



# 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**

**19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Miracles attract attention and they are signs of something. But, they are often ambiguous. It is commonly noted that seeing is believing. For example, in heaven, one is not likely to need faith. For in heaven one will possess vision; one will see. John the Evangelist and apostle calls Jesus' miracles signs of God's active presence among us. What are we to make of spectacular happenings such as the calming of the sea, not to mention the walking on water? We know that in the temptation stories, Jesus forsook spectacular actions that would only serve to dazzle people without also fundamentally strengthening them in mind and body.

What are we to make of today's Gospel? What is it teaching us? Among other things, it graphically shows us the Church—a small boat tossed about by the storm at sea. It is a picture that helped the early Church, and it is one that helps us now. When this Gospel was written, well within the first century, the Church was small indeed, and the strong winds were blowing against it, threatening its survival. The vision of Jesus walking on water inspired fear and awe. After Jesus calls them to task, Peter makes a conditional request. "If it is you...." And Jesus simply challenges Peter by issuing the command: "Come!" Peter is clearly the leader. It is he who fixes his eyes on the one who summoned him. And it is Peter who falters. But more importantly, it is Peter who recovers by grasping the hand of the One who reaches out to him.

This reaching out to grasp the offered hand is enough for the Church. In the strength of Christ, the Church can stand against the sinful forces of the world in which it finds itself. The Church will falter when its faith falters. It will fail when it doubts the presence of its Lord. It will experience the poise and calmness of soul that comes with firm faith in the presence of Jesus Christ in its midst.

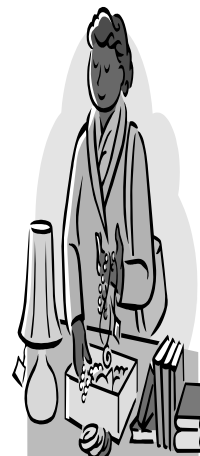
**FLEA MARKET**

It's time to start cleaning out your closets... Good Shepherd's annual Flea Market is coming!

When: Saturday, September 17

Time: 7am – 1pm\*

Where: Good Shepherd  
Parking Lot



There are two ways to get involved: donate items for the Church to sell or rent a space to sell your own items. The price to rent a space is \$35 for a single stall and \$50 for a double stall. Come join us for a fun morning of discovering old treasures!

\*NOTE TIME CHANGE!

Questions? Please call (925) 777-1106.

**ATTENTION ALL CRAFTERS!**

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

The Craft Fair will be on **November 19<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:goodshepherdcraftfair@gmail.com) or call (925) 777-1106.

**ATTENTION ALL GOOD SHEPHERD PARISHIONERS!!!!**

Stewardship Retreat—August 27th—  
9am-12pm in the Parish Hall

Share with us the journey  
of stewardship!

Have you listened to God's calling?  
Have you shared it with others?  
Find out how you can give back for  
all of the blessings  
God has given you.

PLEASE JOIN US

***If any one is interested in purchasing another new statue for our sanctuary, please contact Yvette in the Parish Office at 432-6404, ext. 12***

**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.

**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, August 9<sup>th</sup> 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.

**FLU SHOT CLINIC AT GOOD SHEPHERD  
AFTER ALL MASSES SEPTEMBER 10 & 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**

**PLEASE NOTE THIS IMPORTANT  
2ND COLLECTION CHANGE!**

Cathedral Sunday was originally scheduled for September 11th this year. However, as this year marks the 10th anniversary of the tragic 9/11 terrorists attacks on our nation, many parishes want to focus their attention on community outreach and peace building. Consequently, the Cathedral Sunday 2nd Collection will take place on **August 28th** instead, and in the spirit of reaching out to our brothers and sisters in our community, the 2nd Collection for St. Vincent De Paul will take place on **September 11th.**

If you receive envelopes, you will simply need to reverse the envelopes for those two weekends which fall one week apart.

**We appreciate your cooperation!**

**Mass Intentions Aug 8—14**

Mon	7:00	Claudio Jarabe †
Tue	7:00	Nina Salvetti †
Wed	7:00	Rose Greenup †
Thur	7:00	Mele Kulanoa †
Fri	7:00	Michael Enriquez †
Sat	8:00	Ken Monnens †
	5:30	John Blau †
Sun	8:00	Ken Monnens †
	10:00	Rose Marie Camitz & Ken Monnens †
	12:00	Alphonse "Red" Cappuncini †
	2:00	FOR THE PEOPLE
	5:30	Josephine Viscuso †

†Indicates those who are deceased

**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED FOR  
August 13/14**

<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>5:30 pm</b>	Zac Wolf, Gabby & Christ Barrett, David Ferris
<b>Sunday</b>	
<b>8:00 am</b>	Giovanni Ferrante & Jordan Windham
<b>10 am</b>	Ku'u Tai, Kyle Dozier, Gillian & Giles Carlos
<b>12 pm</b>	Michael Umadhay, Ashley Mandap, Shawn, Jarred & Reynaldo Leano
<b>5:30 pm</b>	Anthony Johnson, Erik Smith, Margarita Gonzalez

**SPM GOLF TOURNAMENT:** St. Peter Martyr School will hold its 2nd Annual Golf Tournament Sat., October 8, 2011, at the beautiful Deer Ridge Golf Course in Brentwood. Early registration discounts! Entry includes 18 holes of golf, cart, and dinner. Plus, prizes, hole in one contest, longest drive, closest to the pin, putting contest, and more. Registration and sponsor forms available at [925-439-1014](tel:925-439-1014). Relax, come join the fun, bring your friends, and support Catholic education!

**NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION  
DEBT REDUCTION**

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS August 14, 2011**

**Isaiah 56:1, 6-7, Romans 11:13-15,  
29-32, Matthew 15L21-28**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION UPDATE**

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

**\$ 4,532.00** 1st Collection

**\$ 9,418.00** EFT

**\$13,950.00** Total 1st Collection

**Positive this week \$4,350**

**YEAR TO DATE FINANCE UPDATE**

All parish income as of

July 31, 2011 **\$507,358**

Expenses as of 7/31/11 **\$517,591**

Expenses over Income **-\$ 10,233**

**YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS**

**Baptisms 30**

**First Holy Communions 38**

**Confirmations 47**

**Deaths 41**

**Weddings 1**

**Sick Calls 294**

**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.

August 15th, 2011

Feast of the Ascension is

not a Holy Day of Obligation  
this year.

There will be mass at 7 am that day.