

Church of the Good Shepherd

October 9, 2016

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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10:00am Choir Sal Bruno 432-0736
12 Noon Choir Cynthia Auza 427-0778
5:30 Spanish
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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:
carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

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

Quinceaneras: In order to schedule a 15th
Birthday Mass, contact:
carmen@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.

2016 PRE-HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR SIGN UPS

We are still taking sign ups for the Pre-Holiday Craft Fair this year to be held Sunday, October 23, 2016 from 9-3 pm.

We are also welcoming volunteers of all ages to wear and show a traditional cultural outfit you use from your country. This will happen after each of the masses the day of the fair. If you are interested in joining as a vendor or wear and show an outfit, please contact Awilda Graff at [\(925\) 642-0876](tel:9256420876) or email at sewasuno@gmail.com.

Clothing Drive

October 15th & 16th

Good Shepherd Church will sponsor a clothing drive to benefit Fr. Helmut's **Jail Ministry**.

Various Men's clothing slightly used and clean, most particularly bottoms: slacks, gym shorts, Levi's, shorts. The following items must be in original packaging for hygiene reasons: t-shirts, white socks, underwear, briefs & boxers.

Fr. Helmut will be available to accept these donations after each mass on October 15-16

Please call the Parish Office or Fr. Helmut at 925-382-8186 with any questions.

Thank You for your support and generosity.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!

**Our brothers and sisters at St. Bonaventure Church invite us to their
Gala & Boutique
November 4-5, 2016
5562 Clayton Rd., Concord
925-672-5800**

Friday night "Winter Wonderland" includes wine, appetizers, auction, raffles, wine pull, Boutique and Country Kitchen from 6-8 pm.

The event continues on Saturday at 10 am with the Classy Crafters Boutique and Country Kitchen until 2 pm.

Proceeds benefit the church and their food pantry.

Admission is FREE!

Singers Wanted

Our 8:00, 10:00, and Noon Choirs are seeking new choir members. If you enjoy singing and praising God through song come join our Music Ministry. Contact any choir member after Mass or call the church office and leave a message to join.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING NEWS!

If you haven't already heard, Church of Good Shepherd is now in the window for required Safe Environment training. We are mandated to do this every three years.

All parishioners who are engaged in any parish ministry must complete the training by October 1st, 2016.

You can train online: www.virtusonline.org or register for a live training at the same link.

"Live" Training at Church of the Good Shepherd

If you are uncomfortable with online training sessions, we will have a live training at our parish.

**"Live" Safe Environment Training
7 pm, October 11, 2016 in the Church**

Or select a live training at another site in the Diocese. *"Live" Training at Other Churches:*

You must pre-register for the live training (see instructions below). If you need assistance please call **Debbie Lawson**.

Below is the online information to register with Virtus, our new Safe Environment Platform for either online training or live training.

Step #1:

View the Registration Instructions:

- [Safe Environment Registration Instructions](#)

Step #2:

Visit the Training Site - *Set up an account and either choose the live training of your choice or choose the online training.*

- [Safe Environment Online Training](#) (English)

- [Formación De Ambiente Seguro En Línea](#) (Spanish)

Step #3:

If you train online: Be sure to e-mail or send your printed certificate to

debbie@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Dear Parishioners: As we approach the November National Elections, I would like to present the following principles and our common welfare. For this month and next month, I shall devote my article in presenting these principles on voting for our candidates... the catholic way.

A Brief Catechism for Catholic Voters
Fr. Stephen F. Torracco, PhD

If I have strong feelings or opinions in favor of a particular candidate, even if he is pro-abortion, why may I not vote for him?

As explained in question 1 above, neither your feelings nor your opinions are identical with your conscience. Neither your feelings nor your opinions can take the place of your conscience. Your feelings and opinions should be governed by your conscience. If the candidate about whom you have strong feelings or opinions is pro-abortion, then your feelings and opinions need to be corrected by your correctly informed conscience, which would tell you that it is wrong for you to allow your feelings and opinions to give lesser weight to the fact that the candidate supports a moral evil.

