

The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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May 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Our Parish is Served by:

Rev. Fr. Joseph Hlubik, Pastor, x302

Rev. Fr. Joy Chacko, Parochial Vicar, x361

Assisting Priests:

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x322

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973-714-6797

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Parish Secretaries:

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Laura Bierster, x321

Pat Kevish, x301

Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday:	8:30am Chapel
Saturday (Vigil):	4:00pm Church
Sunday:	8:30 & 10:30am Church
Holy Days of Obligation (Vigil):	6:30pm Church
(Day):	9:30am Church

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

Ordination Congratulations!

*With prayers we congratulate all our priests
celebrating their Ordination Anniversary*



<i>Fr. Joseph G. Hlubik</i>	<i>Ordained 5/15/93</i>	<i>30 years</i>
<i>Fr. Joy Chacko</i>	<i>Ordained 5/7/92</i>	<i>31 years</i>
<i>Msgr. Phil Franceschini</i>	<i>Ordained 5/28/66</i>	<i>57 years</i>
<i>Msgr. James V. Pagnotta</i>	<i>Ordained 5/31/69</i>	<i>54 years</i>
<i>Fr. Bob LaFerrera</i>	<i>Ordained 12/10/88</i>	<i>35 years</i>
<i>Fr. Kevin Ashe</i>	<i>Ordained 5/25/63</i>	<i>60 years</i>
<i>Msgr. Lewis Papera</i>	<i>Ordained 5/27/67</i>	<i>56 years</i>
<i>Fr. Noel Danielwicz, OFM</i>	<i>Ordained 5/15/1976</i>	<i>47 years</i>
<i>Fr. George Sabol, OFM</i>	<i>Ordained 11/20/1971</i>	<i>52 years</i>

*“You did not choose Me, I chose you to go and bear much fruit,
the kind of fruit that endures” -John 15:16*

A Mother's Day Tribute to Blessed Mother Mary

Amelia Monroe Carlson | 05/08/2022

On this Mother's Day, we honor the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Blessed Mother Mary exemplifies what it is to be a mother, encourages us to look to her Son, points us to the Father by directing us to the Son, and intercedes for us. If there is ever a question of what a mother should be then one look at the Holy Mother gives a clear picture of the attitude, actions, and life of a mother. She was devoted to her child from the moment of conception, even though it was unplanned. She accepted a cave as a temporary birthplace, even though she would one day accept a borrowed cave as a temporary tomb. She watched him take his first breath, even though she would one day witness his last. She was obedient to God and fled to a foreign country, even when it was inconvenient. She listened to the words of others about her son, even when she did not understand fully. She raised a child who was different from all others, even when she did not comprehend how different he was. She watched him take his first steps, even though He would one day walk on water. She taught him to speak, even though his words would one day raise the dead. She baked him bread and cooked him dinner, even though He is the One who fed the hungry in Egypt's desert. She asked the Lord to respond to a family's need of wine, even though it was not yet His time. She taught her son to be obedient to her, even though she would be the one to obey. She frantically searched for her lost son, even though she could never lose him. She followed Him to the very end, even though following Jesus never ends. She was fully committed to Him, even though He was the one committed to her. She participated in the Passover sacrifice each year, even though her Son was the sacrificial Lamb. She loved her Son with her whole being, even though He is Love itself. She held his bloody and beaten body after the cross, even though He is the One who truly holds her. She mourned his physical death, even though she would soon celebrate the Resurrection and the Life. She was the mother of the one and only Son, even though He would soon make her the mother of all in the Church. She glorified God through her love of the Son, and now invites you and I to do the same.



Happy Mother's Day Holy Mother of God.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers for the week of
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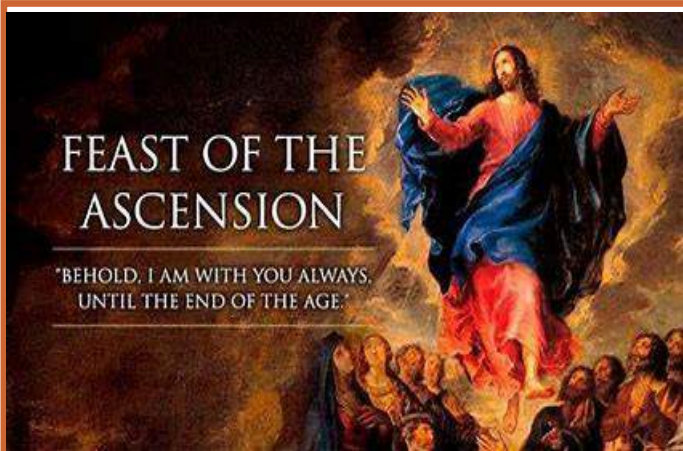
requested by the daughters and sisters.



We would like to warmly welcome

Frank Caniso

into St. Pio's Parish Faith Community



The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is on Thursday, May 18, 2023. In the Diocese of Trenton, this feast has been permanently moved to the Sunday following the feast day. This year it falls on Sunday, May 21, 2023.



