is truly best for us. Probably the most profound and beautiful part of the parable comes at the point where the Father turns to his elder son and states: *"All I have is yours."*

Yes, God is so generous to us. He created us out of his love to be his stewards in his vineyard. He gives us abundant gifts of time, talent and treasure. We should ask ourselves how much do we give back to him? If love is an equal relationship where God puts in 100% of his stewardship, then we should chip in some of ours. This weekend is our ministry fair weekend. I would like to invite you to consider to giving back to God some of your time and talent, which God has given to you by getting involved in our parish ministries, which you feel called to serve. In the commitment form which will be handed out to you at each Mass, we have picked out six ministries that need immediate help, such as hospitality, ushers, RCIA, St. Vincent de Paul, lectors (5:30pm and Noon Masses) and altar serving coordinator. We truly appreciate your consideration to help in one of these ministries. Besides, we have other ministries that need help as well. Your involvement is always appreciated. Together we build up our Church to live up to our mission of one flock, one family, living and sharing the love of Christ.

Live your Lent happy!

Fr. Thi Hoang

MARRIAGE CONVALIDATION OPPORTUNITY

Dear All Civilly Married Couples:

You may have chosen not to marry in the Church because of family issues or timing or concerns about cost or other reasons, and now hesitate to have your marriage convalidated (sacramentally recognized by the Church) because of similar worries about cost or time. **WORRY NO MORE! IT IS FREE NOW.**

We are going to have a group marriage convalidation here in our church on August 17 at 12pm.

To prepare for this celebration, we will have an "in house" marriage preparation session which will take place on April 27 from 9am to 3pm.

If you are interested in getting your marriage convalidated, please contact our parish secretary, Carmen, for registration.

Attention! We accept only couples that are currently civilly married, and have never been previously married or divorced.

Fr. Thi Hoang

2019 Lenten and Easter Celebrations

April 5, 12 5 PM Prayer in the Spiritual Garden (Spanish)
5:30 PM Parish Lenten Dinners
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross in the Church (English)

April 2 7PM Parish Lenten Mission (Spanish)
April 3 & 4 7PM Parish Lenten Mission (English)
April 7 7PM Passion Play-1st Presentation
April 8 7PM Bi-Lingual Reconciliation Service

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES DURING LENT

Confessions: Mondays 7-8pm; Fridays 8-9am; Saturdays 4-5pm
Adorations: Fridays 8am- 9am; First Friday from 8am to 6:30pm
Stations of the Cross: Fridays @ 5pm (Spanish) in the S. Garden and 7pm (English) in the Church
Parish Lenten Dinners: Fridays 5:30pm in the Hall.

HOLY WEEK

April 13-Palm Sunday Vigil 7PM Passion Play Performance (after the 5:30 pm mass)

April 14- Palm Sunday **5:30 PM Passion Play Performance—Please note time change**

April 17-Holy Wednesday 6:00PM – Celebration Passion Play (Children Faith Formation)

April 18-Holy Thursday 8AM Morning Prayer/Liturgy of the Hours
7PM Mass of the Lord's Supper and Washing of Feet followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Mid-Night in the hall

April 19-Good Friday 8AM Morning Prayer/Liturgy of the Hours
12PM Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross
3:00PM Spanish Stations of the Cross & Veneration of the Cross
6:30PM Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross
7:30PM Passion Play Presentation

April 20-Holy Saturday 8:00AM—Morning Prayer/ Liturgy of the Hours
8:30AM— Rehearsal for Easter Vigil
8:00PM— Easter Vigil



April 21-Easter Sunday **EASTER**
7:00AM Mass; 8:30AM Mass
10AM Mass & Easter Egghunt for children at the Prayer Park
12:00PM Mass & Easter Egghunt for children at the Prayer Park
3:00PM Mass – Spanish Easter Egghunt for Children Prayer Park

Experience the Passion of our Lord with the youth of Good Shepherd parish.



We thought you might like to know what happened to our beginning of the Mass birthday blessing!

