

Church of the Good Shepherd

September 20, 2015

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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12 Noon Choir Leandra Ramm 432-6404
5:30 Spanish Leandra Ramm 432-6404
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Stewardship Darla Kilgannon 432-0243
Ushers Patricia Cadena 439-3181
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Wedding Liturgy Coordinators
Danette Shipe 427-9561 or Bee Francisco 473-9247
Young Ladies Institute-Feli Buettner 432-7382

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.

Father Carl's Corner

Needing your Talent: Sunday Mass is our time and day to worship our God as a community and as a big family. I always make it a point that it would be a religious encounter for each and every one of us. However, to make this a reality, we need ministry volunteers to be lecturers, ushers and greeters, altar servers and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Hence, if you are still able, please do give it a try to volunteer and offer your time and talent to God and for the community. Please call our office and make an appointment with me so that I may be able to guide and pray with you (fr_carl@goodshepherdpittsburg.org).

Prayer Garden: I would like to thank our prayer garden donors for such a wonderful gift to the parish. Jeff and Joe our ground maintenance crew are doing their best to maintain it and clean it every week. I really like to pray in there some mornings, walk inside the park and pray my rosary or chaplet, praying for all the names of donors. I encourage you to do the same and use it for your spiritual nourishment. Aside from being a prayer garden, it is also our additional event center. Our garden has a basketball court and children's playground attracting many people to enjoy with their family. We are opening the garden for rental as well especially for those who wish to have an outdoor party or reception. Please contact the office if you or your family wishes to hold or throw a party in our prayer garden.

Change of Day off: This coming October my day off will be on Thursday instead of Wednesday. This change came from an inspiration when I went to a seminar for school ministries. Priests must and should be present for the school and for the children in faith formation. Please keep our children in your prayers. We will also create a plan this year, how we could gather our parents for their faith formation as well.

Reserving Seat in the Church: As a rule and a policy here in Good Shepherd, we do not allow people to reserve seats for family members of friends that are coming late except in cases when someone is looking for a spot to park in the parking lot or someone is using the bathroom. No one owns any seat in Good Shepherd. It is always a "first come, first sit policy." If you are late and your seat which you really like to sit on has been taken, then I recommend and encourage you to come early and look for a vacant seat or ask our ushers to assist you. As a rule also, we give special attention to the handicapped, physically challenged and the elderly. Please feel free to approach any of our ushers if you need help and assistance.

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!

MUSEUM FUND RAISER

Pittsburg Historical Society and the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local #342, are joining together for our annual fundraiser Pasta Dinner. This year, we will be honoring Coach Jim "Smiley" Camitz. The dinner will take place on Sunday, September 27, 2015, at Church of the Good Shepherd Hall, 3200 Harbor St. in Pittsburg. Tickets are \$30.00 and may be purchased at the museum 515 Railroad Ave., or contact Rosemarie DiMaggio, rDIMAGGIO38@att.net or at 925-432-3648.

No Host cocktail hour from 4-5 PM and dinner at 5:00 PM. Menu includes, Carmine Salad, pasta, BBQ sausage and dessert, and will be prepared by local chefs.

SINGERS WANTED!

Our 8 am and 10 am Choirs are seeking new members! If you enjoy singing and praising God through song, come join our Music Ministry. To join, contact any choir member or call the parish office.

SPRED NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Consider becoming an adult volunteer catechist to those with special needs in a small group setting. SPRED (Special Religious Education Department) at Queen of All Saints Church provides ongoing Faith Formation for teens with developmental disabilities. For more information on becoming a volunteer catechist or know of a child ages 11-16 who may be interested in joining us, please contact Marifel Barber at 925-698-9010 or email marifel1@yahoo.com.



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SPIRITUAL GARDEN NEWS!

Beginning immediately, the new Spiritual Garden hours will be 7 am to 7 pm.



September 20 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel Jesus called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

We are all God's children and at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul we are grateful to you for opening your ears and hearing the call to serve. Your gifts of food and financial support allow us to continue to serve those in need. We are also in need of help "putting our arms around God's children" at the pantry on Saturdays and Mondays. Please stop by the pantry after Mass today if you would like to see how you might be able to help receive God's children. God Bless You!

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!**

YLI BUS TRIP

**Black Oak Casino, Saturday, October 24th
Leave Good Shepherd at 8 am
Cost is \$31 per person with \$10 free play and \$5 food return. All welcome and first timers will receive an added bonus and card holders who haven't joined us in over a year will receive \$25 in free play! Call Jennie 432-3921, Eva 432-4337, Christine 473-9510 or Betty 427-1403**

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.

**LITURGY WORKSHOP
THE LITURGICAL YEAR**

SPONSORED BY THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14 AT 7 PM
IN THE MINISTRY BUILDING
EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO LISTEN,
SHARE AND DISCUSS THIS IMPORTANT
INFORMATION!**



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.

DIVINE MERCY MINISTRY-GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

Experience the healing power and mercy of Christ!

The Divine Mercy Ministry will be bringing the Divine Mercy image to parishioners' homes for the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and rosary during the month of October.

Contact Becky Naca 925-858-9217 for more information or to arrange a visit.

2015 Liturgical and Parish Events

September

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

**The Bad Girls of the Bible and
The Women of Christmas**

For one evening a week, join the Bad Girls of the Bible and author Liz Curtis Higgs, as we set aside our Christmas shopping lists and reach for our Bibles. A sacred season is about to unfold for three women whose hearts belong to God; Elizabeth, Mary, Anna and the men in their lives. Let's follow in their footsteps, so you too can prepare for the Savior to enter your hearts, minds, and lives in a vibrant new way this season.

Additionally, A DVD investigation of the story found in the Biblical Gospel of Matthew combines mathematical equations with biblical prophecies to conclude an astronomical mystery was a real event. Come solve this age-old mystery for yourself...

Tuesday evenings starting Sept. 29, 2015 7pm – 8:30pm - 9 sessions.

Contact Patty Cadena at (925) 439-3181 or pick up a brochure at the exit doors for further details and to order your copy of: "The Women of Christmas"

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
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)

**IT'S TIME FOR SPM SCHOOL'S ANNUAL
PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND BAKE SALE!**

The 8th grade class will hold the event in our parish hall on Sunday, October 4 from 7:30 am until noon. Proceeds benefit class activities.

Please stop by and support the class!

Adults: \$7 Children: \$5

Mass Intentions

Sept 21-27

Mon 7 am Charles Seegmiller &
Rosa Enea † *

Tue 7 am Philomena Rocco † <

Wed 7 am Manny Gavino Birthday #

Thu 7 am All Souls † #
10 am Frank Schiano † (SV) #

Fri 7 am Salvatore Calone † #

Sat 8 am Orazio & Olga Aiello † #
5:30 Genevieve Cappucini † #

Sun 8 am Carpino & Clemens Family †
10am Sadie Leber † #
12pm Armando Valenzuela †
5:30pm FOR THE PEOPLE

*= Fr. Carl Arcosa #=Fr. Conrad Bayor <=Fr. Ricardo Chavez

YEAR TO DATE SACRAMENT TOTALS

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE FOR
SEPTEMBER 26/27

Saturday

5:30: Bill & Ann Abitz, Edward & Marina Bond, Loreta Cellan, Nora Gavino

Sunday

8:00 Patrick Wilson, Milo & Adele Discipulo, Cynthia Greely, Yvonne Lackey, Ed Woodrow

10:00 John & Janis Rinaudo, Mila Benitez, Rose Carpenello, Florida Castillo, Robert Pascual, Mimi Reynoso, Dina Russell, David Viart

12:00 Napoleon & Theresa Umadhay, John Bellando, Lea Briones, Mercy Cruz, Lydia Madrigal, Edgar & Melis Ramirez, Sonja Shepherd

5:30 Rosa Granados, Federico Andrade, Mariana Ortega

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE FOR
SEPTEMBER 26/27

Saturday

5:30: Rafael Almarinez, Eva & Lelan Jiminez, Chase Smith, Frederick Alesna

Sunday

8:00 Don Phan, Elijah & Mariah Hart

10:00 Riodelle Reyes, Sophia Escajeda, Rebecca Esquivel, Alyssamae & Eugene Bueno

12:00 Justin, Joshua & Juliana Carrillo, Bonifacio Dador, Nick Ceballos

5:30 Spanish Mass

Gone But Not Forgotten

Our Grief Support Ministry meets on the first and third Monday evenings of the month at 7pm. If you have any type of loss, no matter how long it's been, please join us to help you work through your grief in an understanding, compassionate and supportive environment. Please encourage others to join us as well-all are welcome! For more information, please feel free to contact Judy Dudziak at (925)565-2700. We hope to see you there!

LECTORS SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 26/27

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>
Saturday		
5:30	Jessica Florido	David De Luna
Sunday		
8:00	Darla Kilgannon	Ina Kinadeter
10:00	Jane Russo	May Plata
12:00	Yvette Ripoli	Debbie Lawson
5:30	Alicia Leon	Reina Martinez

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Numbers 11:25-29, James 5:1-6,
Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION

DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT