



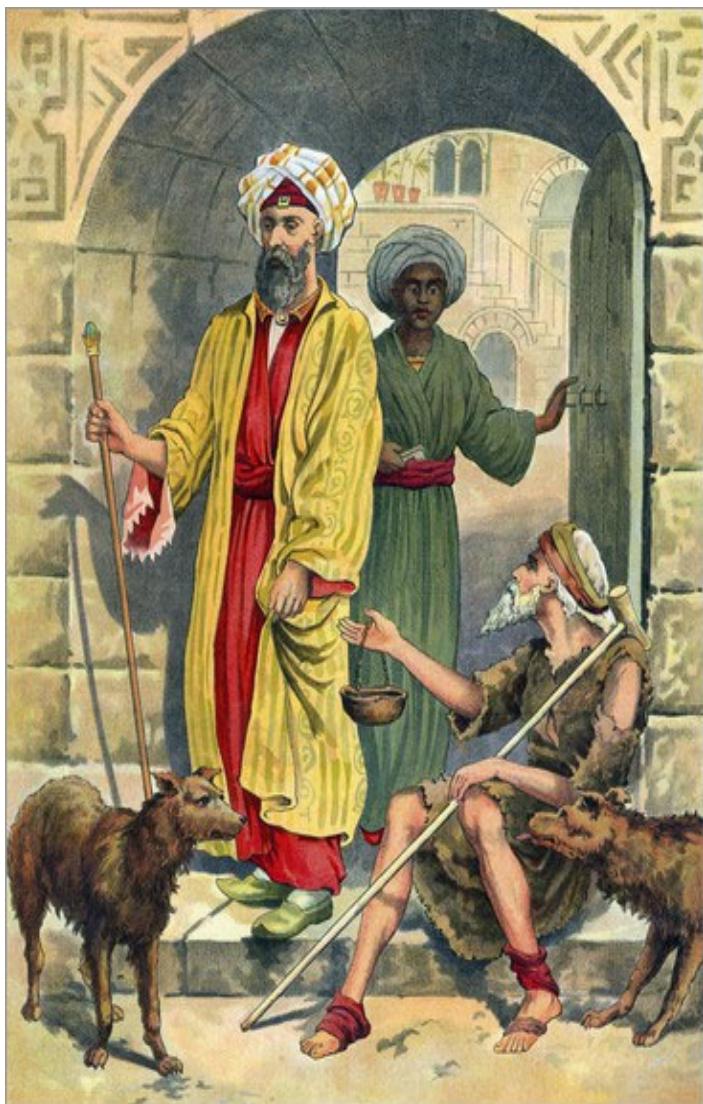
**One Flock, One Family, Living and Sharing  
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**26TH SUNDAY YEAR C  
SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2022**



### **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)  
12noon & 3pm Spanish

**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) and 7pm (livestreamed)

**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~5th Saturday

*(All devotions take place following 8:00 am Mass)*

**Baptisms:** In order to make baptismal arrangements contact

*Carmen [goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:goodshepherdpittsburg.org) or*

*Lorena@[goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto:goodshepherdpittsburg.org)*

**Marriages:** In order to make marriage arrangements contact *carmen@[goodshepherdpittsburg.org](mailto: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.

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



The Gospel of this 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday Year C is about the Rich Man and Lazarus. When we read this parable, we may wonder why the rich man had to go to hell. We are not told he was rich by unjust means. We are not told he was responsible for the poverty of Lazarus. In fact we are not even told that Lazarus begged from him and he refused to help. We are not told he committed any crime or evil deed. Why then did he go to hell? The reason rich man went to hell has a lot to do with what we think sin is. We often think that we sin only by thought, word and deed. We forget a fourth and very important way through which we sin, namely, by omission. In the "I Confess" we say these words: "*I have sinned through my own fault, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do.*" Yet we often forget what we failed to do, the sin of omission. Today's parable reminds us that the sin of omission can also lead someone to hell. This is what happens to the rich man.

If the rich man went to hell because of his sin of omission, what merit did Lazarus do to get a place in heaven? Did he go there just because he was poor? After all we are not told that he was a man of God or that he did a single good deed. However, if we pay attention, we would know his name tells us he was a good man. In biblical tradition, names are very significant because they often convey the person's basic character or personality. In fact this is the only parable of Jesus where the character in the story has a name. So the name must be significant for explaining the parable. The name "Lazarus" means, "God is my help." Lazarus, therefore, is not just a poor man, but a poor man who believes and trusts in God. This must be why he found himself in Abraham's bosom in Paradise. There are many "Lazarus" around us. We are called to attend to their needs. If you are so busy that you can't directly reach out to them, or visit them in person, you can do it indirectly through charity organizations. You contribute money, they have labor; together we reach out to our brothers and sisters to attend to their needs so we may be saved. Amen!

