

One Flock, One Family, Living and Sharing the Love of Christ

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AUGUST 4, 2024



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 8am—12 pm & 1 pm-4pm

Fridays: 9am- 12:pm & 1pm- 3pm

(covered by volunteers with limited service)

MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays: 8am, 10am (livestreamed)

12 noon, 3pm Espanol & 4:30pm (1st Sunday of month) French

7:30 am (livestreamed) Mon-Fri: 1st Fridays: 7:00 pm (livestreamed)

8 am (livestreamed) & 5:30 pm (Vigil) **Saturdays:** 7:30am (Ls), 6:30pm (Ls) & 7:30pm (Sp) **Holy Days: Morning Prayer:** Liturgy of the Hours/Rosary 7:00 am

Confessions: Fridays: 8 am-9 am

Saturdays: 4pm-5 pm or by appointment

Adoration: Fridays: 8 am-9 am;

1st Fridays: 8am-7pm

Adoration in the Chapel (door code required ~call parish office).

Devotions: Divine Mercy Monday-Friday after 7:30 am Mass

Our Lady of Fatima/Perpetual Help~1st Saturday Santo Niño~2nd Saturday

Divine Mercy~3rd Saturday Saint Padre Pio~4th Saturday

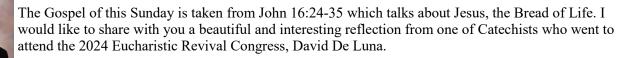
Healing Mass & OL of Manaoag ~5th Saturday (All devotions take place following 8:00 am Mass)

Baptisms: In order to make baptismal arrangements contact Carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org or Lorena@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Marriages: In order to make marriage arrangements contact carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org 6 months prior to marriage date.

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 be discussed with parish priest.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B



A few weeks ago we were awe-struck at the sound of over 50,000 people packed in an NFL stadium (home of the Colts) praying the Confiteor during Mass. Or the sound of that many people completely

silent. All you hear is the air conditioning in this massive stadium, everyone on their knees, with the only spotlight shining on the Blessed Sacrament in the monstrance. Over a thousand priests and hundreds of bishops, hundreds of seminarians, thousands of consecrated brothers and sisters, families with strollers. It was breathtaking to witness and participate in. Absolutely exhilarating. Several of us from our parish (over a hundred from the Oakland Diocese) attended the 10th National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis.

The impetus for this Congress was a number of things. Among them was the fact that we have not had a gathering like this since the 1970s. Another reason I'm sure, is the 2019 Pew Research Center survey. This survey found that nearly 70% of U.S. Catholics believe that the bread and wine used in Communion are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ, rather than becoming the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Christ. I believe this wrong understanding of the Eucharist – that it is symbolic of Christ rather than His Real Presence - is due more to poor catechesis, and the fact that we live in the material world where we are conditioned to understand the world we live in as that which we can see, touch, and feel. The challenge is that we are not of this world. We tend to forget or discount the supernatural. We are only passing through, journeying to our real home – Heaven. From the very start of the Church, the faithful believed every word Jesus said to us in John, chapter 6 – that he is really, truly present to us in the Eucharist. Or Paul's admonishment to receive the Eucharist worthily in 1 Corinthians. The Eucharistic Congress was an opportunity to be re-affirmed, re-energized, re-ignited in our faith with great speakers and informative sessions to learn.

This was not just Mass and Adoration for 50,000, but many popular speakers in Catholic Culture provided inspiring, uplifting words to encourage us in our faith. Breakout sessions spanned several adjacent hotels, offered every day to learn about why the faithful have always believed Jesus is really, truly, actually present in the Eucharist, and many other topics for children, teens, young adults, and clergy. We participated in Mass with our own Bishop Barber and our previous bishop and current Archbishop Cordileone of San Francisco.

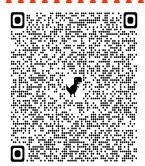
The Eucharistic procession was massive. YouTube videos show the enormity of this amazing, awesome procession. The Blessed Sacrament being carried, followed by tens of thousands of Catholics filling the streets, processing through downtown Indianapolis was a spectacular sight to see.

This event was truly epic and historic. In Bishop Barron's keynote speech, he told how this was the largest audience he has ever spoken to and that this event was a gift and that we are to return home to give it away. Find his speech at the National Eucharistic Congress on YouTube.

