

St. Pio of Pietrelcina

103 Washington Avenue
Lavallette, NJ 08735



Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am (no music), 9:00am, 10:30am

Monday - Saturday Daily Mass: 8:30am (*in the Chapel*)

Confessions: Saturday 3:20pm or after Daily Mass

Church of the Sacred Heart

751 Main Avenue
Bay Head, NJ 08742



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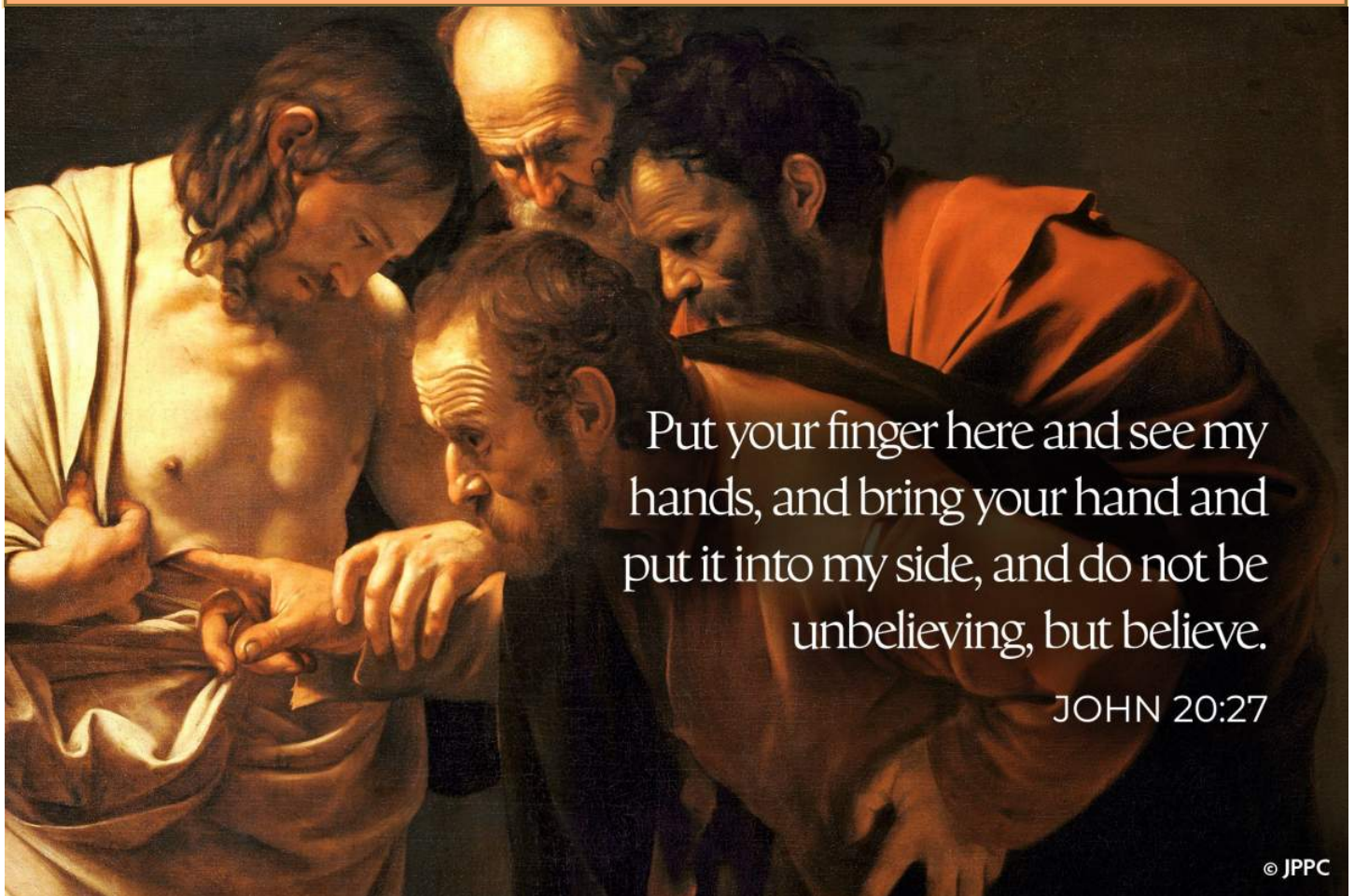
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Rev. Joseph G. Hlubik, Pastor

Deacon James Turro

Rev. Joy Chacko, Parochial Vicar



Put your finger here and see my
hands, and bring your hand and
put it into my side, and do not be
unbelieving, but believe.

JOHN 20:27

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APRIL 27, 2025 - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Weekend Clergy Assisting with Masses

We very much appreciate the retired priests who help both our parishes with daily and weekend masses.

- Rev. Kevin Ashe (Rest in Peace)
- Rev. Noel Danielewicz
- Rev. Msgr. Philip Franceschini
- Rev. Robert Grodnicki
- Rev. Msgr. James Pagnotta
- Rev. Msgr. Lewis Papera

Administrative Offices for Both Parishes are located at St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish Center

103 Washington Avenue, Lavallette, NJ 08735
Office is located 1-block south of the main church.
Entrance to office, use foyer in parking lot behind Chapel.
Office is on the second floor, there is an elevator.
Hours: Monday to Thursday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Phone: 732-793-7291 Fax: 732-793-8204
Email: office@stpioparish.com
Website: www.stpioparish.com

Sacred Heart Rectory / Office

751 Main Avenue, Bay Head, NJ 08742
Located diagonally across from the church.
Entrance to office, use foyer on Goetze Street.
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Website: www.sacredheartbayhead.com

NOTE: There is a **secure parishioner dropbox** located inside each parish office foyer, Open 6:00am-6:00pm

Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend of April 13, 2025	Sacred Heart	Saint Pio of Pietrelcina
In Pew at Church	\$ 5,213	\$ 7,867
Online	\$ 1,233	\$ 1,160
Total	\$ 6,446	\$ 9,027

Contributions Weekend of April 20, 2025	Sacred Heart	Saint Pio of Pietrelcina
In Pew at Church	\$ NA	\$ NA
Online	\$ NA	\$ NA
Total	\$ NA	\$ NA

*Please remember our parish in
your final will and testament*



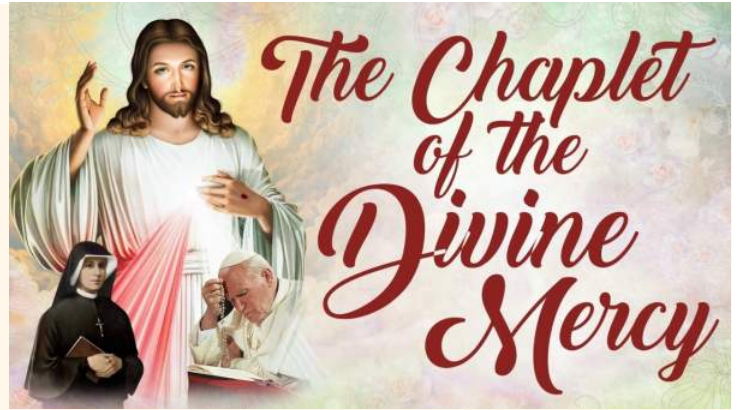
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From the Desk of Fr. Joe:

9 Things You Need to Know About Divine Mercy Sunday

Writer: National Catholic Register Apr 14, 2023
By Jimmy Akin/National Catholic Register.



Here are 9 things you need to know

1. What is Divine Mercy Sunday?

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter. It is based on the private revelations of St. Faustina Kowalska, which recommended a particular devotion to the Divine Mercy.

2. When Was it Made Part of the Church's Calendar?

In 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized St. Faustina and, during the ceremony, he declared:

3. If This is Based on Private Revelation, Why is it on the Church's Calendar?

In his theological commentary in *The Message of Fatima*, then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger wrote:

"We might add that private revelations often spring from popular piety and leave their stamp on it, giving it a new impulse and opening the way for new forms of it."

Nor does this exclude that they will have an effect even on the liturgy, as we see for instance in the feasts of Corpus Christi and of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

From one point of view, the relationship between Revelation and private revelations appears in the relationship between the liturgy and popular piety: The liturgy is the criterion, it is the living form of the Church as a whole, fed directly by the Gospel.

4. What Does the Church Do to Encourage the Celebration of Devotion to the Divine Mercy on this Day?

Among other things, it offers a plenary indulgence:

To ensure that the faithful would observe this day with intense devotion, the Supreme Pontiff [John Paul II] himself established that this Sunday be enriched by a plenary indulgence, as will be explained below, so that the faithful might receive in great abundance the gift of the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

In this way, they can foster a growing love for God and for their neighbour, and after they have obtained God's pardon, they in turn might be persuaded to show a prompt pardon to their brothers and sisters. . . .