JESUS IS CALLING!

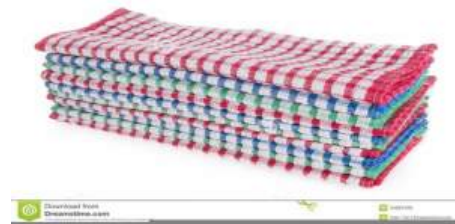
Jesus is inviting you to come closer to Him by joining a liturgical ministry.

Our Parish needs more adult Altar Servers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. Serving in these ministries is a **MOST** rewarding experience. Take advantage of this opportunity.

Call Joyce Kobylarz at 973-714-6797 to sign up for a brief training session.

Jesus will bless you greatly!

CLEAN KITCHEN TOWELS NEEDED!



Our Parish Center Kitchen could use some clean kitchen towels (not necessarily new). If you are able to donate, please bring the towels to the parish office. Thank You.!

A Mother's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,

*Please watch over
and support all mothers
on earth and in heaven . . .*

*and help them to know how much
they are loved and appreciated
on Mother's Day and every day.*

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*A Mother
is a blessing
from God*



SAVE THE DATE



St. Pio's Festival Dinner Dance, sponsored by the Holy Name Society, is back by popular demand.

It will take place on Saturday September 23, 2023.

Tickets will go on sale June 1st.

More information to follow.

St. Pio's Mass Schedule

At St Pio's, we will have a Summer Schedule and a Winter Schedule. In the Summer, we have a great increase in Mass attendance due to vacationers as well as residents who return from Florida and various other places.

The Summer weekend Mass Schedule at St. Pio's is Sat. at 5:00 pm, as people like to stay on the beach longer in the Summer.

The Summer Mass Schedule at St Pio's will be: Saturday, 5pm, and Sunday at 7:30am, 9:00am and 10:30am. The Summer schedule will be from Memorial Day Weekend (2023) until the first weekend of October (2023).

The Winter Schedule at St. Pio's will be Sat., at 4:00pm, and Sunday at 9:00am. The Winter Schedule will be in effect from 2nd weekend in October (2023) until the week before Memorial Day (2024).

Holy Days of Obligation Masses at Saint Pio's will be 6:30pm Vigil Mass and 9:30am in the Church.

Schedules for Christmas Masses are:

Christmas Eve at 4:00pm and Christmas Morning at 9:00am

Note: The schedules for Easter will be published during Lent.



GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

A Mother is love. Motherhood begins with love; a woman's selfless love of God and of her husband. She touches eternity as she intimately participates in the act of creation as God infuses a new soul into her child at the moment of conception.

The Mother then lovingly endures the pains and joy of child birth. She selflessly places her child above all other priorities. She showers her love, and reflects God's love, on her child.

A Mother teaches her child to seek God, to do His will and to love Him above all else. She protects her child from all harm as she raises the child in a hostile world. She will give up her own life to save the life of her child. A Mother is Love. A Mother is Life.

Respect Life Committee at SHRCBH@comcast.net



On June 15, 2023, Knights of Columbus Council 8415, will celebrate a Mass and have a dinner to recognize the 40th Anniversary of the founding of the Council. To support

the event, a Program Ad Booklet is being put together where local owners and parish members can purchase space to promote their businesses or share well wishes. If you are interested in purchasing space in the Booklet, please email Scott Sobka at sobkast@gmail.com or call 410-591-8132. The deadline for submittals is May 15, 2023.

HELP NEEDED FOR 50/50 RAFFLE



Please consider helping our team of volunteers this summer at one of our scheduled Masses. Also looking for someone who would like to co-chair the raffle committee. If you would like to join our terrific team and help elevate the success we experience each summer, contact Jack McCormack at 732-830-4787. Thank you.



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All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.

UNCEASING PRAYER THE WAY OF THE PILGRIM

Thursday, May 18 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Life is above all, a pilgrimage! Most of us find ourselves praying on the run, pleading for help as we move about from one urgent task to the next. During this retreat we will follow the advice of the pilgrim in the classic *The Way of the Pilgrim* whose mastery of the Jesus Prayer fulfilled his desire for unceasing prayer. I am hoping that this retreat experience will quench our thirst for prayer and help each of us on our lifelong pilgrimage to peace, healing, and union with God. Led by S. Marcy. Donation: \$30, includes lunch. Zoom \$25.

THE GIFT OF ASCENDING

Thursday, May 18 1:00 – 4:00 pm

"Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven." On the day of the Ascension, angels advised the Apostles to not spend their time looking to the heavens to find Jesus! Do we need a similar reminder? Come, join our exploration, as we seek to find the presence of Jesus in Scripture, in nature, in silence, in life's events and in our own hearts. Led by Sister Marie Donation: \$20

Zoom Only MARY, TEACH US TO PRAY

Tuesday, May 23 7:00 to 8:00 PM

No matter how hard it is for us to imagine that Jesus needed to learn how to pray, we know it is true!

Might we all agree, her spirituality served him well! Do you ever feel you might need a prayer refresher?

Let's go to her together asking her to share with us the lessons she shared with her Divine Son.

Led by Sister Marie. Donation: \$15

ANNUAL CLEANING PARTY Tuesday, May 30

9 AM to Noon or 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Please come and help us clean Francis House. Bring your favorite cleaning supplies. Please choose a shift that is convenient for you and call 609-877-0509 with your choice. Actually, it's fun! Thanks so much. Breakfast & lunch provided.

PERSONAL RETREAT DAYS

Wednesdays & Fridays 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

May 19 May 31 June 14 & 16

Take a day away from the busyness of your life. 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. Come to as many as you can. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction.

PARISH INFORMATION

Anointing of the Sick - This sacrament is for those facing serious illness or surgery, and for those of advanced years. If you or a family member is planning to enter the hospital, please see one of the priests following Mass to receive this sacrament or call the parish office for an appointment.

Baptisms and Marriages

Please visit St. Pio's web site for information and call the parish office to schedule. www.stpioparish.com

Receiving Communion:

- Holy Communion will be distributed in the hand. Those wishing to receive Communion on the tongue should wait until the end of the Communion distribution and receive from the Priest.
- Only Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion with a valid Sacred Heart/St. Pio ID card can receive Communion in a Pyx to take to the sick and homebound. For anyone that is not a Eucharistic Minister and is requesting a Host needs to see the Priest before or after Mass. Hosts will not be distributed during Mass.
- If you need a low gluten Host, please go to the Communion line in the front on the pulpit side, and ask the Eucharistic Minister.

Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend of May 7, 2023	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	N/A	\$6,640
Online	At	\$1,061
Total	Printing	\$7,701



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.



Sponsorship Certificates Letters of Eligibility

Godparents and sponsors, together with the parents must be willing to help the baptized grow in love for Christ and neighbor. By word and example, the godparents will encourage the candidate to live the Christian life and fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it. (cf. Code of Canon Law, c. 872-874).

A sponsor must:

- be at least 16 years of age.
- have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist & Confirmation.
- if married, must have been married in the Catholic Church.
- attend Mass faithfully participating in the life and support of the Church, receiving the Eucharist, and leading a life according to the teachings of the Church.
- be registered at the Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina for at least six (6) months prior to the request.

Please note, if you received all your sacraments at St. Pio of Pietrelcina years ago but now live elsewhere, you are a member of the parish in whose territory you reside. This is where the sponsor certificate must be obtained.

****Children of parishioners over 21 years of age should register independently.****

Contributions Weekend of April 30, 2023	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$4,726	\$5,421
Online	\$1,206	\$ 736
Total	\$5,932	\$6,157



Pray The Rosary

The Rosary consists of 20 Mysteries divided into four distinct parts – *The Joyful, The Luminous, The Sorrowful and The Glorious Mysteries*. Each Mystery is represented by a Decade made up of the *Our Father, Ten Hail Marys and a Glory Be*.



Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of the Church

O God, Father of mercies, whose Only Begotten Son, as He hung upon the Cross, chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, His Mother, to be our Mother also, grant, we pray, that with her loving help Your Church may be more fruitful day by day and, exulting in the holiness of her children, may draw to her embrace all the families of the peoples. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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
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Holy Name Society	Bill Haight	201-334-6686	beachbum09@optonline.net
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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

SCHEDULE OF ORGANIZATIONS

<i>HOLY NAME SOCIETY</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>June 5</i>	<i>5:30pm</i>
<i>ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY</i>	<i>Luncheon</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>June 5</i>	<i>12:00pm</i>
<i>FAITH SHARING</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Every Wednesday in</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>9:00am</i>
<i>KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 8415</i>	<i>Officers & Business Mtg.</i>		<i>June 6</i>	<i>6:30pm</i>
<i>KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 8415</i>	<i>Social Meeting</i>		<i>May 16</i>	<i>6:30pm</i>
<i>K of C Ladies Auxiliary</i>	<i>Meeting</i>		<i>May 22</i>	<i>1:00pm</i>
<i>LAVALLETTE SENIORS</i>	<i>Meeting</i>		<i>May 18</i>	<i>12:30pm</i>
<i>RIGHT TO LIFE GROUP</i>	<i>2nd Thursday of the month at Sacred Heart, Msgr. Casey Hall</i>			<i>3:30pm</i>
	<i>No meetings in Summer</i>			
<i>ROSARY OF THE DIVINE FLAME OF LOVE OF MARY</i>		<i>Saturdays at Sacred Heart Church</i>		<i>7:45am</i>
<i>ROSARY OF THE DIVINE FLAME OF LOVE OF MARY</i>		<i>Tuesdays at St. Pio Parish</i>		<i>8:00am</i>
		<i>and Sundays at 9:45am except the 1st Sunday of Month</i>		

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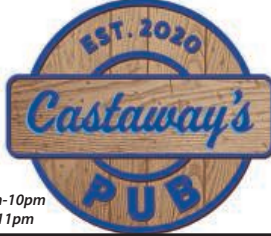
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