

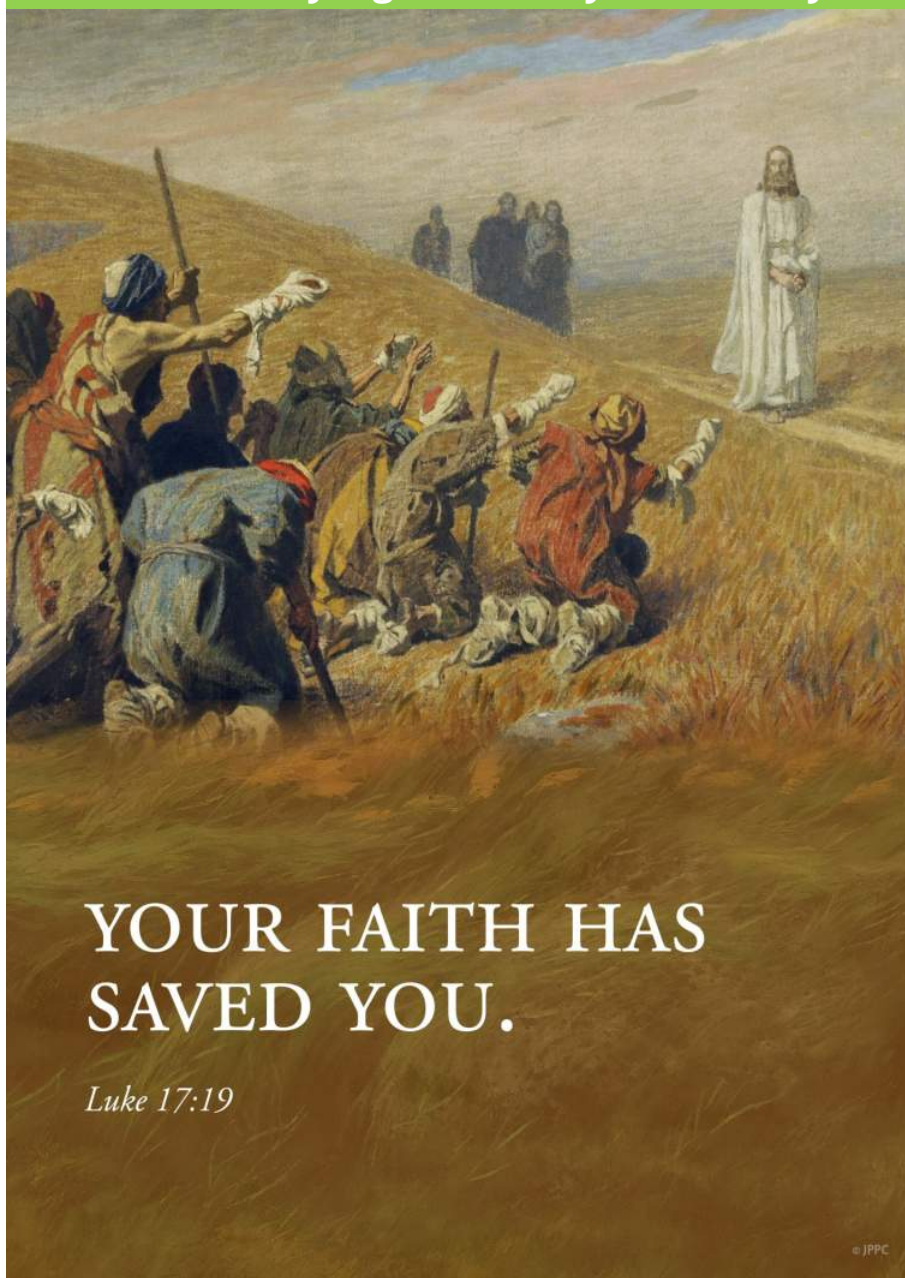
# Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVING  
PENN HILLS, PITCAIRN, AND MONROEVILLE

ChristtheDivineShepherd.org | 412-373-0050

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 12, 2025



YOUR FAITH HAS  
SAVED YOU.

