

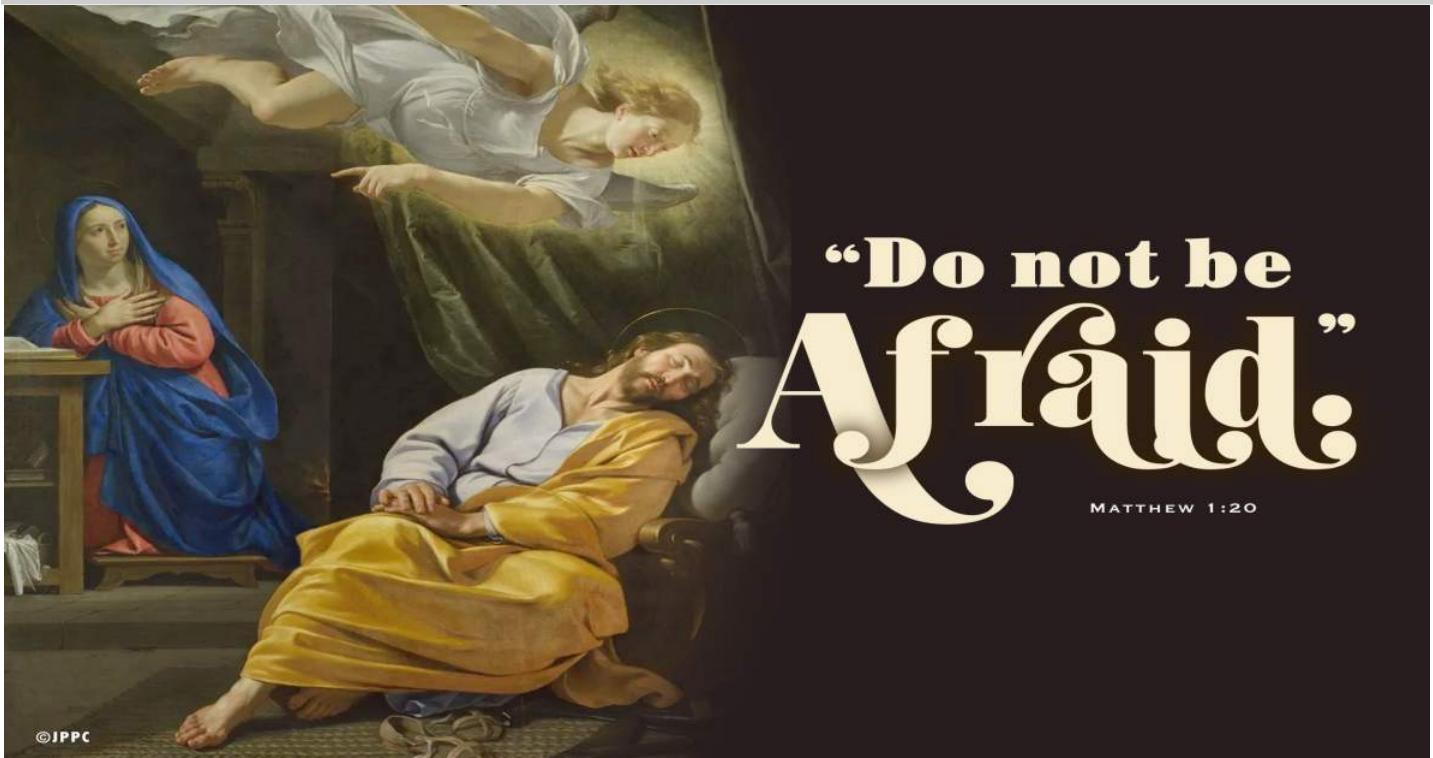
The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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December 18, 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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Office Hours: Mon. - Wed., 9am - 2pm

Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am Chapel

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm Church
Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30am Church

Holy Day of Obligation (Vigil): 6:00pm Chapel
Holy Day of Obligation: 8:30am Chapel

Confession: Saturday 3 - 3:30pm or by appointment

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Saturday

December 17

- 8:30am** For our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones, Living & Deceased
- 4:00pm Vigil** Intentions for Fr. Douglas Freer
r/b Antonette Daniels
Joan Dygon r/b The Dygon Family

Sunday

December 18

- 8:30am** For the People of the Parish
Patrick J. Glynn
r/b Laura & Greg Bierster
- 10:30am** **Robert & Florence Tynski** r/b Son
Bernard "Buddy" Neugebauer
r/b Kevin & Geraldine Kilgore

Monday

December 19

- 8:30am** **Marie Hannon** r/b
Tom & Mary Ann Sinnott
Mary Duhinney r/b Nancy Wagner

Tuesday

December 20

- 8:30am** **Dorothy Berdel** r/b Family
Mary Duhinney r/b Ellen Williams

After Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena

Wednesday

December 21

- 8:30am** **Albert Berdel** r/b Family
Annette & Santo Tavormina
r/b Connie Barraco

Thursday

December 22

- 8:30am** **Deacon John Hanna**
r/b St. Pio Parish Staff
Beth Dudash
r/b Tom & Mary Ann Sinnott
- After Mass** **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Friday

December 23

- 8:30am** **Mary Murphy** r/b Joan Davie
Margaret Petranich r/b Frank Petranich

After Mass

Adoration & Benediction - 20 min.

Saturday

December 24

- 8:30am** For our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones, Living & Deceased



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Healing: Fr. Douglas Freer, The Filippini Religious Teachers in Rome, Albania & Ethiopia, Nick Lettas, Mary Anne Grandinetti, Mary Buontempo, Pat McCourt, Maureen Burrell, Baby Landon Wiers, Ginny & Emil Stefanacci, Jim Tavormina, Gina Palmieri, Maureen Zebrowski, Mike Rodriguez, Nicholas Meola, David Vetere, For all who have received Prayer Blankets & For All the Sick of the Parish

(Names will remain on the healing prayer list for 4 weeks; please call the parish office if you wish to extend).

Deceased: Helen Byrne, Kathleen Pardalos, Jack Howell, Margaret Delaney

Our Heroes: 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.



Mass Intentions Continued.....

Saturday

4pm Vigil

December 24 - Christmas Eve

For the People of the Parish
Living & Deceased

Sunday

8:30am

December 25 - Christmas Day

For the People of the Parish
Living & Deceased

10:30am

For the People of the Parish
Living & Deceased



December 18, 2022



It's hard to believe that Christmas is quickly approaching. Thankfully we seem to be moving passed the Covid epidemic and all the restrictions but who knows if we are out of the woods? Anyway, it has been a difficult year but it is certainly great not to have to wear masks continually. During the Covid epidemic we were fortunate enough to provide many Masses and times to accommodate our parish members. The result of the pandemic has been a vastly reduced population of those attending Mass.

We will now be making adjustments to the mass schedule to accommodate a much smaller number of people at both parishes, additionally realizing the amount of people that are away until the end of March. Through-out the winter we will re-evaluate our attendance and once again make adjustments for the spring and summer.

At both of our parishes we have experienced extensive repairs to maintain our Churches. At Saint Pio we replaced the roof of the Church, the roof of the rectory garage, and the roof of the breezeway. While doing the breezeway roof we replaced the HVAC system in the lower level of the Parish Hall. We will begin next week to replace the roof of the parish center followed by the repointing/waterproofing of the exterior of the Church.

At Sacred Heart we had to replace the roof on Casey Hall, and installed new interior lighting including rewiring. The renovations of the Church included a costly stabilization of the Church foundation, re-tiling the floor, and refurbishing the interior of the Church. We then updated the parish offices for safety. Emergency repairs are beginning to the front steps at the rectory and then we will replace the handicap ramp at Casey Hall.

As you can see, we have had extensive repairs at both Churches. We are doing our best to upgrade and maintain the facilities and to continue to provide for parish life. We will continue to watch costs closely.

From Fr. Joe

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

St. Pio of Pietrelcina's Christmas Luncheon, December 5, 2022

Enjoy the Pictures!



PARISH INFORMATION

Anointing of the Sick - This sacrament is 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 to receive this sacrament or call the parish office for an appointment.

Baptisms and Marriages

Please visit St. Pio's web site for information and call the parish office to schedule. www.stpioparish.com

Receiving Communion:

- Holy Communion will be distributed in the hand. Those wishing to receive Communion on the tongue should wait until the end of the Communion distribution and receive from the Priest.
- Only Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion with a valid Sacred Heart/St. Pio ID card can receive Communion in a Pyx to take to the sick and home-bound. For anyone that is not a Eucharistic Minister and is requesting a Host needs to see the Priest before or after Mass. Hosts will not be distributed during Mass.
- If you need a low gluten Host, please go to the Communion line in the front on the pulpit side, and ask

Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend of Dec. 11, 2022	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	N/A	\$3,921
Online	At	\$1,381
Total	Printing	\$5,302



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Sponsorship Certificates Letters of Eligibility

Godparents and sponsors, together with the parents must be willing to help the baptized grow in love for Christ and neighbor. By word and example, the godparents will encourage the candidate to live the Christian life and fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it. (cf. Code of Canon Law, c. 872-874).

A sponsor must:

- be at least 16 years of age.
- have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist & Confirmation.
- if married, must have been married in the Catholic Church.
- attend Mass faithfully participating in the life and support of the Church, receiving the Eucharist, and leading a life according to the teachings of the Church.
- be registered at the Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina for at least six (6) months prior to the request.

Please note, if you received all your sacraments at St. Pio of Pietrelcina years ago but now live elsewhere, you are a member of the parish in whose territory you reside. This is where the sponsor certificate must be obtained.

****Children of parishioners over 21 years of age should register independently.****

Contributions Weekend of Dec. 4, 2022	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$5,794	\$6,110
Online	\$ 964	\$ 991
Total	\$6,758	\$ 7,101

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Construction Alert

We will be re-roofing the Parish Center starting on Monday, December 12th. The fire lane/alley behind the building will be closed to foot & car traffic. Please observe all the fencing and signs that will be put in place - these are for your safety to avoid roof debris and the construction equipment. The job will take approximately 2 weeks to complete, depending on the weather, of course. This project is being funded from the Parish Endowment. We thank you for your patience.



GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT

"Through Him we have received the grace of apostleship, to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of His name." Romans 1:5

An apostle is one who God sends on a mission with a message. As Catholics we are God's apostles/messengers of His word. The message - **"Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind and to love your neighbor as yourself."** Let us all love the most vulnerable of our neighbors – the child in the womb.

Embrace God's apostleship. **BE and ACT PRO-LIFE!**
BE and ACT PRO-LIFE!



The Altar Bread and Wine, for the month of December, have been donated in loving memory of **William B. Lyons** requested by the Lyons Family.



The Knights of Columbus
will have the
"Keep Christ in Christmas"
magnets available
after all weekend Masses for
\$5.00 each.

More Pictures - Christmas Luncheon



December 18, 2022

Greetings, Friends!!

St. Barnabas RC Church in Bayville, NJ is hosting the Toms River Multigenerational Orchestra (TRMO) Christmas Concert on Monday, December 19 at 7:00 PM in the main church.

♪♪♪♪The TRMO has prepared excellent seasonal music to usher in the Christmas Season!!!!
♪♪♪♪♪

No admission charge for this concert; free will offerings are appreciated to support local social action and food pantry organizations.

Please contact me at 732-269-2208 x105 with any questions.

Joe Antonowicz
Music Minister of St Barnabas RC Church
Bayville, NJ



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Christmas Mass Schedule and New Year Masses

Christmas Eve
Saturday, December 24th
4:00pm

Christmas Day
Sunday, December 25th
8:30am and 10:30am

New Year's Eve
Saturday, December 31st
4:00pm

New Year's Day
Sunday, January 1st
8:30am and 10:30am

Please note that starting
January 8, 2023, there will be only
one Mass on Sundays
in the main Church.

The time of the Mass is 9:30am.
This will remain in effect
for the winter season. Vigil Mass
remains the same on Saturday even-
ing at 4pm.

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For more information, please contact:
Marta Barkhausen, Business Manager
732-793-7291 x322 or marta@stpioparish.com

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Oplatki Wafers Available

The family-centered tradition of sharing Oplatki before the Christmas Eve meal is a wonderful celebration of love and forgiveness that has its origins in Poland. Family members and guests each break a piece of the wafer and share it with the next person at the table along with an expression of love, blessing and, sometimes, forgiveness. In America, it is often referred to as "Christmas Wafers." Each package includes 3 white wafers, 1 pink wafer and pamphlet with prayers and an explanation of this Christmas tradition. If you'd like to have some, please call the office for a Christmas Wafer pack.



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Our Parish Ministries & Organizations - we invite you to call and join in!

Committee/Organization	Contact	Phone Number	Email
Adult Altar Servers	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
Altar Linen Laundry	Adele Merkle	732-830-5242	merkles@verizon.net
Collection Counters	Joe Kobylarz/Rich Traverso	973-747-4599	objoekoby@aol.com
Communion for Homebound	Dianne Hayden Theresa Coleman	732-575-0222 732-830-3168	dkhay5@aol.com theresahgts@aol.com
Faith Sharing	Maureen Zebrowski	732-259-1578	mzeb@aol.com
Holy Name Society	Bill Haight	201-334-6686	beachbum09@optonline.net
Knights of Columbus	Donald Almasy, GK	732-407-3226	throssell@verizon.net
Ladies Auxiliary to the KofC	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
Parish Nurses	Joan Blanchfield	201-362-4148	blanchrn139@gmail.com
Pro-Life	Georgina Vastola	732-742-3986	gmvastola@optimum.net
Raffle Committee	Jack McCormack	732-830-4787	jack17mac@verizon.net
Religious Education & R.C.I.A.	John Paglione	732-899-1398 x5	pags711@gmail.com
Rosary Altar Society	Joan Blanchfield	732-854-1276	blanchrn139@gmail.com
Wedding Ministry	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
Ushers	Chris Grandinetti	908-910-6214	chris.grandinetti@gmail.com

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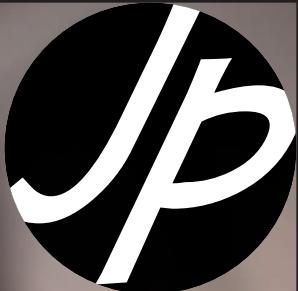
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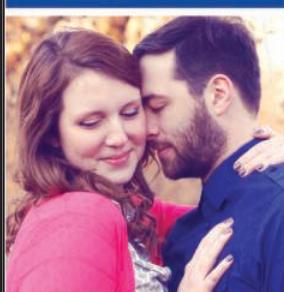
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