To respect the sacredness of the Liturgy during Lent, we will acknowledge all birthdays for the current month on the first Sunday of each month.



DEANERY LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE

7pm

April 3 St. Anthony, Oakley
 April 4 St. Anne, Byron &
 St. Ignatius of Antioch
 April 8 GOOD SHEPHERD
 April 17 Our Lady Queen of the
 World, Bay Point

You are welcome to go to any one of these local
 Penance Services for your Lenten Penance.
 All local priests will preside at each of them so our
 entire deanery can be served.

PARISH LENTEN DINNERS & STATIONS RETURN TO GOOD SHEPHERD

Every Friday from March 8 to April 12
 5 pm Spanish Stations in the Garden
 5:30 pm Lenten Dinner (\$15 per person)
 7 pm Live Stations of the Cross with FFL/YFL

RSVP to the Parish Office at 925-432-6404 by
 the Monday before each dinner.
 Soft drinks & water sold for \$1. Bring your
 own wine and spirits.

April 5—Sand Dabs
 April 12—Calamari

ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL NEWS

As a fundraiser to assist Shea Homes in the renovations at St. Peter Martyr School, we are looking for benefactors to help create a tile Wall of Honor. We hope to involve the shareholders in our SPM community in this effort to create a beautiful wall. Tiles are available at 2 price levels: Beige @ \$300 each & Brown @ \$150 each. If you would like to place an order for a tile, please contact the GSC parish office for a form and return it to SPM school by April 29th with your payment. Please note that there are a limited number of beige tiles available.

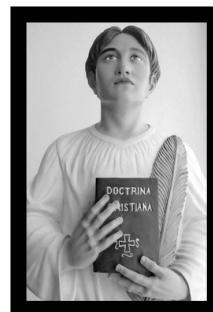
Email Mrs. WEilson spmschool@csdo.org.

Next Children's Mass—April 7 @10 am

Next Youth Mass—April 21 @ 10 am



Feast of Saint Pedro Calungsod April 7, 2019



Saint Pedro Calungsod was a Roman Catholic Filipino migrant, sacristan and catechist who along with Spanish Jesuit Missionary Diego Luis De San Vitores suffered religious persecution and martyrdom in Guam for their missionary works in 1672. He was beatified on March 5, 2000 by St John Paul II, was officially canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on October 21, 2012 at St Peter's Basilica, Vatican City. Calungsod is the second Filipino Saint after San Lorenzo Ruiz.

Church of the Good Shepherd is inviting you to celebrate the Feast of San Pedro Calungsod on April 7, 2019 at the 12 noon mass. If anyone is interested in sponsoring the mass and offering your intentions, please call Cecile Perez at 925-300-6234.



MINISTRY

TODAY after all Masses

Please consider joining any one of our
 awesome parish ministries.

The following ministries are in need of
 immediate help:

HOSPITALITY-LECTORS-ST. VINCENT
 DE PAUL-ALTAR SERVERS-RCIA-
 USHERS

ADORATION

Starting on the first Friday in April and thereafter on the first Friday from 8 AM to 6:45 PM Adoration will be in the Church, followed by a Mass for the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus at 7 PM.

Jesus said to His Apostles: "My soul is sorrowful to the point of death. Wait here and stay awake with me." And going on a little further he fell on his face and prayed. 'My Father,' he said, 'if it is possible, let this cup pass me by. Nevertheless, let it be as you, not as I would have it.' He came back to the disciples and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, 'So you had not the strength to stay awake with me for one hour?

We need at least one person per hour to sit with the Blessed Sacrament, the sign up book is in the vestibule as you enter the church on the right hand side.

Join us for :

YOUTH FOR LIFE CAMP APRIL 26-28
at Holy Redeemer Retreat Center in Oakland, CA,
hosted by the Couples for Christ, Family for Life (CFC-FFL) Ministry. The youth camp is a three-day retreat, where youth ages 12-17, will find a place where they will hear the Word of God spoken by other youth, in a fun and exciting environment. At the Youth Camp, teens can expect to create new friendships with each other as they play games, share ideas and experiences in a wholesome environment, where Christian values are talked about and actively practiced. We would love to have your child join us for this life-changing experience. For questions or to register for camp, please contact Tess Cahayag at tesscahayag@yahoo.com or 925-325-6409.