If I may not vote for a pro-abortion candidate, then should it not also be true that I can't vote for a pro-capital punishment candidate?

It is not correct to think of abortion and capital punishment as the very same kind of moral issue. On the one hand, direct abortion is an intrinsic evil, and cannot be justified for any purpose or in any circumstances. On the other hand, the Church has always taught that it is the right and responsibility of the legitimate temporal authority to defend and preserve the common good, and more specifically to defend citizens against the aggressor. This defense against the aggressor may resort to the death penalty if no other means of defense is sufficient. The point here is that the death penalty is understood as an act of self-defense on the part of civil society. In more recent times, in his encyclical *Evangelium Vitae*, Pope John Paul II has taught that the need for such self-defense to resort to the death penalty is "rare, if not virtually nonexistent." Thus, while the Pope is saying that the burden of proving the need for the death penalty in specific cases should rest on the shoulders of the legitimate temporal authority, it remains true that the legitimate temporal authority alone has the authority to determine if and when a "rare" case arises that warrants the death penalty. Moreover, if such a rare case does arise and requires resorting to capital punishment, this societal act of self-defense would be a *morally good action* even if it does have the unintended and unavoidable evil effect of the death of the aggressor. Thus, unlike the case of abortion, it would be morally irresponsible to rule out all such "rare" possibilities a priority, just as it would be morally irresponsible to apply the death penalty indiscriminately.

PRAY AND VOTE WISELY!

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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| Mondays | Prayer Group for the Sick -11 am to 12 noon in the Ministry Building
Confirmation Class -7 pm-Ministry Building-2nd & 4th Mondays (Sept-May)
Grief Ministry -1st & 3rd Mondays at 7 pm in the Ministry Building
Novena to Holy Infant Jesus (Santo Nino) - 7 pm in church (Mass on 1st Monday of the month). Blessing of the statues takes place before mass. |
| Tuesdays | Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help (Mass on each first Tuesday) ~Church~7 pm
Bad Girls of the Bible ~7 pm~432-3181 |
| Wednesdays | 8 & 10 Choir Rehearsals ~7 pm
Stewardship ~Office~7pm~ 2nd & 4th
Youth Formation ~Parish Hall 3-4, 4:30-5:30, 6-7, 7:30-8:30 Sept-May |
| Thursdays | Bible Study ~Office~7pm
Senior Brown Bag Program ~Hall 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month 10 am~12 noon |
| Fridays | Adoration begins after 7 am mass until 7 pm
Chaplet of Divine Mercy -3 pm
Teresita #123, YLI Pray & Chat with Divine Mercy Group |
| Saturdays | La Pieta International Prayer Group Every Saturday after the 8 am mass
Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Prayer Group 1st Saturday of the Month From 9-10:30 am in the Ministry Bldg |
| Sundays | Life Teen -Parish Hall-11-1 pm September-May
12 Noon Choir Practice -1 pm
Spanish Choir Practice -4 pm (4:30 on 3rd Sundays of the month) |

Please join the Morning Prayer Group daily at 6:30 am to pray the Liturgy of the Hours in the Church before morning mass!

Good Shepherd Celebrating Year of Mercy 2016

October	Intention: (Month for Life)
7	Blessing of Pets/ Animals – St. Francis of Assisi Day at 9AM
17	Parish Dinner with Knights of Columbus
November	(Stewardship Month)
1	All Saints Day 7AM and 7PM Masses
2	All Souls Day 7Am and 7PM Masses
7-17	Parish Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to the Holy Land
19	St. Vincent De Paul Thanksgiving Baskets
19-20	Stewardship Sunday and Testimonials at Sunday Mass
24	Thanksgiving Day at 7 am and 10 am
December	Intention: (Month for Abused Children and Suffering Children)
8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 7AM & 7PM Masses
11	5AM Mananitas & 5:30PM Mass (In Spanish)
17	Parish Christmas Giving Tree
18	Posadas with Hispanic Ministry
16-24	Simbang Gabi with Filipino Ministry
24	Children's Christmas Mass 530PM
25	Christmas Mass at 12MN, 8AM, 10AM, 12N and 530PM (Spanish)
30	Feast of the Holy Family 7AM & 7PM Mass with FFL and Matrimonios Para Cristo

YMI NEWS

The Young Men's Institute, Sadoc Council #59, will honor its Catholic Women of the Year on Saturday, October 22, 2016 at St. Peter Martyr School, which will also receive a portion of the net proceeds. For tickets and information please call Frank at 925-325-2048.

