



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

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**OCTOBER 1, 2023**



**26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you.” - Mt 21:31

**26° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

“Yo les aseguro que los publicanos y las prostitutas se les han adelantado en el camino del Reino de Dios”.

- Mt 21, 31

**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 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), 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 Manaoag ~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: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-

ttery. Any other arrangements should be discussed with parish

priest.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF  
SCRIPTURE

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

A life-long Catholic friend of mine recently mumbled to me, “I can’t stand all these converts to the faith. They’re always rocking the boat.” It surprised me because he is dedicated to evangelization, and yet he struggles with openness to new Catholics. It made me realize how easily I close my heart to those whom I perceive to be outsiders who become new members of the Catholic community. Almost unconsciously I reduce the world to the categories of “us” and “them.” The result is that meaningful community silently shrinks in my life. Don’t we all do that to some degree?

This week Jesus’ punchy parable about the two sons blows up that black and white world. One son said he wouldn’t get to work, and then did. The other said he would, and then he did not. **“Which did the will of his father?”** asks the Lord. Like so many of us, in identifying the first as the answer, the religious authorities manifest hidden hypocrisy in refusing to follow Jesus. They — like us — intuit the correct path but simply won’t do it. The tax collectors and prostitutes are indeed following Jesus and thereby getting to work in the kingdom of God. *Everyone* is called to do God’s will regardless of the labels we may apply to them.

This week let’s reject the convenient but damaging categories of “insiders” and “outsiders.” Instead, let’s embrace a grateful attitude that Jesus is calling fallen, weak, and broken men and women like you and me. Then we begin to see that the tax collectors and prostitutes aren’t *them*. They are *us*. And Jesus wants all of us working in his boat, no matter the rocking.

Father John Muir ©LPi



MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA  
ESCRITURA

26° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario



Nada es más perturbador en la sociedad en que vivimos que ver que las personas dicen una cosa y hacen otra. Algo así, como poner una cara para cada ocasión. En este domingo, estamos llamados a vivir con humildad y coherencia. Para llegar a ser de verdad coherentes existe un secreto que la Primera Lectura de hoy nos recuerda: “Cuando el justo se aparta de la justicia y comete el mal y por eso muere, muere por culpa de la injusticia que cometió. Del mismo modo, si el malvado se aparta de la mala vida que llevaba y actúa según el derecho y la justicia, vivirá”. (Ezequiel 18:26-27). La clave es reconocer el error y cambiar el modo de pensar y obrar para el bien. Para llegar a esta etapa de la vida se requiere mucha humildad.

Es por eso, que el Señor Jesús, nos narra la parábola de los dos hijos. El que dijo sí y no fue y el que dijo no y se arrepintió y se fue a trabajar en la viña de su padre. ¿A cuál de ellos te pareces? ¿Cómo respondes al llamado de Dios en tú vida, cualquiera que sea tú vocación? San Agustín nos ayuda con la siguiente oración a ser verdaderos discípulos de Jesucristo: “Te seguimos, Señor Jesús, pero para que te sigamos, llámanos, porque sin ti nadie avanza. Que solo tú eres el Camino, la Verdad, y la Vida. Recíbenos, como un camino acogedor recibe. Alíéntanos, como la verdad alienta. Vivificanos, puesto que tú eres la Vida”. ¡Creamos en Jesús, como los recaudadores de impuestos y las prostitutas de su tiempo!



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## ANNUAL FLOCK PARTY

**Sunday, October 01, 2023. All day from 9:00am-5:00pm**

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

Multicultural food such as Mexican, Italian, African, 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 big raffle prizes:

1st Prize: **\$2,000 Cash**

2nd Prize: **7 Nights Luxury Resort Getaway good for up to 4 travelers**— Over 3000 locations worldwide to choose from, including Hawaii or Las Vegas. (Airfare, Taxes and Fees are not included).

3rd Prize: **65" TV**

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.



## FLOCK PARTY 2023 Official Program

9:00-9:15 AM – FATHER THI'S  
OPENING STATEMENT/PRAYER  
9:20-9:30 AM - MASTER OF CEREMONY  
DAVID DELUNA'S OPENING  
9:35-9:45 AM – LITE MORNING MUSIC  
TO BE PLAYED BY DJ JON P.



### PERFORMANCES

10:30 AM – CYD DOMANTAY SOLO (2 SONGS)

Karaoke: 1)Blue Bayou 2)My Heart will go on

10:45 AM – KAMRYN K-POP DANCE GROUP

1)ETA by NewJeans, 2)Spicey by

Aespa 3)Sweet Juice by Purple Kiss

11:00 AM – UKULELE LOVERS OF VALLEJO

11:45 AM – CAMEROONIAN GROUP SINGING  
ACAPELLA

12:00 NOON – DANZA DE PALMA by MEXICAN  
MENS DANCE GROUP

1:00 PM – CULTURA KARILAGAN INTERNA-  
TIONAL DANCE ENSEMBLE

1:30 PM – FPB BAND by DENNIS MANALO

2:30 PM – 12 NOON CHOIR GROUP by DENNIS  
RIRAY

2:45 PM – PAKISTANI DANCE GROUP

3:15 PM – OTTO'S PARADISE DANCE GROUP

3:45 PM – ALDRIN NIEVES SOLO (2 SONGS) 1)

Hesus Ng Aking Buhay 2)Evermore

4:00 PM – FILIPINIANA DANCE GROUP – CARINOSA

4:15 PM – GIOVANI SOLO SINGING

4:30 PM – THE SANTO NINO DANCE GROUP of  
GSC -Mamang Sorbetero

4:45 PM – GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE

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

New Mecca Café  
Waterfront Grill and Café  
Hannah Nicole Winery  
Rocco Ristorante Pizzeria  
And many others.....



Place your stubs with money in any Sunday collection baskets, mail them in or bring them to the parish office or on the Flock Party Day

### Raffle Prizes Donors

2nd prize is donated by Gerard D'Cruz & his own company GT Power Construction Inc. Transferable prize; no cash value.

3rd prize, 65" TV is donated by the Jansz Family  
Consolation prizes are donated by individuals or ministries.

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.



## Mass Intentions October 2– October 8

## Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Vicente Macalisang †
Tue	7:30 am	Dr. Ike Mounekwu †
Wed	7:30 am	Robert Nuñez †
Thu	7:30 am	Ederson Inaclang† ( <i>Birthday</i> )
Fri	7:30 am	Fidel Martinez Jr. † ( <i>First year death anniversary</i> )
Sat	7:00 pm	Dr. Ike Muonekwu †
	8:00 am	For all the Souls in purgatory, especially members of FOSS †
	5:30 pm	Jack Garcia & Anthony “Neno” Belleci †
Sun	8:00 am	Raymond Massey †
	10:00am	Lee & Ruby Cordova†
	12 pm	Martha Lopez †
	3:00 pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

# R.C.I.A.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

## Thank You

An anonymous person has donated \$5,000 for the statues project.

God bless her generous heart!

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### Weekend of SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$9,048.74

2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$3,292.47

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

Isaiah 5:1-7  
Philippians 4:6-9  
Matthew 21:33-43

#### NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION

**DIOCESAN COMMUNICATIONS**

Life in Christ Seminar

October 7, 2023
Reception in the Ministry
Large Hall 2 PM

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https://forms.gle/edqCL9psC2RUNQ7

Email: dmanalo.mfccc@gmail.com



MISSIONARY FAMILIES OF CHRIST

Defending Faith, Family, and Life

VISION

We are an evangelistic and missionary parish faith community committed to become families empowered by the Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth.



Mass Sponsorship collected from St. Padre Pio Feast Day \$4,233



Mass Sponsorship collected from St. Lorenzo Ruiz Feast Day \$1,960.

ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF THE 2024 MASS BOOK! We will be opening the 2024 Mass Book Thursday, October 19th. 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 19 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. 10) 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!

2024 Mass Intention Request Form

REQUESTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Amount paid \$



- Oct 1- Flock Party –All Day  
 Oct 13- Fatima Mass and Procession 6:30pm  
 Nov 1st– Feast of All Saints 7:30am; 7pm Bilingual  
 Nov 2nd– All Souls 7:30am, 1pm (HC Cemetery), 7pm Bi  
 Nov 18- Appreciation dinner for volunteers at 7pm  
 Nov 23 – Thanksgiving at 10am  
 Dec 3-Advent  
 Dec 8- Feasts of the Immaculate Conception: 7:30am  
 Mass & 7pm Bilingual  
 Dec 9– Diocesan Simbang Gabi Kick Off 11am  
 Dec 10-O.L Guadalupe 3pm Mass  
 Dec 18- Advent Reconciliation 7pm  
 Dec 16- Simbang Gabi 5:30am  
 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 and Party at 7pm  
 New Year 2024, 10am



Blessing for new leaders of Filipino community: Jasper Espiritu, Shirley Quejado, Ofelia Tanyag, Cecille Perez

## Flock Party Food Menu

All Food Items will be Purchased with Tokens.  
 We have 1 dollar and 5 dollar Tokens.

