



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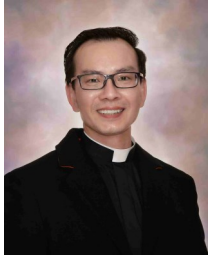


**DECEMBER 1, 2024**



**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  
**Mon-Fri:** 7:30 am (livestreamed)  
**1st Fridays:** 7:00 pm (livestreamed)  
**Saturdays:** 8 am (livestreamed) & 5:30 pm (Vigil)  
**Holy Days:** 7:30am (Ls), 6:30pm (Ls) & 7:30pm (Sp)  
**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 Manoaag ~5th Saturday  
*(All devotions take place following 8:00 am Mass)*  
**Baptisms:** In order to make baptismal arrangements contact  
[Carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:Carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org) or  
[Lorena@goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:Lorena@goodshepherdpittsburg.org)  
**Marriages:** In order to make marriage arrangements  
 contact [carmen@goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto: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 Ceme-  
 tery. Any other arrangements should be discussed with parish  
 priest.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE: 510-259-8706**



### First Sunday of Advent Year C

My friends, today we begin a new liturgical year. When you enter the church, you see right away the changing of the environment. You see something new, something different than usual. We see evergreen Advent wreath which stands for life. Four candles represent four weeks of Advent and also represent four centuries of waiting between the last prophet of the OT Malachi and the birth of Christ. You see the color in purple which gives us a sense of hope and anticipation. The church begins Advent with this changing of the environment to remind us of our spiritual wake up.

Liturgical season of Advent helps us to recall the past as we commemorate the first Christmas when our Savior came as a vulnerable Baby. It gets us ready for the future when we look for his second coming at the end of time. Advent also invites us to recognize his coming to us here and now this day, at this Mass in the Scriptures readings and especially in the Eucharist. So we are called as the Gospel mentions to not to be drowsy but be prepared, for at an hour we do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

Let us also be mindful that when we go shopping for Christmas, we don't forget to do our spiritual shopping by going to confession. In the bulletin, you see our Advent Confession is set for Dec 16 at 7pm. Do our spiritual shopping by changing our tempter, attitude, by giving up your bad habits; be more attentive and generous to the poor, join our Shepherd's Closet Giving Tree program to help our children have a Christmas gift when their families cant afford one. That's how you prepare for Christmas.

Lord, help us to remain wide awake in our life of faith. Help us to keep our eyes on You through all things so that we are always prepared for You when You come to us. Jesus, we trust in You. Amen!

### Primer Domingo de Adviento Año C

Amigos míos, hoy comenzamos un nuevo año litúrgico. Cuando entramos a la iglesia, vemos inmediatamente el cambio de ambiente. Vemos algo nuevo, algo diferente de lo costumbre. Vemos una corona de Adviento de hojas perennes que representa la vida. Cuatro velas representan cuatro semanas de Adviento y también representan cuatro centros de espera entre el último profeta del Antiguo Testamento, Malaquías, y el nacimiento de Cristo. Vemos el color morado que nos da una sensación de esperanza y anticipación. La iglesia comienza el Adviento con este cambio de ambiente para recordarnos nuestro despertar espiritual.

La temporada litúrgica de Adviento nos ayuda a recordar el pasado al conmemorar la primera Navidad, cuando nuestro Salvador vino como un Bebé vulnerable. Nos prepara para el futuro cuando esperamos su segunda venida al final de los tiempos. El Adviento también nos invita a reconocer su venida a nosotros aquí y ahora este día, en esta misa, en las lecturas de las Escrituras y especialmente en la Eucaristía. Así que estamos llamados, como menciona el Evangelio, a no estar somnolientos, sino a estar preparados, porque a la hora que no pensamos, vendrá el Hijo del Hombre".

También seamos conscientes de que cuando vayamos de compras para Navidad, no olvidemos hacer nuestras compras espirituales yendo a confesarse. En el boletín, puede ver que nuestra Confesión de Adviento está programada para el lunes, 16 de diciembre a las 7:00 p.m. Hagamos nuestras compras espirituales cambiando nuestra actitud tentadora, abandonando nuestros malos hábitos; seamos más atentos y generosos con los pobres, únase a nuestro programa de Shepherd's Closet Giving Tree para ayudar a nuestros niños a tener un regalo de Navidad cuando sus familias no pueden comprarles regalos. Así es como se prepara para Navidad.

Señor, ayúdanos a permanecer bien despiertos en nuestra vida de fe. Ayúdanos a mantener nuestros ojos en Ti en todas las cosas para que siempre estemos preparados para Ti cuando vengas a nosotros. Jesús, confiamos en Ti. ¡Amén!

**SIMBANG GABI  
MASS SCHEDULE**

We will celebrate our yearly tradition of Simbang Gabi Masses on December 16-24, 2024. Masses will start at 5:30am in the church. They will be livestreamed as well. There will be four big receptions in the hall: Monday, Dec 16th; Saturday, Dec 21; Sunday, Dec 22 and Tuesday, Dec 24.