*Luke 17:19*

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## Mass Schedule

### Saturday

4:00pm St. Bernadette  
5:00pm St. Susanna

### Sunday

8:00am St. Bernadette  
9:00am St. Susanna  
11:00am St. Bernadette  
11:30am St. Susanna

### Mon/Wed/Fri

9:00am St. Bernadette

### Tues/Thurs

9:00am St. Susanna

## Our Churches

### St. Bernadette

245 Azalea Dr, Monroeville, PA  
15146

Parishoffice@cdsmp.org  
412-373-0050

Bulletin Submissions:  
Bulletin@cdsmp.org

### St. Susanna

200 Stotler Rd, Penn Hills, PA 15235

Diocesan Victim Assistance: 412-456-3093 Office)  
1-888- 808-1235 (Hot Line) PA Child Line: 1-800-932-0313,  
Call 911 immediately if a child is in danger.

*We are a Roman Catholic Parish seeking to nourish the Shepherd's flock by forging a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ, worshipping authentically, and engaging in community.*

# Prayer and Liturgy

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## Prayer Before Mass

Almighty and ever-living God, I draw near to the sacrament of your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. I come sick to the physician of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the light of eternal brightness, poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. So I ask you, most generous Lord: graciously heal my infirmity, wash me clean, illumine my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I receive the Bread of Angels, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, with such reverence and humility, such contrition and devotion, such purity and faith, and such resolve and determination as may secure my soul's salvation. Grant that I may receive not only the visible sign of the Lord's Body and Blood, but also the reality and the power of the sacrament. Grant, most kind God, that I may receive the Body of your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, which He received from the Virgin Mary, and may I receive it in such a way that I become a living part of His Mystical Body and counted among His members. O most loving Father, grant me your beloved Son. While on this earthly pilgrimage, I receive Him under the veil of this sacrament; so may I come at last to see Him face to face for all eternity. For He lives and reigns with You forever and ever. Amen.

## Entrance Chant

*Ps 130 (129): 3, 4; v 1-2, 5 · GR, RM*

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

## Hymn in Procession

#584 Praise the Lord Ye Heavens

## Scripture Readings #1011

2 Kgs 5: 14-17 Naaman returned to the man of God and acknowledged the Lord.

*Cf. Ps 98 (97): 2b; v 1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 · L*

**The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

2 Tim 2: 8-13 If we persevere we shall also reign with Christ.

Lk 17: 11-19 None but this foreigner has returned to give thanks to God.

## Offertory *Est 14: 12, 13; v 13-*

*14; Jer 18: 20; Ps 130 (129): 1-2 · GR*

Remember me, O Lord, you who have dominion over every power. Put fitting words in my mouth, that my speech might be pleasing in the presence of the King.

#688 There is a Balm in Gilead

## GLORIA

*I (Cantor or choir)*  
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

*II (Assembly)*  
We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,  
we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav'n-ly King,  
O God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus Christ,  
On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,  
you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us;  
you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer;  
you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther,  
have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,  
you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ,  
with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

*Slower*

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# Prayer and Liturgy

## Sanctus

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na  
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## Mystery of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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## Amen

A - men, a - men,  
a - men.

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## Communion Chant

*Cf. Ps 34 (33): 11; v 2-7 · RM*

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

## Song of Praise #485 Salve Regina

## Communion Hymn

#563 O Jesus Joy of Loving Hearts

## Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

## Dismissal #669 We Walk By Faith

## Thanksgiving Prayer after Mass

Lord, holy Father, ever-living God, I thank you. For though I am a sinner and your unworthy servant, you have fed me with the precious Body and Blood of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. You have done this not because I deserve it, but because you are kind and merciful. I pray that this holy Communion may not add to my guilt and punishment, but may lead me to forgiveness and salvation. May it be for me the armor of faith and the shield of good will. May it purify me from evil ways and put an end to my base passions. May it bring me charity and patience, humility and obedience, and may it strengthen my power to do every kind of good. May it be a strong defense against the deceit of all my enemies, visible and invisible. May it perfectly calm all my evil impulses, both bodily and spiritual. May it unite me more closely to you, the one true God, and bring me to full possession of the goal I long for. And I pray that you will lead me, a sinner, to the magnificent banquet where you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, are for all your saints the true light, total fulfillment, everlasting joy, gladness without end, exquisite delight, and most perfect happiness. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Deacons deserve much affirmation for their tireless work, proclaiming the word of God, giving homilies, performing baptisms, and witnessing marriages, among other responsibilities. These selfless servants are fully ordained clergy, reporting directly to the bishop.

