



Church of the Good Shepherd

PITTSBURG, CALIFORNIA

We, the members of Good Shepherd Catholic Church, are a sacramental community of faith, guided by the Holy Spirit, inspired by the Word, and centered in the Eucharist.

We are diverse in culture and talent, but one in purpose – to make known the presence of God's saving love as revealed to us by Jesus Christ.

In partnership with other Christians in our deanery and diocese, and with the larger community, we share responsibility to foster spiritual growth and conversion, and to reach out to all people in their spiritual and temporal needs.

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PARISH STAFF

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

Sundays 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12 noon
2 pm Spanish Mass
5:30 p.m. Life Teen

Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m.
Liturgy of the Hours/Morning Prayer 6:45 a.m.

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

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

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

BAPTISMS: In order to make baptismal arrangements, parents are required to call the parish office to make an appointment to fill out paperwork and schedule a baptismal class (required of parents and godparents) and a baptismal date. A meeting will not be scheduled unless the family of the child for baptism is registered, attending mass regularly and contributing to the parish with a history of at least six (6) months, preferably through electronic fund transfer.

MARRIAGES: Couples are required to make arrangements six months prior to the date of marriage and attend a marriage preparation program. No exceptions can be made. One or both must live in the parish. A meeting will not be scheduled unless the couple is registered, attending mass regularly and contributing to the parish with a history of at least six (6) months, preferably through electronic fund transfer.

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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL-St. Peter Martyr 439-1014
PARISH MINISTRY

Altar Guild – 432-6404
Altar Servers – Dina Russell 439-1092
Bingo Office (Tuesdays only) 439-3100
Buildings & Grounds 432-6404
Music Ministry

Parish Music Dir.–Rocco Enea 432-6404
Instrumental Music Dir. – Damian Ting 432-6404
8:00 a.m. Choir – Evelyn Arms 439-5351
10:00 a.m. Choir – Sal Bruno 432-0736
Couples for Christ – Barbara & Kalani Tai 458-0250
CYO – Diane George 432-3043

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion –
Ann & Bill Abitz 432-3995

Extra Ordinary Ministers to the Sick – Rose Riso 432-4362
Finance – Andrea Campos 432-6404

Grief Ministry – Judy Dudziak
Hospitality –

Knights of Columbus – Ted Franger 252-0421
Lectors – Gus Lee Saca 439-7077

Liturgy Committee - Staff 432-6404
Pastoral Council –

Religious Education/Sacramental Preparation
Faith Formation – Dina Russell 439-1092

Youth Ministry – Debbie Lawson 439-1091
RCIA –Deacon Ken Wedge 432-6404

Baptismal Prep – Robert & Sheena Beck
427-5926

Returning Catholics 432-6404
Santo Nino Family Prayer Ministry –

Romeo & Sery Razo 439-7706
Spanish Ministry-Teresa Salazar 432-6404

Social Justice – Deacon Ken Wedge 432-6404
St. Vincent DePaul 432-6404, ext 17

Stewardship – Darla Kilgannon 432-0243
Ushers – Frank DiMaggio 776-5107

Vocations-Parish Office 432-6404
Wedding Liturgy Coordinators-Danette Shipe 427-9561

Bee Francisco 473-9247

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m.
CATHOLIC CEMETERIES – DIOCESE OF OAKLAND
HOLY CROSS CEMETERY – ANTIOCH 757-0658

PLEASE NOTE THE IMPORTANT CHANGE TO TODAY'S 2ND COLLECTION! The Cathedral Sunday 2nd collection was originally scheduled for September 11th this year, but it will be taken up today instead to avoid conflict with the commemoration of September 11th.

The Cathedral of Christ the Light has much to offer. Built to stand for centuries, the Cathedral will be known by future generations as the cornerstone of Oakland, benefitting the entire East Bay community. Just as a family gathers together, the Cathedral and all those who have ministries here welcome all to gather at the mother church of the Diocese of Oakland to know Christ better.

You will find brochures in the pews today to make donating easier!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION NEWS!

Youth Mass for Graduates

Please join us at the 5:30 pm Youth Mass on Sunday, September 4th to honor this year's graduates! This is for all graduates from kindergarten to college! We want to bless them and wish them well on their way to new schools and new adventures!