Besides these 4 big receptions, there will be light receptions like coffee and donuts, eggs ... served after the week day Masses in front of the church.

For Mass sponsorships, please contact our coordinators:  
Jasper Espiritu 415-503-8845; Shirley Quejado 925-586-7668; Ofelia Tanyag 925-890-2066

**FILIPINO MINISTRY**

**MASS SPONSORSHIP for SIMBANG GABI Masses**

<b>DATE (Please encircle mass date)</b> <i>Complete 1 form for each requested date</i>	16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24
<b>MASS</b>	SIMBANG GABI
<b>DONATION AMOUNT:</b> If in check, please use "Church of the Good Shepherd" as payee	
<b>NAME/s of SPONSOR/s</b> (Please write the name legibly and as you want it read or displayed in mass slides)	
<b>INTENTION/s:</b>	
<b>Signature of Sponsor</b>	
<b>Sponsor's Telephone No.</b>	

Please return completed form **3 DAYS BEFORE YOUR REQUESTED MASS DATE**  
To: Jasper Espiritu (415) 503-8845, Shirley Quejado (925)586-7668 or Ofelia S. Tanyag (925) 890-2066

**CHURCH OF THE Good Shepherd**  
One Flock, One Family, Living and Sharing the Love of Christ  
3200 Harbor St.  
Pittsburg, CA 94565

**NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY**  
DECEMBER 31, 2024 @ 7PM  
With Excellent DJ and Dancing

Prices: \$40 for Adult; \$15 for Children of 12 yrs & under  
Contact the parish office to make your reservation or call Tammy Vo at 925-698-4559

More details are coming soon



## Sharing Your Blessings Program 2024

Sponsored By:  
Shepherd's Closet

- Please take one or more ornaments from the tree to help us provide gifts for as many families as possible this Christmas
- Purchase a Gift
- Return it Unwrapped by December 8<sup>th</sup>
- Por favor, tome uno o más adornos del árbol para ayudarnos a proporcionar regalos para tantas familias como sea posible esta Navidad.
- Comprar un regalo
- Devuélvalo sin envolver antes del 8 de Diciembre

During Mass, unwrapped gifts can be placed under the trees or dropped off at the church office (see bulletin for office hours).

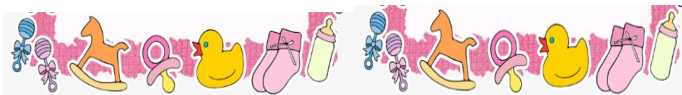
Durante la Misa, los regalos sin envolver pueden colocarse debajo de los árboles o dejarse en la oficina de la iglesia (consulte el boletín para conocer las horas de oficina).

**LAST DAY TO RETURN GIFTS IS  
DECEMBER 8TH**

**EL ÚLTIMO DÍA PARA DEVOLVER LOS REGALOS  
ES  
8 DE DICIEMBRE**

### SHEPHERD'S CLOSET

The next Shepherd's Closet will be open on  
Tuesday, December 10th,  
from 10:00AM to 12:00 noon  
in the Parish Office /Ministry Building.  
Returning families, please bring your  
identification cards. All families in need of  
help are welcome. If you have any  
questions or problems,  
call Ann or Bill Abitz at 925-432-3995



### Deanery 10 Advent 2024 Reconciliation Service

**Our Lady Queen of the World**  
December 10 @ 7pm  
**Church of the Good Shepherd**  
December 16 @ 7pm  
**Immaculate Heart of Mary**  
December 17 @ 7pm  
**St. Peter Martyr**  
December 18 @ 7pm  
**St. Anthony**  
December 19 @ 7pm  
**Most Holy Rosary**  
December 20 @ 7pm





## ADVENT SCHEDULE 2024



### Mass

Monday - Friday 7:30am (livestream)  
 Saturday 8:00am (livestream); 5:30pm Vigil  
 Sunday 8:00am, **10:00am (livestream)**, 12:00pm, 3:00pm (Spanish)

### Adoration

Fridays 8am – 9am; First Friday 8am-6:45pm followed by the Sacred Heart Mass at 7pm

### Confession

Fridays 8:00am-9:00am; Saturdays 4:00pm – 5:00pm or by appointment

- December 8:** **Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day**  
 5:00am -Mañanitas and 2pm -Mass in Spanish
- December 9:** **Feast of the Immaculate Conception-Holy Day of Obligation**  
 Mass at 7:30am and 7:00pm (bilingual)
- December 12:** **7pm- Misa de Virgen de Guadalupe**
- December 16:** **7pm- Parish Advent Reconciliation**
- December 16 - 24:** **5:30am Simbang Gabi Masses (livestream) with reception after Mass**  
 (9 Filipino Dawn Masses before Christmas)
- December 16-23:** **7:00pm Las Posadas Navideñas in the hall with light reception to follow**  
 (Hispanic Novena Tradition before Christmas)