**What do deacons do:**

- Proclaim the Gospel
- Baptize
- Witness marriages
- Perform funeral and burial services outside of the Eucharist
- Distribute Holy Communion
- Preach the homily
- Visit the sick
- Teach the faith
- Provide counsel for couples and individuals
- Work on parish committees
- Advise and assist pastors

Deacon Mike Kelly has blessed our parish and the diocese with his commitment, caring and love for over 25 years. We appreciate his time, talent and effort in serving the spiritual needs our parish community.

In the near future, Pedro Olivera will make his vows and be ordained to the diaconate from our parish. We appreciate his answering the call to the diaconate. He will surely be an asset in supporting the spiritual needs of our parish.

Please keep these men always in your prayers and fasting.

Thank you, Deacon Mike and Pedro

## Pregnancy and Infant Loss Memorial Mass

October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month. All are invited to join us on Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM at Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish (St. Bernadette Church) for a special Respect Life Mass to remember and honor all children lost during pregnancy and infancy. Together, we will honor the memory of these precious children, pray for healing and peace, and surround grieving families with the love and support of our parish community.

## Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

If you're interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith, or gaining access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you! The CDS Knights of Columbus, Pius XII Council, will conduct a membership drive after all Masses at St. Susanna this weekend and at St. Bernadette on October 18 & 19. Please consider joining our council. For more information, visit [www.KofC4925.org](http://www.KofC4925.org) or contact Keith Brown at [kb@5browns.com](mailto:kb@5browns.com) or 412-719-9123.



## DEACON'S BEACONS

*Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. 1 Corinthians 13:7-8*

Love is supposed to be the basis of Christianity. That St. Paul had to write a long description of what love is and is not to the Church of Corinth says that, even in his day, we did not get it. Jesus stressed love as He prepared to leave His disciples and then He showed them what true love looks like. If only we could get it right at least a little bit, the world would be a far better place.

*Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.*

Deacon Mike

PLEASE JOIN THE MONROEVILLE ROTARY CLUB AND THE DIVINE MERCY ACADEMY PTG FOR A DELICIOUS

# PANCAKE Breakfast

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**Sunday, November 9, 2025 ♥ 9am - 12pm**  
PROCEEDS BENEFIT MONROEVILLE ROTARY CLUB YOUTH SERVICES AND THE DMA PTG

BREAKFAST INCLUDES - PANCAKES, EGGS CASSEROLE, SAUSAGE, AND OF COURSE COFFEE, TEA, AND JUICE!

## **CDS Blood Drive Ministry** **Blood Drive Ministry Changes and Observations** **Notes from John Prazenica**

**Joni Batchen** will be our parish Blood Drive ministry leader starting in 2026. She has been diligently working to establish a relationship with Vitalant, our partner, in assuring safe and well-organized blood drives, and understanding the role she will assume. I have been running blood drives since 2016 and it's time for a fresh perspective and new ideas to increase involvement and blood donation in our parish. Joni is more than capable to lead this effort. Please give her the support needed to make the effort successful.

In 2000, St. Bernadette Church and North American Martyrs had 243 on-site donors and an additional 230 donors at the blood bank. In recent years we have 60 to 70 on-site and 100 or so at the blood bank – it has been a steady decline over the past 25 years. Why? Well, the regular donor pool has gotten smaller because it generally has been an aging population. Some have died and others have medical conditions that preclude them from donating. That's not to say younger donors haven't stepped up to donate, just not in replacement proportion as those leaving.

If you are a regular donor – whether through our parish efforts or somewhere else like where you work or go to school – THANK YOU! If you were a regular donor but are unable to donate any longer – THANK YOU!

To have an adequate blood supply in our community, we need those of you 18 or older, in good health, and who do not currently donate to consider the importance of a simple act of love and compassion. Please volunteer to donate blood either here during an on-site drive or at the Vitalant blood donation center.

Our Lord Jesus Christ agonized in a garden prior to shedding his blood out of love for us. Having been a regular donor prior to becoming ineligible due to a medical condition, I can assure you it is not anything to agonize over. At least give it consideration through prayer.

## **Honoring Our Saints**

This week we celebrate two special feasts of saints dear to our parish family. October 16 is the Feast of Saint Gerard Majella, the patron saint of expectant mothers, unborn children, and families. A humble Redemptorist brother known for his charity and obedience, Saint Gerard devoted his short life (1726–1755) to serving the poor, comforting the sick, and fostering devotion to Christ. He is especially invoked by couples longing for children and by mothers experiencing difficult pregnancies. As we honor him, we pray for all parents, families, and mothers carrying new life—that they may be strengthened in faith, hope, and love.

