

The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

103 Washington Avenue, Lavallette, NJ 08735
Phone: 732-793-7291 Fax: 732-793-8204

July 16, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

MATTHEW 13:1-23

©IPPC

Our Parish is Served by:

Rev. Fr. Joseph Hlubik, Pastor, x302
Rev. Fr. Joy Chacko, Parochial Vicar, x361

Assisting Priests:

Rev. Monsignor Phil Franceschini

Pastoral and Support Staff:

Marta Barkhausen, Business Manager
Finance, Facilities & Wedding Coordinator,
x322

John Paglione, Director of Liturgy, Lay
Ministries & Catechesis 732-899-1398, x5
Joyce Kobylarz, Ministries Coordinator
973-714-6797
Caroline Woodrow, Director of Music, x315

Parish Secretaries:

Connie Barraco x316
Laura Bierster x321
Pat Kevish x301

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

Summer Mass Schedule Beginning May 27th

Monday - Saturday:	8:30am Chapel
Saturday (Vigil):	5:00pm Church
Sunday: 7:30 (no music), 9:00 & 10:30am	Church
Holy Days of Obligation (Vigil):	6:30pm Church
(Day):	9:30am Church

Confession: Saturday 4 - 4:30pm or by appointment



Saturday, July 15, 2023

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

5:00pm Lawrence & Ann Lyons r/b Gerry Lyons Vigil

5:00pm Leo Paul Barry r/b Mike, Lil & Family

Sunday, July 16, 2023

7:30am For the People of the Parish

7:30am Gunnar Gaudioso r/b Lorraine Saraceno & Mike Diamond

9:00am John Badagliaca r/b Frank Petranich

9:00am William & June Olsen r/b Ralph & Michelle Keefe

10:30am Joseph DeStefano r/b Maureen McElderry

10:30am Daniel Driscoll r/b Janice Unfried

Monday, July 17, 2023

8:30am In Thanksgiving r/b Mary Shaffer

8:30am Brian Sindel r/b Mr. & Mrs. Robert Swift

Tuesday, July 18, 2023

8:30am Peter Mahon r/b Pat & Jackie Cassidy

8:30am James O'Connor r/b Felicia & Bill Klingenberg

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

8:30am For Intentions of Jadis Etzold r/b Etzold Family

8:30am Anne Shaffer r/b Mary Shaffer

Thursday, July 20, 2023

8:30am Marge Keller r/b Meg & David Geer

8:30am Personal Thanksgiving

Friday, July 21, 2023

8:30am Barb & Harry English r/b Meg & David Geer

8:30am Frank Sindel r/b Mr. & Mrs. Swift

Saturday, July 22, 2023

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

5:00pm For A Special Intention r/b Laura & Greg Vigil

5:00pm Joe Merkle r/b Jack & Debbie McCormack

Sunday, July 23, 2023

7:30am For the People of the Parish

7:30am Thomas Quinn r/b Bert & Mary Brady

9:00am Lucille & Joseph Libonati r/b Gail & Joe Marini

9:00am Josephine Kowal r/b Gail & Joe Marini

10:30am Lorraine M. Freeman r/b Virginia Burke Simmonds

10:30am Fr. Daniel Kelly r/b Renzulli Family

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 Wierks, Ginny & Emil Stefanacci, Jim Tavormina, Gina Palmieri, Mike Rodriguez, Nicholas Meola, David Vetere, Joe Romano, Greg Thomas, Sherrie Forst, Thaddeus Jacoviak, Susan Smith, Kelly Palmieri, Sharon Kline, Alan Kurinovich, Maegan Higham, Bill Smith, Richard J. O'Neill, Tommy Traina, 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, Michael Sherlock, Jean Orlando, Bernadette Flaherty, Angelina Santora, Daniel Kasha, Ronald Zappulla, Kenneth Shedosky, Vincent Porcelli, Sr., Sue Orlovski, Anna May Wolfe, Joe Merkle, Rosemarie Calice, Eveline Sadakas, Josephine Kowal, Bob Egle, Michael Galloway, Vincent & Christine Manente, Edith Cullen, Bernadette Shedosky, Len Calderaro

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.



The following will be said after the 8:30am Mass:

**Miraculous Medal Novena on Tuesdays
Divine Mercy Chaplet on Thursdays
Adoration & Benediction on Fridays**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Come to Our Aid

“Mother of Perpetual Help, Your Very Name Inspires Confidence.”

By Patty Knap for The National Catholic Register Part 1

The familiar image of the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help has a fascinating history. No one knows who made it. Icons are never signed. It is believed to have been written in the thirteenth century in Crete. Two angels, Michael and Gabriel, are seen with the Mother of God, whose title is abbreviated in Greek letters, and Jesus. It was venerated on the Greek island where it hung above the main altar of a cathedral.

For many years a note hung a large piece of parchment affixed to a wooden tablet, by the icon in St. Matthew's Church in Rome, the first shrine to have the picture. Later this parchment was attached to the picture itself. The document, written in both Latin and Italian, gives a history of the picture, citing its arrival in Rome as 1499 and its solemn enthronement in the Augustinian Church of St. Matthew. The original parchment is no longer in existence, but copies have been found in the Vatican Library. What follows is a condensed translation of the parchment:

A merchant of Crete, stole this picture of the Virgin, which had worked many miracles on that island. He boarded a ship and set out to sea. When a great storm arose, the sailors began to despair for their safety. Though they knew nothing about the picture, they prayed fervently to God and to the Virgin. Their prayers were heard and they were saved from the storm. A year later the merchant came to Rome, bringing the picture with him. There he was stricken with a malignant disease. Immediately, he called a Roman friend who took the merchant into his home and did all he could do to help him but the disease grew worse. Finally, the dying man told the entire story of how he had stolen the picture from the church where it had been famous for working so many miracles. He told the Roman where it could now be found and asked that the Roman to put the picture in some church, where it would be worshiped by the people.

After the merchant's death the Roman found the picture but his wife prevailed upon him not to take the picture out of the house. Instead she placed it in her bedroom and kept it there. The Blessed Virgin told the Roman, in a vision, not to keep the stolen picture but put in a more honorable place but he didn't do it. Some time later the Virgin returned and advised him again that he should not keep the picture in his house. Again, he paid no attention to this request. The Virgin then appeared to the Roman's six-year-old daughter and told her to warn her mother and her grandfather saying, "Our Lady of the Perpetual Succor commands you to take her out of your house..."

After further delays the Virgin Mary appeared to the little girl for a second time, commanding her to tell her mother place her picture between St. Mary Major and St. John Lateran, in the church dedicated to St. Matthew the Apostle. The mother did as she was told and sent for the Augustinian Fathers, who were in the charge of that church. That day the picture was moved to the Church of St. Matthew. In this manner the picture of the most Blessed Virgin was enshrined in the Church of St. Matthew the Apostle on March 27, 1499. Through the centuries the picture has been the source of many miracles and favors to those who have venerated it.



Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend of July 2, 2023	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$10,912	\$11,374
Online	\$ 981	\$ 986
Total	\$11,893	\$12,360



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.

Contributions Weekend of July 9, 2023	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$ 8,818	\$ 9,657
Online	\$ 1,643	\$ 1,031
Total	\$10,461	\$10,688

Dear Parishioner & Friends:

Contributing to our poor box every week is very much appreciated. Your donations make it possible for us to help organizations that assist in doing good for others. Thank you for being so generous and involved and supporting our mission. Since January 2023, St. Pio's poor box donations totaled \$4,000.

Four checks for \$1,000 each was given to:

- St. Vincent DePaul/St. Joseph Church
- Seeds of Service
- Madonna House
- Downey Side Adoption Agency



God Bless you all!
Fr. Joseph Hlubik

Thank You!

The following letter was received to thank us for your generosity. Since May, 2022, our parish has contributed a total of \$7,559. toward Ukraine Humanitarian Aid. Thank you!

"July 5, 2023

Dear Father, dear Parishioners of St. Pio of Pietrelcina Church! Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Please accept my sincere thanks from all the Ukrainian refugees whom you helped and are helping with your financial collections and prayers. Thank you very much for your donation for Ukraine for Humanitarian Aid of \$725. Our St. Stephen church sent all the funds, you sent to our parish, to the Ukrainian Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia, which collects all the funds of Humanitarian Aid and distributes them among the needy refugees in Ukraine and wherever refugees from Ukraine have settled. In this difficult time of the war in Ukraine, we Christians together help a refugee and fulfill Lord's commandment of love for the neighbor who found himself in a difficult life situation. Thank you for your love! Thank you for your support!

May Lord Jesus Bless all parishioners of St. Pio of Pietrelcina church and bless all their families!

Rev. Volodymyr Popyk, Pastor"



Let us welcome our newest parishioners to St. Pio's faith community:

Joe Cuomo
and
Lindsey Jimenez

The Bread and Wine has been donated for the month of July, in loving memory of **Tom Higham**, by wife, Sophie.





St. Pio's annual summer ALL Cash 50/50 Raffle is under way. Additional raffle tickets are and will be available at all Masses now through September. Please stop by and support this important parish fundraiser. Our goal is \$60,000. We thank you for your past support and look forward to a great summer. Drawing date is Friday, September 22nd. First prize last fall was over \$18,000.



Rev. Dominik Jurek will speak to us today at all weekend Masses regarding the annual appeal and collection for the missions. Please be as generous as possible,

Thank you.

**GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE
FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT
"Whoever has ears ought to hear." Matthew 13:9**

Jesus refers to four types of persons:
Those that hear God's word but never accept it.

Those who accept God's word but later reject it because the secular world deems that those who follow the word to be unacceptable. There fear of ridicule or persecution is greater than there love of God.

Those who accept God's word but are seduced away by anxiety and riches.

Those that respond to the word of God, love God and produce fruit.
God's words are the words of Life. Listen with your ears and understand in your heart.

Love God, Love Life!



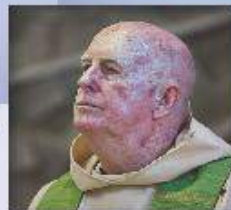
On World Day for **Grandparents and the Elderly 2023 ...**

Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., invites the faithful to show appreciation and care for their spiritual fathers and grandfathers through a gift to the second annual

Diocesan Retired, Elderly AND Infirm Priests FUND

Collection to be held in all parishes of the Diocese of Trenton

July 22-23, 2023



This year, there are 85 retired priests of the Diocese. Please remember them in your prayers and be as generous as your circumstances allow.

Blessing of the Water

In honor of the Feast of the Assumption of Mary

Tuesday, August 15

5 p.m. Mass at St. Pio Church

Procession to the Beach at 6 p.m.

Picnic-Style Dinner immediately following



Bring bottles to collect
the Blessed Water



Join us afterward for a Picnic-Style Dinner at St. Pio's Parish Hall!

Menu

Hot Dogs	Salads
Sausage	Baked Beans
Chicken	Desserts
Soda, Water, Coffee & Tea	

Cost:
\$10
per person
Kids under 10 Free

Mail or bring your payment
to the Parish Office
Mon-Wed, 9 am-2 pm,
by Wednesday, August 9

Questions?
Call 732-793-7291

We need your help! Join our Blessing of the Water Dinner Team

Volunteer to make a salad (potato, macaroni, pasta, green), bring a dessert, or cut watermelon. Donate cans of sola, setup, cleanup, serve the meal or staff the kitchen. Lets make this event a great success! Call Joyce Kobylarz at 973-714-6797 by August 10th to help!

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	barletta@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

HOLY NAME SOCIETY	Meeting	Monday	September	5:30pm
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY	Meeting	Monday	September	1:00pm
FAITH SHARING	Meeting	Wednesday	July	9:00am
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 8415				
K of C Ladies Auxiliary				
LAVALLETTE SENIORS				
RIGHT TO LIFE GROUP	2nd Thursday of the month at Sacred Heart, Msgr. Casey Hall			3:30pm
	No meetings in summer			
FLAME OF LOVE ROSARY	Recited on Tuesdays at 8am in the Chapel and on Sundays at 8:30am in the Church			

62 Cedar Grove Rd.
Toms River, NJ 08753
Call 732-244-3008




ST. JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC CEMETERY & MAUSOLEUMS

www.stjosephcemeterytr.org

Interest-free payment plans available

catholicmatch®
New Jersey



CatholicMatch.com/
dateNJ

We are Updating the Bulletin for the Summer.