5. What is the Divine Mercy Image?

The Divine Mercy image is a depiction of Jesus based on a vision that St. Faustina had in 1931. There have been a number of paintings made of this image. The original, though not the most popular one today, is shown above.

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A basic explanation of the image is:

Jesus is shown in most versions as raising his right hand in blessing, and pointing with his left hand on his chest from which flow forth two rays: one red and one white (translucent).

The depictions often contains the message “Jesus, I trust in You!” (Polish: Jezu ufam Tobie).

The rays streaming out have symbolic meaning: red for the blood of Jesus (which is the Life of Souls), and pale for the water (which justify souls) (from Diary – 299). The whole image is symbolic of charity, forgiveness and love of God, referred to as the “Fountain of Mercy”.

According to the diary of St Faustina, the image is based on her 1931 vision of Jesus.

6. What is the Chaplet of Divine Mercy?

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is a set of prayers used as part of the Divine Mercy devotion.

They are usually said using a standard set of Rosary beads, often at 3 p.m. (the time of Jesus’ death), but with a different set of prayers than those used in the Marian Rosary.

7. How is the Divine Mercy Devotion Linked to the Scripture Readings for the Second Sunday of Easter?

The Divine Mercy image depicts Jesus at the moment he appears to the disciples in the Upper Room, after the Resurrection, when he empowers them to forgive or retain sins.

This moment is recorded in John 20:19-31, which is the Gospel reading for this Sunday in all three yearly Sunday liturgical cycles (A, B, and C)

This reading is placed on this day because it includes the appearance of Jesus to the Apostle Thomas (in which Jesus invites him to touch his wounds). This event occurred on the eighth day after the Resurrection (John 20:26), and so it is used on the liturgy eight days after Easter.

(It also, however, includes the appearance of Jesus to the disciples on Easter evening, a week earlier, in which he empowered them to forgive or retain sins.)

8. How Did Jesus Empower the Apostles to Forgive or Retain Sins?

That part of the text reads:

Jesus said to them again,
“Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you.”
And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them,
“Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven;
if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” He thus gave them a
special empowerment with the Holy Spirit to forgive or retain sins.

9. How Does this Relate to the Sacrament of Confession?

It relates directly to it. Jesus empowered the apostles (and their successors in ministry) with the Holy Spirit to either forgive or retain (not forgive) sins.

Because they are empowered with God’s Spirit to do this, their administration of forgiveness is efficacious — it really removes sin rather than just being a symbol of forgiveness a person is already thought to have obtained.

Rev. Joseph G. Hlubik

HOLY SPIRITED! *A reflection for April 27* — “At sunset, all who had people sick with various diseases brought them to Jesus. He laid his hands on each of them and cured them” (Luke 4:40).

“Everyone in the crowd sought to touch Jesus because power came forth from him and healed them all” (Luke 6:18-19).

In these two passages from his Gospel, Luke summarizes the miraculous healing power of Jesus. After the Ascension, Peter and the other apostles continued that ministry of Jesus. They healed the sick, drove out demons, and even raised the dead. In Sunday’s Second Reading (Acts 5:12-16), we learn that that people “even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats so that when Peter came by, at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them.”

Such power was present in these disciples because of the Spirit bestowed on them by the Risen Lord. On that first Easter Sunday night when he appeared to his disciples, John tells us that “Jesus breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’” That gift of the Spirit was dramatically seen on Pentecost when the Spirit’s presence was manifested in a strong driving wind and tongue of fire.

Since that time, the Spirit has been active in the Church empowering and motivating Christians to preach the Gospel, to witness to their faith in Jesus, to work for peace and justice, to feed the hungry, to shelter the homeless, to welcome the refugee, to care for the sick and hurting, to educate the young, to open the eyes of society to the sanctity of human life at every stage—and to love as Jesus loved!

The more we allow the Holy Spirit to work in our lives, the more we give evidence that the Lord is risen and alive. In a sense, we become the proof that leads people to profess what Thomas said of Jesus in this Sunday’s Gospel ([John 20:19-31](#)), “My Lord and my God.”

In the weeks ahead, the Catholic Church will publicly recognize a person who truly allowed the Spirit to work in his life in an amazing way. The Church will celebrate the canonization of Carlo Acutis, the Catholic Church’s first millennial saint. He was a British-born Italian teenager who died in 2006 at the age of 15 shortly after being diagnosed with acute leukemia.

