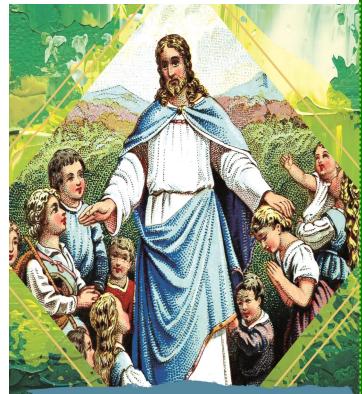


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# **SEPTEMBER 22, 2024**



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:37

25° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO "El que reciba en mi nombre a uno de estos niños, a mí me recibe". - Mc 9, 37 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) Saturdays: 8 am (livestreamed) & 5:30 pm (Vigil) 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 Fridays: 8 am-9 am; **Adoration:** Fridays: 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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK HOTLINE: 510-259-8706

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# CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



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The readings of this 25th Sunday, Year B remind us of a sin we deal with every day in our lives. It is the sin of jealousy. St. James in the second reading points out that jealousy is evil, for where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice (Jas 3:16). The Gospel tells us the disciples of Jesus envied one another and argued among themselves who would be the greatest (Mk 9:30). It is said that when a person looks sad, there are two possibilities: Either a bad thing has happened to him, or some thing good has happened to his rival. This statement sounds convincing, for

in reality, for instance, a loyal fan of Giants would never be happy if the Dodgers win the champion and vice versa. Do you rejoice when others are blessed or do you envy them their success? If you envy them their success, Jesus gives you a perfect remedy for such a sin: *Be like a child* as he mentioned in the Gospel: *"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me."* What are children capable of? Why are they proposed here as a solution? Children have some great qualities, which make them the symbol of those who are citizens of the Kingdom.

First, children are dependent and trusty. Children never think that they can face life by themselves. They are perfectly content to be dependent on those who love them and care for them. Children trust their parents that their needs will be met. They are never worry about what to eat, where to live and what to wear. They trust that those will be provided. Second, children are able to live in the present moment. Just watch little kids when they play games. They so enjoy themselves that most of us can't because we are fussing about the wounded past, or preoccupied with the future: desiring and fearing what might come. You see a child able to live in the present moment. That's why we must be like little children. Third, children are simple and innocent. They are like angels who don't have much ambition; therefore they are less jealous and are happy. In short, envy tends to live in the past for it is resenting past wounds and offenses. It's resenting the success of others. Ambition lives in the future. So stop living in those two places. Be like a child, depending and trusting God. Be like a child, surrendering to the now and be like a child, living a simple and humble life. Let us always keep our spirit of a child in order to be qualified for the Kingdom of Heaven. Amen! Fr. Thi Hoang

Las lecturas de este 25° Domingo nos recuerdan un pecado con el que lidiamos todos los días en nuestras vidas. Es el pecado de los celos. Santiago en la segunda lectura señala que los celos son malos, porque donde hay celos y ambición egoísta, hay desorden y toda clase de prácticas inmundas (St 3:16). El Evangelio nos dice que los discípulos de Jesús se envidiaban unos a otros y discutían entre ellos quién sería el más grande (Mc 9:30). Se dice que cuando una persona se ve triste, hay dos posibilidades: o le ha pasado algo malo, o le ha pasado algo bueno a su rival. Esta afirmación suena convincente, porque en realidad, por ejemplo, un fanático fiel de los Giants nunca estaría feliz si los Dodgers ganan el campeonato y viceversa. ¿Te alegras cuando otros son bendecidos o les envidias su éxito? Si les envidias su éxito, Jesús te da un remedio perfecto para tal pecado: Sé como un niño como él menciona en el Evangelio: "El que recibe a un niño como este en mi nombre, a mí me recibe". ¿De qué son capaces los niños? ¿Por qué se proponen aquí como solución? Los niños tienen algunas grandes cualidades, que los convierten en el símbolo de los que son ciudadanos del Reino.

En primer lugar, los niños son dependientes y confiables. Los niños nunca piensan que pueden enfrentar la vida por sí mismos. Están perfectamente contentos de depender de quienes los aman y cuidan de ellos. Los niños confían en que sus padres satisfarán sus necesidades. Nunca se preocupan por qué comer, dónde vivir y qué ponerse. Confían en que se les proporcionarán. En segundo lugar, los niños pueden vivir en el momento presente. Simplemente observa a los niños pequeños cuando juegan. Se divierten tanto que la mayoría de nosotros no podemos porque estamos preocupados por el pasado herido o preocupados por el futuro: deseando y temiendo lo que podría venir. Ves a un niño capaz de vivir en el momento presente. Por eso debemos ser como niños pequeños. En tercer lugar, los niños son sencillos e inocentes. Son como ángeles que no tienen mucha ambición; por lo tanto, son menos celosos y son felices. En resumen, la envidia tiende a vivir en el pasado porque es resentimiento por las heridas y ofensas pasadas. Es resentimiento por el éxito de los demás. La ambición vive en el futuro. Así que deja de vivir en esos dos lugares. Sé como un niño, dependiendo y confiando en Dios. Sé como un niño, entregándote al ahora y sé como un niño, viviendo una vida sencilla y humilde. Mantengamos siempre nuestro espíritu de niño para poder estar calificados para el Reino de los Cielos. ¡Amén!