**2019 BISHOP'S APPEAL
REBUILD MY CHURCH**

2019 Goal: \$35,600

**Amount Collected so far:
\$14,663.58**

Good Shepherd got an early start on this year's appeal. Please continue to help us meet our goal through prayer and contribution placed in any 2nd collection basket.



LENTEN MISSION

THE MERCY OF GOD:

What is it? How do we experience it? How do we live it?



Presentación en español por



MSGR. ANTONIO VALDIVIA

TUESDAY APRIL 2ND AT 7PM

English presentation by



FR. MARK WIESNER

WEDNESDAY APRIL 3RD AT 7PM

THURSDAY APRIL 4TH AT 7PM

In the Church/ Iglesia

APELACIÓN DEL OBISPO DE RECONSTRUIR MI IGLESIA 2019

Objetivo del 2019: \$35,600

La colección de este año comienza el próximo fin de semana. Por favor, discierna cómo nos puede ayudar mejor a cumplir con nuestro objetivo a través de la oración y la contribución.

Cuaresma tiempo para volver a Dios

¿Tiene usted algún plan para crecer espiritualmente para esta Cuaresma?

Venga y crezcamos juntos guiados por el Espíritu Santo.

Todos los jueves de 7 a 9 pm en el salón grande de las oficinas.

Por favor inscribese con Carmen en la oficina al teléfono: 925-432-6404; o a través de Email al:

Carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Misas de Niños, *1er Domingo de cada mes* –
próxima Misa *Abril 7 a las 3 pm*

EL HORARIO DECANATO DE CONFESIONES
Horarios de Servicio

Abril 3 - San Antonio, Oakley

Abril 4 - Santa Ana, Byron & San Ignacio de Antioch

Abril 8 - EL BUEN PASTOR

Abril 17 - en nuestra Señora Reina del Mundo, Bay Point

Usted es Bienvenido a ir a cualquiera de estos servicios de penitencia a los locales indicados para su preparación de Penitencia Cuaresmal. Todos los Sacerdotes locales presidirán cada uno de ellos para que todo nuestro decanato les puedan servir

Comenzando el primer Viernes de Abril y posteriormente el primer Viernes de 8AM a 6:45PM la Adoración estará en la Iglesia, seguida de una Misa para el Sagrado Corazón de Jesús a las 7PM. Jesús dijo a sus Apóstoles: "Mi alma está afligida al punto de la muerte. Esperen aquí y mantenganse despiertos conmigo. "Y yendo un poco más lejos inclinó su rostro y oró. 'Mi padre', dijo, 'si es posible, deja que esta copa me pase. Sin embargo, que sea como tú, no como yo lo desearia.' Volvió a los discípulos y los encontró durmiendo, y le dijo a Pedro: '¿Así que no tuvieron la fuerza para permanecer despiertos conmigo durante una hora?

Necesitamos al menos una persona por hora para sentarse con el Santísimo Sacramento, el libro de registro está en el vestíbulo a entrar en la iglesia en el lado derecho.

PROXIMAMENTE - QUINCEAÑERAS & BODAS COMUNITARIAS!

~ **QUINCEAÑERAS – AGOSTO 10, 2019**

~ **BODAS – AGOSTO 31, 2019**

Por favor comuníquese con Carmen en la oficina 925-432-6404 o

através de su correo electrónico

["carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org"](mailto:carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org)

CENAS PARROQUIALES DE CUARESMA Y ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ VUELVEN AL BUEN PASTOR

Todos los Viernes Marzo 8 a Abril 12

Las Estaciones en Español 5pm en el Jardín

5:30 pm Cena Cuaresmal (\$15 por persona)

7pm Estaciones en Vivo de la Cruz con FFL/YFL

Por Favor reservar su lugar llamando a la Oficina Parroquial a 925-432-6404 el Lunes antes de cada Cena. Habrá Refrescos y Agua de venta por \$1. O traiga su propio vino y licores.