Blessings, Fr. Thi Hoang

El Evangelio de este Domingo 26 del Año C trata sobre el Hombre Rico y Lázaro. Cuando leemos esta parábola, podemos preguntarnos por qué el hombre rico tuvo que ir al infierno. No se nos dice que se hizo rico por medios injustos. No se nos dice que él fue responsable de la pobreza de Lázaro. De hecho, ni siquiera se nos dice que Lázaro le rogó y él se negó a ayudar. No se nos dice que cometió ningún crimen o mala acción. ¿Por qué entonces se fue al infierno? La razón por la cual el hombre rico fue al infierno tiene mucho que ver con lo que pensamos que es el pecado. A menudo pensamos que pecamos solo de pensamiento, palabra y obra. Olvidamos una cuarta y muy importante manera por la cual pecamos, a saber, por omisión. En el "Yo Confieso" decimos estas palabras: "*He pecado por mi propia culpa, en mis pensamientos y en mis palabras, en lo que he hecho y en lo que he dejado de hacer.*" Sin embargo, a menudo olvidamos lo que no hicimos, el pecado de omisión. La parábola de hoy nos recuerda que el pecado de omisión también puede llevar a alguien al infierno. Esto es lo que le sucede al hombre rico. Si el hombre rico fue al infierno por su pecado de omisión, ¿qué mérito hizo Lázaro para conseguir un lugar en el cielo? ¿Fue allí sólo porque era pobre? Después de todo, no se nos dice que era un hombre de Dios o que hizo una sola buena obra. Sin embargo, si prestamos atención, sabríamos que su nombre nos dice que era un buen hombre. En la tradición bíblica, los nombres son muy significativos porque a menudo transmiten el carácter o la personalidad básicos de la persona. De hecho esta es la única parábola de Jesús donde el personaje de la historia tiene nombre. Entonces el nombre debe ser significativo para explicar la parábola. El nombre "Lázaro" significa "Dios es mi ayuda". Lázaro, por tanto, no es sólo un pobre, sino un pobre que cree y confía en Dios. Debe ser por eso que se encontró en el seno de Abraham en el Paraíso. Hay muchos "Lázaros" a nuestro alrededor. Estamos llamados a atender sus necesidades. Si estás tan ocupado que no puedes contactarlos directamente o visitarlos en persona, puedes hacerlo indirectamente a través de organizaciones benéficas. Tú aportas dinero, ellos tienen mano de obra; juntos nos acercamos a nuestros hermanos y hermanas para atender sus necesidades para que podamos ser salvos. ¡Amén!

Bendiciones,

Thi Hoang



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Pittsburg, CA 94565

## ANNUAL FLOCK PARTY

Sunday, October 2, 2022

All day in the Garden from 9:00am-5:00pm

The day will include Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm and 2pm in Spanish.

Multicultural food such as Mexican, Italian, Nigerian, American, Filipino, Tongan, Vietnamese, Pakistani; drinks, live music, dancing, games and all sorts of entertainment and best of all: Family fun!

You also have a chance to win a big raffle prize. These are the prizes:

1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes valued at \$2,000 each. (These are vacation packages for 2 nights stay anywhere in the United States for 2 persons. Airfare included. Taxes and fees are not included),

4th prize \$500 cash, and many other consolation prizes.

Tickets are \$5 each or 6 tickets for \$25. You don't need to be present to win.

*All the proceeds we make from this festival will be used for the repainting of the church buildings.*

*Bring your family and friends and stay with us for the whole day.*



Besides the four main prizes, we have these below consolation prizes and many others:

## GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH FLOCK PARTY RAFFLE PRIZES

*A special 'Thank You' to our generous Contributors*

Quantity	Raffle Item
1	\$50 Roco's Restaurant in Walnut Creek Gift Certificate and Basket filled with lots of Italian Goodies
1	\$50 Sweeney's Restaurant in Brentwood Gift Certificate
5	\$20 Waterfront Grill and Café in Pittsburg Gift Certificates
1	2 Reserve Bottles of Hannah Nicole Wine and Wine Glasses [booklet on their events]
1	Flower Arrangement from Pittsburg Florist
6	New Mecca Café in Pittsburg Gift Certificates for 2 Dinners
1	\$50 La Veranda Restaurant in Clayton Gift Certificate



### FLOCK PARTY WATER AND SOFT DRINK DO- NATIONS NEEDED!

To help us offset expenses for the Flock Party, we are asking for donations from our generous parishioners . If you can help us, bring your donations to the parish office any time during business hours, Monday-Thursday, 8 am to 4 pm.

Thank you!



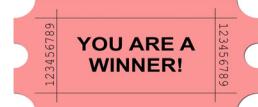
Place your stubs with money in any Sunday collection basket, mail them in or bring them to the parish office.

### Raffle Prizes Donors

1st, 2nd &3rd prizes are donated by Gerard D'Cruz & his own company GT Power Construction Inc. Transferable prize; no cash value.

4th prize of \$500 cash is donated by Betty and Ely Viloria.

We are so grateful to the above donors for their generosity to help with the raffle prizes. May god bless their good and gracious hearts.



We would like to thank those who have donated \$50. in cash or items valued at \$50. or more to the Flock Party.

Su Dong  
Nhung Nguyen  
Graciela Corona

Tin Van  
Dean & Cecille Quiambao  
Spanish Ministry

#### PLEASE JOIN US!

The members of St Padre Pio Prayer Group of Good Shepherd Church, Pittsburg CA, will be celebrating his Feast Day on September 23, 2022. Everyone is invited. We have a 9-day novena from September 15-23, 2022 at 6:30 PM. Sep. 15, 16 & 22 in the Garden. Sep. 17, 18 & 23 in the church, Sep. 19, 20 & 21 in parish office. The Feast Day Mass will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 8:00 AM followed by a hearty breakfast at the Spiritual Garden. Please come in join us in these activities as we pray and sing "Be with me, Lord" through the intercession of Saint Padre Pio in our lives. For more information, pls call: Mila Benitez – (925)626-7526 or Cora Clavel (925) 354-2259. For Mass Sponsor, Pls contact: Cynthia Auza – (925) 597-1178 or Cecille Perez- (925) 300-6264



#### FEAST OF SAN LORENZO RUIZ October 2 at 12 Noon Mass in the Spiritual Garden

**Mass sponsorship forms will be available in the church vestibule or by calling Cecille Perez @ 925-300-6234 or Cora Clavel @ 925-354-2259**



Award California State Council Knights of Columbus , Certificate of Recognition presented to Pittsburg Council 2956

#### ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

8-9AM		Mass	2:00PM		Spanish Mass
9:15AM	25 Minutes	Koreo	3:00PM	5 Minutes	Tongan & Samoan Dance
10-11AM		Mass/Dance	3:05PM	15 Minutes	Solo-Singing
11:00AM	5 Minutes	Solo Singing	3:30PM		Kaligayahan Dance Troup
11:10AM	15-20 Minutes	Ukulele Lovers of Vallejo	4:00PM	20 Minutes	Delta Tutus Seniors
11:30AM	15 Minutes	Parangal Dance Troupe	4:00PM		Hula Dancing
12-1 Noon		Mass	4:20PM	15 Minutes	Filipino Dance Troupe
1:00PM	4 Minutes	Pakistani Dance Troupe	4:40PM		FPB Band
1:05PM	15 Minutes	Dakka Dance Group K-POP	4:45PM	15Minutes	Good Shepherd Noon Choir
1:20PM		Mexican Men's Dance Troupe	5:00PM		RAFFLES

## You are invited

What: Life in Christ Seminar (LCS)

When: Sunday, Sept 25, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM

Where: Church of The Good Shepherd Ministry Bldg.

Guest Speaker: Fr. Arn Cabrias

Online Registration: <https://forms.gle/kGP2yBUHvej5DNth7>



Be brought to a personal relationship with Jesus and towards a deeper spirit-filled Christian Life.

It is a response to the call of the Holy Father to the New Evangelization.

Hosted by Missionary Families of Christ  
Free of Charge

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SVdP Benicia  
4890 Benicia Blvd.  
SVdP Pittsburg  
2250 Gladstone Dr.

### VOLUNTEER SHORTAGE

The St. Vincent de Paul Dining Room urgently needs help serving lunch on Saturday and Sunday at our Pittsburg location at [1415 Simpson Court](https://1415simpsoncourt.com) (off East Leland), 9:30am to 1:00pm. Please help us by signing up to volunteer to feed our neighbors in need by emailing [lisag@loavesfishesc.org](mailto:lisag@loavesfishesc.org) or visiting Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa's website at <https://1415simpsoncourt.com>

COME AND JOIN US  
RED HAWK CASINO  
6 HOURS IN THE CASINO  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022  
RESERVE YOUR SEAT NOW!!!

Covid-19 Restrictions - must be fully vaccinated!!!

PLEASE!!! WEAR MASK

7:30 AM - passengers check in.

8:00 AM - Bus will leave Good Shepherd Church parking lot

6:30 PM - Approx return to Good Shepherd parking  
FREE BREAKFAST ON BOARD

Cost: \$45.00 per person

Refund: \$25.00 for free play

BINGO, AND A LOT OF FUN INSIDE THE BUS

To sign up, please call: Cora (925) 354-2259; Cecille (925) 300-6234; Lani (925) 212-8408; Fe Reyes (925) 642-6854

Hosted by: Saint Padre Pio Prayer group

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 24th St. Padre Pio Feast Day Mass 8:00am
- September 26th- RCIA Kick Off
- October 2nd- Flock Party
- October 13th- O.L. Fatima, Procession and Mass at 6:30pm
- November 1 st - All Saints: 7:30am, 12pm, 7pm (Bilingual)
- November 2 nd - All Souls: 7:30am, 12pm, 7pm (Spanish)
- November 12th- Appreciation Dinner at 7pm
- November 24- Thanksgiving 10am Mass
- November 19- Healing Mass at 11am
- November 27th—Advent
- December 8- Immaculate Conception of Mary: 7:30am, 12pm, 7pm
- December 9- Taize Prayer at 7pm
- December 11/12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe
- December 15- Parish Reconciliation at 7pm
- December 16—Kick off of Simbang Gabi 5:30am & Posadas 7pm
- Dec 24— Christmas Eve 4pm, 6pm, 12am
- December 25 Christmas, 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm Sp
- Dec 31st -New Year Eve 5:30pm
- Jan 1st—New Year 2023, 8am, 10am, 12pm, 3pm Sp

**ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE & LUNCHEON**

WHEN: SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2021  
WHERE: ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL  
TIME: 9:00AM - 2:00PM

LOCAL ARTIST & CRAFTERS  
WILL SURPRISE AND DELIGHT YOU WITH:

HOMEMADE TREATS, HANDCRAFTED JEWELRY, HOMEMADE SOAP & BATH SALTS, KITCHEN LINENS, APRONS, PHOTO CARDS, SPECIALTY BABY ITEMS, AND SO MUCH MORE.

BROWSE AND SHOP, ENJOY SOME HOT LUNCH, RAFFLE, BAKE SALE & PICTURES WITH SANTA

Raffle Prizes include:  
1st Prize: Bliss Mind & Body Couples Massage & Dinner  
2nd Prize: Italian Date Night Gift Basket  
3rd Prize: Handmade Wall Hanging from Terry Matejcek  
And many more prizes

QUESTIONS:  
CONTACT LOUANNE GRILLO  
ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL (925) 439-1014

ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL - 425 W. 4TH STREET PITTSBURG, CA 94565



Our Holiday Craft Fair is back on Sunday, October 23, 2022. If you are interested in being a vendor, please call Awilda Graff at 925 642-0876.

Also we are looking for different cultures in our church to be part of our fashion show again. Please contact us if you can help after any of the masses the day of the fair. Thank you.

## Mass Intentions September 26 – October 2

**Mass Intentions  
For The Week**

Mon	7:30 am	Elisa B. Calma †
Tue	7:30 am	Noelle Campos (Birthday)
Wed	7:30 am	Thanksgiving
Thu	7:30 am	Alfred Franger (Birthday) †
Fri	7:30 am	Xavier Narez †
Sat	8:00 am	Joe Russo † Dr. Ike Muonekwu † (2nd. Death Anniversary)
	5:30 pm	Sancho Alesna Sr. †
Sun	8:00 am	Sue Matamores †
	10 am	Henry Gonzales †
	12 pm	Yolanda Orozco †
	3 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

**New Altar Servers Training**

All children having already received First Holy Communion are invited to be altar servers. There will be a training on Saturday, October 15 at 10am in the church. If you feel called to serve Christ and his people at Masses, please contact Liza Hart at 925-421-3085.

