Padre Pio Prayer Anthology

Our first parish prayer anthology will include many types of prayers. We will begin our collection with prayers that you can use to develop a relationship with God that is more <u>personal</u> and <u>intimate</u>.

Prayer #40:

Focus Point: Padre Pio had a great outlook on life: Pray, hope, and don't worry! His motto is a great testament to his tremendous faith. When you pray daily and sincerely, you feel God's love for you very deeply within your heart and soul, so it is easy to hope! When your prayers and hopes build your relationship with God, your faith in His providence blossoms, so it is easier not to worry about the uncertainties of the future! Faith should be the backbone of our lives. In Fr Joy's words, "The Lord relieves and removes all our fears when we are the neediest. God is our help and comfort. His presence in our lives sustains us through our troubles!"

Prayer for a fabulous faith filled fall:

Dear Lord, help me to set priorities in life. Help me to make choices that give me quality time to pray, and to strengthen my relationship with you. Fill my heart with faith and trust so that I may feel your peace and comfort. In a world where many of Your children are self-centered, help me to be faith-centered and to truly believe in the power that lies within each one of us to positively influence the choices that others make. We pray and hope for a kinder, gentler and more loving world, a world filled with fabulous faith and a fabulous future! Amen.

Closing thoughts: Tell Jesus what is in your heart. Thank Him for your gifts and most of all, thank Him for loving you with His most sacred heart!