Carlo was not only a typical teenager who enjoyed hiking, video games, and being with friends; he was also a devoted follower of Christ. He attended daily Mass, received Holy Communion each day, prayed the rosary, spent time in Eucharist adoration, showed concern for the poor and the homeless, led his parents back to the Church by his example, and used his computer skills to create an online exhibit of eucharistic miracles and Marian apparitions. Carlo Acutis truly let the Holy Spirit work in his life and even today the Spirit is using him to touch others. Over the past year, more than a million people have made a pilgrimage to his tomb in Assisi, Italy.

Carlo Acutis has truly become a holy influencer for the young, and the not-so-young, because he allowed the Holy Spirit to work in his life.

That same Holy Spirit first given by the Risen Lord to his disciples is with us through our Baptism and Confirmation. May we allow the Spirit to do what he did for Carlo Acutis; may we allow the Spirit to make us saints!

Tom Iwanowski from [LookingToSunday.com](#) Used with permission



The situation is dire, and we need your help.

Raising your voice on behalf of people who have limited access to nutritious food, clean water, health care or shelter is crucial in helping us restore international assistance so that we can continue our work for a world where all people can reach their God-given potential.

On April 29, Join People Across America and Call Your Members of Congress

In order to ensure you are properly routed to each of your senators, we have provided separate phone numbers. To reach **Senator #1, dial 866-596-7030**. To reach **Senator #2, dial 844-329-3060**. To call your **House representative, dial 888-562-8232**.

Sample script: Hello, my name is [name], and I am a constituent of [your congress member]. I am concerned with the international assistance program terminations that have been issued by the administration and that organizations haven't received all payments promised to implement lifesaving programs. I would like [your congress member] to urge the administration to reverse all terminations of international humanitarian and development assistance programs and to issue all payments in a timely manner. This issue is important to me because...

...Thank you for taking my call and have a good day.

The system may prompt you to enter your zip code so it can determine which member of Congress to connect you with. If you are a CRS text subscriber, we may already have your zip code in our system, in which case you will be automatically connected to your member’s office without needing to provide additional information. When the staff member answers the phone, it’s important to share your name and that you are a constituent. You can share the name of your city, but you may be asked to provide your full street address. If your call doesn’t connect after 30 seconds, you’ll be asked to leave a voicemail. Doing so can be just as impactful as speaking with an office worker. Please note: We have heard instances where voice mail boxes are full. If that happens, please consider following up with personalized emails or even social media posts. Be sure to tag your members of Congress on social media. **Thank You!**

To learn more about what is at stake, visit [www.crs.org](#).

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MAGNIFICAT®

We join the Church in mourning the passing of Pope Francis.

***Eternal rest grant unto him,
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon him.***

As we pray for the repose of his soul, we commend him to the mercy of the Lord, whom he loved and served, in the hope that he will soon see him face to face.



In his own words...

There is an urgent need to see once again that faith is a light, for once the flame of faith dies out, all other lights begin to dim. The light of faith is unique, since it is capable of illuminating every aspect of human existence. A light this powerful cannot come from ourselves but from a more primordial source: in a word, it must come from God.

Faith is born of an encounter with the living God who calls us and reveals his love, a love which precedes us and upon which we can lean for security and for building our lives. Transformed by this love, we gain fresh vision, new eyes to see; we realize that it contains a great promise of fulfillment, and that a vision of the future opens up before us.

Faith, received from God as a supernatural gift, becomes a light for our way, guiding our journey through time. On the one hand, it is a light coming from the past, the light of the foundational memory of the life of Jesus which revealed his perfectly trustworthy love, a love capable of triumphing over death. Yet since Christ has risen and draws us beyond death, faith is also a light coming from the future and opening before us vast horizons which guide us beyond our isolated selves towards the breadth of communion. We come to see that faith does not dwell in shadow and gloom; it is a light for our darkness.

Pope Francis
From *Lumen Fidei* (2013),
the first encyclical of his pontificate
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Palm Sunday at St. Pio Church

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St. Pio

Sacred Heart



Parish Giving offers secure flexible Online Giving for our parishioners who would like to make their donations online using a credit card or bank transfer. You never have to bring cash or checks to church. Online Giving helps the church save money and plan the budget.



Good Friday Lenten soup dinner hosted by the 8th grade confirmation candidates. Confirmation is Monday April 28.