Para todos los niños que ya hicieron la primera comunión les hacemos una cordial invitación para ser monaguillos . Tendremos un entrenamiento Octubre 15 a las 10:00 am en la iglesia. Si sientes el llamado para servir a Cristo y su comunidad en las misas por favor de comunicarse con el Sr. Bulmaro Mendieta (925)286-2276

**2022 Bishop's Ministries**

**Appeal. Our goal this year is: \$35,600.00. We have raised \$22,406.30 (62.94%) so far. Please give to support our Diocese.**

**Thank you!**



"Feed my lambs,  
feed my sheep"  
2022 BISHOP'S  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL

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**WEEKLY COLLECTION RECAP  
Weekend of September 18 , 2022**

**1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 11,423.18**

**2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 2,474.03**

**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**

**Amos 6: 1a 4-7  
1 Timothy 6:11-6  
Luke 16:19-31**

**NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION****DIOCESEAN COMMUNICATION**

**STATUES PROJECT**

We want to thank the following people for their generous donation of \$500 or more towards the Good Shepherd and Mother Mary Statues. So far we have received \$71,669.00 of the \$50,000 we need. We've done a great job! Here is the list of donors:

Rocco Enea, Elizabeth Pittman / Morales, Knights of Columbus, Angelina Elias, Aurea Andres, Betty and Ely Viloria, Becky & June Naca, Helen Cuya, Sonny & Maribel Miguel, Kyle Scudder, Santo Nino Ministry, Adoracion T Gatus, Joseph Stewart Jr., St. Padre Pio Prayer Group, Francine Cruz Family, Crispin S. De Dios, Sylvia & Gabriel Solis, Robert and Sharon Calone, Iluminada R Gaerlan, Alberto & Elizabeth Sojuaco, San Nicolas De Tolentino Family Group, Mary & Latrell Carradine, Van Duc & Tinh Thi Nguyen, Su Dong, Severino & Mila Benitez and Arthur & Marianne Solis, Cora, Rod Clavel and Nerio & Dalisay Torres, Suzara & Francisco Gecanac Francisco, Shirley A. Schroth, Ma. Cecilia P. Sojuaco, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Benny & Alma Bautista Espiritu, Jubene Lararejos, Lafayette Ines,... And Jesusa Reyna-Arcilla & Arseno V. Arcilla, Angela Vicente, Alma Espiritu, Soledad B. Mendoza, Edward Grigg, and Joseph S. Alamay D. Siino, Rebecca Ariate, Gris Gorospe and Leonardo Matabang, MFC Ministry, Khañh & Chi Luu, Ken & Feli Buettner, Augustine E. Andres, Nelia Beaman, Divine Mercy Ministry, Jessica Los Banos, Pat Lesaca and Rico, Hermie Perez, Cecilia Oswood, "Otto" Emil Tanitau, Tongan Ministry, El Shaddai Pittsburg Chapter, Willie & Bles Dionisio & Valentina Aniban & Stephen Giadone, Mary & Conrad Jansz, Mercedes P. Johnson, Laura de la Torres AND Your Names...

### **ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF THE 2023 MASS BOOK!**

We will be opening the 2023 Mass Book Thursday, October 20th. In order to insure your health and safety as well as the staff's, we will take mass intention requests again this year via email or in written form beginning Thursday, October 20 at 8:00 am (any received prior will not be valid) and prioritize them in the order we receive them with a maximum of 6 masses for the 1st round (until Nov. 3) then you can request more (6 max. @ a time). No phone calls please so that we can maintain a written, prioritized list as the requests come in. We ask that you make sure your email address and telephone number are included in your request so that we may contact you if there are conflicts with the date requests.

Donation request remains \$10 per mass intention. In accordance with Diocesan policy, only the Saturday morning 8 am mass may be double-booked for intentions. Initially we are limiting the number of requests per family to 6 maximum so that everyone has a fair opportunity.

Mass intentions are available for Monday through Friday masses at 7:30 am, Saturday morning masses at 8 am, our weekend schedule of Saturday at 5:30 pm, Sunday at 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 3 pm in Spanish.

We also have mass intentions available on the 1st Friday of the month at 7 pm and the 3rd Friday of each month at 7 pm in Spanish if you'd like to request any of those and any other days of obligation.

Please feel free to use the form provided. You can email this form, mail this form, put it in any collection basket or place it in the mail slot in the parish office door or bring it into the office.

**Please print legibly!**

2023 Mass Intention Request Form		
REQUESTED BY:	<input type="text"/>	
EMAIL:	<input type="text"/>	
PHONE:	<input type="text"/>	
Date	Time	Intention (Living or Deceased)
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Amount owed \$		Amount paid \$
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