October 19 is the Feast of the North American Martyrs—Saints Isaac Jogues, John de Brébeuf, and their companions—Jesuit missionaries who brought the Gospel to the Huron and Iroquois in the 17th century. Despite great hardship, they remained steadfast in faith, giving their lives as witnesses to Christ. As we commemorate their sacrifice, we pray for the courage to live our faith with the same zeal and devotion, and for the Church in North America to be renewed by their example.

We also hold in prayer the deceased members of North American Martyrs and St. Gerard Majella Churches, who remain a cherished part of our parish family. May the prayers and witness of these saints inspire us all to deeper faith and love of Christ.

## October Senior Potluck Luncheon

Senior Potluck Luncheon  
Wednesday October 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM in Biedenbach Hall

Guest Speaker: Celena Colcombe  
CDS high school youth minister



Join us for our next Senior Potluck Luncheon to meet our new high school youth minister Celena who is a recent graduate of Saint Vincent College where she earned her degrees in psychology and theology.

Celena will share with us about her pilgrimage to Rome for the canonization Saints Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati. We will hear about why these young Saints and their call to holiness is so important to The Church and in particular for the youth of The Church. Celena will also share what it means to minister to teens in our modern world.

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet Celena and enjoy some fellowship with great food! No registration necessary, bring a friend and your favorite dish or dessert  
All are welcome!



## CDS high school youth ministry updates!

- Sunseri is currently booked out with pepperoni roll fundraisers until May so will have to wait to work with them. Please stay tuned for other fundraising opportunities to support the youth ministry program!
- We are back in the youth room this Sunday from 6-8pm. All 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to come enjoy time with other teens and hear about what it means to be in a relationship with Our Lord as we receive His love for us and love Him!



this past Sunday's meeting where  
we discussed praying with Mary  
&  
our movie night in the youth room  
on Saturday



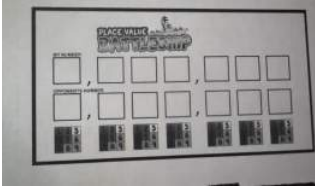


# Divine Mercy Academy

Schooloffice@dmapgh.org | DMAPGH.org

## 6th Grade Update

Math in 6th grade isn't just about pencil and paper, it's about moving, thinking, and working together. During our 6th grade math enrichment time, students rotated through interactive stations, including Place Value Battleship, where they guessed the others "coordinates" to test their knowledge, while letting the students enjoy learning! These stations not only kept students engaged and energized, but also gave them the chance to practice problem-solving, communication, and review the material that they will soon be tested on. By combining games with learning, our enrichment time strengthens both confidence and mastery.



Divine Mercy Academy's annual Walk-a-thon was a success! Students, teachers and staff walked laps around the school building to raise money for our school! Thank you to everyone who donated, came out and cheered us on, and for all the hard work of our PTG!

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### FUNDRAISER DETAILS

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October 27, 2025\*

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1 Start your order at [redrobin.com/order](http://redrobin.com/order) and select the restaurant above.
- 2 In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
- 3 Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4 Add your meal items and check out.
- 5 Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

\*Fundraiser during restaurant operating hours. Visit [redrobin.com](http://redrobin.com) and find this location to view hours. Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.





# TURN YOUR TAXES INTO TUITION



## Parent Information Session

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The Pennsylvania's Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program allows individuals and businesses to redirect their PA tax dollars to support the Pittsburgh Catholic Schools. These redirected funds become scholarships for eligible Catholic school students in the Pittsburgh area.

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- Support Catholic education in your community
- Easy participation for individuals and businesses

### JOIN US!

Come and learn more about this program and how it can supercharge tuition assistance at your school!

**Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM**

Divine Mercy Academy  
Lourdes Center  
245 Azalea Drive,  
Monroeville, PA 15146

**Thursday, Oct. 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM**

Sacred Heart/St. Jude Parish  
St. Jude Parish Auditorium  
310 Shady Avenue,  
Pittsburgh, PA 15206

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN HOW YOUR TAX DOLLARS CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

## Respect Life Month

Respect Life Month reminds us that "Every life is a gift! Each child, from the moment of conception, is created in the image and likeness of God. Let us cherish, protect, and celebrate the gift of life at every stage."