Fan the Flame of HOPE

2025 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Progress Report

St. Pio parish goal is \$43,000, and already 60 families have pledged \$16,596 (39%)

Sacred Heart parish goal is \$53,000, and already 57 families have pledged \$16,833 (32%)

The Annual Catholic Appeal fans the flame of a vibrant Catholic community by supporting youth ministries, clergy formation, Catholic education, and compassionate outreach programs. A heart-felt THANK YOU to our parishioners who have already contributed! We're more than halfway to our goal. Your generosity supports critical ministries that serve our entire diocese.

Make your gift online at giveaca.org



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Council 8415

Annual Mass for the Unborn

Please join us May 10th as we offer the 8:30AM morning Mass at St Pio of Pietrelcina Chapel for the unborn children killed by abortion. A short recitation of prayers will follow at the monument outside the Church.



Please Pray for
Christians in
the Middle East



COME AND ENJOY TIME WITH GOD

JOIN US FOR A JOURNEY INTO
IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

ALL ARE WELCOME

We are excited to gather together to start a 12 week program using the practices inspired by Saint Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, including prayer, reflection and community!

Why join?

- To deepen your faith by "finding God in all things"
- To find meaning by discovering your purpose at this time in your life
- To connect with others by sharing your faith journey, and build meaningful relationships
- To experience transformation by growing in your spiritual life and finding joy and following Christ

Next Steps:

When: we will meet once a week on Tuesday mornings at 10 AM starting April 29. An evening session will be available if interest is expressed. Note that there is already one person interested in evening sessions. Sessions will be approximately one hour.

Where: the morning session will be held on the second floor of the Parish center. Location for evening session is to be determined.

For more information or to sign up, contact Margaret Sherlock at 201-906-4682 or Margaretsherlock0731@gmail.com.



SACRED HEART HNS AC TRIP

Wednesday APRIL 30, 2025

Skip the Bother and Skip the Fuss
take the Bus to AC with Us \$35.00 pp

"*Rolling Thunder \$10 for 20 tickets" (Optional)

Receive free play from Resorts; and \$15.00 Food Voucher
Payments have to be received by FRIDAY APRIL 25TH

No sign up day of trips. Check-in is 8:45AM day of trip:

Bus leaves 9:AM, returns @ 5:30- 6PM

Leaves From the Sacred Heart Parking Lot
751 Main Ave Bay Head

***Rolling Thunder is an on-bus "Give away" all monies collected are given out in prize for winning ticket.**

Depending upon the number participating could result in multiple drawings.

Make Checks to SHHNS, \$35.00 per person, and if joining Rolling Thunder an additional \$10 for 20 tickets.

Mail to: Sacred Heart Church, HNS Att: Pags,
751 Main Ave Bay Head, 08742

Provide Name, Cell phone number, Email, Amount \$ enclosed

If paying for additional people please list information on the back (Include emails and Cell Phone Numbers)

St. Pio Holy Name Society presents

Doo Wop Saturday Night

with

Jukebox Legends

ALL are
Welcome

May 3, 2025

St. Pio Parish Hall
Rt. 35 & Philadelphia Ave.



Doors open at 6:15
Show 7:00 - 10:00

BYO Food
and
Drink

\$20.00 pp

Checks made out to: St. Pio Holy Name Society

Plus.... a 50/50

For Further Information and Tickets Call:

John: 732-259-3577 • Tom: 732-995-0044
Gary: 908-672-6710 • Mike: 347-668-6046
The Parish Office: 732-793-7291



Last Call Doo Wop Tickets

available for sale on 4/26 - 4/27
after all Masses at the Main Entrance
at St Pio Church



St. Francis Food Pantry

in Seaside Heights is open Wednesdays
from 10am until 12 noon.

Please consider bringing some food
items with you when you attend Mass
at St. Pio's each Saturday or Sunday.

Donations may be left in the bin in the narthex of the
Church or you can call Paul Sandy at 732-606-3656.
He would be happy to do a pick up. The food pantry
is grateful for the support that has been given over
the years. Thank you!



**SIMON'S SOUP KITCHEN'S
ANNUAL**



SPRING GALA

Fundraiser

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025
6:00 PM TO 10:00 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Center

168 GRANT AVENUE
SEASIDE HEIGHTS

COCKTAIL HOUR, BUFFET DINNER, & DANCING

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MAY 1, 2025

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Come join the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary for an

International Cuisine Buffet Dinner

Saturday
May 31, 2025
6 - 9 p.m.



Sample food from America and around-the-world!