Please contact
Chad Breidinger
610-393-5329 or at
cbreidinger@jppc.net

OUR SPONSORS & OUR COMMUNITY



Sponsors can offer promotions, discounts and/or up-to-date contact information to the **ENTIRE** community

Finding **FABER.**

ANYONE in the community, not only Parishioners, can access realtime offers from their favorite sponsors to save, share & support





Timothy E. Ryan Home for Funerals

Peace of Mind and Heart, Before, During and Beyond
Serving Seaside and Lavallette

Mark L. Sarin, Senior Director - NJ Lic. No. 4134
809 Central Avenue, Seaside Park • (732) 793-9000
706 Route 35 North, Lavallette • (732) 793-9000

I have always believed that funeral service was a vocation and not simply a career.

...Timothy E. Ryan
Founder 1951-2019



- Plumbing
- Heating
- Cooling
- Bath & Kitchen Remodeling

732-349-3322

\$10 Off
with this ad

www.LezgusPlumbing.com



Controls
Heating □ Cooling
(609) 971-6773



732.684.9824
stairchick@verizon.net



649 Mantoloking Rd., Brick
732-477-8688
www.charnelpools.com
10% OFF One Item In-Store Only



1905 Grand Central Ave - Rte 35 N, Lavallette
(732) 830-8600
www.sanddollarpancakehouse.com

Colonial BAKERY

The Best In Quality Baked Goods

2 Great Locations

1906A Grand Central Ave.
Lavallette, NJ 08735
(732) 854-9500



3901 Route 35 North & Joseph Street
Sunset Manor, NJ 08735
(732) 793-3960

Open Weekends in
May, June & September
Open Everyday in July & August

www.colonialbakerynj.com

Mallory's Army Foundation

United Together In The Fight Against Bullying...
Don't Just Teach Kindness... BE KINDNESS!



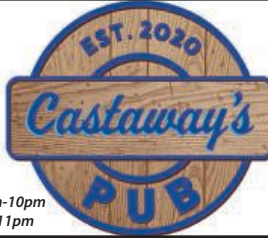
www.MallorysArmy.com
(973) 440-8657 • info@mallorysarmy.org

It's easy to join our mailing list! Just send your email address by text message:
Text MALLORYSARMY to 22828 to get started.

Message and data rates may apply.

Now serving
SUNDAY BRUNCH
10AM-1PM

Hours:
Sun.-Thurs. 11:30am-10pm
Fri. & Sat. 11:30am-11pm



HAPPY HOUR
Monday-Friday
3PM-6PM

76 Grand Central Ave.
Lavallette

CORNERSTONE WINE & LIQUOR

1401 Grand Central Avenue
Lavallette NJ 08735
(Corner of Brooklyn Ave & Rt. 35 North)
732-793-7545

15% OFF your next cash & carry purchase
10% OFF WITH CREDIT CARD

cornerstonewineandliquors.com
cornerstonewines@gmail.com

Welcome
to Our Church!



NARCISSUS FLORALS | **MUELLER'S HISTORIC FLORIST**

1490 Rt. 37, Toms River NJ 08753 • 732-281-0333
2005 NJ-71, Spring Lake Heights, NJ 07762 • 732-223-1882
www.narcissusflorals.com

GATES ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN, INC.



Joseph A. Gates, AIA
NJ Lic. No. 21A10212400

New Homes
Additions
Elevations

www.gatesarchdesign.com

(732) 793-8600



"Selling or Buying at the Jersey Shore?"
Barrier Island Specialists... Seaside Park to Spring Lake

M & M Team
John P. Misko / Pam Maguire
Cell: 732-575-0874 or 732-666-1082
pmaguire@dianeturton.com

Diane Turton, REALTORS

1404 Grand Central Ave.
Lavallette, NJ 08735



IN REMEMBRANCE OF SAMANTHA JOSEPHSON

S A M I
STOP ASK MATCH INFORM

ASK #WHATSMYNAME BEFORE YOU GET IN A RIDE SHARE

The Home Tech Handyman

Chris Barrett / 917-513-5974 / chris10710@gmail.com

Technology a challenge?
Let me help!
Computers - Printers
Mobile Devices
Software Upgrades
Back-up/Data Migration
Network/WiFi
Home Theatre
Instruction/Tutoring
Consultations

Family Owned & Operated
THOMAS MONUMENT CO.
Creating Quality Memorial Tributes For Three Generations
MONUMENTS • CUSTOM LETTERING
STONE CLEANING
www.thomasmonuments.org • 732-255-1842
1709 Silverton Rd. • Toms River, NJ 08753



Building Homes to Build Memories
415 Hiering Ave., Seaside Heights • 732-908-2010

www.DakanHomes.com