### Filipino Food

will serve Breakfast combination of tocino, rice, and egg, longanisa, rice, and egg Fi, and daing na bangus (marinated milkfish) all served with achara combo. For lunch Combo: Barbecue pork, rice, and achara, Grilled pork chop, rice, and achara, 6 pieces of lumpia and pancit, dinuguan and puto, chicken adobo and rice at combo. Lumpia by itself will be sold at 15 pieces Sonny Andes famous Lomi soup.

### Filipino Desserts

Banana cue: 2 bananas per stick, Turon, Torta (mamon) , & Sapin sapin

### Filipino Drinks

Taho & Halo-Halo

### Malaysian Food

Roti Canai + Malaysian Curry Chicken + Potatoes & Malaysian Hot Tea

### Vietnamese food

Vietnamese famous Banh Mi (Pork or chicken), Vietnamese chicken Congee paired With Chinese long donuts, green onion and cilantro, Thai ice tea, Vietnamese Spring Roll

### Nigerian Food

Jollof rice, Jollof beans, Spinach, Plantains Fish & Baked chicken

### Cameroonian Food

1 big dish of Ndoley, 1 big dish of cassava, 1 big dish of puff puff & 1 big dish of pomme pillée

### American Food

Hot dog, popcorn, snowcone, & cotton candy

### Tongan

Roasted pigs

### Italian Dessert

Cannoli cookies

### Hispanic Food

Elotes, pozole, tamales, quesabirria, tostadas, pupusas, atole, tacos al pastor, breakfast burrito plate, tacos de birria, & aguas fresca/fruit drinks

### Pakistani Food

Biryani plate, samosas & Kebab Roll

Soft Drinks and BEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEER

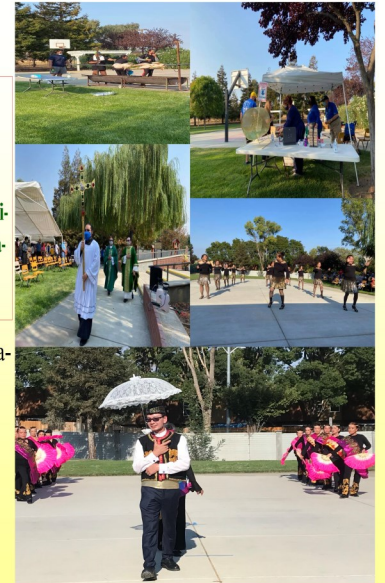


**Our next Multilingual Rosary Prayer Procession and Mass to honor our Lady of Fatima will take place on Friday, Oct. 13 at 6:30pm.**

**All are welcome!**

### Animals Blessings

To honor the Feast of St. Francis, the Patron Saint of animals, we will have the Blessing of Animals service on **Oct 4 at 5pm** in front of the fountain (between the hall and the rectory) If you want to have your pets to be blessed, please bring them to church on the above date.



Un Rebaño, Una Familia, Viviendo y Compartiendo el Amor de Cristo

### FIESTA ANUAL DE REBAÑO

**Domingo, Octubre 1, 2023 Todo el día desde las 9:00am-5:00pm**

El día va incluir las siguiente misas: 8am, 10am, 12pm y 2pm en Español.

Comida multicultural como Mexicana, Italiana, Nigeriana, Americana, Filipina, Tongana, Vietnamita, Pakistani; bebidas, música en vivo, baile, juegos y todo tipo de entretenimiento y lo mejor de todo; Diversion en fa-

También tienes la oportunidad de ganar gran premios de rifa.

1st Premio **\$2,000 en efectivo**

2nd Premio **7 Noches en un Resort de Lujo bueno para hasta 4 viajeros**—Más de 3000 ubicaciones en todo el mundo para elegir, incluyendo Hawái o Las Vegas.

(Vuelos, los impuestos y tarifas no están incluidos),

3rd Premio **65" TV**

4th Premio **\$500 en efectivo, y muchos otros premios de consolación.**

Boletos son \$5 cada uno o 6 boletos por \$25. No necesitas estar presente para ganar.

*Traiga a su familia y amigos y quédese con nosotros durante todo el día.*



### OCTOBER 1, 2023 GOOD SHEPHERD'S ANNUAL FLOCK PARTY RAFFLE!

If you are a registered parishioner you should have received a mailing for this event that includes raffle tickets for a drawing that will take place at the Flock Party. If you did not receive the mailing, you can purchase tickets after any mass between now and the event. No need to be present to win ~ but we'd love to see you there! Tickets are \$5 each or 6 tickets for \$25.

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### FLOCK PARTY WATER AND SOFT DRINK DONATIONS 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!**