## Jubilee Church Tour 2025

Join Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish for our Jubilee Church Tour 2025 on Saturday, November 15, 2025! We'll travel together by school bus, departing from St. Bernadette Church (245 Azalea Drive, Monroeville) at 10:00 AM. Our pilgrimage stops will include St. Mary Church, Holy Spirit Parish (New Castle) and Saint Monica Church, St. Augustine Parish (Beaver Falls), with an estimated return to St. Bernadette at 2:00 PM. Snacks will be provided on the bus, and we look forward to a day filled with prayer, fellowship, and joyful celebration during this Jubilee Year! To reserve your seat, please call the Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish office at 412-373-0050.

## Oktoberfest 2025

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Oktoberfest 2025! It was a wonderful time of fellowship, food, and fun. We're especially grateful to all the volunteers and organizers who worked behind the scenes to make it such a joyful parish celebration.



# This Week at Christ the Divine Shepherd

## Sunday, October 12, 2025

8AM - Faith Formation Sacramental Prep—Spirit Room

12PM - Donut Sunday - Biedenbach Hall

6PM - Emmaus Retreat Meeting - Lourdes Center

6PM - Youth Ministry - Youth Room, St Susanna

## Monday, October 13, 2025

6:30PM - Knights of Columbus Officers - Biedenbach Hall

7PM - Lectionary Bible Study - St Joseph Room

## Tuesday, October 14, 2025

9:30AM-10:30AM - Adoration - St. Susanna

1:30PM - Prayer & Rosary Group - Biedenbach Hall

4PM - Purgatory Prayers - St. Susanna Room 103

6PM - PERCES EITC Info Session - Lourdes Center

7PM - OCIA - Spirit Room

## Wednesday, October 15, 2025

12:30PM - Senior Potluck - Biedenbach Hall

6PM - Centering Prayer - St. Susanna - Room 103

6PM - Faith Formation - St. Bernadette

## Thursday, October 16, 2025

9:30AM - Coalition for Community Living Bread—Spirit Room

10AM-6PM - Adoration - St. Bernadette

1PM - Facilities Assessment Team - St Joseph Room

4PM - Purgatorian Society - St. Bernadette

5PM - Confession - St. Bernadette

6PM - Keto Support - Spirit Room

## Friday, October 17, 2025

8:30AM - Keto Support - Bride's Room

8PM - AA Meeting - Biedenbach Hall

## Saturday, October 18, 2025

7AM - Men's Group - Lourdes Center

3PM - Confession - St. Bernadette

4PM - Confession - St. Susanna

## Sunday, October 19, 2025

8AM - Faith Formation Sacramental Prep—Spirit Room

6PM - Emmaus Retreat Meeting - Lourdes Center

6PM - Youth Ministry - Youth Room, St Susanna



## SACRED MUSIC MINISTRY

**October 19** - 9am Choir  
11am Praise Band

**October 26** - 11am Choir

For schedule and updates visit:  
[cdsmph.org/sacredmusic](https://cdsmph.org/sacredmusic)



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

October 12—18

St. Bernadette:  
Edward & Dolores Ursinyi

St. Susanna:  
Thomas Isherwood



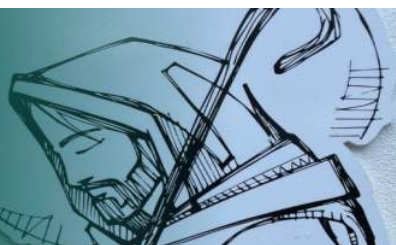
## PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

Edmund Vilsack  
Christine Stroup  
Regis "Hop" Murphy

## Finance Report

September 27-28

Collection:	\$17,313.00
Online:	\$4,036.00
Youth Ministry:	\$1,177.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$22,526.00</b>



# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, October 11, 2025 - 4:00pm St. Bernadette (MR)** +Jim Meyers by the Family

**Saturday, October 11, 2025 - 5:00pm St. Susanna (TM)** +Robert W. Shimko by Wife & Family

**Sunday, October 12, 2025 - 8:00am St. Bernadette (TM)** +Frank & Philomena Matts by Michael Matts

**Sunday, October 12, 2025 - 9:00am St. Susanna (MR)** +Deceased Members of the Heinauer & Mink Families by Mary Ann Heinauer

