

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 3:20 or after Daily Mass

Church of the Sacred Heart

751 Main Avenue
Bay Head, NJ 08742

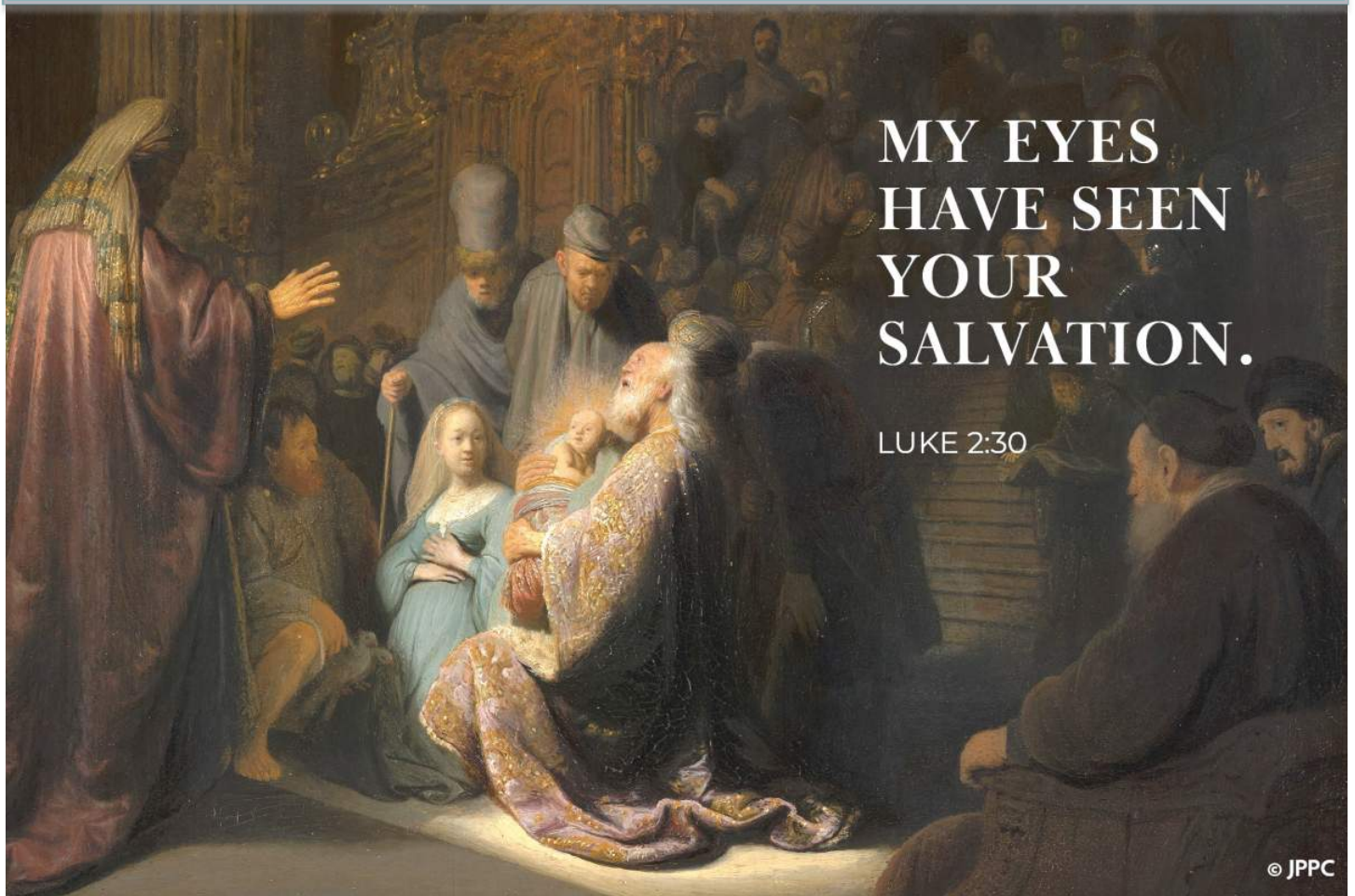


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Deacon James Turro

Rev. Joy Chacko, Parochial Vicar



**MY EYES
HAVE SEEN
YOUR
SALVATION.**

LUKE 2:30

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FEBRUARY 2, 2025 - FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

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 Alex Barletta & Jack McCormack, Trustees
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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 (mercyj133435@gmail.com)
- 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.