My only lament was during Adoration and Mass I would think about how our parish would be ablaze with the Holy Spirit if they could have been with us in the stadium. We returned home spiritually filled till our cup runneth over. We are overjoyed. This year we will offer a teaching series on all that we learned at the National Eucharistic Congress. Stay tuned to the bulletin for upcoming info. Learn more about the National Eucharistic Congress at www.eucharisticcongress.org.







ONLINE DONATIONS

Dearest Parishioners,

No word can express our gratitude to you for your generous hearts to give your time, talents and treasures, helping us keep our parish up on running smoothly. Many of you are on vacation during the summer, please keep remembering us in your weekly donations.

To make your giving easy and convenient, we have created a QR code for your Online Dona-

tions found in back of the church's pews. You just need to use your phone, open the camera, point the camera at the QR code, then tap the link that appears on your device. It will lead you to the Donations page. It is safe and secure. Once again thank you so much for your generosity.

God bless your good hearts. God is good! All the time! Be friends with us on our new facebook page, to get updated information and activities of our parish.

Good Shepherd's NEW Facebook page!



CASINO BUS TRIP CACHE CREEK RESORT & CASINO (5 hours)

SATURDAY - AUGUST 10, 2024

9:00 AM- check in @Church of the Good

Shepherd 3200 Harbor St.,

Pittsburg

9:30 am - departure time

5:30 pm - drop off @Church of the Good

Shepherd

Cost: \$45.00 per person Refund: \$20 free play with ID

****On board snacks and water***

Bingo, raffles, and a lot of fun**

For reservation:

Feli Buettner (925) 207-3501 Alma Espiritu (925) 597-2515

Zelle ok to: Alma Espiritu (925) 597-2515 Memo: type in Casino trip and your name Hosted by: YLI and OMOPH

All passengers must bring a valid government photo ID







LOST AND FOUND

If you have lost anything in the Church, please call or come by the office to identify and claim item within 2 weeks. If not claimed, we will donate or throw away items.



Faith Formation Registration for 2024-2025.

Here are the details:

Registration began June 17th and deadline is August 31st.

A Baptism and Birth Certificate are required with your child's registration form.

Classes Offered:

RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children; Eng. only): Class for children 7 years and older to receive the Sacrament of Baptism at Easter Vigil. The program starts in September and ends in April. It is held on Sunday mornings.

Starting Date: Sunday, September 15th in Parish Hall from 11:00am-12:00pm (after 10am Mass)

RCIA and Adult Confirmation (Eng. & Span. Classes): Class for adults that are interested in receiving Baptism, First Communion, and/or Confirmation. It is held on Monday evenings.

Starting Date: Monday, September 23rd in Office or Parish Hall from 7:00pm-8:30pm.

First Holy Communion: 2 year program, no matter what grade you start. Classes are on Sundays.

Starting Date: Sunday, September 15th. 9-9:50am (Eng.), 1:10-1:50pm(Eng. & Span.), and 2:00-2:50pm (Span. only).

EDGE: Our middle school program to get ready for confirmation program and receive sacraments if needed. Classes are on Wednesday afternoons.

Starting Date: Wednesday, September 18th in the Parish Hall from 4:30-5:30pm.

Continuing Faith Formation /Post Holy Communion Class: Class to further education after receiving First Communion. It is held on Wednesdays in the afternoon.

Starting Date: Wednesday, September 18th in Parish Hall from 3:00-4:00pm.

Youth Confirmation Program. This is 2 year program. This program is for all high school students who want to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Classes are on Sundays.

Starting date: Sunday, September 15 in the Parish hall at 11:15am-12:45pm

Parent Sessions (First Communion and Youth Confirmation Parents): Mandatory Parent Sessions offered once a month in English and Spanish. Classes are held the same time your child/children are in their classes. Parents must attend 5 out of the 7 sessions

To register, you can do it in-person at the Parish Office or go to our website www.goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Click—Religious Education and then Click—Registration Information. You will then find links to our forms and payment. Fill out the form, attach required documents, and then you can email them to klarisse@goodspeherdpittsburg.org

Registro de formación de fe para 2024-2025.

Aquí están los detalles:

La inscripción comienzaron el 17 de junio y ultimo dia es el 31 de agosto.

Se requiere un certificado de bautismo y nacimiento con el formulario de inscripción de su hijo.

