

Church of the Good Shepherd

September 6, 2015

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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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: 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 ad-
vance 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.

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 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
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 Patricia Cadena	439-3181
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

Father Carl's Corner

This weekend I would like to thank Fr. Marcelino Cortez for assisting me and our parish. Please pray for him as he returns to Rome to continue his postgraduate studies. You are invited to join me and Fr. Mars for a pot-luck lunch this Sunday after the 12noon Mass in the parish hall. Please also keep him in your prayers.

I would like to remind you, parents to register your children for Faith Formation before September 13. We have programs for first communion, confirmation and youth and adult catechesis. I would like to commend the diligence of our Directors of Religious Education (Dina Russell and Debbie Lawson) and our generous catechists for sharing their best effort and talent to prepare our children and our youth to receive the sacraments and for handing down to them the powerful and beautiful story of Jesus and his call to discipleship and servanthood. Our goal at Good Shepherd is not to just prepare them for the reception of the sacraments but also to train them and prepare them to be good and faithful disciples of Jesus.

On October 9, Friday at 7:30PM at the Creative Arts Building- Pittsburg High School, the Filipino Ministry will be hosting the concert of Ms. Pilita Corrales, a well-known actress and singer for many decades in the Philippines with the special participation of the Filipino Priests of the Diocese of Oakland. The members of the Filipino Ministry will be outside all our Masses this weekend to give out flyers and sell tickets. The proceeds of this concert will benefit the ministry's preparation for "Simbang Gabi" (a celebration of Novena Masses before Christmas) and to support our church projects and mission. Please support our Filipino Ministry and the upcoming concert! For ticket inquiries contact Tessie Freel at [925 325 5896](tel:9253255896) or Feli Buettner at [925 207 3501](tel:9252073501).

Finally, let us be constant and fervent in praying for those who are sick, the dying and those who will be undergoing surgeries. And if you know someone or a loved one who needs the sacrament of anointing, please call the office asap so that I or Father Conrad could right away administer to them. I thank our group 11AM Monday prayer group for their faithful mission to pray for the homebound and the sick. If you desire to join them, please contact Patty Cadena at [925 439-3181](tel:9254393181).

Please Remember Good Shepherd when you make your trust or will. Consider your parish as one of your children and grandchildren. Thank you so much!

September 6 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel we hear how Jesus "makes the deaf hear and the mute speak!" In living the Gospel, we must open our ears to hear and recognize all the everyday opportunities for making God's presence known; especially to those who are poor and suffering.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can "make God's presence known" to those who are suffering and poor. If you are called to serve those in need, please stop by the pantry at any point on a Saturday from 9:00 - 1:00, or Monday from 2:00 - 4:00, and we will be there to welcome you. God Bless You!

SHEPHERD'S CLOSET IS OPEN THIS WEEK!

Once again Shepherd's Closet will be open on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 from 10 am until 1 pm in the Ministry Building. Shepherd's Closet provides new and gently used baby items and clothing for children, sizes 6 months to size 7. Currently we are running short on boys clothes. We would welcome any donations! We also need diapers sizes 4 and 5.

There is no fee for any of these items. All women who are pregnant or have small children are welcome!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR THESE TWO FANTASTIC PARISH EVENTS:

- ◆ **4TH ANNUAL GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH CRAFT FAIR ON NOVEMBER 15, 2015 FROM 9 AM TO 4 PM IN THE PARISH HALL. VENDOR SIGN UPS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN! ONE TABLE \$35/TWO TABLES \$50 CONTACT AWILDA GRAFF AT 925-642-0873 OR SEWASUNO@GMAIL.COM**
- ◆ **THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, PITTSBURG #2956 5TH ANNUAL CRAB FEED AT THE GOOD SHEPHERD HALL ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 2016 TICKETS GO ON SALE SOON!**

LIFE LINE SCREENING RETURNS TO GOOD SHEPHERD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Register today for the Stroke, Vascular & Heart Rhythm package, which includes four screenings; carotid artery, abdominal aortic aneurysm, peripheral arterial disease and atrial fibrillation. To register and receive a \$10 discount off any package price above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

PARISH DINNER NEWS

Our Monthly Parish Dinners will return in September! Mark your calendars for Thursday, September 17. Details to follow! Our parish anniversary video will be shown at this dinner!

FR. HELMUT'S PRISON MINISTRY NEEDS OUR HELP!

In his work as a Prison Chaplain, Fr. Helmut sees a great need for new socks, underwear and T-shirts for the inmates. They cannot receive used items of this type of clothing for health and sanitary reasons. Therefore, he is asking if we can search our hearts and make a donation of any adult men's sizes of these items to the parish for his distribution in the prisons he serves. The parish office will accept your donations through the month of September and present Fr. Helmut our gifts when he returns from his vacation in October so that he can distribute them to our brothers in prison.

FILIPINO MINISTRY NEWS

Please join us for the Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz on Saturday, September 19, 2015. There will be a mass held at 10:00AM and a pot luck luncheon to follow in the Spiritual Garden. We welcome all volunteers to help in serving food, participating in the raffle, or sponsoring the event. You may contact Gina Llaguno at [925-522-6164](tel:925-522-6164) or Cecelia Perez at [925-300-6234](tel:925-300-6234) for more information. Thank you for your continued support!



The hours in the chapel are changing for Security Reasons Effective 8/31/15.