MISIÓN CUARESMAL - NO TE LO PIERDAS!

2 de Abril, 2019 será en Español con Monseñor Antonio Valdivia. En Inglés serán el Miércoles 3 de Abril y el Jueves 4 de Abril a las 7:00pm con el Padre Mark Wiesner.

Hay un gran deseo en todos nosotros de encontrar la felicidad y sentirnos satisfechos en nuestra vida. Para muchos de nosotros, nuestro enfoque diario en la vida se centra en experimentarla y disfrutarla. La parábola del hijo pródigo que escuchamos en este cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma es un ejemplo perfecto de este modo de vida. El hijo menor le pidió a su Padre que le diera su herencia, que él pensó le pertenecía; porque quería vivir su vida por su cuenta, buscando su propia realización personal, disfrutándola felizmente. Trató de encontrar la felicidad satisfaciendo cada deseo que poseía, no importaba si era moral o inmoral. Su elección eventualmente lo llevó a vivir con los cerdos en la cobaya.

El hijo pródigo despilfarró todo lo que el Padre le había dado, porque no entendía la perspectiva de su Padre, sólo estaba interesado en sí mismo. Si hubiera considerado las consecuencias a largo plazo de sus decisiones desde la perspectiva de su Padre, habría sido menos egoísta y habría tomado mejores decisiones. Debido a sus decisiones egoístas, mas bien se encontró vacío por dentro.

Uno de los principios de la mayordomía es que la necesidad del dador de dar es mayor que la necesidad del receptor de recibir. El Mar Muerto está "muerto" porque es un callejón sin salida, y no tiene ningún escape. Continuamente recibe y nunca da. Incluso los sicólogos seculares señalan que los seres humanos tienen una gran necesidad de dar. Estamos hechos de esa manera. Buscamos posesiones para sostenerlas y mirarlas; Pensamos que nos dan poder, respeto, estatus e influencia. Realmente sólo nos hacen depender más de los bienes materiales. Pero nuestra verdadera misión es confiar en Dios, nuestro amoroso Padre que quiere lo que es realmente mejor para nosotros. Probablemente la parte más profunda y hermosa de la parábola llegue al punto en que el Padre se vuelve a su hijo mayor y declara: "todo lo que tengo es tuyo."

Sí, Dios es tan generoso con nosotros. Él nos creó de su amor para ser sus mayordomos en su viña. Él nos da abundantes dones de tiempos, talentos y tesoros. Debemos preguntarnos ¿Cuánto le damos de regreso? Si el amor es una relación igualitaria donde Dios pone en el 100% de su mayordomía, entonces deberíamos hacer algunas nuestras. Este fin de semana es nuestra Feria de Ministerios. Me gustaría invitarles a considerar devolver a Dios algunos de sus tiempos y sus talentos, que Dios les ha dado al ser parte de nuestros diferente ministerios parroquiales, que se sientan llamados a servir.

En la forma de compromiso que se le entregará en cada Misa, hemos escogido ministerios que necesitan ayuda inmediata, en las Misas en Ingles, como la hospitalidad, los ujieres, la RCIA, San Vicente de Paúl, los lectores (5:30pm y las Misas del mediodía) y el Coordinador de la porción del altar. Realmente apreciamos su consideración para ayudar en uno de estos ministerios. Además, tenemos otros ministerios que necesitan ayuda también. Su participación siempre es apreciada. Juntos construimos nuestra Iglesia para vivir la misión de un rebaño, una familia, viviendo y compartiendo el amor de Cristo.

¡Vive tu Cuaresma feliz!