**Sunday, October 12, 2025 - 11:00am St. Bernadette (MR)** +Dianne Campbell by Cindy Pino

**Sunday, October 12, 2025 - 11:30am St. Susanna (TM)** People of the Parish

**Monday, October 13, 2025 - 9:00am St. Bernadette (MR)** +Deceased of the Wienand & Chipallo Families by the Family

**Tuesday, October 14, 2025 - 9:00am St. Susanna (TM)** +Rich Witas by Peg Witis

**Wednesday, October 15, 2025 - 9:00am St. Bernadette (MR)** +Donna DeBellis by Husband, Sam & Sister Kathy

**Thursday, October 16, 2025 - 9:00am St. Susanna (WW)** +Thomas Isherwood by Judy Isherwood

**Thursday, October 16, 2025 - 6:00pm St. Bernadette (MR)** +Eleanor Gentile by Ann Scanlon

**Friday, October 17, 2025 - 9:00am St. Bernadette (MR)** +Richard Varlotto Jr. by Rob Nunez

**Saturday, October 18, 2025 - 4:00pm St. Bernadette (MR)** +Ted & Ange Gogniat by Family

**Saturday, October 18, 2025 - 5:00pm St. Susanna (TM)** +Bernadette & George Nichols by Nichols Family

**Sunday, October 19, 2025 - 8:00am St. Bernadette (TM)** + For the Deceased Members of the Volosin, Puchalik & Miner Families by Elizabeth Volosin

**Sunday, October 19, 2025 - 9:00am St. Susanna (WW)** +Robert Dokmanovich by Wife, Judy

**Sunday, October 19, 2025 - 11:00am St. Bernadette (WW)** People of the Parish

**Sunday, October 19, 2025 - 11:30am St. Susanna (MR)** +Robert & Ruth Harris by Donna, Frank & Stacey Lamanna

## JOIN OUR PARISH

Please call our parish office at (412) 373-0050 or register online at [ChristtheDivineShepherd.org](http://ChristtheDivineShepherd.org). We welcome you and your family!

## SACRAMENTAL RECORDS

If you are interested in requesting Sacramental records prior to January 2020, please contact the Diocesan Archives and Records Center at (412) 456-3158 or [archives@diopitt.org](mailto:archives@diopitt.org).

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Are you or someone you know in need of extra prayers? At Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish, we have a wonderful ministry that will lift up your specific needs and intentions to our loving and gracious God. All you need to do is provide your information on our parish website under the "Serve" heading or by calling the parish at (412) 373-0050. Once your information is received, it will be sent out to our parish "pray-ers" who will include your intentions in their prayer time. As Jesus said in Matthew 21:22, "Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive!"

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

**Monday** Rom 1:1-7 Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Lk 11:29-32

**Tuesday** Rom 1:16-25 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Lk 11:37-41

**Wednesday** Rom 2:1-11 Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 Lk 11:42-46

**Thursday** Rom 3:21-30 Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab Lk 11:47-54

**Friday** Rom 4:1-8 Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11 Lk 12:1-7

**Saturday** 2 Tm 4:10-17b Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 Lk 10:1-9

**Sunday** Ex 17:8-13 Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 2 Tm 3:14—4:2 Lk 18:1-8

## BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

### Submission Guidelines for Bulletin Announcements

All announcements should be submitted via email to [bulletin@cdsmph.org](mailto:bulletin@cdsmph.org) by Friday at noon of the week prior to publication. Please include the announcement text in a document file, along with any supporting materials (e.g., graphics or images) that you wish to include.

## SACRAMENTS

### RECONCILIATION

Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Thursday from 5PM-6PM St. Bernadette  
Saturday from 3PM-4PM St. Bernadette  
Saturday from 4PM-5PM St. Susanna

### ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

The Last Sunday of each month 12PM-12:30PM St. Bernadette and 12:30PM-1PM St. Susanna.

### BAPTISM

Pre-Baptism classes are required and are offered on the third Tuesday of every month. Please call our parish office to register.

### MARRIAGE

Please email Deacon Mike ([mkelly@cdsmph.org](mailto:mkelly@cdsmph.org)) to plan your wedding.

## ADORATION

Tuesday from 9:30AM-10:30AM St. Susanna  
Thursday from 10AM-6PM St. Bernadette

## OFFICE HOURS

Mon/Tue/Wed/Thurs 9AM – 3PM  
Friday 9AM – 1PM  
Sunday 9AM – 12:30PM

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