The Chapel will be open as follows. Monday through Friday 7:00AM to 4:00PM.

Saturday, Sunday and Holidays the Chapel will be closed.

If you would like to use the chapel after hours or weekends and holidays you may do so if you're a parishioner at Good Shepherd Church and you obtain an entry code from Bill Abitz 925 872-5852 or babitz@gmail.com.

2015 Liturgical and Parish Events

September	
8	Birth of Mary Masses 7am & 7pm
17	Parish Dinner with YLI*
19	Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz 10am
26-27	Food for the Poor
27	Feast of St. Vincent de Paul 8am
October	
	(Respect Life Month)
1-31	Month of the Rosary – For Life
3	St. Francis of Assisi with Pot Luck & Blessing of Animals 9 am
5	Feast of St. Faustina Kowalska 7pm mass
8	Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary 7 pm mass
15	Parish Harvest Dinner with Knights of Columbus*
November	
	(Stewardship Month)
1	All Saints
2	All Souls 7am & 7pm masses
3-13	Parish Pilgrimage to Europe
7-8	Cross Catholic Outreach Appeal
19	Parish Dinner with CDA*
22	Commitment Sunday
26	Thanksgiving Day Mass 9AM
30	Parish Advent Reflection and Penance Service 7 pm*
December	
8	Sol. of the Immaculate Conception 7am & 7 pm*
12	Our Lady of Guadalupe Mananitas 5:30 am/Mass TBA
17	Parish Monthly Dinner
6-24	Simbang Gabi 5 am masses
25	Sol. Nativity of Our Lord/Christmas

Note: (*) No ministry meeting should happen on time of event

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 Noon & 1 pm-3 pm

CHAPEL HOURS: Monday-Sunday 7 am-7 pm


Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Fridays from 8 am—6 pm

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 Apartment Novena to Holy Infant Jesus (Santo Nino) - 7 pm-Church (Mass on 1st Mondays). Blessing of the statues takes place before monthly mass)
Tuesdays	Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help (Mass on each first Tuesday) ~Church~7 pm Bad Girls of the Bible ~7 pm~439-3181
Wednesdays	8 & 10 Choir Rehearsals ~7 pm Stewardship ~Office~7pm~2nd & 4th Youth Formation ~Parish Hall 3-4, 430-530, 6-7, 730-830 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 Spanish Choir Rehearsal-7pm FilAm Choir Rehearsal-8 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
Sundays	Life Teen -Parish Hall-11-1 pm-Sep-May 12 Noon Choir Practice -1pm Spanish Choir Practice -4 pm (4:30 on 3rd Sundays of Month)

DIOCESAN HAPPENINGS
***RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND:**
September 18-20
 for those who are experiencing disillusionment
 in their marriage
 Call 510-276-4118 or go to
www.HelpOurMarriage.com
***MAGNIFICAT MINISTRY FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN PRAYER BREAKFAST**
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Mass Intentions

Sept 7-13

Mon	7 am	Mary Ninh † #
	7 pm	Sanot Nino *
Tue	7 am	In Thanksgiving-Pilar Escudero *
	10:30	Frank Shiano † #(Diamond Ridge)
Wed	7 am	Nena V. Erfe † #
Thu	7 am	Peter Dong † #
Fri	7 am	Mary Ninh † *
Sat	8 am	Peter Dong † #
	5:30	Gen Jereczek † %
Sun	8 am	FOR THE PEOPLE *
	10am	Dennis Russo † #
	12pm	Maryann Palomino-Messer † *
	5:30pm	Rosa Enea † !

*= Fr. Carl Arcosa #=Fr. Conrad Bayor
!=Fr. Enrique, %=Fr. Ruben Morales

WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

Are you an adult interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Perhaps you've been thinking of becoming a member of Good Shepherd, or perhaps you are just curious about what Catholics believe. Maybe you wish to receive sacraments you missed earlier in life. Please join us for coffee (soda and water too) and dessert on September 14th at 7pm for a 30-minute question-and-answer session. We'll meet in the parish office, and all are welcome. No obligation. Regular adult sessions will begin September 21 and continue most Mondays until Mid-April, 2016. If you'd like more information, e-mail david@delunatic.com or call the parish office.

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

Baptisms	84
First Holy Communions	103
Confirmations	45
Deaths	26
Weddings	4
Sick Calls	6

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 12/13

Saturday

5:30: Bill & Ann Abitz, Edward & Marina Bond, Lucilla Mangante, Josi Sobel

Sunday

8:00 Bob & Sheena Beck, Steve Confetti, Milo & Adele Discipulo, Martha Marin

10:00 Laura Canciamilla, Florida Castillo, Cecille Cansino, Robert Pascual, Mimi Reynoso, John & Janis Rinaudo, David Viart, Tammy Vo

12:00 Romeo & Sery Razo, John Bellando, Lea Briones, Mercy Cruz, Edgar & Melis Ramirez, Napoleon & Theresa Umadhay

5:30 Alicia Leon, Federico Andrade, Mariana Ortega

LECTORS SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 12/13

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>
Saturday		
5:30	Cynthia Greely	May Plata
Sunday		
8:00	Ellen Vilorio	Ina Kinadeter
10:00	Jessica Florido	Linda Whatford
12:00	Letha Payne	Naomi Sarao
5:30	Angelica Gayton	Leticia Hernandez

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 50:4c-9a, James 2:14-18, Mark 8:27-35

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION

PETER'S PENCE