# PAGE THREE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD SEPTEMBER 22. 2024 . . . . . . . . . . . **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 Donations 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!

# Celebrating the Feast of St. Padre Pio, Sept 22 at 12pm Mass

Who is St. Padre Pio? Saint Padre Pio was an Italian priest who was known for is adoration of charity and love for the people around him. He bore the wounds of Christ, which is still something that cannot be explained. Francesco Forgione was born May 25th, 1887 in Pietrelcina, Italy. Below is the Mass Sponsorship Form. Please fill it out and return it to Cecille Perez at 925-300-6234, Cora Clavel at 925-354-2259

DATE	Sunday, September 22, 2024 @ 12pm mass
MASS	St. Padre Pio Feast Mass
DONATION AMOUNT:	
NAME/s of SPONSOR/s	
Mass intentions	
Sponsor's Telephone No.	

#### FEAST OF SAN LORENZO RUIZ, Sept 29 at 12 Noon Mass Mass sponsorship form is available below.

Who is St Lorenzo Ruiz summary? Saint Lorenzo Ruiz is the first Filipino to be venerated in the Roman Catholic Church. Of Chinese-Filipino parentage, he became the country's protomartyr after his execution by the Tokugawa Shogunate during its persecution of Japanese Christians in the 17th century.

DATE	Sunday, September 29 @ the 12:00 Noon mass
MASS (indicate feast name or "Simbang Gabi")	San Lorenzo Ruiz Feast Mass
DONATION AMOUNT: If in check, please use "Church of the Good Shep- herd" as payee	
NAME/s of SPONSOR/s	
INTENTION/s:	
Signature of Sponsor	
Sponsor's Telephone No.	

Contact Jasper Espiritu (415-503-8845), Ofelia Tanyag (925-890-2056), Shirley Quejado (925-586-7668)

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#### **CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

#### **SEPTEMBER 22, 2024**



#### The Cameroonian Catholic Community – East Bay

With great joy and anticipation, the Cameroonian Catholic Community at the Church of the Good Shepherd warmly invites you to our 1st Anniversary Celebration. This milestone represents a year of faith, fellowship, and the many blessings we have experienced together as a church community.

The celebration will take place on Saturday, September 28th, at 2:30 PM, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, located at 3200 Harbor St, Pittsburg, CA 94565. We have planned a special service to mark this significant occasion, followed by a fellowship meal and activities designed to bring our community together in gratitude and joy.

Your presence would be a true honor as we reflect on the past year and look forward to the future with hope and excitement. We would be delighted for you to join us in celebrating the growth of our community, the strengthening of our bonds, and the blessings that have enriched our lives through our shared faith.

Please feel free to invite your family and friends to this joyous occasion. We look forward to celebrating this special day with you. May God continue to bless you and guide you in all your endeavors.

Best regards,

For the Cameroonian Catholic Community – East Bay, Patrick Siewe



# THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Sunday, September 22, 2024 Reconciliation: 4:30 PM Praise and Worship: 4:45 PM Mass: 5:00 PM

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Catholic Daughters installation of new officers and welcome new members, Sept 14, 2024.

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FLOCK PARTY WATER AND

SOFT DRINK DONATIONS

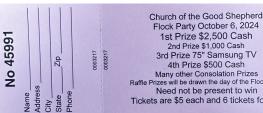
**NEEDED!** 

#### **OCTOBER 6, 2024 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! Place your stubs in any Sunday collection basket, mail them in or bring them to the parish office.



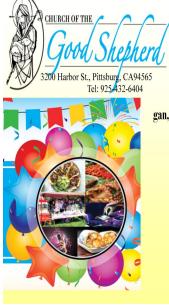
Flock Party October 6, 2024 1st Prize \$2,500 Cash 2nd Prize \$1,000 Cash 3rd Prize 75" Samsung TV 4th Prize \$500 Cash Many other Consolation Prizes rizes will be drawn the day of the Flock Party Need not be present to win Tickets are \$5 each and 6 tickets for \$25

#### 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

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donations to the parish office any time during business hours, Monday-Thursday, 8 am to 4 pm.

