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the Love of Christ*

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**“Will not God then
secure the rights
of his chosen ones
who call out to him
day and night?”**

Luke 18:7

October 16, 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

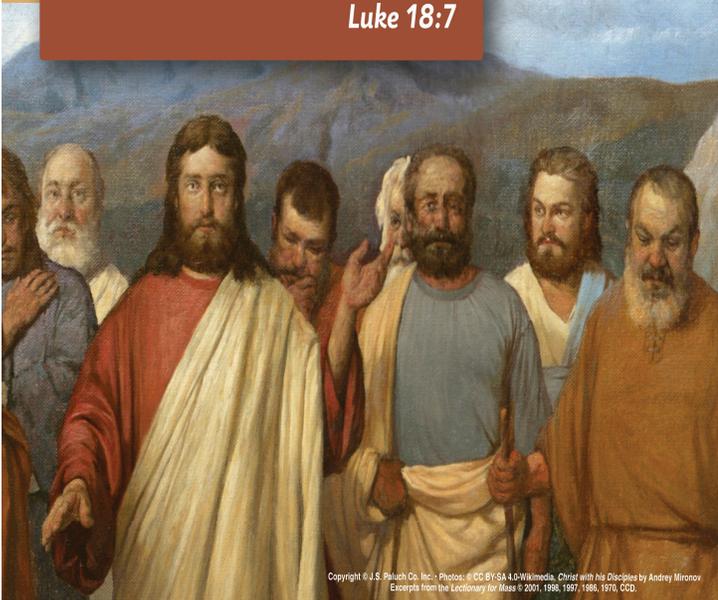
Sundays: 8am, 10am (livestreamed)
12noon & 3pm Spanish
Mon-Fri: 7:30 am (livestreamed)
1st Fridays: 7:00 pm (livestreamed)
Saturdays: 8 am (livestreamed) & 5:30 pm (Vigil)
Holy Days: 7:30am (Ls) and 7pm (livestreamed)
Morning Prayer: Liturgy of the Hours/ Rosary 7:00 am

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 or
Lorena 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.



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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 16, 2022

SUSTAINING HOPE

We all get weary sometimes. So often we face frustration, discouragement, and temptation to despair over what we can't change in our lives, or in the world. Today's readings give us resources to persist in sustaining hope and trusting in God. The reading from Exodus shows us that when our arms get weary, we are not alone, that God provides us companions to sustain us. The letter to Timothy reminds us that we are rooted in scripture, the story of God's past actions and promises for the future. The Gospel passage from Luke gives us the image of a persistent widow, who has a passion in her heart to sustain her relentless efforts to secure justice. This passion, this faith and hope, are God's gifts. But they require ongoing practices of prayer to stay alive and growing. Let us encourage each other in prayer when our arms get weary.

GOD'S PERSISTENCE

Today's Gospel is set within Jesus' instruction to his disciples to prepare for a future after his ascension, and before Christ's final return. The early Church lived in an unjust and violent world, and likely wondered when Christ would return to complete his work. In this context, we hear a parable of a corrupt judge and a widow seeking justice. The widow has no worldly resources to affect the judge, but only her own persistence. And that was enough.

We today also live in an unjust world, and we the Church long for Christ to fulfill God's promises. But we are not asked to wait passively; instead we must join God's work in bringing justice. We can imitate the widow with our persistence in prayer and action to be instruments of peace in our own place and time. These efforts might well extend beyond our own lifespans, but God will inspire new instruments of peace in future generations. God's persistence will be enough.

A DEEP BREATH

In today's passage from 2 Timothy, we hear that "all scripture is inspired." The Greek word translated as "inspired" literally means "God-breathed." That is, God breathes God's own life in and through scripture. We can see ourselves also as "God-breathed," as God's creation was the result of God's speech in Genesis, and as the Church received the Spirit from Jesus' breath (John 20:22). God breathes in and through these writings, and in our encounters with each other, to enliven and to transform us.

Using this word, Paul invites Timothy to engage with scripture, to allow it to teach, correct, and train. Scripture is not a set of rules or an answer book, but a breath of God's fresh air. It is the record of flawed human beings encountering a loving yet mysterious God. It is the story of God and humanity where we can place our life stories in dialogue with God's story. Take a deep breath.

TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 17:8-13
Psalm 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2
Luke 18:1-8



Vigésimo Noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

16 de octubre de 2022

MANTENER LA ESPERANZA

Todos nos cansamos a veces. A menudo nos enfrentamos a la frustración, al desánimo y a la tentación de desesperarnos por lo que no podemos cambiar en nuestras vidas o en el mundo. Las lecturas de hoy nos dan recursos para persistir en mantener la esperanza y confiar en Dios. La lectura del Éxodo nos muestra que cuando nuestros brazos se cansan, no estamos solos, que Dios nos proporciona compañeros para sostenernos. La carta a Timoteo nos recuerda que estamos arraigados en las Escrituras, la historia de las acciones pasadas de Dios y sus promesas para el futuro. El pasaje evangélico de Lucas nos ofrece la imagen de una viuda persistente, que tiene una pasión en su corazón para sostener sus incansables esfuerzos por conseguir justicia. Esta pasión, esta fe y esta esperanza, son dones de Dios. Pero requieren prácticas continuas de oración para mantenerse vivas y crecer. Animémonos mutuamente en la oración cuando nuestros brazos se cansan.

LA PERSISTENCIA DE DIOS

El Evangelio de hoy se enmarca en las instrucciones de Jesús a sus discípulos para que se preparen para un futuro posterior a su ascensión, y antes del regreso final de Cristo. La Iglesia primitiva vivía en un mundo injusto y violento, y probablemente se preguntaba cuándo volvería Cristo a completar su obra. En este contexto, escuchamos la parábola de un juez corrupto y una viuda que busca justicia. La viuda no tiene recursos mundanos para afectar al juez, sino sólo su propia persistencia. Y eso fue suficiente.

Hoy también vivimos en un mundo injusto, y nosotros, la Iglesia, anhelamos que Cristo cumpla las promesas de Dios. Pero no se nos pide que esperemos pasivamente, sino que nos unamos a la obra de Dios para hacer justicia. Podemos imitar a la viuda con nuestra persistencia en la oración y la acción para ser instrumentos de paz en nuestro propio lugar y tiempo. Estos esfuerzos podrían extenderse más allá de nuestra propia vida, pero Dios inspirará nuevos instrumentos de paz en las generaciones futuras. La persistencia de Dios será suficiente.

UN RESPIRO PROFUNDO

En el pasaje de hoy de 2 Timoteo, oímos que "toda la Escritura es inspirada". La palabra griega traducida como "inspirada" significa literalmente "inspirada por Dios". Es decir, Dios respira su propia vida en y a través de las Escrituras. Nosotros también podemos considerarnos "inspirados por Dios", ya que la creación fue el resultado del discurso de Dios en el Génesis, y como la Iglesia recibió el Espíritu del aliento de Jesús (Juan 20:22). Dios respira en estos escritos y a través de ellos, y en nuestros encuentros con los demás, para animarnos y transformarnos.

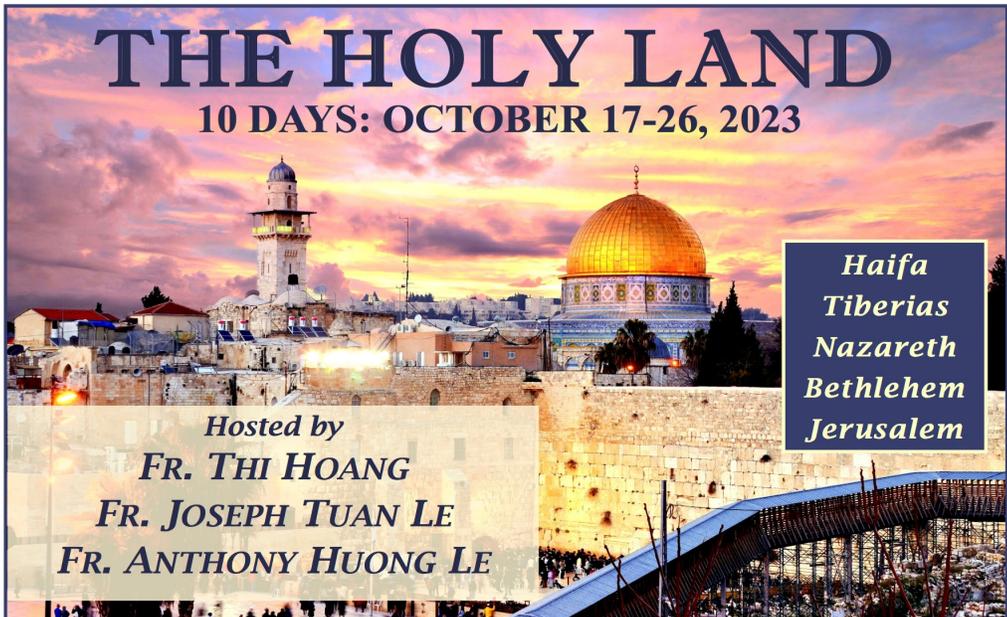
Con esta palabra, Pablo invita a Timoteo a comprometerse con la Escritura, a permitirle enseñar, corregir y formar. La Escritura no es un conjunto de reglas o un libro de respuestas, sino un sople de aire fresco de Dios. Es el registro de seres humanos defectuosos que se encuentran con un Dios amoroso y misterioso. Es la historia de Dios y de la humanidad en la que podemos poner nuestras historias de vida en diálogo con la historia de Dios. Respira profundamente.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Exodo 17:8-13
Salmo 121 (120):1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
2 Timoteo 3:14 - 4:2
Lucas 18:1-8