Clases ofrecidas:

RCIC (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Niños; solo en inglés): clase para niños 7 años y más recibir el Sacramento del Bautismo en la Vigilia Pascual. El programa comienza en septiembre y finaliza en abril. Se lleva a cabo los domingos por la mañana.

Fecha de inicio: domingo 15 de septiembre en el salón parroquial de 11:00 a. m. a 12:00 p. m. (después de la misa de 10 a. m.) RICA y Confirmación de Adultos (clases de inglés y español): Clase para adultos que estén interesados en recibir Bautismo, Primera Comunión y/o Confirmación. Se lleva a cabo los lunes por la noche.

Fecha de inicio: lunes 23 de septiembre en la oficina o salón parroquial de 7:00 p. m. a 8:30 p. m.

Primera comunión: Programa de 2 años, sin importar en qué grado comiences. Las clases son los domingos.

Fecha de inicio: domingo 15 de septiembre. 9-9:50 a.m. (inglés), 1:10-1:50 p.m. (inglés y español) y 2:00-2:50 p.m. (español)

EDGE: Nuestro programa de escuela intermedia(Middle School) para prepararse para el programa de confirmación y recibir los sacramentos si es necesario. Las clases son los miércoles por la tarde.

Fecha de inicio: miércoles 18 de septiembre en el Salón Parroquial de 4:30 a 5:30 p.m.

Formación continua en la fe/Clase posterior a la Sagrada Comunión: Clase para continuar sus estudios después de recibir la Primera Comunión. Se lleva a cabo los miércoles por la tarde.

Fecha de inicio: miércoles 18 de septiembre en el Salón Parroquial de 3:00 a 4:00 p. m.

Programa de Confirmación Juvenil. Este es un programa de 2 años. Este programa es para todos los estudiantes de secundaria que quieran recibir el sacramento de la Confirmación. Las clases son los domingos.

Fecha de inicio: domingo 15 de septiembre en el salón parroquial de 11:15 a 12:45

Sesiones para padres (padres de Primera Comunión y Confirmación Juvenil): Sesiones oblig

atorias para padres ofrecidas una vez al mes en inglés y español. Las clases se llevan a cabo al mismo horario que su(s) hijo (s) están en sus clases. Los padres deberán asistir a 5 de las 7 sesiones.

Para inscribirte puedes hacerlo presencialmente en la Oficina Parroquial o acceder a nuestra web goodshepherdpittsburg.org. Haga clic en—Educación religiosa y luego haga clic en—Información de registro Luego encontrará enlaces a nuestros formularios y pagos. Complete el formulario, adjunte los documentos requeridos y luego podrá enviarlos por correo electrónico a klarisse@goodspeherdpittsburg.org

<u>Se necesitan líderes EDGE y catequistas para los miércoles:</u> Buscamos personas que quieran compartir su fe, impartiendo Clases Post Sagrada Comunión y Programa Edge los miércoles por la tarde de 3:00pm a 5:30pm, en un ministerio pleno, conociendo amigos e involucrándose más en la iglesia. Se le capacitará y se le proporcionará todo el plan de estudios. Si está interesado en enseñar o simplemente tiene preguntas, comuníquese con Klarisse al (925)432-6404x21 o por correo electrónico. klarisse@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

¡Comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial para registrarse!

Feast of the Assumption, August 15. Mass Schedule
7:30am -English; 7:00pm Bilingual Mass with Rosary Procession at 6:30pm.
Use this below form for Mass Sponsorship. Thanks.

Mass Sponsorship for Feast/Mass

DATE	August 15, 2024
MASS (Please indicate Feast name)	The Feast of the Assumption
DONATION AMOUNT (If in check, please make it out to: Church of the Good Shepherd as payee	\$
NAME/S OF SPONSOR/S (Please write full name legibly and as you want it read at Mass or shown in program)	
INTENTION/S	
SIGNATURE OF SPONSOR	
SPONSORS PHONE NUMBER	

For Questions, Please Contact:

Do you feel called to come back to the Catholic Church or to complete the Sacraments of Initiations?

Join our **RCIA** & **Adult Confirmation Program** which will begin in September of this year. For more information, please contact our faith formation office at 925-432-6404.





Thank You!