Thank you!



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

# ANNUAL FLOCK PARTY

# Sunday, October 06, 2024. All day from 9:00am-5:00pm

The day will include Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm and 2pm en espanol. Multicultural food such as Mexican. Italian. Nigerian. Cameroonian, American. Filipino. Tongan, Vietnamese, Malaysian, 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: \$2,500 Cash 2nd Prize: \$1,000 Cash 3rd Prize: 75" Samsung 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. Raffle prizes will be drawn on the day of the Flock Party. Bring your family and friends and stay with us for the whole day.

#### FIESTA ANUAL DE REBAÑO DOMINGO, OCTUBRE 6, 2024

Un Rebaño, Una Familia, Viviendo y Compartiendo el Amor de Cristo 3200 Harbor St. Pittsburg, CA 94565

# Festa Anual De Rebaño Domingo, Octubre 6, 2024

#### Todo el dia desde las 9:00am-5:00pm

El dia va incluir las siguente misas: 8am, 10am, 12pm y 2pm en Español. Comida multicultural como Mexicana, Italiana, Nigeriana, Camaroonia, Americana, Filipina, Tongana, Vietnamita, Malaysiana, Pakistani; bebidas, música en vivo, baile, juegos y todo tipo de entretenimiento y lo major de todo: ¡ Diversion en familia!

También tienes la oportunidad de ganar un gran premio de rifa. Estos son los premios: 1st Premio \$2,500 en efectivo, 2nd Premio \$1,000, 3rd Premio 75' amsung 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.







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# **SEPTEMBER 22, 2024**



Sept 22 Feast of St. Padre Pio at 12pm Mass Sep 23- RCIA/ Adult Confirmation kick off 7pm Sept 28– French/Cameroonian 1st Ann celebration 2:30pm Sept 29- Feast of St. Lorenzo Ruiz 12pm Mass Oct 5– Diocesan Divine Mercy Pilgrimage 9am-2pm Oct 6- Flock Party Oct 12–6:30pm Fatima Procession (after 5:30pm Mass) Oct 31- All Saints vigil Mass at 7pm Nov 1- All Saints- 7:30am; 7pm Bilingual Nov 2- All Souls- 8:00am, 12pm Bilingual-2pm Holy Cross Cemetery. Nov 10- Craft Fair Nov 16- Appreciation dinner for volunteers at 7pm Nov 28 – Thanksgiving at 10am Dec 1- Advent Dec 6- Taize Prayer 7pm Dec 8- O.L of Guadalupe- 5am Mananitas and 3pm Mass Dec 9– Solemnity of the Immaculate 7:30am & 7pm Dec 16- Advent Reconciliation 7pm Dec, 24 Christmas Eve, 4pm, 6pm, 12 Midnight 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





**Religious Ed**ucation

News!



mation will begin on Monday, September 23, 2024 at 7pm



**New Altar Servers training** Sept 28 at 10am. Sign up via QR code below.



"Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Matthew 19:14

#### Take part in the Mass and become an Altar Server

All children and teens are invited to be Altar Servers You must have received First Communion

If interested please scan the QR code below and fill out the form The altar server coordinator will contact you Thank you and God Bless Fr. Thi



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Mass Intentions September 23 - September 29



Mon	7:30am	Alice Aceves †	
Tue	7:30am	Nicanor Sr. & Jr. †	D 92
		Shirley & Yolanda Fernandez †	de
Wed	7:30am	Lydia Agsalud †	D
		Edna Concepcion †	92
Thu	7:30am	Suzie Galvan Balingit †	D
Fri	7:30am	Benjamin Aguba †	C
Sat	8:00am	<b>Ofelia Yi Barr</b> † (Birthday)	92 0
		Francisca Muonekwu † (Death Ann.)	Ca K
	5:30pm	Daniel & Jessica Guzman (Ann.)	92
	ľ	& Solis/Hurtado Family	K
Sun	8:00am	Alfred Franger †	L
	10:00am	Ronn & Tina Ton (45th Wedding Ann)	92
		Vince DePasquale † (Birthday)	
	12:00pm	Genevieve Cappucini †	D
	3:00pm	For the People of our Parish	m G

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# 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 \$24,810.78(60.7%). Thank you so much for your support!

# Weekend of September 15, 2024

1st Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$12,609.54 2nd Collection (Cash, Checks, EFT) \$3,782.50

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**

NUMBERS 11:25-29 **JAMES 5:1-6** MARK 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 **NEXT SUNDAY'S 2nd COLLECTION** 

# **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**