Fr. Thi Hoang

****ESTA TARDE ES LA FERIA DE LOS DIFFERENTE GRUPOS DEL MINISTERIO HISPANO****

Ven comparte tus dones con tu comunidad y al mismo tiempo descubre cual es la **voluntad de Dios para Tí**, no te pierdas el tener un encuentro personal con Él!

EL PAPA FRANCISCO TE DICE QUE... "NO TENGAS MIEDO DE IR AL SACRAMENTO DE LA CONFESION, DONDE ENCONTRARAS A JESUS QUE TE PERDONA."

LA VIRGEN PEREGRINA - Las Familias que desean inscribirse después de la Misa para llevarse a la Virgen Peregrina a sus casas, por favor comunicarse con Silvana Gutierrez, 925-439-7640.

ATENCIÓN COMUNIDAD HISPANA

Si algún miembro de la comunidad Hispana **esta interesado en recibir visitas a domicilio o comunión a los enfermos**, por favor comuniquense a la oficina parroquial para hablar con Carmen y establecer este servicio para nuestros miembros enfermos y confinados a casa.

Confesiones Semanales en Cuaresma

Lunes 7-8pm, Viernes 8-9am; Sabados 4-5pm

Mass Intentions

Apr 1-7

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Mon 7:30 am Nicolas Otero † *
Tue 7:30 am St. Jude Thanksgiving #
Wed 7:30 am Feliciano Navera † #
Thu 7:30 am Walter Mosca † *
Fri 7:30 am Primrose Capupus Family *
Sat 8:00 am Primrose Capupus Family &
 Jose Sarian † #
 5:30 pm Safety of Carl Gabriel Miral #
Sun 8:00 am Dale Eugene Jr. † #
 10am Peris & Bonnie Bergholtz † *
 12 pm Amy & Daisy Hom † #
 3 pm FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH *

*=Fr. Thi, #+Fr. Christopher, ^=Fr. Oscar

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Offering



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March 24, 2019 \$ 7,536.18

2nd Collection-Easter Flowers \$ 1,654.00

Maintenance-Parking Lot \$ 1,314.00

Please help contribute for the smooth operation and good services of our parish. We appreciate your generosity and making Good Shepherd as part of your family. Also, please remember Good Shepherd when planning your last will and testament. Thank you!

Fr. Thi

MDATE	TIME	LECTORS	EM'S	ALTAR SERVERS
April 6	5:30 pm		C Davi , B Davi, R Almarinez L Cellan, D Duran, J Hurtado J Sobel, R Sorci	A Almarinez M & E Hart
April 7	8:00 am		E Vilorio , M & A Discipulo P Dominguez, L Hoggatt I Kinadeter, P Lorenzo, E Woodrow	Silva Family
April 7	10 am		L Canciamilla , G Camacho N Fontecha, B Francisco, M Hill I Pacheco, R Pascual, E Pittman K King, K Tan	J Ortiz I Rodriguez O & A Ross
April 7	12 noon		M Cruz , J Bellando, L Briones T Freel, J Lagarejos, A & E Pacheco S Quejado, J Singco	R Lagarejos J Del Carmen B Dador
April 7	3:00 pm		A Alvarez , L Alvarez, M Diza L Hernandez, B & R Mendieta L Castaneda	J & V Gonzalez A Toribio

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

ISAIAH 43:16-21, PHILIPPIANS 3:8-14, JOHN 8:1-11

DEBT REDUCTION

Thanks so much to Sonny,
Lelan & their awesome team
for the delicious
dinners these first
three weeks of
Lent! Well done~



the 27th Annual **PASSION PLAY**



**Experience the Passion of our Lord with the
youth of this parish.**

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 Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 - Opening Performance  
 Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM, after 5:30 Mass  
 Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 PM (Note new time!)  
 Holy Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 PM  
 Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 PM (with veneration of the Cross)

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 In our ongoing effort to raise funds for sound and other equipment, we will
 be selling commemorative T-shirts after Masses on
 3/30, 3/31, 4/6 and 4/7.

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 We hope you will support this fundraising effort, helping us to improve our  
 ability to bring the story of Christ's Passion to our parish!