**ALL SAINTS, NOVEMBER 1
ALL SOULS, NOVEMBER 2
7 PM MASS ON BOTH EVENINGS**

BECOME A UNITED STATES CITIZEN

***Free Citizen Application & Fee Waiver Assistance
Event***

**Saturday, November 5—10:30 am to 1:30 pm
Brentwood Community Center-35 Oak Street**

**Pre-Register at www.ebnatz.org or
call 210-251-2846**

**Documents to bring: 2 copies (front & back) of green
card~2 Passport Photos~List of residency, employment and
school for the last 5 years~List of all trips out of the US, in-
cluding departure and return dates~Spouse infor-
mation~Information on all prior marriages~Information on
any children you have~Documentation of all arrests and/or
convictions**

**Application fee is \$680 payable to Department of Homeland
Security (75 yrs or older pay \$595) or bring proof of income
for possible fee waiver.**

**ADVENT WREATH CANDLE BEARERS
NEEDED!**

If you would like to participate in bringing in the Advent candle one Sunday during Advent, please call the parish office and indicate your preferred date and time. We encourage all individuals and families to consider participating in the Mass in this special way. We will schedule on a first come, first served basis. Currently, all of these spots are open. Parish Office 432-6404.

1st Sunday of Advent, November 27
5:30 pm (Saturday),
8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

2nd Sunday of Advent, December 4
5:30 pm (Saturday),
8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

3rd Sunday of Advent, December 11
5:30 pm (Saturday),
8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

4th Sunday of Advent, December 18
5:30 pm (Saturday),
8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 5:30 pm Spanish

Mass Intentions Oct 10-16

Mon	7 am	Marcelina M. Razo & Joan Davi † *
Tue	7 am	Ken Monnens † *
	10 am	Nena V. Erfe † (DR) #
Wed	7 am	Torralba Family † #
Thu	7 am	Viray Family † *
Fri	7 am	Auza & Phan Families #
Sat	8 am	Rosario A. Viray † #
	5:30pm	Lucila Alcantara Death Anniversary † #
Sun	8am	Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus † #
	10am	FOR THE PEOPLE *
	12pm	Chantal Ysip #
	5:30pm	Jesus & Socorro Gonzalez † *

*= Fr. Carl

#=Fr. Conrad



YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

Baptisms	61
First Holy Communions	217
Confirmations	71
Deaths	28
Weddings	7
Sick Calls	10

October 9: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel we hear that only one of those heal returned to glorify God and give thanks to God. It is true, that when we have a grateful heart we know that everything is a gift from God.

To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF THE 2017 MASS BOOK -

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

9 AM

IN THE PARISH OFFICE
STIPENDS REMAIN AT \$10 EACH

MINISTERS	FOR NEXT	WEEKEND'S	LITURGIES	
Date	Time	Lectors	EM's	Altar Servers
Oct 15	5:30 pm	J Fox Y Ripoli	C Davi, B Davi, E & M Bond, L Mangante D Lawson, R Lawson	
Oct 16	8 am	Knights of Columbus	M Discipulo, A Discipulo, B & S Beck, M Marin, P Wilson, E Woodrow	
Oct 16	10 am	F Bartolo M Plata	J Rinaudo, J Rinaudo, M Benitez, J & B Naca B Francisco, E Pittman, M Reynoso, T Vo	
Oct 16	12 noon	J Russo S Bellando	N Umadhay, T Umadhay, C Auza, M Cruz, L Madrigal, E & M Ramirez, D Phan, R Razo	
Oct 9	5:30 pm	A Hernandez L Castaneda	R Granados, M Diaz, C Greely, L Mata M Trujillo	

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS	NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION
Exodus 17:8-13, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2, Luke 18:1-8	WORLD MISSION SUNDAY