St. Padre Pio's Ministry had a food sale last Sunday. They have made a net income (after expenses) of \$2,217.00. The proceed will go to the renovation of the Sanctuary. We are so grateful to all members of the St. Padre Pio's ministry for their labor of love.

God bless their good and gracious hearts!

Thank You!

Cancelled /Cancelado

due to lack of interest.

Last Monday, July 29 we celebrated the Feast of St. Martha. St. Martha's Guild ministry has collected from the Mass Sponsorship an amount of \$2,540.00. We congratulate all members of St. Martha's Guild on their feast day and we thank them for their dedicated service to our church, keeping the church clean and neat.



August 15- Assumption 7:30am Mass; 6:30pm Procession and Bilingual Mass

August 31–8am Healing Mass

Sept 13- Fatima Procession 7pm

Sept 15-Faith Formation begins

Sep 23- RCIA begins

Oct 6- Flock Party

Oct 13-6:30pm Fatima Procession Mass

Nov 1- All Saints- 7:30am; 12pm, 7pm Bilingual

Nov 2- All Souls- 7:30am, 1pm Holy Cross Cemetery,

7pm Bilingual

Nov 10- Craft Fair

Nov 16- Appreciation dinner for volunteers at 7pm

Nov 23 – Thanksgiving at 10am

Dec 1- Advent

Dec 6- Taize Prayer 7pm

Dec 8- O.L of Guadalupe- 5am Mananitas and 3pm Mass

Dec 14- Christmas Concert 7pm – Potluck Christmas Party

Dec 16- Advent Reconciliation 7pm

Dec, 24 Christmas Eve, 4pm, 6pm, 12Midnight

Dec 25- Christmas Day: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 1:30pm

Dec 31- New Year's Eve: 5:30pm Mass & 7pm Party

Jan 1st- New Year: 8am and 10am Bilingual



The 2024-25 Good Shepherd Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) Basketball Program is opening for registration. Please feel free to go

to www.goodshepherdcyo.com, and sign up. Registration is open from Au-

gust 1st until September 6th but be advised that we will close teams as they get filled, and put those later registrations on a waiting list to see if we can create another team in that grade level. We only accept so many kids on a team to ensure that every child gets playing time. Also, it is very important that you enter an email address for your contact that is monitored daily. This is how the Good Shepherd Board will communicate with all of you in most cases about the program, uniform fittings, parent meeting, end of year event, etc. This is very important so please enter an active email. Lastly, if your child has aged out, you will no longer receive CYO emails after this one as we will be pulling from the current year of registrants for future communication. Thank you very much. We are excited and looking forward to the coming season.



Would you like to participate more during mass and become closer to the Lord, consider becoming an Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion.



If you meet the following requirements, baptized, received confirmation if married, you must be married in the catholic church. Those interested in becoming an Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion are invited to attend a procedural training on Wednesday, August 28^h from 7:00 – 8:30 pm. in the Ministry Building. If you plan on attending, you must contact Ann & Bill Abitz at 432-3995 or the Office (432-6404) before August 27th.

Mass Intentions August 5-August 12

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30am	Flordeliza M. Fernando †
Tue	7:30am	Michael Gonzales †
Wed	7:30am	Flordeliza M. Fernando †
Thu	7:30am	Flordeliza M. Fernando †
Fri	7:30am	Marcelino Rosado, Sr. †
Sat	8:00am	Jaime Lorenzo Leon Jhong † (Birthday) David de la Torre (Birthday)
	5:30pm	Eleanor Clawson †
Sun	8:00am	Mary Narez †
	10:00am	Aiello Family (Living & Deceased)
	12:00pm	Hernan Urpiana, Sr. †
	3:00pm	For the People of our Parish

MANY MINISTRIES ONE CHURCH BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

2024 Bishop's Ministries Appeal.

Our goal this year is: \$35,600.00 Let's work together to achieve our goal again this year. Year to date we have raised \$20,696.77 (58.1%). Thank you so much for your support!

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Weekend of July 28, 2024

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$8,081.25 2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT)\$2,764.30 Shepherds Closet \$3,644.64

Please help contribute for the smooth operation and good services of our parish. We appreciate your generosity and for making Good Shepherd a part of your family.

Also, please remember Good Shepherd when planning your last will and Testament.

Thank you!

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

1 KINGS 19:4-8
EPHESIANS 4:30-5:2
GOSPEL OF JOHN 6:41-51

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

YOUTH FORMATION