

# Church of the Good Shepherd

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

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- CATHOLIC SCHOOL-St. Peter Martyr 439-1014
- PARISH MINISTRY
- Altar Guild Namie Fontecha
- Altar Servers Dina Russell 432-6404
- 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 Fil Am 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 Tammy Vo 698-4559
- 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 427-5265
- Finance Robert Calone 432-3300
- Grief Ministry Judy Dudziak 565-2700
- Italian Catholic Federation – Patty Jarrett 228-0810
- Knights of Columbus – Allan Graff 570-4570
- 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 Deacon Ken Wedge 432-6404
- Baptismal Prep – Robert & Sheena Beck 432-6404
- Returning Catholics-Fr. Carl Arcosa 432-6404
- Santo Nino Family Prayer Ministry
- Romeo & Sery Razo 439-7706
- Social Justice Deacon Ken Wedge 432-6404
- Spanish Ministry Graciela Corona 510-912-1102
- St. Vincent DePaul Assistance Line 727-5712
- Stewardship Darla Kilgannon 432-0243
- Ushers Frank DiMaggio 776-5107
- Vocations Fr. Carl Arcosa 432-6404
- Wedding Liturgy Coordinators
- Danette Shipe 427-9561 or Bee Francisco 473-9247
- Young Ladies Institute-Feli Buettner 432-7382

### Parish Staff

**Fr. Carl Arcosa,**  
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**Fr. Conrad Bayor**  
Resident Priest  
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**Rev. Mr. Ken Wedge, Deacon**  
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**Michael Nufable, Seminarian**

**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: Saturday, 4:00 p.m., Tuesdays  
at 7 p.m., or by appointment.**

**Baptisms:** In order to make baptismal arrangements, contact:  
baptisms@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

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

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

**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.

November 22-23

Celebrating Stewardship Month

**To Be a Christian Steward:**  
**A Summary of the U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter**  
**on Stewardship**

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Pt 4:10).

What identifies a steward? Safeguarding material and human resources and using them responsibly are one answer; so is generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. But being a Christian steward means more. As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

**Stewards of Vocation**

Jesus calls us, as his disciples, to a new way of life—the Christian way of life—of which stewardship is part. But Jesus does not call us as nameless people in a faceless crowd. He calls us individually, by name. Each one of us—clergy, religious, lay person; married, single; adult, child—has a personal vocation. God intends each one of us to play a unique role in carrying out the divine plan. The challenge, then, is to understand our role—our vocation—and to respond generously to this call from God. Christian vocation entails the practice of stewardship. In addition, Christ calls each of us to be stewards of our personal vocations, which we receive from God.

**Stewards of the Church**

Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church—collaborators and cooperators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's essential mission. This mission—proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying—is our task. It is the personal responsibility of each one of us as stewards of the Church. All members of the Church have their own roles to play in carrying out its mission:

Parents, who nurture their children in the light of faith;

Parishioners, who work in concrete ways to make their parishes true communities of faith and vibrant sources of service to the larger community;

All Catholics, who give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church.

To be Continued

Source: <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/stewardship/>

**TODAY IS COMMITMENT  
SUNDAY!**

**Make sure to fill out your  
commitment card and place it in the  
collection basket, even if you did so  
last year!**

**THANKSGIVING MASS  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH  
WILL BE CELEBRATED AT  
9 AM!**

**BRING AN ITEM FROM YOUR  
THANKSGIVING DINNER TO BE  
BLESSED THAT MORNING!**



**HOUSEKEEPING MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR  
GREEN THUMB!**

**If you are good with plants and have a little time  
on Saturday and Monday mornings,  
the Housekeeping Ministry would like your help  
watering and tending to the plants in the church.  
You can contact Sonja Shephard at 252-0236 or  
come to the church by 9 am on Saturday  
morning or 8 am on Monday morning.**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER**

**Last week we reached a milestone!  
Through your gifts, the Society of St. Vin-  
cent De Paul here at Good Shepherd  
Church, helped 100 families in need.  
Thank you!**

**We are also taking applications for those  
that need help with Christmas gifts for  
their children, please call the office.**