THE HOLY LAND

10 DAYS: OCTOBER 17-26, 2023



*Haifa
Tiberias
Nazareth
Bethlehem
Jerusalem*

Hosted by
FR. THI HOANG
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CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, INC.



Young Adult Ministry Kick Off. All Young Adults from 21yrs to 35yrs are invited to join our Young Adult ministry. The kick off day will be November 9 at 7pm in the ministry building.

If you are interested, just show up on that day.



VOCATION
DISCERNMENT
NIGHT

Grant Us Lord. Faith-Filled Leaders!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29
DIOCESAN YOUTH RETREAT CENTER
1977 RELIEZ VALLEY ROAD, LAFAYETTE, CA

3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Register with Fr Carl Arcosa at
CArcosa@OakDiocese.org



The Wedding of Christian G. Macasero and Christine Carrasco



Youth Ministry Trunk or Treat

Come join us for some Halloween fun on Sunday, Oct. 30 after all masses!

We will have decorated cars and offrendas that everyone can participate in!!

We are asking for candy donations to help make this event successful. Any donations can be taken to the office or left in the baskets with a note saying they're for Trunk or Treat, at the front of the church.

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser



Young Ladies Institute #123
and Young Men's Institute #59

Saturday October 29, 2022
From 7-10PM
\$15.00 per person

Menu: Spaghetti, Meatballs, Green Salad, French Bread, Beverage, Dessert & Coffee

For more information Contact



Rosanne Ortland at
925-783-8315 Or

Frank DiMaggio at
925-325-2048



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 from
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

Be a voice for life & dignity in California

Vote "no" on prop 1

Every human life, including unborn human life, is unique and unrepeatable, a person with inherent dignity and an eternal destiny. The intentional taking of any innocent human life is a grave moral evil, and people of faith and goodwill have an obligation to protect human life and oppose all attacks against human life and dignity. In CA this year, voters are faced with a choice to keep abortion law in our state as it is or to vote in favor of a new constitutional amendment that would permanently expand and vastly increase abortions in our state, without doing anything to give vulnerable women a real choice. While we pray and work for the day when every human life, born and unborn, will be protected in law and welcomed in life, today we work to defeat this ballot initiative.

Ser una voz por la vida y la dignidad en CA

No a la Proposición 1

Cada vida humana, incluso la vida humana por nacer, es original e irrepitable, una persona con dignidad inherente y un destino eterno. Por eso, la terminación intencional de una vida humana inocente es un delito grave contra la ley moral y las personas de fe y de buena voluntad tienen la obligación de proteger la vida humana y oponerse a cualquier ataque contra la vida y dignidad humana. En California este año, los votantes tendrán la opción de mantener la ley del aborto en nuestro estado tal como está o votar a favor de una nueva enmienda constitucional que expandiría permanentemente y aumentaría enormemente los abortos en nuestro estado, sin hacer nada para dar a las mujeres vulnerables una verdadera opción. Mientras rezamos y trabajamos para que llegue el día en que toda vida humana, nacida o no, sea protegida por la ley y bienvenida en la vida, hoy nos dedicamos a vencer esta iniciativa electoral.

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WORD ON FIRE

Bishop Robert Barron's newest study program

THE MASS

Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and you'll be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.

See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from God and a response from his people, the Church, and, most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist.

The Mass will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life.