Hours: Monday to Thursday 9:00 am - 12:00 noon
 Phone: 732-899-1398 Fax: 732-899-2233
 Email: shrcbh@comcast.net
 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 January 26 2025	Sacred Heart	Saint Pio of Pietrelcina
In Pew at Church	\$ 2,993	\$ 4,728
Online	\$ 1,353	\$ 1,290
Total	\$ 4,346	\$ 6,018

The second collection on February 2nd is for Black & Indian Missions, to help form children in the faith, educate young people, and build hope – a hope often so hard to find in the areas the missionaries serve.



Please Pray for Victims of Hurricanes Helene and Milton, and the LA fires



Please remember our parish in your final will and testament



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.



From the Desk of Fr. Joe:

Poverty in the first-century Galilee

Written excerpt of Sakari Häkkinen (without the citations he uses)

Department of New Testament Studies, Faculty of Theology, University of Pretoria, South Africa

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After the death of Herod the situation in Judea and Galilee soon grew worse. His kingdom was divided among his three sons. Archelaus became the ethnarch (ruler of the people) of Judea, Samaria and Idumea. His reign was short-lived because his rule was so autocratic and aroused the hatred of his subjects to the extent that, in 6 CE, they sent a delegation to Rome to ask for his removal. Judea became directly under Roman control. The new governor, Quirinius, the Roman legate of Syria, conducted a census for tax purposes as part of the Roman takeover. The census produced a rebellion led by Judas the Galilean. The rebellion was defeated cruelly by the Romans. However, this uprising is the only one recorded in Judea at the first three decades of the Common Era. The Roman prefects of the era were Valerius Gratus and Pontius Pilate, both of whom ruled 10 years, which has often been regarded as an indication of no severe violent uprisings at the time. Also the Roman historian Tacitus reports that in Judea under the Emperor Tiberius (14-37 CE) 'things were quiet'. However, under the Roman governors, recorded or not, there was plenty of violence in Judea and Galilee. Valerius Gratus (15-26 CE) was the first procurator who arbitrarily appointed and deposed the high priests. Josephus portrayed Gratus as manipulating Jerusalem's temple politics by deposing the incumbent Sadducean high priest Hanan 1 (6-15 CE), as well as three short-termed successors, before finally finding Joseph Kayyafa (Caiaphas), who had a long tenure collaborating with Roman military rule (18-37 CE). He put down two formidable bands of robbers that infested Judea during his government, and killed with his own hand the captain of one of them, Simon, formerly a slave of Herod the Great.²¹ Gratus assisted the proconsul Quintilius Varus in quelling an insurrection of the Jews.

Pontius Pilate's first serious clash with the Jews took place in his very first year in office when his troops marched into Jerusalem at night with their regimental standards bearing medallions with the emperor's image. Jewish reaction included a large delegation to Caesarea. The very next year, 27 CE, Pilate attempted to have an aqueduct built. The point of conflict seemed to have been around the use of sacred temple money set aside for sacrificial animals for God, for the project. Indignant at this proceeding, the populace formed a ring round the tribunal of Pilate then on a visit to Jerusalem, and besieged him with angry clamour. Pilate took money from the Temple treasury to build an aqueduct for Jerusalem. His disguised troops slaughtered Jewish people in the temple courts during their protest. In 29-30 CE Pilate introduced coins engraved with symbols of Emperor-worship on one side and Jewish symbols on the other. In 32 CE he attempted - again - to bring in golden standards honouring Tiberius into Herod's Palace in Jerusalem. In 36 CE a Samaritan would-be-messiah asked the Samaritan people to go up to Mount Gerizim with him, where he promised to show them sacred vessels hidden by Moses. Pilate blocked their route of ascent with cavalry and heavily armed infantry. In the clash that followed, some were killed and the rest scattered or taken prisoners. Pilate then executed the ring-leaders and those who were most influential.

During the time when Jesus Christ was in Rome, the Roman Empire was under the rule of Emperor Tiberius. Tiberius issued a Tribute Penny during his reign. In fact, the Tribute Penny has become significant not just in Roman history, but in religious history as well.

The Tribute Penny was a silver coin that was used to pay the annual tribute imposed on the Jews by the Romans. It featured an image of Tiberius on the obverse side, and the inscription "Tiberius Caesar Divi Augusti Filius Augustus." Moreover, this translates to "Tiberius Caesar, Son of the Divine Augustus." On the reverse side is a seated female figure, commonly believed to be the goddess Pax, the personification of peace in Roman mythology.



Rev. Joseph G. Hlubik

The Presentation of the Lord - WHAT'S ON FEBRUARY 2?

On the Church's liturgical calendar, this Sunday, February 2, is the [Feast of the Presentation of the Lord](#).

But most people do not connect February 2 with the Presentation, but rather with Ground Hog Day. This is probably true for most Catholics as well, for the observance of the Lord's Presentation most often falls on a weekday, not on a Sunday as it does in 2025.



Strange as it might seem, there may be a connection between these two celebrations that both occur on February 2.

On Ground Hog Day, thousands of people gather at sunrise in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, to watch as a famed ground hog emerges from its burrow. According to tradition, if this ground hog sees its shadow there will be six more weeks of winter. If it sees no shadow, spring will come early. Most people hope that no shadow is seen; they want the cold of winter to be quickly overcome by the warming light of spring.

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which comes 40 days after Christmas Day, is also about light and hope.

This feast commemorates the day when Mary and Joseph brought the infant Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. There Mary offered the sacrifice required to be made 40 days after giving birth to ensure her ritual purification. Then, as required by the Law of Moses, Mary and Joseph dedicated their firstborn son to God.

In the Temple, the infant boy being dedicated to the Lord was noticed by Simeon, who "was righteous and devout...and the Holy Spirit was upon him."

Inspired by the Spirit, Simeon realized this baby boy was the long-awaited Messiah, who would be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles" and a source of glory for the people of Israel.

The Prophetess Anna, a widow who had devoted most of her life to prayer, also saw and recognized the identity of the infant Jesus. "She gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem."

Both Simeon and Anna were blessed with the realization that Israel's long, cold winter of waiting for the promised Messiah was coming to an end. In the infant being held by Mary, they saw the arrival of the light that would overcome the dark shadow of sin and death. Israel's many years of waiting for the "spring" of salvation had come to an end.

February 2, the day when the media focuses society's attention on a weather prediction, the Church directs our attention to a day of lasting significance. We remember the wondrous day when the Lord Jesus was recognized by Simeon and Anna as the hoped for Messiah, the source of light and salvation for us, and for all people.

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

IRA Charitable Rollover A TAX-SAVING CHARITABLE GIFT FOR NON-ITEMIZERS

Due to an increased standard deduction, many individuals and couples will no longer be able to claim itemized deductions. However, a tax-free IRA charitable rollover offers the following benefit to individuals age 73 or older:

- The ability to direct a current, outright IRA gift, up to \$100,000, to our church, or other qualified charities
- Satisfaction of the RMD (required minimum distribution) without increasing taxable income
- No loss of a charitable contribution itemized deduction
- Ability to direct your gift to any area of our parish operations

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



Monday, February 3rd
is the Feast of St. Blaise.

We will offer the
Blessing of the Throats
after each Mass on
Saturday and Sunday,
and after daily Mass on
Monday February 3rd.



**2024 Tax Statements are available
from the parish office**

If you would like to receive one, please contact the office at 732-793-7291 or e-mail office@stpioparish.com. We can mail the statement to your home or your e-mail address!

As a reminder, if you gave online, your statement is available now directly from Parish Giving, just log in to your account.

You're Invited

to the Grand Reopening of St. Bonaventure Chapel

**at the Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina
1206 Grand Central Avenue
Lavallette, NJ 08735**

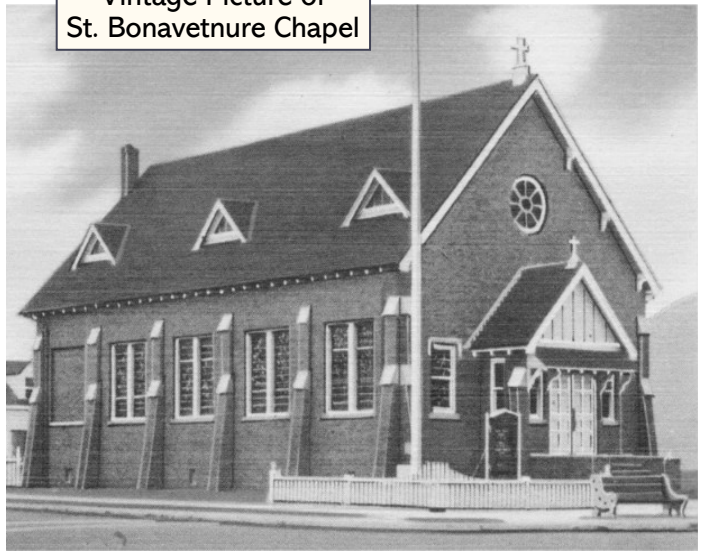
February 4, 2025

beginning with 8:30am Mass

Rev. Joseph G. Hlubik, Pastor, will preside

**Breakfast to follow
in the adjoining Parish Hall**

Vintage Picture of
St. Bonavetnure Chapel



What renovation work was done?

