

The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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December 31, 2023

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph



Our Parish is Served by:

Rev. Fr. Joseph Hlubik, Pastor

Rev. Fr. Joy Chacko, Parochial Vicar

Assisting Priests:

Rev. Monsignor Phil Franceschini

Pastoral and Support Staff:

Marta Barkhausen, Business Manager
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x322

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Parish Secretaries:

Connie Barraco x316

Laura Bierster x321

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

Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am Chapel

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm Church

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

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



Saturday, December 30, 2023

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

Vigil

4:00pm Rev. Fr. Frederick Kochan r/b Antonette Daniels
4:00pm Maureen Quinn r/b Francis Quinn

Sunday, December 31, 2023

7:30am For the People of the Parish
 Rose Dannolfo r/b Laura & Greg

9:00am Arline Daley r/b Joe & Joyce Kobylarz
 Marjorie Lipari r/b Bill & Mary Haight

10:30am World Peace

Monday, January 1, 2024 - Solemnity of Mary

8:30am Kevin Zebrowski r/b Mom & Dad

Tuesday, January 2, 2024

8:30am Joe Merkle r/b J. P. Kennedy

After Mass **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Wednesday, January 3, 2024

8:30am Joe Merkle r/b Pat and Megan Neville

Thursday, January 4, 2024

8:30am Robert Crossken r/b Family

After 8:30am Mass **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Friday, January 5, 2024

8:30am For Personal Intentions r/b Mary Shaffer

After Mass **Adoration & Benediction - 20 min.**

Saturday, January 6, 2024

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

Vigil

4:00pm Diane Daniels r/b Antonette Daniels
4:00pm Ann & Nathaniel Olivieri
 r/b Carol & Anthony Olivieri

Sunday, January 7, 2024

7:30am For the People of the Parish
 John Brodzinski r/b Kathy Diffley

9:00am Danielle Ceceri r/b Connie Barraco
 Theresa Sammarco r/b Joann Marino

10:30am Thaddeus Jacoviak r/b Alex & Susan Barletta

Healing:

Fr. Douglas Freer, Nick Lettas, Mary Anne Grandinetti, Mary Buontempo, Pat McCourt, Maureen Burrell, Baby Landon Wierks, Ginny & Emil Stefanacci, Jim Tavormina, Nicholas Meola, Joe Romano, Alan Kurinovich, Tommy Traina, Eddie McCrabb, Joseph Winchock, Antonette Daniels, Janet Daniels, Vince Covello, Judi Pecoraro, Amina Gavan, Peter Barkhausen,, Pam McClellan, Maegan Higham, Shannon Finnegan Cook, Karen Caulfield, 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: *Arline Daley*

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,



especially:

Capt. Tyler Urban, U.S. Marine Corps.
 (deployed)

Lance Cpl. Jack Balwierczak, U.S. Marine Corps.

Private 1st Class Jason Rodriguez,
 U. S. Army



NEW YEAR BLESSINGS

From Fr. Joe, Fr. Joy, and the entire Staff of St. Pio Parish

ON THIS FEAST DAY OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND ST. JOSEPH, WE, THE STAFF OF ST PIO OF PIETRELCINA PARISH WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES A HEALTHY, HAPPY, AND BLESSED NEW YEAR IN 2024.



Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend 12/24/23	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	Not	Available
Online	At	Printing
Total		



Please consider giving Online with our safe, secure Parish Giving program. It is very easy to sign up, just scan the QR code (use the camera on your phone) or visit the parish website.

Collection figures that did not make the printing of the bulletin on time will be published at a later date. Please watch for future bulletins when all figures will be available for publication. **Thank you.**

Contributions Weekend 12/17/23	<u>This</u> Past Week	Same Week <u>2022</u>
At Church	\$ 4,996	\$ 5,387
Online	\$ 2,415	\$1,005
Total	\$ 7,411	\$ 6,392

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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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HOLY SPIRIT**



Happy New Year

May you, throughout 2024, abundantly bear the fruits of the Holy Spirit; **love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.**

May you "let the peace of Christ control your heart and let the word of Christ dwell in you richly and do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

Love God, Love Life, Bear Good Fruit

STANDING TOGETHER
FOR *Life*

SAVE the DATE

**FRIDAY
JANUARY 19, 2024**

Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

Mass for Life | *Lunch & Seminar*

11:00 a.m. | 12:30-3:30 p.m.

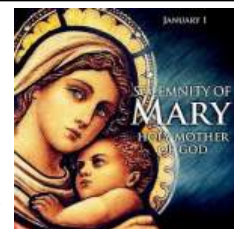
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Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.

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4 Expert Panelists

Advanced registration required for lunch & seminar

REGISTRATION TO OPEN
MID-OCTOBER

The staff of St. Pio Parish wish you and your loved ones a very Happy, Healthy, and Blessed New Year. We pray for peace in our world, nation, homes, and hearts. God's blessings to all. **In celebration of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, New Year's Day, the parish office will be closed on Monday, January 1st.**



Christmas – Epiphany Day of Prayer

Saturday, January 6th, 2024 9am - 2:30pm
St. Peter the Apostle Church, Pt. Pleasant Beach

You are cordially invited to celebrate the 12th day of Christmas in a day of reflection, as we pray for world peace and the challenge to bring the message of the GOSPEL to all the Nations! This year, marks the 800th anniversary of *the Christmas Creche* in Greccio, Italy through the eyes of Francis of Assisi.

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9 :00 Registration & Hospitality

9:20 Welcome

9:30 Morning Prayer

9:45 First Session - "*Greccio, A New Bethlehem!*"

11:00 Break

11:15 Liturgy of Epiphany

12:15 Lunch

1:00 Second Session - "*Christ, Embraces the Nations!*"

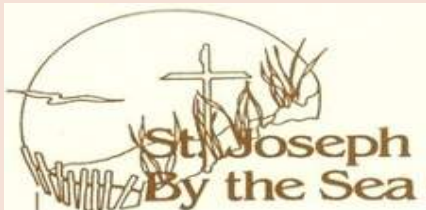
1: 30 Epiphany Prayer Service

PRE-REGISTRATION: *required by*
December 31, 2023

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Parish _____

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**February 14, 2024 – ASH WEDNESDAY
RETREAT**

**March 19, 2024 – HONORING ST. JOSEPH
THE WORKER**

April 19-21, 2024 - RESTORE AND RENEW

**April 26-28, 2024 - SPENDING TIME WITH
MARY**

**May 3-5, 2024 - THE SPIRITUAL
PRINCIPLES OF THE TWELVE STEPS**

Please call St. Joseph by the Sea at 732-892-8494
to register or for additional information.

Life Saving Training Class Held at St. Pio

Our parishes arranged for CPR/AED (defibrillator) training for our ushers. St. Pio Parishioner, Al DeBenedictis, (Head of Lavallette's Community Emergency Response Team) helped arrange for Michael Cocco, Firefighter, EMT and COO of Community Training Solutions to be the instructor. On December 2nd, 10 ushers were trained: 6 from St. Pio and 4 from Sacred Heart. Thank you to Al, Michael and to Chris Grandinetti, St. Pio's Head Usher, for his help in coordinating the event.

We plan to hold another training session in the spring. This one will be open to any parishioners who wish to sign up to be trained.





St. Pio Parish welcomes

Michael & Mary Motsay
and
Bruno & Joyce Hornung

into its faith community



The Altar Bread and Wine, for the month of December, have been donated in loving memory of

Maureen Quinn

requested by Francis Quinn.

The Mass Schedule



Saturday, December 30 4:00pm Vigil

Sunday, December 31 7:30, 9:00, & 10:30 am

Monday, January 1, 2024 New Year's Day
8:30 am (in the Chapel)
(Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

Going to the Hospital?

If you are scheduled to go to the hospital it is good to go to confession before you go. If you are having a scheduled surgery you might want to be anointed before you go. You can do this by calling the parish office and arranging a time with Fr. Joe or Fr. Joy.

When you arrive at the hospital or if an emergency arises make sure that you or a family member let them know that you are Catholic and that you would like an anointing, Holy Communion and a visit by the Catholic priest chaplain.

These steps are important because HIPPA and Covid Restrictions. The hospital often restrict chaplaincy to priests they have on call. In case you cannot get the hospital to respond to your needs, please call the parish office and we will assist you in getting the spiritual help you need, or we will respond ourselves as best we can!

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:

- 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 the Eucharistic Minister.

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.****

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	Tom Leonard	732-995-0044	thomasleonard62@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus	Alex Barletta, GK	908-578-5095	barlettaa@verizon.net
Ladies Auxiliary to the KofC	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
Lavallette Seniors	James Peeney	732-793-4675	JDPeeney@msn.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
Ushers	Chris Grandinetti	908-910-6214	chris.grandinetti@gmail.com
Wedding Ministry	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
Hall Rental	Marta Barkhausen	732-793-7291	marta@stpioparish.com

HOLY NAME SOCIETY	Meeting	Monday	March 4	5:30pm
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY	Meeting	Monday	March 4	1:00pm
FAITH SHARING	Meeting	Wednesdays	in January	9:00am
K of C 8415	Meeting	1st Tuesday of Month	January 2	7:00pm
	Meeting	3rd Tuesday of Month	January 16	6:30pm
K of C Ladies Auxiliary	Meeting	Monday	March 25	1:00pm
LAVALLETTE SENIORS				
RIGHT TO LIFE GROUP		2nd Thursday of the month at Sacred Heart, Msgr. Casey Hall		3:30pm
FLAME OF LOVE ROSARY		Recited on Tuesdays at 8am in the Chapel		

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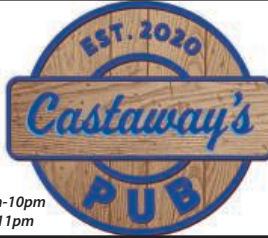
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