

# Church of the Good Shepherd

December 27, 2015

Feast of the Holy Family

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

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PARISH MINISTRY  
Altar Guild Namie Fontecha  
Altar Servers Arturo Bazon 510-677-7915  
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 Leandra Ramm 432-6404  
5:30 Spanish Leandra Ramm 432-6404  
Catholic Daughters Jane Russo 432-7889  
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 Gina Llaguno 522-6164  
Finance Council Robert Calone 432-3300  
Grief Ministry Judy Dudziak 565-2700  
Italian Catholic Federation – Patty Jarrett 228-0810  
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Romeo & Sery Razo 439-7706  
Social Justice 432-6404  
Spanish Ministry Graciela Corona 510-912-1102  
St. Vincent DePaul Assistance Line 727-5712  
Stewardship 432-6404  
Ushers Patricia Cadena 439-3181  
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Wedding Liturgy Coordinators  
Danette Shipe 427-9561 or Bee Francisco 473-9247  
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### Parish Staff

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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:  
[baptisms@goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:baptisms@goodshepherdpittsburg.org)

**Marriages:** Couples are required to make  
arrangements at least six months in  
advance at:  
[weddings@goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:weddings@goodshepherdpittsburg.org)

**Quinceaneras:** In order to schedule a 15th  
Birthday Mass, contact:  
[quince@goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:quince@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.

## Holy Family Sunday

I would like to suggest some practical tips for families to grow deeper in your spiritual life especially on this Jubilee of Mercy and as we enter the New Year:

1. Pray before Meals
2. Pray the Rosary or the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy once a week
3. Prepare for Sunday Mass by reading the Gospel for that Sunday
4. Take the opportunity to come to our Lenten and Advent Penance Service and Reflection
5. Make a Pilgrimage to Our Cathedral of Christ the Light in Oakland

My focus this year is to encourage and create plans and events for our families. With the help of the Divine Mercy Prayer Group, we will make every effort to visit your homes and pray with you. Please call our office if you want your house blessed and to have a priest visit your home and pray with you and enthrone the image of our Blessed Virgin Mary and the of the Divine Mercy of Jesus.

Please remember always that the **"family that prays together, stays together"**. I hope and pray that this will be a year of grace and peace for all families. May the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph be our guide and example towards building a Christian Family.

## Annual Financial Report

We are so blessed this year with your financial support and your pledges for our Diocesan Capital Campaign. Thank you for your generosity! In January 2016, we shall send the 2015 financial report and the 2016 budget income and expenses to you via mail. My desire is that I want to be very transparent concerning money and parish financial needs. I made this very clear to our Finance Council Members and our office staff. It is through your generosity that this parish has been financially blessed. Good shepherd is still standing tall and a home of our Catholic Faith due to your love and care. Hence, I pray that each one must take part in maintaining our facilities and church and get involve in our ministries. I would like to encourage everyone this year to at least put your church in your family budget. I would like to recommend that you offer at least 5% of your income for charities and also for our parish ministries. I am a believer that **"God bless a cheerful giver 2 Cor 9:6-7."**

## Holy Day of Obligation

Solemnity of the Motherhood of Jesus is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated on December 31 at 7PM with Candle Blessing for Peace and on January 1 at 10AM. Please bring your candles to be blessed or you can get one from our church for \$3 (donation). On this very day, we shall pray for peace in the world and in our families. The blessed candles represent Jesus our Light and our Light for our Homes. Make a sacred space or altar in your homes and light this candle each time you pray together.

Happy New Year from your Good Shepherd Staff and your priest! May this year be a fruitful and blessed year for all of us!

## INFORM YOUR FAITH!

**Television:** EWTN on channel 261 on DISH Network  
or channel 370 on DIRECTV or channel 229 on Comcast

**Radio:** KSFB AM 1260 San Francisco  
Sirius/XM Channels:  
The Catholic Channel 129  
EWTN 130  
The Message 63

**December 27– Feast of the Holy Family**

Today is the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, and so we can celebrate that we all belong to the Holy Family of God which makes us brothers and sisters to each other.

As we wrap up this calendar year and continue on in this Year of Divine Mercy - thank you for supporting our brothers and sisters in Christ whom our parish family serves at St. Vincent de Paul. Your time, prayers and donations are both Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, and for this we (and those we serve) are extremely grateful. May God continue to bless you, and Happy New Year!

"Trent Horn-

Answering Life's Tough Questions

January 9, 2016 from 10:00 - 1:30PM

Have a hard time explaining your faith? Join Trent Horn, radio personality, apologist, author, and speaker, to life's tough questions. Bring family and friends and don't miss out on this opportunity not only to enrich your faith, but to help others begin their own journey to faith. Tickets are a \$10 donation.

Contact Naomi & Brian at [925-303-6914](tel:925-303-6914) / [n.sarao87@gmail.com](mailto:n.sarao87@gmail.com)"

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

*Thank you to the Young Ladies Institute for their generous Christmas gift to the parish!*

## Good Shepherd Celebrating Year of Mercy 2016

- January Intention: (Month for Vocations)**
- 1 Solemnity of the Motherhood of Mary (Day of Obligation)
  - 14 **Parish Dinner – New Year Celebration with CDA**
  - 17 Feast of the Santo Nino at 12 Noon Mass
  - 23 Walk for Life SFO with FFL, Knights of Columbus and Youth Ministry
- February Intention: (Month for the Sick and the Homebound)**
- 10 Ash Wednesday 7AM, 830AM Masses, 3PM Service, 4:30PM Service, 6PM Mass English and 7:00PM Mass (Spanish – Parish Hall)
  - 11 **Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes 10AM With Mass of Healing with the Sacrament of Anointing**
  - 12, 19, 26 6PM Soup Dinner followed by 7:30PM Stations of the Cross with YFL (Bi-lingual)
  - 28 **World Vision Campaign at 8AM, 10AM & 12N Masses**

more to come.....

### ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY & UNIVERSITY DISCERNMENT RETREAT WEEKEND

January 15-17, 2016

*Should YOU consider the Priesthood?*

If you are a single male, 21 years or older,  
contemplating your life's vocation, why not  
attend this *FREE*, no obligation retreat weekend?

You will attend conferences, learn about  
seminary formation and priestly life, attend daily Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, have time for private prayer and recreation.

All meals and lodging are provided.

Contact Fr. Neal Clemons, Diocese of Oakland Vocation Director at 510-267-8356 or go to  
[vocations@oakdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@oakdiocese.org) or  
[discernment.retreat@stpsu.org](mailto:discernment.retreat@stpsu.org)  
650-325-5621

### **YOUTH MINISTRY BOGO FUNDRAISER!!!!!!**

Youth Ministry is having a fund raiser to help our youth go on Retreat! Buy a key tag for \$20 and enjoy savings until November 2016! By One Get One FREE at Domino's Pizza or Togo's. Fantastic savings! See a youth ministry student or Debbie or Dina after Mass for this SPECIAL DEAL or contact the parish office.

**Mass Intentions**

**Dec 28-Jan 3**

- Mon 7 am Rose Riso † \***
- Tue 7 am Rose Riso † !**
- Wed 7 am Paciano Guitivano † \***
- Thu 7 am Becky Naca's Birthday \***  
**10 am Celestone Erese † (SV)**  
**7 pm Yvonne Hurtado Birthday † \***
- Fri 10 am Sery Razo's Birthday & Sery & Romeo Razo Anniversary \***
- Sat 8 am Bienvenido & Gloria Guzman †**  
**5:30pm Dolojan & Abrera Families \***
- Sun 8am FOR THE PEOPLE \***  
**10am Ralph Rosario Jr. †**  
**12pm Chase & Briana Ripoli's New Marriage**  
**5:30pm Jonathan Sarpolis †**

\*= Fr. Carl Arcosa  
 !=Fr. Helmut

#=Fr. Conrad Bayor

**YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS**

<b>Baptisms</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>First Holy Communions</b>	<b>103</b>
<b>Confirmations</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Deaths</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Weddings</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Sick Calls</b>	<b>6</b>

**LECTORS SCHEDULE FOR JAN 2/3**

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>
<b>Saturday</b>		
<b>5:30</b>	<b>Chelo Gonzalez</b>	<b>May Plata</b>
<b>Sunday</b>		
<b>8:00</b>	<b>Ellen Vilorio</b>	<b>Tess Cahayag</b>
<b>10:00</b>	<b>Flor Bartolo</b>	<b>Rosy Rivera</b>
<b>12:00</b>	<b>Bonnie Ozel</b>	<b>Jane Russo</b>
<b>5:30</b>	<b>Reina Martinez</b>	<b>Maria Elena Trujillo</b>

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR JAN 2/3**

- Saturday**
- 5:30: Carol & Ben Davi, Edward & Marina Bond, Maya Duran, Josephine Saca**
- Sunday**
- 8:00 Debbie Lawson, Milo & Adele Discipulo, Cynthia Greely, Sonja Shephard, Ed Woodrow**
- 10:00 John & Janis Rinaudo, Georgette Shipe, Rose Carpenello, Namie Fontecha, Becky & Jun Naca, David Viart, Tammy Vo**
- 12:00 Napoleon & Theresa Umadhay, John Bellando, Lea Briones, Jubene, Roy & Ronne Lagarejos, Romeo & Sery Razo**
- 5:30 Marcelina Diaz, Alicia Leon, Librado Mata**

**GREAT NEWS!**

**WE ARE AT 99.73% OF OUR DIOCESAN CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GOAL!!!!**  
**PLEASE GIVE TO TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION SO THAT WE CAN COMPLETE OUR COMMITMENT TO OUR BISHOP!**

**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE FOR JAN 2/3**

- Saturday**
- 5:30 Chase Smith, Frederick Alesna, Macey Robles**
- Sunday**
- 8:00 Don Phan, Elijah & Mariah Hart**
- 10:00 Riodelle Reyes, Alyssamae & Eugene Buena, Sofia Viart**
- 12:00 Ronne Lagarejos, John Del Carmen, Jamil Edwards, Bonifacio Dador**
- 5:30 Irene & Ashley Ramos, Julian Hernandez, Carlos Mendoza**

**HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

**Mass for Peace & Vigil for the Solemnity of Mary**  
**December 31—7 am & 7 pm in the Church**

**Solemnity of Mary, January 1**  
**Holy Day of Obligation-Mass at 10 am**

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

**Isaiah 60:1-6, Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6, Matthew 2:1-12**

**NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION**

**BUILDING FUND**