The entire chapel was repainted, and then the stenciled images reproduced to keep the charm of the old motif. Additionally, the stars behind the tabernacle were rearranged to be more in line with the arches over the left & right statues of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Padre Pio. So all is now symmetrical and calling attention to the focal point of the chapel: the cross, the tabernacle and the altar. A dove representing the Holy Spirit was added to the highest arch in the center.

Additionally, all the pews, and all the woodwork were varnished to match the color of the moldings around the windows. The artist that did the stencils also enhanced the Stations of the Cross with gold-leaf and numbered them on the wall. Our electrician installed 4 new ceiling fans.

Behind the scenes the Priest's Sacristy was totally overhauled with new flooring and cabinetry for both vestments and altar supplies. A beautiful new countertop with undermount sinks were installed for washing and a new sacarium for purifying vessels. Attic access was relocated to the adjacent work sacristy/boiler room so workman no longer need to disturb the Priest's sacristy to work on our HVAC equipment located in the attic. And, a window was added to the sacristy so that the room could be used as a Confessional on occasion.

We would like to thank the following contractors who worked with us to make the transformation of the space beautifully new, but keep the look and feel of the 100-year-old beloved and sacred space:

- ◆ Anthony Frankoski, Frankoski Construction, Lavallette
- ◆ Nial O'Mahony, O'Mahony Painting, Point Pleasant
- ◆ Beth Gersten, Elizabeth Studios, Belmar

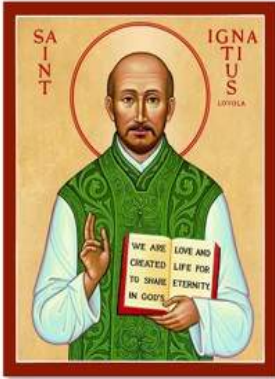
Very Special Thanks to parishioners Mary Guza and Cameron Evans for their generous donation, which funded the majority of the cost of this renovation.

Rev. Joseph G. Hlubik

Rev. Joseph G. Hlubik, Pastor



The Chapel today



Freedom from Stress and Fear Through Prayer

Learn to feel the power of God's constant presence in your life and experience the joy of forming a stronger spiritual relationship with Him!

Margaret Sherlock, a retired attorney, parishioner and cancer survivor, will present an introduction as to how to accomplish this through the prayers and spiritual exercises used by Saint Ignatius Loyola. Margaret will share some of her own personal experiences with this process and how it helped her through her recent struggle with cancer.

A morning session at 10 a.m. and an evening session at 7 p.m. will be held on Tuesday, February 25th in St Pio's Chapel. This no-cost presentation is a great way to get ready for Lent and is appropriate for both women AND men!

To register or for more information, call or text Margaret Sherlock at 201-906-4682.

Cake and coffee will be provided by the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary.

Prayer Anthology #68

Focus Point: Catholic tradition asks us to dedicate the month of February to the Holy Family of Joseph, Mary and Jesus. This reminds us that God is the center of our own families. Jesus, Mary and Joseph led a life of Prayer, Love and obedience to the Word of God. What are some ways we can do this as we reflect on our families? We can Pray the Rosary together and perhaps add the Scripture readings of the various Mysteries. We can also pray to the Holy Family for comfort, prayer inspiration and obedience to God's will. As we approach Ash Wednesday, perhaps we can discover a daily penance for the whole family to participate in for the 40 days of Lent. We can make it important to attend Mass together to help us grow in God's love. Use the Holy Family as a model for your own families as you grow in faith and trust in the will of God.

Prayer for Dedication to the Holy Family

Dear Lord, I thank You for my family and pray that the Holy Family and the example they have set for us will inspire each of us to keep God as the center of our lives. Please help us continue to grow our life of prayer and obedience. I pray to the Holy Family to bless any family members that are moving away from the church. Please open their hearts to God's love and mercy. I pray that the Holy Family continues to guide and protect me and my family. I thank You for continuing to strengthen our faith and giving us trust in God's perfect will as you did with the Holy Family. Amen

"May we dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

St. Francis Food Pantry

in Seaside Heights is opened on 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!

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)

January winner is David & Renee Casadonte #8 \$487.50
Ticket selected by Father Joy

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary
2025 Charity Fundraiser 🍷 Baking Kits



**Famous
Irish
Soda Bread** 

and try our new
**Orange-Craisin
Loaf**



Kits include dry ingredients & instructions.
Add your own wet ingredients to bake
a large and IRRESISTIBLE loaf!

For more info, to order, or
to simply make a donation,
call or text Chris Almsy at
732-646-1242

Orders must be received
by **February 28, 2025**



All proceeds donated
to LOCAL charities.

Lauryn Boyle presents:

Love: Lost and Found A Valentine's Cabaret

with guests:

Asia Johnson Kyle Kimmel Julie Ettore
Dr. Karen Gray Michael Kirkland

&

Leo Leuci, piano

a special appearance by Susie Peltz

Join us for an evening of your favorite musical theatre love
solos, duets, and more! A brief reception will follow.

Saturday, February 15th 6:30pm, doors open at 6pm

Manasquan United Methodist Church
17 Church St. Manasquan, NJ 08736

Tickets: \$15 at the door

A portion of proceeds will be donated to Iolanthe Opera Company.

Contact laurynboylemusic@gmail.com with any questions



Lenten Movie and Soup & Salad Luncheon

Saint Pio
Parish Hall
Wednesday
March 12
11 a.m.



MOTHER CABRINI
(2019 • 1 hr. 39 min.)

Saint Frances Cabrini was born prematurely, and was so frail she was baptized the day she was born. But overcoming tremendous odds and hardships would become her life-long trademark. She would go on to form the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, become the friend of three popes, a foster-mother to thousands of children, and establish 67 institutions and hospitals around the world serving immigrants, orphans and those in need.

RSVP to
Mary Marra
908-591-1284
no later than
Wednesday,
March 5



\$5
per
person
to cover
lunch*

*Lunch includes
soup, salad, bread, soft drinks, dessert and coffee or tea.

Please respond
by March 7th

St. Patrick's Day Social March 15th 6PM Sacred Heart Church

\$35.00 per person

Purchase Table of
10 \$30.00 PP

Make checks
payable to

Sacred Heart HNS

and mail to

Sacred Heart

Att: Pags

751 Main Avenue

Bay Head NJ 08742

Please fill the
information and
return along with
your Check

If paying for others

Please list names

On back



Enjoy traditional Irish fare

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Ham, Carrots,
Boiled Potatoes, Soda Bread, Desserts,
Irish Coffee Bar, soft drinks, Guinness
You can also BYOB

Devrin Academy of Irish Dance, Photo Booth

Music, Sing Along, With Sean Hennessy

And An evening of fun with family and friends !

Name: _____

Email: _____

Cell: _____

Number Attending: _____ Amount: _____



Knights of Columbus Council 8415

... provides a container in the vestibule of St. Pio and Sacred Heart Churches for the collection of used eyeglasses

Catholic Charities News

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton and Recycle-America have joined forces to provide a new service. Now, someone will come to your door to collect your clothing and shoes. All items will be donated to those in need in our local community.

To schedule a pickup in Ocean County please call 609-906-0004 or email racworld2015@gmail.com. Please call or email three days prior to pick up day. Catholic Charities provides assistance with food, housing, drug addiction, domestic violence, and immigration services. If you know a parishioner needing help, please contact us at:

www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org or call 800-360-7711

- We Need Your Help -

The upstairs offices at St. Pio Parish Hall are scheduled to be re-painted and re-floored February 13 - 24.

Thursday 2/13, 10am, we need able-bodied volunteers to help move the office furniture and supplies out of the offices into adjacent rooms.

Monday 2/24, 10am, we need able-bodied volunteers to help move everything back in to the offices.

To volunteer, please call the Parish Office 732-793-7291 and add your name to the sign-up sheet. Coffee and donuts provided.



Please consider participating - many hands make light work!

St. Pio Holy Name Society presents

Doo Wop Saturday Night

*with
Jukebox Legends*

May 3, 2025

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

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

\$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

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY
PRESENTS



*Join Us for a Night Full of
Fun, Laughs and Music*

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28, 2025

6:00pm to 10:00pm

Donovan Catholic Cafeteria @ 711 Hooper Ave., Toms River

BEATS by DJ's @ WORK!

GIVEAWAYS / RAFFLES / 50 - 50

B.Y.O. food & beverages. Coffee, tea & dessert will be served.

ADULTS ONLY.

\$40.00 per person / Reserve tables of 10 for \$375.00

RSVP by February 15, 2025

For information and tickets sales call

Zina Approvato at 732-600-3360





Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House
84 Walnford Road, Allentown, NJ 08501
609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

Please check www.FHOP.org for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings! All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.

PERSONAL RETREAT DAY

Wednesday, February 5, 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Please bring a bag lunch.

Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction.

WRITING AND JOURNALING

DEEPEN OUR FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD

Wednesday, February 12, 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Writing and journaling can be a conversation with God! Enjoy a gentle day with God's guidance as we reflect on graces received in our lives by using writing prompts that bring us deeper into sacred stillness and love. Please bring a notebook or journal. Donation: \$30, includes lunch. Zoom: \$25.

ABANDONMENT TO DIVINE PROVIDENCE

Tuesday, February 18, 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

I am going to summarize the essence of this classic by Jean Pierre de Caussade so that you can enjoy and internalize his message of complete abandonment to the care of Divine Providence. We seem to need that more than ever and I so desire to acquaint you with his wisdom in pointing to the Providence of God in all things. Donation: \$25, includes materials and lunch. Zoom: \$20.

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 everyday for nine 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

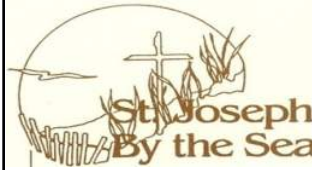
*"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you."
(Jeremiah 1:5)*



Spiritual Adoption Monthly Report

Month Four Developing Baby

Well, your little baby now weighs 6 ounces. She has fingernails and eyelashes. She has her own unique fingerprints which all remain unchanged until she dies. Her taste buds are working. Her sense of hearing is present at 14 weeks. There are no major bodily developments anymore. Your spiritually adopted baby is already well formed internally and externally. All she needs now is time to gain weight and to grow strong.



400 Route 35 North
South Mantoloking, NJ 08738

March 5, 2025 – ASH WEDNESDAY RETREAT

Ever wish you could receive more out of Lent? Explore the three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and alms giving as we carve out our Lenten plans. Lunch and Eucharistic Liturgy with distribution of ashes included. Arrival: 9:00 a.m./Departure: 2:30 p.m. (Presenter: Janice Santanello, M.Th., CLEM, CSG, CPC) Cost: \$6

March 19, 2025 - HONORING ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

In honor of our patron St. Joseph, the staff cordially invites you to join us at Eucharistic Liturgy as we celebrate this special day. We will pray for peace and healing for ourselves and for our world. Please call to register by March 15. SPACE WILL BE LIMITED TO 40 PEOPLE.

Refreshments and Blessed Bread after the program.

Arrival: 10:30 a.m. Mass: 11:00 a.m./Departure: 1:00 p.m. (Presenters: Staff) Donation

March 21-23, 2025 – SELF CARE FOR AA WOMEN

Take time to be still and know God loves you. Rest, read and take walks on the beach and bayside. Yoga, meditation and massage will be available. Eucharistic Liturgy included. No Supper on Friday. Arrival: 5:00-6:00 p.m./Departure: 12:00 p.m. (Presenters: Sr. Brunilda Ramos, MPF, CSAC, NCAPS-II & Avita Kennedy, RYT) Cost: \$400

March 27, 2025 - LENTEN SAINTS TO CELEBRATE!

Saint Joseph and Saint Patrick are familiar but did you know their female counterparts: Mother Cabrini and Brigid of Ireland? Come celebrate these wonderful men and women of faith to continue our Lenten journey with joy! Lunch and Eucharistic Liturgy included. Arrival: 9:00 a.m./Departure: 2:30 p.m. (Presenter: Janice Santanello, M.Th., CLEM, CSG, CPC) Cost: \$65

May 2-4, 2025 - RESTORE AND RENEW

Relax and renew at the beautiful St. Joseph by the Sea retreat house at the Jersey shore. The weekend is the ideal getaway from a busy life. The program consists of daily gentle yoga, meditation, walks on the beach, fellowship and breath work. You will leave refreshed and better prepared to share your best self with your family and community. Massage therapy will be available. Eucharistic Liturgy included. No Supper on Friday. Arrival: 5:00-6:00 p.m./Departure: 10:30 a.m. (Presenter: Avita Kennedy, RYT) Cost: \$400

May 13, 2025 - PRAYING WITH IMAGES OF GOD IN SEA, SKY, EARTH AND WIND

Take full advantage of all our retreat house has to offer. Bask in the sensual experience of being at the shore with some guidance in reflecting upon the beauty of all God has bestowed upon us. Lunch and Eucharistic Liturgy included. Arrival: 9:00 a.m./Departure: 2:30p.m. (Presenter: Janice Santanello, M.Th., CLEM, CSG, CPC) Cost: \$65

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

Current Brochure can be found on www.sjbysea.org

PILGRIMAGE TO CABRINI SHRINE

March 8th Saturday 2025

701 Fort Washington Avenue, NYC



Beautiful grounds



Mother Cabrini's remains in glass casket shaped reliquary



Mother's 1st & 2nd class relics on display



Religious Articles Shop

Per Person: \$68.00 All are Welcome

Includes: Round trip Bus, Admission, Tour Guide, reflection for Rosarians in Chapel

Refreshments: Decaf Coffee, water, cake (Please pack your own lunch)

Bus at St. Pio Parking Lot leaves 8:30AM / returns 4:30PM

Last day to Reserve 2/5

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I WANT TO ATTEND Saturday March 8, 2025—Pilgrimage— Cabrini Shrine —New York City

Name _____ **Cell#** _____

Attending _____ **Total \$** _____ **Check #** _____ **Email** _____



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SATURDAY APRIL 5, 2025

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What does God have to say to your heart?

- All are Welcome -

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Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks; Please call the parish office if you wish to extend.

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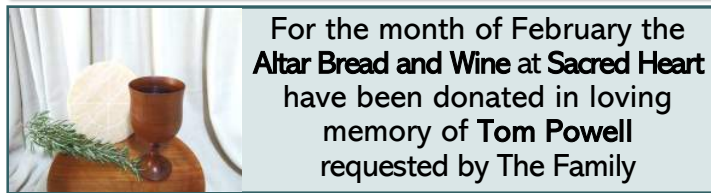
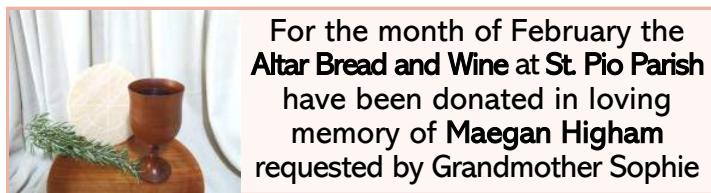


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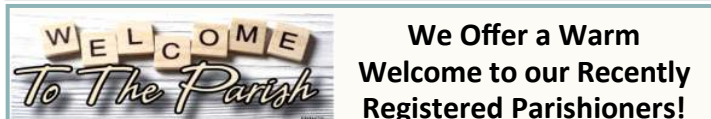


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1/19/25



St. Pio	Sacred Heart
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GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE
FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT
"Just as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord'" **Luke 2:23**
Just as the Angel Gabriel had said to Mary "Behold you shall conceive in your womb and bring forth a son", she did. And that son opened the womb and was consecrated. The Word of our Lord cannot be misinterpreted. Clearly Mary conceived a son, a human being and that son departed the womb as a human being. According to God's Word (and science) we all are human from conception through birth. Abortion is an abomination.
Do you know true blessedness is "hearing the Word of God and obeying it".
Love Life, Hear the Word, Obey the Word



St. Pio Parish

Sacred Heart Church

Saturday, February 1

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

Vigil

4:00pm † Mary Fehrle r/b Daughter and Family
Intentions for Eric Boyce r/b Etzold Family

Sunday, February 2

7:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
9:00am † Steve Healy r/b Richard and Ann Marie Casella
† Guido Lucchesi r/b Vito and Marie Gagliardi
10:30am Complete Healing Intentions for Camille Erica
Bustamante r/b Mom and Dad
Intentions for Ernie Bustamante r/b Son

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

Monday, February 3

8:30am Intentions for Danny Goldreyer
r/b Joanne and Joe Freer

Tuesday, February 4

8:30am Intentions for George Morris
r/b Joanne and Joe Freer
Intentions for Janusz and Munoz families
r/b Stanley and Maria

After Mass Miraculous Medal Novena

Wednesday, February 5

8:30am † Jim McElderry r/b Family

Thursday, February 6

8:30am † William Connors r/b Niece

After Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet

Friday, February 7

8:30am † Leonard Baccaro r/v Dianne Hayden
† Nicholas Orlando r/b Philip and Diana Orlando

After Mass Adoration & Benediction (20 minutes)

Saturday, February 8

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

Vigil

4:00pm † Fr. Emmette Carroll r/b Antonette Daniels
† Jean Lodato r/b Dianne Hayden

Sunday, February 9

7:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
9:00am † Donna Fahey r/b The St. Pio Parish Staff
10:30am † Anthony Martino r/b Finn Family
Complete Healing Intentions for Camille Erica
Bustamante r/b Mom and Dad

Saturday, February 1

8:30am † King Forsyth r/b His Family

Vigil

4:00pm † Ginny Mielnicki r/b Her Family

Sunday, February 2

7:15am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
8:30am † Lawrence F. Regan, Jr
r/b Rob and Debbie Giannetti
† Jean W. Regan
r/b Rob and Debbie Giannetti
10:30am † Robert Dominick r/b Tom and Noreen Kelly
† Louis Rinaldi r/b Eileen Rinaldi

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After Daily Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet, Monday-Saturday**

Monday, February 3

8:30am † Leila Mawe r/b The Family

After Mass Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday, February 4

8:30am † Dominick and Grace Tarantin
r/b Dolin Daley

Wednesday, February 5

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

8:30am † Tom Gage r/b Friends and Family

Thursday, February 6

8:30am † Annmarie Barnes r/b Ray Barnes

Friday, February 7

8:30am † Cecilia Coyle r/b Michael & Ryan

After Mass Adoration and Benediction (15-20 minutes)

Saturday, February 8

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

Vigil

4:00pm † Kevin Cassedy r/b Elizabeth & John Cassedy
† Julie Wolfe r/b A Friend

Sunday, February 9

7:15am † Kenneth Faistl r/b Family
8:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,
Both Living & Deceased
10:30am † Pamela Kane r/b Rob & Debbie Giannetti

The second collection on February 2nd is for Black & Indian Missions, to help form children in the faith, educate young people, and build hope – a hope often so hard to find in the areas the missionaries serve.

February 2025

St. Pio		Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
February 2	Blessing of Throats after all masses 7:30am Quiet Mass/No Music 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass	3	Blessing of Throats after all masses 8:30am Daily Mass 8:00pm - 9:00pm KofC 4th Degree	4	8:30am Grand Re-Opening Chapel Mass 9:00am - 11:00am Chapel Opening Breakfast 7:00pm - 9:00pm KofC Business Mtg	5	8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:30am Faith Sharing 6:30pm - 10:30pm HNS Card Players	6	8:30am Daily Mass	7	Office Closed 8:30am Daily Mass	8	8:30am Daily Mass 3:20pm - 3:40pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass	15	8:30am Daily Mass 3:20pm - 3:40pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass
9	7:30am Quiet Mass/No Music 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass	10	8:30am Daily Mass	11	8:30am Daily Mass	12	8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:30am Faith Sharing 6:30pm - 10:30pm HNS Card Players	13	8:30am Daily Mass	14	Office Closed Valentine's Day 8:30am Daily Mass	15	8:30am Daily Mass 3:20pm - 3:40pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass		
Sacred Heart															
February 2	Blessing of Throats after all masses 7:15am Quiet Mass/No Music 8:30am Mass 9:30am - 10:45am Religious Education Class 10:30am Mass 3:00pm - 5:00pm Bible Study - Matthew	3	Blessing of Throats after all masses 8:30am Daily Mass	4	8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:00am Prayer Group	5	8:30am Daily Mass 9:15am - 11:15am Bible Study - Matthew 7:00pm - 9:00pm AA Meeting	6	8:30am Daily Mass	7	Office Closed 8:30am Daily Mass	8	8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 11:00am Breakfast Club Bereavement Group 3:20pm - 3:40pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass	15	8:30am Daily Mass 3:20pm - 3:40pm 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.

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