\$25 per
person
Includes water, soda,
coffee, tea, and dessert



St. Pio's Hall
1206 Grand Central Ave.
Lavallette, NJ 08735



To attend, return this portion with your payment to
Pat Carolan, 113 Kittiwake Avenue, Lavallette, NJ 08735
NO LATER THAN MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025

Name/s: _____ # Attending: _____

Phone: _____ @ \$25 ea. = _____

Please make your check payable
to "KOC Ladies Auxiliary"..... Check # _____

For additional information, call/text Pat at 908-392-1638.



St. Pio Rosary Altar Society
Presents

SPRING CAKELESS BAKE SALE

The R.A.S. is raising funds,
we do it year to year.

We hope that you support,
the causes we hold dear.

So what to do? We ask ourselves,
and pondered for a while.

"I know, we'll have a big bake sale!
That is just our style."

"Oh golly," said one lady,
"I can't bake," she sadly cried.

"But, maybe there's another way
to help, if we all tried."

Consider the cost of your special cake,
The price of ingredients and time to bake!

Add up the costs, write a check,
No muss, no fuss, just a need met.

We're asking you to join us, in this simple plan!
Just send a check to R.A.S. To lend a helping hand!

- Poem by J. Belt

Make Check payable to: St. Pio Rosary Altar Society

Send to: 103 Washington Avenue, Lavallette, NJ 08735
or leave in mailbox by Parish Hall, or bring to RAS meeting

Last day to donate: June 2nd 2025

Donations are tax deductible



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SHORE VOICES

Presents

THE MUSIC of NEW JERSEY Musicians

Tuesday 7 pm

May 20, 2025

Middletown Public Library

New Monmouth Rd

Middletown NJ

Parish Counseling Services (PCS)

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Need more information, email: barlettaa@verizon.net

Sacred Heart's HNS MONTHLY 50/50 CLUB



**HOLY NAME
SOCIETY**

Open to all parishioners and visitors. Monthly drawing is held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

\$60.00 gives you (12) chances to win

Check payable to **Sacred Heart HNS** and return to:
Sacred Heart Church HNS, Attn: Pags.

751 Main St.

Bay Head, NJ 08742

*(if you refer a person to join,
each time they win you get \$25)*

March 50/50 winner was Bill & Maryjane Reilly #29
\$500.00. Ticket selected by Father Joy.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____



Deacon Ed Wilson, Elaine Siekierski, Cathy Roth, Donna Milano, Deacon Eric Massimei, Robert Woodard, Steven Mineo, Jennifer Mineo, Mark Carangi, Felicia Dixon, Gina Carty, Mae Conley Radloff, Emil Stefanacci, Judy Pecoraro, Jim Tavormina, Thomas Rodes, Lucille Coppola, Christopher Barnes, Bob DeAngelo, Carol Olsen, Mary Lou Ocone, Pat and Gerald Marriner, Joan Blanchfield, Jean Taboada, Louise Scarlato, Jesse O'Brien, Judy Cantillo, Henry Drew, Nancy Makoski, Victor Liggeri, Ester S. Acosts, Luciano Perez, Kevin Lion, Joan Romano, Tess Fox, Richard Utter, Joan Gabriello, Kelly Palmieri, Richard Traverso, Jr., Ronald Bartz, Fr. Douglas Freer, Mary Anne Grandinetti, Nicholas Meola, Alan Kurinovich, Joseph Winchock, Janet Daniels, Vince Covello, Gina Kwornik

Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks;

Blessed, hand-made, **Prayer Blankets** are available for your loved ones at the St. Pio office, we ask for a free will donation to cover the cost of the material.



Mary Ann Baginski, Roger Shulas, Ana Librada Ramos, Leonard Baccaro, Robert Weeden, Mary McGowen, Margaret McEnroe, Pamela Kane, Jaclyn M. Barry, Judith J. Easter, Christopher Broncati, Donna Fahey, Pamela Rita Kane, Grace Bobowsky, John Pochinski, Sandy Pizzuro, Helen Calvanico, Rev. Kevin Ashe, Mario Guardascione, Margaret Finneran, Christopher d'Alessandro, Ellen Tobin, Henry McGinn, Denis Langschultz, Frank "Skip" Cuccaro, Anthony Macri, Marianne Petracco, Bobby Wilson, Janet Grace Roesier



All our parishioners and friends who are serving in the Military, as well as our Police, Firefighters, First Responders, and all who are put in harm's way for our protection, especially:

- Lt. Michael Zimmerman, US Navy
- Col. Scott Wyatt, US Army
- Col. John F. Borowski, USAF
- Lance Cpl. Jack Balwierczak, USMC
- E-4 Specialist Army, Jason Rodriguez, US Army
- Capt. Calvin Smith, US Army (deployed)
- Lt. Col. Wesley Dixon, USAF
- EM3 Jacob Keller, US Coast Guard (deployed)
- 1st Lt. Ryan Waters, USMC
- Major Megan Jimenez, US Army
- Kurtis J. Perez, SFC, US Army
- Ensign Bella Santamaria, US Navy



For the month of April the **Altar Bread and Wine** at **St. Pio Parish** have been donated in loving memory of **Brian Hawkins** requested by Joe & Maryanne Green



For the month of April the **Altar Bread and Wine** at **Sacred Heart** have been donated for Intentions for **Brian Hawkins** requested by Peter & Diane Hawkins

St Pio's Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel

To burn the week of April 26-May 2, 2025 in loving memory of **Baby Landon Wierks** requested by Grammy



We Offer a Warm Welcome to our Recently Registered Parishioners!

St. Pio

Lynn & Steve Zinser
Ms. Olivia Varga
Ms. Abigail Varga
Michael & Deborah Falciani
Robin & Glenn Guensch
Ms. Margaret Sherlock

Sacred Heart

Robert & Stacey Cleary
John & Pamela, and
Genevieve Muller
Dr. & Mrs. Brautigan
Kristina Soriano

Spiritual Adoption

Please spiritually adopt an unborn baby. Every day over 4,000 babies are killed by abortion. They have so little protection only the hand of God can end this massacre. Prayer is the best weapon to help them - the most effective.

Say this prayer every day for 9 months to save a baby's life!

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J Sheen

"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you." (Jeremiah 1:5)

GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT

"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." John 20:29

Our Lord's question is relative to us as well as to St Thomas. Do we truly believe with our hearts and souls? Do we believe in the real presence in the Eucharist? Do we partake in the Eucharist, worthily, faithfully and frequently?

Do we believe that Our Lord was conceived, born, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried so that we may have life? If we do, why then would we deny life to the preborn?

Do you know abortion in New Jersey is legal and performed up to the moment of birth.

Be Catholic, Love God, Love Life



Mass



Intentions

St. Pio Parish

Sacred Heart Church

Saturday, April 26

8:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
† Sandy Pizzuro r/b Elma & Jim Stoveker

Vigil

4:00pm † Baby Landon Wierks & Family
r/b Pat & Bill Kevish
For the Intentions of Pat Kevish r/b Friend

Sunday, April 27

7:30am † Baby Landon Wierks r/b Grammy
† Cathleen Baptista r/b r/b Don & Chris
9:00am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
10:30am † James Leonard r/b Al & Diane Della Fave
† Marty Sica r/b Chris Grandinetti

Rosary recited before Daily Mass, 8:00am Monday - Saturday

Monday, April 28

8:30am † Harry & Barb English r/b The Geer Family
Intentions for William Dundas

Tuesday, April 29

8:30am † Anthony DeRose r/b Mary & Bob Greeley
† John Patrick O'Malley, Jr.
r/b The Leonard Family

After Mass Miraculous Medal Novena

Wednesday, April 30

8:30am † Sarah Davie r/b Son
† Marie Slomczewski r/b Dianne Hayden

Thursday, May 1

8:30am † Rev. Kevin Ashe r/b St. Pio Parish
Intentions for William Dundas

After Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet

Friday, May 2

8:30am Intentions for Hazel Etzold r/b Etzold Family
† Stanley Borowski r/b John & Jane Borowski

After Mass Adoration & Benediction (20 minutes)

Saturday, May 3

8:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
† Sandy Pizzuro r/b Elma & Jim Stoveker

Vigil

4:00pm † Luke Knopl r/b Aunt Dee-Dee
† Jean Lodato r/b St. Pio Rosary Altar Society

Sunday, May 4

7:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
9:00am † Joseph Azzarello r/b The Vassallo Family
10:30am † Donald & Maureen Gillmore r/b Their Daughters
† Healing Intentions for Camille Erica Bustamante

Saturday, April 26

8:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased

Vigil

4:00pm † Henry Larry McGinn, Jr. r/b Anna Gerard
† George McNamara
r/b Michael & Joyce McNamara

Sunday, April 27

7:15am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
8:30am † Rev. Kevin Ashe
r/b Staff at St. Pio & Sacred Heart
10:30am † Ginny Mielnicki
r/b Staff at St. Pio & Sacred Heart

*Rosary recited before Daily Mass, 8:00am Monday - Saturday
After Daily Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet, Monday-Saturday*

Monday, April 28

8:30am † Lucille Herten r/b Terry & Jim Muccilo
† Genevieve Manganelli r/b Michele Rinaldi
† Kim Komoroski r/b Henry Wrublewski

After Mass Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday, April 29

8:30am † Jerry Cerza r/b Melissa & Greg Urban
† Anna Genz r/b Husband Jack

Wednesday, April 30

The Divine Flame of Love Rosary recited 8:00am before Mass

8:30am † John Friery r/b Lou & Marybeth Carlucci

Thursday, May 1

8:30am † Oliver Shepard r/b The Castellone Family
† Joseph Gurzo r/b Lou & Marybeth Carlucci

Friday, May 2

8:30am † King Forsyth r/b Family

After Mass Adoration & Benediction (20 minutes)

Saturday, May 3

8:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
† Helen & Bob Axt r/b The Daily Family
† Ruth Morgan r/b Rory Joyce

Vigil

4:00pm † Dale McNamara r/b Famil
† Jerry Cerza r/b Judy Pfennig

Sunday, May 4

7:15am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
† Roger Shulas r/b Hank & Debbie Rzemieniewski
8:30am † Katie Denihan r/b Dolly & Floyd Donahue
10:30am † Richard M. Keefe r/b The Keefe Family
† Ellen Tobin r/b Mary Lane

April / May 2025

St. Pio	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	7:30am Quiet Mass/No Music 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass	28 8:30am Daily Mass 12:00pm - 4:00pm KOC Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	29 8:30am Daily Mass 9:30am - 11:00am Ignatius Prayer Group 10:00am Finance Committee Meeting	30 8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:30am Faith Sharing 6:30pm - 10:30pm HNS Card Players	May 1 8:30am Daily Mass 10:00am Funeral - Petracco	2 Office Closed 8:30am Daily Mass Setup for DooWop	3 8:30am Daily Mass 9-6pm Setup for DooWop 10am-11:00am Funeral 3:20pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass 6:00pm - 10:00pm Doo- Wop Party - HNS
4	Corporate Sunday 7:30am Quiet Mass/No Music 8:30am - 9:00am HNS & RAS recite Rosary 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass	5 8:30am Daily Mass 1:00pm RAS recite Rosary 1:30pm Rosary Mtg 5:30pm Holy Name recite Rosary 6pm Holy Name Mtg 8:00pm KofC 4th Deg	6 8:30am Daily Mass 9:30am - 11:00am Ignatius Prayer Group 7:00pm KofC Business Mtg	7 8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:30am Faith Sharing 6:30pm - 10:30pm HNS Card Players	8 8:30am Daily Mass 5:00pm - 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal	9 Office Closed 8:30am Daily Mass 1:00pm - 2:00pm Wedding - Butler/ Kirk	10 8:30am Daily Mass, Mass of the Unborn 3:20pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass
Sacred Heart	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	7:15am Quiet Mass/No Music 8:30am Mass 10:30am Mass 3pm - 5pm Bible Study - Matthew 6pm - 7pm Confirmation Rehearsal	28 8:30am Daily Mass 6:00pm - 7:00pm Confirmation	29 8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:00am Prayer Group	30 8:30am Daily Mass 9:15am - 11:15am Bible Study - Matthew 7:00pm - 9:00pm AA Meeting	May 1 8:30am Daily Mass	2 Office Closed 8:30am Daily Mass 6:00pm - 7:00pm 1st Communion Rehearsal	3 8:30am Daily Mass 10:00am - 11:00am 1st Communion Baptism 11:00am - 12:00pm 3:20pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass
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Marriages: We ask that you **do not schedule your venue date** until you call the parish and schedule a meeting with one of our priests.

Contact Marta Barkhausen at marta@stpioparish.com or call 732-793-7291 x322.

Baptisms: Parents call at least 2 months prior. Contact the parish office 732-793-7291 or connie@stpioparish.com.

Anointing of the Sick: This sacrament is given for those facing serious illness or surgery, and for those of advanced years. If you or a family member is planning to enter the hospital, please see one of the priests following Mass or call the rectory if you would like to receive this sacrament.

Funerals and Memorial Masses: Contact John Paglione to begin the process: 732-598-1590.

Sponsorship Certificates: A sponsor must be at least 16 years of age; have received the Sacrament of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation. If married, must be in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church. Must attend Mass faithfully. **Must be registered at the parish for at least 6 months.** Please contact the office at 732-793-7291.



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