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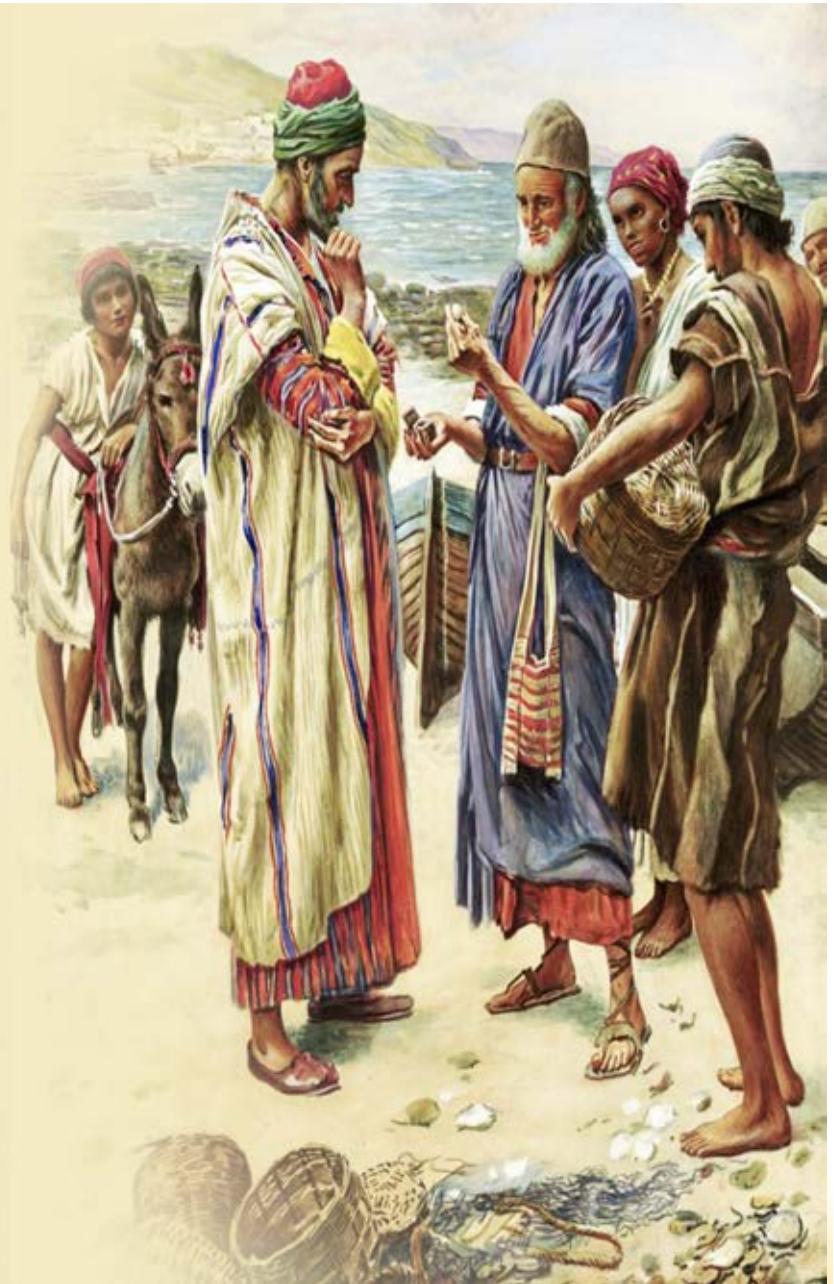
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JULY 26, 2020

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*"The kingdom
of heaven is
like a merchant
searching for
fine pearls."*

MATTHEW 13:45



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday

July 25

Barbara & John Barone
r/b Bill & Pat Kevish
Dan & Madge Gallaher
r/b Gawel Family
Laurie Morris r/b Sisters
Elizabeth Morris r/b Daughters

Sunday

July 26

Margaret O'Rourke
r/b Mary Manning
For the People of the Parish

Tuesday

July 28

Steven Behr
r/b Mary & Thomas Moore

Wednesday

July 29

Kevin Zebrowski
r/b Maureen Zebrowski

Thursday

July 30

Marie Parasa r/b Family

Friday

July 31

**For Those Who Have Died
from Covid 19 and For an End
to the Virus**

Saturday

August 1

Helen Bush r/b Jerry & Family
Stanley Gawel r/b Logios Family

Sunday

August 2

Paul DeMassi r/b Wife
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Ciano
and Rose Tuccillo
r/b Daughter, Joyce
Peter Dykstra
r/b Debbie & Joe Leather
For the People of the Parish

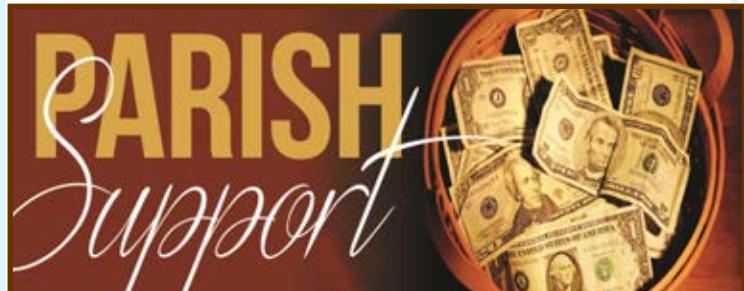


A time to be healed....., Fr. Douglas Freer, Gerry Brower, for Those who have received Prayer Blankets, and for All the Sick of the Parish

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

A time to die Carmen Russo, Walter G. LaCicero, Dorothy Peeney, Theresa Leopizzi, Anne Papeo, Florence Kasper, William Lyons, Rose Marie Frailey, Thomas Severini, Pauline Possiel, Marge O'Rourke, John Kline, Theodora Esposito, Diane Daniels, Danielle Ceceri, Ann Zwick, Mary Delmont, Bernice Kephart, Fred Mangino, Bernardo Orlowski

Our Heroes.....Please pray for 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.



"Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are His body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

Contributions	St. Pio	Sacred Heart		
Weekend of July 18/19	This Past Week	Same week Last Year	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$4,833	\$11,037	\$5,196	\$10,314
Online	\$1,065	\$885	\$553	\$288
Total	\$5,898	\$11,922	\$5,749	\$10,602

Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2COR 9:7



Dear Parishioners,

It's been three weeks since my arrival as Associate Pastor of St. Pio and Sacred Heart. Many have seen me in church but with all that is going on with COVID19, it is always nice to say hello and let you know how pleased I am to have been assigned to serve you and work with Fr. Joe.

So, as you may have heard my name is Fr. Vince Coppola and I am currently a religious order priest in the Congregation of Holy Cross stationed at the University

of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. I have been ordained and served in parishes for 19 years in Vermont and Indiana. Two years ago, I requested a reassignment to Toms River to be closer to my mom and was fortunate to receive an appointment at St. Maximilian Kolbe where for the last two years I have served in the same capacity. During this time, I have asked to be incardinated into the Diocese of Trenton where I would formally leave my congregation and become a diocesan priest. My petition is under review and is subject to the Bishop's approval.

Although Toms River and Lavallette / Bay Head are relatively short distances, they are, for me, two similar and different worlds. Similar in the respect of how gracious many of you have been to me since my arrival and for the smiles and good wishes for the future. I left behind a very caring parish family only to be received into another loving community and for that I am blessed. Different with the daily crowds, tourists, beachgoers, joggers, dogwalkers, baby strollers I see every day while trying to navigate my car down Route 35. It's still taking time, but I love it.

In speaking with Fr. Joe these past few weeks, we discussed some of the ministries I might undertake at our parishes. In the past I have led Scripture and Bible classes, Days of Recollection, Devotions, Penance Services. This summer I was introduced to something called "Coffee Hour with A Priest" whereby an hour would be set aside each week and a conversation between the parish priest and parishioners is streamlined – sort of little news and information hour giving time to prayer, reflection, parish news, questions and answers, topics of concern, and church teaching. We would also like to introduce having Morning Prayer after daily Mass whereby we would join the Universal Church in the ongoing sanctification of the day. Of course, we would be open to hear your suggestions as well.

I do enjoy community events and love to work fundraisers especially when there's music and dancing. I always believe there has to be some time for fun and enjoyment in being together with family. I like going to the gym daily but for obvious reasons that is not an option. So, I'm settling in with walks on the boardwalk and beach – the sacrifices we sometimes have to make! I also love animals and the quiet moments of life. I have a great enthusiasm for working and love to mix in when help is needed.

I guess all this is to say that I count myself very blessed with my arrival to our two parishes and look forward to serving with Fr. Joe and working with a wonderful staff but most of all, getting to know many of you.

God bless,
Fr. Vince

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parishioners of St. Pio and Sacred Heart,

In an effort to maintain a healthy Church environment for all of our parishioners and guests, there will continue to be limited attendance at our Masses, (about 100 at Sacred Heart, and 130 at St. Pio's), and as well as a limited number of Masses we celebrate on a given weekend. In addition, we need to maintain a 6 foot social distance, require facemasks to be worn, and hand sanitizers to be brought with you to Mass to use. Please be assured we are taking every precaution to completely clean and sanitize the church after every Mass, Wedding, Baptism, or Funeral. We have discontinued the use of all handouts (Missals, flyers, bulletins, etc.).

We will continue to have our Saturday 5:00 PM Mass, and Sunday 8:30 AM Mass at Sacred Heart and at St. Pio parishes from July 18th, until September 6th. We will also distribute Holy Communion after the 8:30 AM Sunday Morning Mass as well, at both parishes, for those who need to be more cautious about coming to Mass, and for those who might not be allowed to enter because of our limited capacity.

The 8:30 Mass at Sacred Heart will continue to be live-streamed on our Facebook page: St Pio & Sacred Heart, so we highly encourage those coming to receive Holy Communion, to watch Mass before they come to receive, either on Facebook, or the many other Catholic Church sites that offer Mass, if possible.

Hopefully we will hear from the Bishop soon regarding the Sunday Mass obligation and then we can adjust the Weekend Mass schedule at that time, if needed. Right now, the Mass that has the fewest number of attendees is the 5:00 PM Saturday evening Mass at Sacred Heart, for those thinking of coming to Mass.

And lastly, this note is just to make you aware of our financial situation. Contributions to our parishes has declined quite substantially April-June 2020 as compared to last year:

At St. Pio: down by \$55,000 or 60%
At Sacred Heart: down by \$53,800 or 44%

We are greatly appreciative of those who are able to give, and understand those who can't. We have 3 options for giving outside of in-pews contributions: 1: online (a simple to use link called Parish Giving is on our website 2) by mail – just mail your contribution to our office or 3) drop off your envelope into our secure lockbox located in the foyer of the church office of both parishes.

Thanks for being understanding during this COVID-19 year.

Fr.Joe



Many prayers and blessings for Fr. Joe who was named Pastor of St. Pio Parish and Sacred Heart Parish in March. God bless you with peace, joy and good health.



We are so happy to have Fr. Vince Coppola as our parochial vicar to St. Pio and Sacred Heart Parishes. We wish him as well, all the very best of health and happiness.



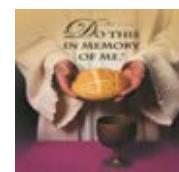
Caroline Woodrow has been named Director of Sacred Music. We wish her all the very best here at St. Pio's and Sacred Heart Parishes. Thank you for bringing our prayers into music and song to our Lord.



We want to acknowledge our long time co-worker at St. Pio's Parish office. Ginny Stefanacci has been an asset to our Parish. We send our love and prayers to her to have God's blessings of good health. We miss her and will always remember that smiling face.

FR. DOUG UPDATE

Fr. Doug is recuperating from knee surgery and is doing well. He is now in the process of physical therapy. Please keep him in your prayers so that our Lord blesses him and returns Father to good health.



The Altar Bread and Wine, for the month of July, was given in loving memory for Lawrence Fehrle, Helen DeGillio, and Pauline Slavik, requested by Michael & Lillian Barry.

Clergy

Rev. Fr. Joseph Hlubik, Pastor, x302
Rev. Fr. Vincent Coppola, Parochial Vicar, x 325
Rev. Fr. Frederick Kochan, Assisting Priest
Rev. Monsignor Philip Franceschini, Assisting Priest
Deacon John H. Hanna, x320

Pastoral and Support Staff

Marta Barkhausen, Business Manager, x322	Caroline Woodrow, Director of Sacred Music, x315
Connie Barraco, Parish Secretary, x316	John Paglione, Pastoral Assistant for Catechesis &
Pat Kevish, Parish Secretary, x301	Liturgy. Call Sacred Heart, 732-899-1398, x5
Tim Drake, Facilities Manager	Bart Coleman & Vito Gagliardi, Trustees
	Nick Zaccaria, Finance Chair

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is given 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 if you would like to receive this sacrament or call the parish office for an appointment.

For Baptisms and Marriages

Go to St. Pio's web site for information and call the parish office to schedule.

For the Religious Education Program

Call John Paglione at 732-899-1398, x5

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GUIDE TO RECEIVING COMMUNION WITH A MASK ON

When receiving Holy Communion please remember not to remove your mask until after the priest or Eucharistic Minister puts the Sacred Host in your hand at which time you step aside, lift your mask, consume the Host and then immediately cover your face back with the mask. Also, Holy Communion will be distributed in the hand. Anyone receiving it on the tongue will have to wait until all have received and then go to the end of the line that the priest is distributing Communion in.

MISSALETTES

Missalettes will be available for anyone who wishes to follow the Mass by reading. These will become yours to keep and bring back with you to each Mass you attend. If they are left in the pews the missalettes will be discarded. Thank you for your cooperation.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Collection baskets will be available at the main doors of the Church to drop your envelopes and contributions. You can also give them to an usher when you are exiting the Church. There is a secure drop box in the foyer of the parish office for contributions, raffle ticket returns, and correspondence.

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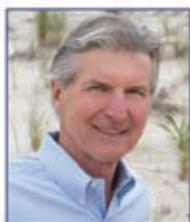


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