WWW.WORDONFIRE.ORG + MASS.WORDONFIRE.ORG

You are all invited to join the CCD Parents Class on Oct 16 at 9:00am or 1:00pm. We will study about the Mass by Bishop Robert Barron.

October 15-16, 2022 Let us build faith through love in our marriages. Participate in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on



November 18-20, 2022 or March 3-5, 2023.
Go to www.wvme.org to find the Experience that is just right for you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 1st - All Saints: 7:30am, 5:30pm, 7pm (Spanish)
- November 2nd - All Souls: 7:30am, 5:30pm, 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, 5:30pm, 7pm (Spanish)
- December 2- Taize Prayer at 7pm
- December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe 7pm (Spanish)
- 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

ANNUAL CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD 2022 HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR IS BACK!!!

Sunday, October 23, 2022, Church Hall
9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. – ADMISSION FREE

Cultural Fashion Show after 8 am, 10 am and 12:00 Masses

SHOP FOR HALLOWEEN, THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS!!!

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR GREAT PRIZES – NO NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN

GREAT HOLIDAY GIFTS – GREAT PRICES FOR ALL.....

SCENTSY CANDLES *** PURSES/WALLETS *** BABY ITEMS

RELIGIOUS ITEMS *** ARTWORK ***JEWELRY - HANDMADE

HOT&COZIE BOWL WARMERS***HANDMADE WOOD ITEMS

AVON***SEACRET BEAUTY PRODUCTS***COLOR STREET NAILS**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS ONE DAY EVENT – FOOD KITCHEN WILL BE AVAILABLE SELLING CHILI AND OTHER ITEMS

No smoking allowed in premises; no shoes, no shirt no service applies to this event

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

WHEN: SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5, 2022
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

Mass Intentions October 17 – October 23

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Andrew Riva †
Tue	7:30 am	Victor Selor †
Wed	7:30 am	Antonio C. Carandang †
Thu	7:30 am	Saturnina Maratas †
Fri	7:30 am	Sal Aiello †
Sat	8:00 am	Dr. Miguel Solis, Al † Terry Mercurio †
	5:30 pm	Paul Gaetano Orlando †
Sun	8:00 am	Deceased Members of the Amador & Trini Ledesma Family †
	10 am	Richard Zocchi †
	12 pm	Aurora Cardona †
	3 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

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WEEKLY COLLECTION RECAP

Weekend of October 2nd, 2022

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 11,227.68

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 2,705.60

Weekend of October 9th, 2022

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 9,373.73

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$ 3,106.11

You are invited to join us "Life in Christ Seminar (LCS)

Where: Church of the Good Shepherd
When: Saturday, November 5, 2022 at 1:30pm

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

It is a response to the call of Pope Francis to the New Evangelization.

Presented by Dennis Manalo.

Free of charge

Contact persons: Angel & Amie Dolorito 510 277 2960; Roy & Angie Cachuela 925 477 9833; Rey & Tet Cruz 510 378 6896; Gil & Tez San Miguel 925 338 9693.



2022 Bishop's Ministries Appeal. Our goal this year is: \$35,600.00. We have raised \$23,711.30 (66.60%) so far. Please give to support our Diocese. Thank you!



"Feed my lambs, feed my sheep"

2022 BISHOP'S
MINISTRIES
APPEAL

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Sirach 35: 12-14, 16-18
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY &
HOME MISSION APPEAL**

BUILDINGS REFURBISHING AND PAINTING PROJECT

Dearest Parishioners,

We are so excited to have our church and surrounding buildings refurbished and painted. The church has needed this sort of maintenance for many years. There is dry rot in several locations, some of the side panels need replacing and paint chipping in many locations throughout the buildings. We received three bids for this project. CTE Group (General Building Construction) got their bid approved by the Diocese. They are actually working on this project right now. This refurbishing and painting project costs \$119,000.00.

I am writing this message to appeal for your financial support so we can get the project done successfully. Any \$\$\$ amount you donate is valuable and meaningful to us. Thank you so very much for your good and generous hearts. We truly appreciate your help. May God bless our painting project and keep the workers safe.

Fr. Thi Hoang

Below are the names of the donors for project: Lan Hai Nguyen....

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: _____
 EMAIL: _____
 PHONE: _____

Date	Time	Intention (Living or Deceased)
_____	_____	_____
Date	Time	Intention (Living or Deceased)
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Date	Time	Intention (Living or Deceased)
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Date	Time	Intention (Living or Deceased)
_____	_____	_____
Amount owed \$		Amount paid \$