**PARISH LITURGY & EVENTS CALENDAR Year 2014**

November 23	Feast of Christ the King-Commitment Sunday
November 27	Parish Thanksgiving Mass 9AM
December 1	Advent Parish Reflection with Fr. Jose Arong, OMI at 7 pm
December 8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
December 12	Feast Our Lady of Guadalupe 7pm Spanish Mass
December 16-24	Simbang Gabi – 9 Novena (5am) Masses
December 20-21	Fr. Conrad's 25th Sacerdotal Anniversary
December 25	Christmas Day with Children's Mass at 10am
December 31	Evening Mass for Peace at 7 pm (Vigil for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God) (Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)



**SPANISH DIVINE MERCY  
EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

**8 am to 7 pm**

**Today! November 23, 2014**

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish**

**500 Fairview Ave Brentwood**

**925-470-5944**

**Donation is \$10 per day or  
\$15 for both days.**

**Mass with Fr. Fernando Echeverri  
at 7 pm on Monday, November 24th**

**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-7 pm**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday  
from 8 am—6 pm**

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

**DIOCESE OF OAKLAND DIVINE MERCY MINISTRY**

- ◇ **December 5 at 7 pm On Fire Evangelization Advent Retreat with Jesse Romero. Spanish presentation on Our Lady of Guadalupe at Church of the Good Shepherd. Donation: \$5.**
- ◇ **December 6, 9 am to 3 pm A Day with Jesse Romero including his conversion story and topics such as “Be Bold, Be Catholic, Say Yes to Jesus,” “When Someone You Love Leaves the Church at St. Agnes Church in Concord. Pre-registration required by December 1st at 925-689-8814. Adults: \$15 and Youth: \$5, includes lunch.**
- ◇ **December 6 at 7 pm Spanish Presentation on Our Lady of Guadalupe at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Brentwood. Donation: \$5.**
- ◇ **December 7 at 7 pm Evangelizing the Youth, Topic: “Young People, Stressed out? Try Adoration” at Church of the Good Shepherd. Donation: \$5.**

**For more information on all of these events contact Fr. Carl Arcosa at 925-432-6404 or  
www.divinemercoakland.org.**

## DIOCESAN &amp; COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

**Dec 13**      **Advent Retreat, 9:30am-4pm,  
Dominican Sisters of Mission San  
Jose Auditorium  
RSVP by 12/8 510-933-6335**

**SHEPHERD'S CLOSET NEEDS HELP FOR CHRISTMAS**

Thank you once again to all parishioners who have generously donated many items to Shepherd's Closet throughout the year. As we prepare for Christmas, we ask you to help us provide NEW clothes that can be used for Christmas, for church and for school. We are looking for children sizes 3 months - 24 months, as well and sizes 2T- 5T and sizes 4 - 6x. We continue to need receiving blankets, other blankets, towels, and disposable diapers, sizes 1 - 5. In addition, we would also appreciate baby shampoo, oil, lotion, etc.

There will be boxes located in the vestibule of the church in which to place your donations. If you are unable to shop, we will accept financial donations and do the shopping for you. May God bless you for adding Shepherd's Closet to your Christmas Shopping List. If you have any questions, call Ann Abitz at 432-3995.

**FATIMA, LOURDES &  
SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA**

*A trip hosted by: REV. CARL ARCOSA*  
**11 DAYS: NOVEMBER 3-13, 2015**

**FOR ONLY \$3,159 PER PERSON FROM  
SAN FRANCISCO!**

(Air/Land tour price is \$2,479 plus \$680 government taxes/  
airline fuel surcharges)

**Visiting: LISBON, FATIMA, SANTIAGO DE  
COMPESETAL, SALAMANCA, AVILA,  
MADRID & LOURDES**

*Including: Roundtrip Air from San Francisco, \$680  
government taxes/airline fuel surcharges, First  
Class/Select Hotels, Most Meals, Comprehensive  
Sightseeing and much more!!!*

**FOR A BROCHURE & MORE INFORMATION  
CONTACT REV. ARCOSA AT 925-432-6404 (OFFICE) OR  
510-552-6596 (CELL)**

**SPACE IS LIMITED AT THIS SPECIAL PRICE!**

## ADORATION CHAPEL

When you are in the chapel, there are a number of ways you can spend your time with the Lord. You can just sit quietly in adoration. There are rosaries that you can use to help you if you want to pray a Rosary or a Chaplet of Divine Mercy. There are also a number of prayer books and other Christian books to help you develop a more intimate relationship with Jesus. You are free to use these whenever you want to while you are in the chapel, but we ask that you do not remove them from the chapel.

We have noticed that some of the books that were placed in the chapel are no longer there, if you took any of them with you so you could read them at home, we ask that you return them to the chapel as soon as possible so that everyone has the opportunity to use these books.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF  
AMERICA LAST BINGO GAME OF  
THE YEAR!**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2014**

**You are invited to join us in the Good  
Shepherd Parish Hall!**

**Doors open at 10 am.**

**\$10 for the first card and  
lunch is included!**

**Additional cards are just \$1 each or  
.50 in the second half!**

**Flash boards are .50 and \$1.**

***You could win \$1,199!!!!***

**Prizes and Christmas gifts during  
half time**

**FYI!: If you wish to make contact with our  
former Pastor, Fr. Helmut Richter, he can  
be reached in any of the  
following ways:**

**Cell phone: 925-382-8186**

**Email: papahelmut@yahoo.com**

**Address: 163 Peppertree Way,  
Pittsburg, CA 94565**

Mass Intentions

Nov 24-30

- Mon 7 am Francisco E. Dolojan † #
- Tue 7 am Rebecca V. Dolojan † \*
- Wed 7 am Pedro Villanueva † #
- Thu 9 am Ken Monnens † \* #
- Fri 7 am Fernando Navarrete † \*
- Sat 8 am Anna Tran † \*
- 5:30<sub>pm</sub> Dick Burian Death Anniversary † #
- Sun 8am Ted Rodella † \*
- 10am Robert LeVine † #
- 12pm Ramon Cuya † \*
- 5:30<sub>pm</sub> FOR THE PEOPLE ^

\*= Fr. Carl Arcosa #=Fr. Conrad Bayor  
 ^= Fr. Fabio Correa

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

Baptisms	98
First Holy Communions	74
Confirmations	48
Deaths	30
Weddings	3
Sick Calls	48

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NOV 29-30

- Saturday**  
 5:30: Carol & Ben Davi, Mary Deren, Maya Duran, Nora Gavino, Lucilla Mangante
- Sunday**  
 8:00 Fe Castillo, Kevin Carter, Martha Marin, Yvonne Lackey, Patrick Wilson, Ed Woodrow
- 10:00 Dom & Fran Confetti, Laura Canciamilla, Florida Castillo, Namie Fontecha, Bee Francisco, Dina Russell, Fran Scott, Tammy Vo
- 12:00 Romeo & Sery Razo, Mercy Cruz, Roy & Ronne Lagarejos, Debbie Lawson, Melis Ramirez, Napoleon & Theresa Umadhay
- 5:30 Isabel Aguilera, Marcelina Diaz, Angeles Rios



ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE FOR NOV 29/30

- Saturday**  
 5:30 Rafael Almarinez, Eva Jiminez, John Del Carmen, Ava Duran
- Sunday**  
 8:00 Cameron Mendoza, Alyssamae Buena, Bryan Cabading, Carl Camarao
- 10:00 Macey Robles, Marcos Romero, Rebecca Esquivel, Frederick Alesna
- 12:00 Jasper Lomod, Jannah & Julianna Castro, Isaiah & Briana Rodriguez
- 5:30 Jesus Gonzalez, Veronica Gonzalez, Araceli Gonzalez & Kimberly Figueroa

LECTORS SCHEDULE FOR NOV 29/30

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>
<b>Saturday</b>		
5:30	Sally Bellando	May Plata
<b>Sunday</b>		
8:00	Ina Kinadeter	Darla Kilgannon
10:00	Linda Ilas	Jane Russo
12:00	Letha Payne	Naomi Sarao
5:30	Leticia Hernandez	Anahy Hernandez



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7,  
 1 Corinthians 1:3-9, Mark 13:33-37

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION

DEBT REDUCTION