## 2024 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

- December 24:** **Christmas Eve-Tuesday**  
 4:00pm Children Mass (livestream)  
 6:00pm  
 12:00am Midnight Mass (livestream)
- December 25:** **Christmas Day-Wednesday-Holy Day of Obligation**  
 8:00am  
 10:00am (livestream)  
 12:00pm  
 1:30pm (Spanish)



## NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

- December 31:** **New Year's Eve - Tuesday**  
 5:30pm Vigil Mass  
 7:00pm New Year's Eve Party
- January 1, 2025:** **New Year - Wednesday – Mother of God**  
**Holy Day of Obligation** 10:00am (livestream)  
 11:30am (bilingual)





Dec 1- Advent  
 Dec 6- Taize Prayer 7pm  
 Dec 8- O.L of Guadalupe- 5am Mananitas and 2pm Mass  
 Dec 9- Solemnity of the Immaculate 7:30am & 7pm  
 Dec 16-24 Simbang Gabi at 5:30am  
 Dec 16-23 Las Posadas at 7pm  
 Dec 16- Advent Reconciliation 7pm  
 Dec, 24 Christmas Eve, 4pm, 6pm, 12 Midnight  
 Dec 25- Christmas Day: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 1:30pm  
 (Spanish)  
 Dec 31- New Year's Eve: 5:30pm Mass & 7pm Party  
 Jan 1st- New Year: 10am and 11:30am Bilingual

**Unfortunately Breakfast  
 with Santa  
 HAS BEEN CANCELED  
 WE HOPE THAT IT RETURNS  
 NEXT YEAR.**

*Save the Date*

**NEW YEARS EVE PARTY  
 DECEMBER 31, 2024 @ 7PM  
 IN THE PARISH HALL**

**Our Lady of Guadalupe's Celebration  
 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 5am  
 Mananitas with breakfast to follow  
 2pm Mass with reception to follow  
 Celebración de Nuestra  
 Señora de Guadalupe  
 DOMINGO 08 DE DICIEMBRE  
 Mañanitas a las 5:00am con  
 desayuno a continuación  
 Misa a las 2pm con  
 recepción a continuación**

## Attention!

**Sanctuary Renovation Project is postponed for the time being due to the chapter 11 bankruptcy of the Diocese. Thank you for your understanding!**

### Fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe

**8 de diciembre 2024**

Todos estamos invitados a celebrar la fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe el 10 de diciembre, este es el programa: 5:00 am Cantarlea la Virgen las Mañanitas en la Iglesia. Después se saldrá en procesión hacia el salón parroquial haciendo las estaciones a la Virgen. En el salón parroquial se ofrecerá un desayuno para todos.



**2pm Misa dominical un grupo en español.** Dentro de la Misa habrá danzarte para honrar a la virgen. Después de la Misa se venderá almuerzos en el salón parroquial con música a la Virgen.

**9 de diciembre, 2024**

7:00pm Misa de Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen- Bilingual

**12 de diciembre, 2024**

7:00pm Misa de Guadalupe

#### Posadas Navideñas

Días: del 16 al 23 de diciembre, 2024 de 7:00pm en el salón parroquial. Traiga a sus niños vestidos de pastorcillos o de personajes del pesebre para que como familia disfrutemos de nuestra tradición y nos preparemos para la venida de nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

### Attention!!! Attention!!!

Cambio de horario para las misas del  
**8 de diciembre**

2 p.m. (no habra misa a las 3:00 de la tarde)

**25 de diciembre**

1:30 p.m. (no habra misa a las 3:00 de la tarde)

# Mass Intentions For The Week



## DECEMBER 2 - DECEMBER 8

Mon	7:30am	Ceneida Gonzalez †
Tue	7:30am	John Anthony Billeci †
Wed	7:30am	Rico Fonzi †
Thu	7:30am	Holy Souls in Purgatory, Especially for Members of FOSS †
Fri	7:30am	Cesar T. Lucero, Jr. † William Joseph Garbo † (Birthday Anniversary)
Sat	8:00am	Leticia & Joey Rodrigues (Wedding Anniversary) Ray & Mila Evangelista (Healing)
	5:30pm	Taylor Bustos †
Sun	8:00am	Llenos Family (Thanksgiving)
	10:00am	Tony & Gloria Giambalvo †
	12:00pm	Rosario V. deJesus †
	3:00pm	For the People of our Parish

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**MANY MINISTRIES  
ONE CHURCH**  
BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

2024 Bishop's Appeal	
Church of the Good Shepherd, Pittsburg	
Goal	\$35,600

Total Committed	Total Number of Gifts Received	Total Number of Donors	Percent of Goal Achieved 96.67%
\$35,378.65	43	40	
Total Receipts	Average Total Gifts by Donor	Average Gift Amount Received	
\$34,415.35	\$884.47	\$822.76	

### Weekend of November 24

**1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$**

**2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$**

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

**BARUCH 5:1-9**  
**PHILIPPIANS 1:4-6**  
**LUKE 3:1-6**

### NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS**