

## 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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Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm  
Sunday: 7:15am (no music), 8:30am, 10:30am  
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**Rev. Joseph G. Hlubik, Pastor**  
**Deacon James Turro**

**Rev. Joy Chacko, Parochial Vicar**

*Do whatever  
he tells you.*

JOHN 2:5



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**JANUARY 19, 2025 - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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 Louis Mucardo, Ron Molitoriss, Sacred Heart

**In Trust by:**

St. Pio of Pietrelcina:  
 Alex Barletta & Jack McCormack, Trustees  
 Nick Zaccaria, Finance Chair  
 Sacred Heart Church  
 Mary Glass & Vincent Spada, 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](http://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](http://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 12, 2025	Sacred Heart	Saint Pio of Pietrelcina
In Pew at Church	\$ 3,890	\$ 3,718
Online	\$ 1,188	\$ 1,275
Total	\$ 5,078	\$ 4,993

Monies received from monthly/annual contributions and general donations will be reported here each month

December 2024	Sacred Heart	St Pio
Collection	\$ 28,300	\$ 10,150
Donation	\$ 2,625	\$ 21,208
Total	\$ 30,925	\$ 31,358

*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:

## How Mad was Herod the Great?

Jan 2, 2022, 1:02 AM, By Tuvia Book

Herod recognized that one of the prime reasons behind his unpopularity among the masses in Judea was that he had replaced the Jewish Hasmonean dynasty, whose rule was romantically, if somewhat myopically, recalled by the citizens of Judea as a “golden age” of Jewish sovereignty, when Jews were ruled by Jews in their own land. Further exacerbating the Jews’ antipathy toward Herod was the fact that his regime had begun with the execution of the last Hasmonean king, Mattathias Antigonus, and the massacre of his supporters by Herod and his Roman soldiers.

Herod attempted to mollify the Jews by divorcing his first wife, Doris, and marrying Miriam (Mariamne), who, as the granddaughter of Hyrcanus II, was a Hasmonean princess. He calculated that this would lend an air of legitimacy to his reign. Miriam and her two sons, Alexander and Aristobulus, were indeed beloved by the masses. Following the same logic (and with much maneuvering behind the scenes by his mother-in-law, Alexandra), Herod appointed Miriam’s brother, Aristobulus, as the High Priest. However, Herod soon became aware of the young teenager’s popularity, which was based on his good looks, charisma, and Hasmonean roots: “He seemed to be exceedingly comely, and taller than men usually were at that age.” (Josephus, Antiquities 15:3). He felt that the Hasmonean threat remained. After Aristobulus received a warm ovation from the crowds of worshipers at the Temple on Passover, Herod, fearing that the young man might one day usurp his throne, invited him to one of his palaces in Jericho and had him drowned.

Thus began a long spiral of murder and purging that would increase with Herod’s own descent into the abyss of madness. The outward grandeur and prosperity of Herod’s reign concealed the increasing turbulence of his private life. After the murder of his brother-in-law Aristobulus, Herod was pathologically mistrustful and determined to slay any remnants of the Hasmoneans and their supporters. Furthermore, the frequent conspiracies of his large and fractious family brought out his cruelty and paranoia. He lured his wife’s grandfather, the aged and mutilated Hyrcanus II, to Judea and had him murdered. Herod went on to murder his beloved wife Miriam in 28 BCE, on the prodding of his sister Salome.

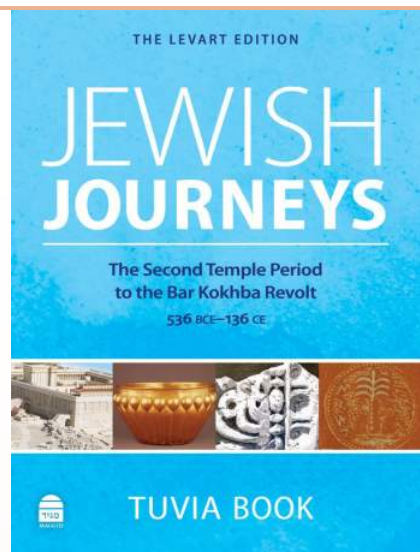
Miriam, as befits a genuine princess who had been true to Herod, refused to defend herself against the [trumped-up treason] charges. The last Hasmonean queen went to her fate with confidence and nobility.

According to Talmudic legend (Bava Batra 3b), he then proceeded to preserve her body in honey and possibly engage in necrophiliac practices. He also killed his mother-in-law, the Hasmonean Alexandra, as well as his uncle Joseph. Miriam’s two sons, Alexander and Aristobulus, survived into adulthood but were strangled to death upon their return from their education in Rome. Herod subjected them to a travesty of a trial based on false accusations of treason by their half-brother Antipater. Antipater himself was executed just a few days before Herod’s own death. The emperor Augustus is rumored to have declared: “I would rather be a pig than a son of Herod.” While Herod apparently suffered from guilt and depression over some of his more vicious actions, his court was a decadent center of cruelty, intrigue, and treachery.

Despite his unpopularity with the Jewish population, Herod, with the support of his Roman patrons, managed to retain power until his death, in 4 BCE. He died a diseased tyrant, whose achievements in keeping Judea at peace, making the country prosperous, and building many grand edifices were overshadowed by his troubled personal life.

[The] atmosphere of suspicion, intrigue and executions often cast a cloud over the external splendour and material success that Herod enjoyed throughout most of his life...the hostility between Herod and the people at large continued to the end of his life, and his rule was generally regarded as a time of tyranny, despite his efforts to win the sympathy of the nation.

The above article is an extract from my (Tuvia Book’s) book just published by Koren, “Jewish Journeys, The Second Temple Period to the Bar Kokhba Revolt, 536 BCE-136 CE.”



Rev. Joseph G. Hlubik

**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING...A reflection for January 19, The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*If you see something, say something.* That advice is frequently heard since terrorism remains a horrible possibility. We are urged to be aware of our surroundings, to take note of suspicious individuals, odd behavior, and unattended packages, and to say something to the police if any situation doesn't seem quite right.

*If you see something, say something* also applies to other circumstances. For example, if we see a little child alone in a car or notice that an elderly neighbor has not left home for several days. Responsible people speak up when they notice a problem. They do not ignore the situation.

Sunday's Gospel may lead us to conclude that Mary was a person who spoke up when she saw something. We are told that Mary, along with Jesus and his disciples, had been invited to a wedding feast in Cana. During the celebration, Mary must have noticed that something was not quite right.

Perhaps she saw the head waiter speaking excitedly to the bride and groom or noticed that the amount of wine being served kept getting smaller and then stopped all together.

Mary saw something, so she said something. She told her son, "They have no wine." Jesus' initial response was that the situation was not his concern.

Jesus may have hesitated to act since he did not want to reveal his power at that time. As he told Mary, "My hour has not yet come." Or perhaps Jesus did not want one of his first miracles to involve providing wine for a party. After all, religious people like his cousin, John the Baptist, often abstained from wine and strong drink.

But Mary persisted, and Jesus acted. He changed some 120 to 180 gallons of water into wine. Jesus may have responded in a most generous way not only to save the bride and groom from embarrassment, but also to allow the guests to take some wine home. At the time of Jesus, wine was not only for celebration, but it was also a common source of hydration and nourishment.

Just as Mary said something because she saw something, we are encouraged to do the same in our daily lives. It is also what we do when we gather for Sunday Mass. After we profess our faith, we come to the General Intercessions.

In the intercessions, we bring the hurting people and the problem situations we see, and we say something about them to the Lord. In voicing those petitions, we ask the Lord to do something so that wars end, evil is overcome by good, the needs of poor are satisfied, the sick recover, and the Church more effectively proclaims the Gospel.

In seeing those needs and saying something about them to the Lord, we are also reminded that we are the people that the Lord often uses to bring about an answer to our intercessions.

Because Mary saw something and said something, a miracle took place at Cana. May the example of Mary inspire us to see the needs in our world and to say something about them to the Lord. *If you see something, say something!*

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**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](mailto:marta@stpioparish.com)

If you would like to lift your spirits and learn a little more about your faith and well-being, think about attending our ***Faith Sharing Group***. The group meets once a week on Wednesdays at St. Pio's in Lavallette after morning Mass, and spends about one hour discussing the readings for the next Sunday and what they mean to us. All are welcome.

Contact Maureen Zebrowski at 732-259-1578 if you are interested or would like more information.



**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](mailto: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.



# Mass for Life & Life Expo

CELEBRATED BY



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

## PRAY, CONNECT, ENGAGE

Embrace the transformative power of the Eucharist, foster solidarity, and take decisive action to nurture a culture of life that honors every stage from womb to tomb.

## WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Join us for a special Mass celebrated by Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.
- Engage with local organizations dedicated to upholding and promoting human dignity throughout all stages of life.
- Enjoy delicious refreshments, fostering new friendships, and strengthening bonds within our community.

Friday  
**JANUARY 24**  
11:00AM

Co-Cathedral of  
St. Robert Bellarmine,  
Freehold

**All are Welcome • No RSVP needed**



For full information about the day's events, visit:  
[dioceseoftrenton.org/standing-together-for-life](http://dioceseoftrenton.org/standing-together-for-life)



### Attention Men!

Join other Catholic men from across the Diocese of Trenton at the **28<sup>th</sup> Annual Men's Conference** on Saturday, February 22, at **St. Mary Mother of God Church in Middletown.**

The theme of this year's conference is "Solidarity: A Time to Unite." The day runs from 8:00 am to 2:30 pm and will feature Holy Mass celebrated by **Bishop David O'Connell**; Speakers include **Elvis Grbac**, a 2001 Pro Bowl quarterback with the Chiefs and Super Bowl XXIX champion with the 49ers, Elvis played 9 seasons in the NFL with San Francisco (1994-96), Kansas City (1997-2000) and Baltimore (2001); author of nine books, apologist and speaker for Catholic Answers, and adjunct professor at Holy Apostles College, **Trent Horn** specializes in teaching Catholics to graciously and persuasively engage those who disagree with them; and **Matthew Arnold**, an international speaker, author, and former New Age participant who converted to Catholicism in 1996, Arnold speaks internationally on a variety of topics, including devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and has hosted radio programs for EWTN and the Radio Maria Network, including Reasons for Faith LIVE and Scripture Matters LIVE with Dr. Scott Hahn.

Cost is \$60 per person; \$20 for students. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information or to register online go to [www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org](http://www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org). To register by mail, send the name(s) of each person registering, your check, and a **self-addressed stamped envelope** to:

Catholic Men for Jesus Christ  
P.O. Box 266  
Clarksburg, NJ 08510



### 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](mailto:FHOP@verizon.net)

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

#### EVENING ZOOM ONLY

#### OUR SEARCH FOR MEANING MAKING SENSE OF IT ALL

2 Nights January 21 & 30, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

"There is nothing in the world I venture to say that would effectively help one to survive even in the worst conditions as the knowledge that there is a meaning in one's Life." (Viktor Frankl) We will use Frankl's classic, *Man's Search For Meaning* to discover the timeless truth within... that love is all that matters. Donation: \$35

#### ST. TERESA'S INTERIOR CASTLE

Friday, January 31 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Travel through Saint Teresa's castle for the day! She leads us with great astuteness into the center of our souls by guiding us through the seven rooms or mansions of the castle. If you've always wanted to read *The Interior Castle*, this retreat day will be a good introduction for you. Donation:\$40, includes materials/lunch. Zoom: \$20

#### "THE CHOSEN" – SEASON ONE

4 Wednesdays 1:00 – 2:30 PM

Feb. 19, March 26, April 16, May 14

Let's discuss key themes in each episode of first season of "The Chosen" program. We will watch two episodes per month on our own (streaming from the app or online streaming or YouTube). Then, through prayer and discussion as a group, we will discover Jesus' message that comes through the episodes. Donation: \$65

### 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**

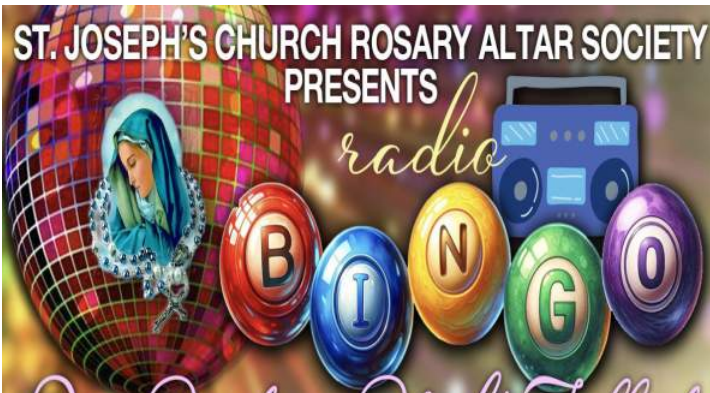
(if you refer a person to join,  
each time they win you get \$25)

**December winner is Robert Chabak \$487.50**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_



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



**Knights of  
Columbus® JOIN US**



The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend Catholic values. Our local council, #8415, is looking for new members. If you want to join today, visit [KofC.org/joinus](http://KofC.org/joinus) or scan the QR code, and enter our council #8415.

Need more information, email: [barlettaa@verizon.net](mailto:barlettaa@verizon.net)

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



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to the world through the media.



The Diocesan Youth Conference is a gathering for ALL teens in the 8 - 12th grades of the Diocese of Trenton. It is an exciting day filled with great music, powerful talks, fun service projects and more! Most importantly it is a chance to connect with other Catholics teens beyond your parish or school and grow in your faith!

For more information go to [dioceseoftrenton.org/dyc](http://dioceseoftrenton.org/dyc)





Grand  
Reopening of  
St. Pio Chapel  
Feb. 4th,  
8:30am Mass.  
Breakfast to  
follow in the  
Parish Hall.  
All are invited,  
please join us.



Renovation Work





All the woodwork and pews have been revarnished, and the artist who painted the stencils also refreshed the Stations of the Cross.



# PILGRIMAGE TO CABRINI SHRINE

March 8<sup>th</sup> Saturday 2025

701 Fort Washington Avenue, NYC



Beautiful grounds



Mother Cabrini's remains in glass casket shaped reliquary



Mother's 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> 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**

**Checks payable to: St. Pio Rosary Alter Society**

**Mail to: St. Pio Rosary Alter Society, 103 Washington Ave, Lavallette NJ 08735**

**Parish Office: 732-793-7291**

----- Detach here and mail completed form with payment to the St. Pio Rosary Altar Society -----

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

# Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_



ST. PIO ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY  
 PRESENTS  
 A CONTEMPLATIVE RETREAT  
 SATURDAY APRIL 5, 2025  
 WITH THE POOR CLARES OF NEW JERSEY  
 AT THE POOR CLARES MONASTERY  
 IN CHESTERFIELD NJ

<https://poorclaresnewjersey.com/>

Detox your brain: turn off TV, social media,  
 cell phones, games, shut down the chaff.

Come for quiet, find your meditative calm within.

Journey with us, abandon yourself to the tranquility of nothingness,  
 experience contemplation.

Here, speak not to God, instead FEEL how to listen.

What does God have to say to your heart?

- All are Welcome -

**Per Person: \$68.00**

Includes: Round trip Coach Bus, donation for the Monastery, guided reflection

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

Bus at St. Pio Parking Lot leaves 8:00AM / returns 2:30PM

**Last day to Reserve March 1, 2025**

**Checks payable to: St. Pio Rosary Alter Society**

**Mail to: St. Pio Rosary Alter Society, 103 Washington Ave, Lavallette NJ 08735**

**Parish Office: 732-793-7291**

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**I WANT TO ATTEND Saturday April 5, 2025 — Pilgrimage - Poor Clares Monastery - Chesterfield, NJ**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

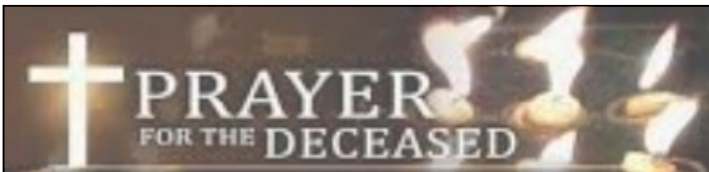
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Lucille Coppola, Christopher Barnes, Bob DeAngelo, Carol Olsen, Mary Lou Ocone, Pat and Gerald Marriner, Jennifer Mineo, Joan Blanchfield, Jean Taboada, Anthony Calabro, Louise Scarlato, Jesse O'Brien, Molly Mack, Judy Cantillo, Henry Drew, Nancy Makoski, 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 Kwortnik, Helen Calavanico

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

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



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:

- Col. Scott Wyatt, US Army
- Col. John F. Borowski, USAF
- Capt. Tyler Urban, USMC
- Lance Cpl. Jack Balwierzak, 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 January the **Altar Bread and Wine** at St. Pio Parish have been donated in loving memory of **Anthony Nastus** requested by The Voight Family



**Congratulations to the families of the newly Baptized**

**St. Pio**

Hudson Downey 12/22/24  
Mila Kirckof 01/05/25

**Sacred Heart**

Joseph Bongiovanni III 12/29/24



**Kevin and Dara Watson 12/28/24  
At Sacred Heart Church**



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



**Parish Counseling Services (PCS)**

Counseling Services are available through the Diocese of Trenton. For more information or clarification, call Brenda Rascher at 609-403-7180. Areas of help can be marital, raising children, eldercare, bereavement or stress of job.

**GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE  
FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT**

**"His mother said 'do whatever he tells you.'" John 2:5**  
Are you willing to follow Our Blessed Mother's instructions and do whatever He tells you? Are you willing to suffer the slings and arrows of unpopularity, criticism, false accusations, loss of friendships and stature?

Are you willing to take a stand and help the poor, the downtrodden, the defenseless, the helpless and especially the most vulnerable in today's society – the pre-born?

*Do you know that St Paul told the Romans "If God is for us, who can be against us".*

**Listen to God, Do His Will, Be Strong**



## St. Pio Parish

## Sacred Heart Church

### Saturday, January 18

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

### Vigil

4:00pm † Fioridea Castillenti r/b Antonette Daniels  
† Jean Lodato r/b Joe and Joyce Kobylarz

### Sunday, January 19

7:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,  
Both Living & Deceased  
9:00am † Elizabeth Roberts r/b Gary and Gerry Adams  
10:30am Complete Healing Intentions for Camille  
Erica Bustamonte r/b Mom and Dat

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

### Monday, January 20

8:30am † Ana Lebrada Ramos r/b Fr. Joe and Staff  
at St. Pio and Sacred Heart  
† Baby Landon Wierks and Family  
r/b Kathleen Hamill

### Tuesday, January 21

8:30am † Rose Dannolfo r/b Laura and Greg Bierster  
† Pamela Kane r/b Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sinnot

**After Mass Miraculous Medal Novena**

### Wednesday, January 22

8:30am † Thomas Dinan r/b Joanne and Joe Freer

### Thursday, January 23

8:30am † Thomas Dinan r/b Joanne and Joe Freer

**After Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet**

### Friday, January 24

8:30am † Louanne Castenza r/b Sister  
In Thanksgiving for 28 years r/b Mary Shaffer

**After Mass Adoration & Benediction (20 minutes)**

### Saturday, January 25

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

### Vigil

4:00pm † Jean Lodato r/b Nick Zaccaria  
† Antonette Daniels r/b Dianne Hayden

### Sunday, January 26

7:30am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,  
Both Living & Deceased  
9:00am † Vincent and Josephine Cilli r/b Leonard Family  
10:30am † Ana Lebrada Ramos r/b Vito and Marie Gagliardi  
Vincent Tavormina r/b Connie Barraco

### Saturday, January 18

8:30am † King Forsyth r/b The Family

### Vigil

4:00pm † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,  
Both Living & Deceased

### Sunday, January 19

7:15am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,  
Both Living & Deceased  
8:30am † Tom Vanderspurt r/b The Family  
10:30am † Wolf Vieth r/b Tom and Noreen Kelly  
† Dennis McCole  
r/b Eileen and Vincent Ferranti

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

### Monday, January 20

8:30am † Dorothy Berdel r/b Family

**After Mass Miraculous Medal Novena**

### Tuesday, January 21

8:30am † Albert Berdel r/b Family

### Wednesday, January 22

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

8:30am † Peter Barkhausen r/b Family

### Thursday, January 23

8:30am † Marlene Kevish r/b Mom and Dad

### Friday, January 24

8:30am † Eva Scheyer r/b The Family  
Special Intentions r/b Laura and Greg

**After Mass Adoration and Benediction (15-20 minutes)**

### Saturday, January 25

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

### Vigil

4:00pm † Christopher Broncati r/b his Grandmother

### Sunday, January 26

7:15am † For Our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones,  
Both Living & Deceased  
8:30am † Vincent Giambona r/b Carol and Joe  
10:30am † Roger Shulas r/b Linda Ludwig  
† Kathleen Berckman r/b Marge Powell

## January 2025

St. Pio		Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday					
<b>19</b>	7:30am Quiet Mass/No Music 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass	<b>20</b>	<b>Martin L. King, Jr. Day</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 8:30am Daily Mass	<b>21</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 6:30pm - 10:00pm KofC - Social Meeting	<b>22</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:30am Faith Sharing 6:30pm - 10:30pm HNS Card Players	<b>23</b>	8:30am Daily Mass	<b>24</b>	<b>Office Closed</b> 8:30am Daily Mass	<b>25</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 11:00am - 12:00pm Barry Funeral 3:20pm - 3:40pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass
<b>26</b>	7:30am Quiet Mass/No Music 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass	<b>27</b>	8:30am Daily Mass	<b>28</b>	8:30am Daily Mass	<b>29</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:30am Faith Sharing 6:30pm - 10:30pm HNS Card Players	<b>30</b>	8:30am Daily Mass	<b>31</b>	<b>Office Closed</b> 8:30am Daily Mass	<b>1</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 3:20pm - 3:40pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass
Sacred Heart		Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday					
<b>19</b>	7:15am Quiet Mass/No Music 8:30am Mass 10:30am Mass 12:00pm - 1:00pm Baptism 3:00pm - 5:00pm Bible Study - Matthew	<b>20</b>	<b>Martin L. King, Jr. Day</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 8:30am Daily Mass	<b>21</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:00am Prayer Group	<b>22</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 9:15am - 11:15am Bible Study - Matthew 7:00pm - 9:00pm AA Meeting	<b>23</b>	8:30am Daily Mass	<b>24</b>	<b>Office Closed</b> 8:30am Daily Mass 10:00am - 11:00am McGowen Funeral	<b>25</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 3:20pm - 3:40pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass
<b>26</b>	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	<b>27</b>	8:30am Daily Mass	<b>28</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 9:00am - 10:00am Prayer Group	<b>29</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 9:15am - 11:15am Bible Study - Matthew 7:00pm - 9:00pm AA Meeting	<b>30</b>	8:30am Daily Mass	<b>31</b>	<b>Office Closed</b> 8:30am Daily Mass	<b>1</b>	8:30am Daily Mass 3:20pm - 3:40pm Confession 4:00pm Vigil Mass

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