Youth Faith Formation Registration

It is that time of year again to register your children for all Youth Formation Classes, from the first grade through high school. Registration dates and times are Monday, August 29, 2011 through Thursday, September 1, 2011, from 1 pm to 8 pm. For further information and questions, call Debbie at 439-1091 or Dina at 439-1092.



ALL WOMEN OF THE OAKLAND DIOCESE ARE INVITED TO MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 9:30 AM—12:30 PM AT THE CONCORD HILTON. THE GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE KATHLEEN BECKMAN, A WELL-KNOWN INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC SPEAKER, AUTHOR AND RETRAET LEADER. CALL 954-7205 FOR RESERVATIONS. DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 3!

**PARISH SPRUCE UP/CLEAN UP DAY
IN THE RECTORY
SEPTEMBER 24, 2011
9 AM**

EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO COME ON BY AND HELP US WITH THE UPKEEP OF OUR BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS! BRING YOUR CLEANING SUPPLIES AND AN ITEM TO SHARE FOR OUR POTLUCK LUNCH! THIS IS A WONDERFUL WAY TO GIVE BACK TO YOUR CHURCH AND TO SOCIALIZE WITH FRIENDS!

FLEA MARKET

Come one, come all to Fr. Helmut's Good Shepherd Flea Market!!

When: Saturday, September 17th- 7am – 1pm
Where: Good Shepherd Parking Lot

Last year, some of our sellers made OVER \$500! The price this year to rent a space is \$35 for a single stall and \$50 for a double stall. We take care of advertising and removal of unsold items.

If you don't want to sell your own items, you can still get involved! You can donate items for the Church to sell by dropping items off at the parish office during business hours. We would also LOVE to have volunteers to help on the day of the event! The more the merrier! Come join us for a fun morning of discovering old treasures!

Please call (925) 777-1106 to register for a stall or to volunteer. God bless you all for all you do for our parish!

ATTENTION ALL CRAFTERS!

God gives us all many talents. If you are a crafts-person, then Good Shepherd needs you and your God-given gifts for our upcoming Fall Craft Fair.

The Craft Fair will be on **November 19th** from **10am to 5pm** in the Parish Hall. Handcrafted items or art supplies can either be sold by individuals or donated for the Church to sell. All types of crafts are welcome! This will be a wonderful opportunity to buy and sell homemade gifts in time for Christmas. Start crafting now!

For more details on how to donate or to register to sell, please email: goodshepherdcraftfair@gmail.com or call (925) 777-1106.

THE MINISTRY OF SACRISTAN

The Parish is currently looking for individuals who are interested in volunteering in the ministry of Sacristan by assisting during Sunday masses and/or funerals. If you are interested in this very important liturgical ministry, please contact Fr. Helmut in the parish office. Training will be provided.

SAVE THE DATE

The Most Reverend Bishop
Salvatore Cordileone

will be here on Saturday, October 1st to bless the newly renovated sanctuary at the 5:30 pm mass. Mark your calendars! We will be publishing more details about the events of that day as they become available.

COMMEMORATING 9/11

Please join us in commemorating the 10th anniversary of 9/11 and in honoring our first responders at the pageantry-rich Blue Mass on September 17th at 9:30 am, St. Ignatius Church, Antioch. Our own Pastor, Fr. Helmut Richter, who is Chaplain for the Pittsburgh Police Department, will be concelebrating the mass.

SURVEY DEADLINE EXTENDED TO :

*****AUGUST 31ST*****

THERE IS STILL TIME TO GO TO

www.oakdiocese.org

**AND TAKE THE SHORT SURVEY THE
DIOCESE IS DOING REGARDING THE**

FEASIBILITY OF A

DIOCESAN CAPITAL CAMPAIGN.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

**FLU SHOT CLINIC AT GOOD SHEPHERD
AFTER THE 5:30 MASS ON SEPTEMBER 10
AND AFTER THE 10 AM AND NOON MASSES
ON SEPTEMBER 11**

FREE TO ALL MEDICARE B MEMBERS!

\$29.95 TO ALL OTHERS!

**(UNABLE TO ACCEPT KAISER &
HEALTH NET, SORRY!)**

**CONTACT BERNIE RODRIGUES AT THE CVS
PHARMACY, 439-7545, AND LET HER KNOW
YOU WILL BE COMING FOR YOUR SHOT!**

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER

Parishioners in need of assistance may fill out a Food Pantry Application in the parish office during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday from 9 am until 4 pm.

Food distribution hours are from 11am to 12 noon on Saturdays.

Next weekend's needed food item is: **Canned Meats**

We thank you for all of your help so that we may help others!

ROTACARE NEEDS YOU

The RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic at St. Vincent de Paul is in urgent need of several California licensed pharmacists with experience in dispensing prescriptions in a community or clinic setting, that would be willing to commit to volunteering at the clinic on some kind of a regular basis, whether that was once per month or more often. If you are interested, contact **925-336-0803** or e-mail **ronaldgrady@comcast.net**

God's blessings on you all!

Deacon Ken Wedge and the St. Vincent De Paul Conference of the Church of the Good Shepherd

SHEPHERD'S CLOSET

The "Shepherd's Closet", supported by your generous donations to the **Gabriel Project**, is located in the Good Shepherd Ministry Building. The closet will be open for business again on **Tuesday, September 13th between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm.** If you have any questions, feel free to call Ann Abitz at 432-3995.

At the present time we could use help locating infant creepers of all infant sizes. We could also use grooming items, nail clippers, scissors, combs and brushes, also baby lotion, baby oil and shampoo. In addition we will gladly accept safe and usable furniture, such as regular or umbrella strollers, carryalls, and bouncers.

The Gabriel Project is a movement of churches working together to offer friendship and support to women in crisis pregnancies. For more information about this project phone 1-800-910-0191.

Mass Intentions

Aug 29-Sept 4

Mon	7:00	Candida Ripalda †
Tue	7:00	David Viray †
Wed	7:00	Arthur Miner †
Thur	7:00	Vince Russo †
Fri	7:00	Gregorio Llanda †
Sat	8:00	Josephine Viscuso †
	5:30	Anthony & Lucy Nicolosi 50th Anniversary
Sun	8:00	Ile Reyes †
	10:00	Sal Torres & Ken Monnens †
	12:00	Marcial Vergara †
	2:00	FOR THE PEOPLE
	5:30	Joe & Josie Mercurio †

†Indicates those who are deceased

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED FOR
September 3/4

Saturday		
5:30 pm	Zac Wolf, Gabby & Chris Barrett, David Ferris	
Sunday		
8:00 am	Cassandra Ysip, Chantal Ysip, Cameron Mendoza	
10:00 am	Kyle Dozier, Justin Carrillo, Joshua Carrillo, Macy Robles	
12 noon	Danielle Olazo, Aleesa Panis, Trisha Illumin, Bea Yutuc	
5:30 pm	Jared Leano, Shawn & Reynaldo Leano	

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NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION
DEBT REDUCTION

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS September 4, 2011

Ezekiel 33:7-9, Romans 13:8-10,
Matthew 18:15-20

WEEKLY COLLECTION UPDATE

\$9,600.00 Needed~1st Collection & EFT
(budgeted as income needed for 1st collections only for 2011)

\$ 5,155.00 1st Collection

\$ 1,000.00 EFT

\$ 6,155.00 Total 1st Collection

Negative this week \$ 3,445

YEAR TO DATE FINANCE UPDATE

All parish income as of

August 15, 2011 \$534,229

Expenses as of 8/15/11 \$548,958

Expenses over Income -\$ 14,729

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

Baptisms 30

First Holy Communions 38

Confirmations 47

Deaths 46

Weddings 8

Sick Calls 344

RCIA IS BACK AT GOOD SHEPHERD!

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Are you missing some sacraments and want to become more fully involved in the Church? If so, it's not too late to join Good Shepherd's RCIA class. Meetings are the first and third Monday of each month at 7pm in the Ministry Building. All are welcome! Our next meeting is Monday, August 15th. We also invite all our parishioners to keep our Catechumens in their prayers.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

If you are one of the faithful that brings flowers to the Blessed Mother or any of the other icons in our church, please make sure to also take responsibility for removing the flowers once they have wilted. We'd appreciate it since we do not have a regular janitor for the church!