The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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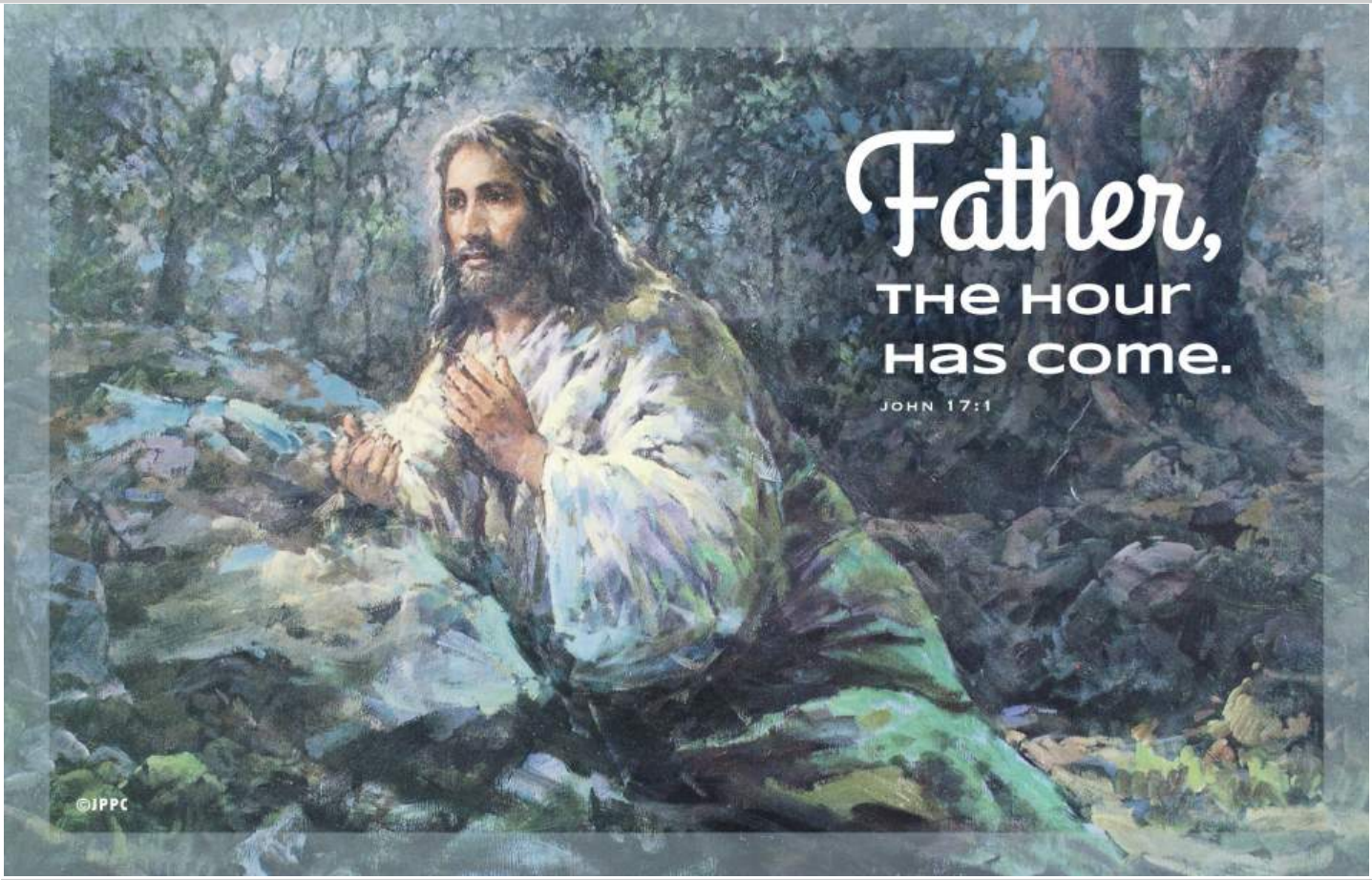
May 21, 2023
Seventh Sunday of Easter



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

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 **May 20**

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

4:00pm Vigil **Joan Getchuis** r/b Jean Peters
Robert & Adelaide Joubert r/b Grandchildren

Sunday **May 21**

8:30am **For the People of the Parish**
Anna May Wolfe r/b Altar Rosary Society

10:30am **John Piret** r/b Linda & Tom Clark
Martin Unfried r/b Family

Monday **May 22**

8:30am **Joe Merkle** r/b Tom & Debby Restaino

Tuesday **May 23**

8:30am **John Covello** r/b Vincent Covello

After Mass **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Wednesday **May 24**

8:30am **Maureen Quinn** r/b Frank Quinn
Frank Juliano r/b Frank Quinn

Thursday **May 25**

8:30am **Robert DiLonardo** r/b Renzulli Family

After Mass **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Friday **May 26**

8:30am **Joe Merkle** r/b Family

After Mass **Adoration & Benediction - 20 min.**

Saturday **May 27**

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

5:00pm Vigil **Anthony Siragusa** r/b Bio Family
John Lyons r/b Wife, Gerry

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, Bob Egle, Joe Romano, Greg Thomas, Sherrie Forst, 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 Orlowski, Anna May Wolfe, Joe Merkle

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.

Mass Intentions Continued……..

Sunday **May 28**

7:30am **For the People of the Parish**
Anthony Siragusa r/b Bio Family

9:00am **Anthony Siragusa** r/b Bio Family
Allen Kowtko & Sophie Bleach r/b Mark

10:30am **Anthony Siragusa** r/b Bio Family
Mary & Lou Fehrle & Leo Barry r/b Family

From the Desk of Father Joe:

Extensive Repairs and Updates at St. Pio Parish

Since 2020, our parish has undertaken quite a few facilities projects to keep our parish updated and in good shape. I will outline them for you below:

CHURCH - The old slate roof was original to the church and the tiles had begun to deteriorate. Some even slid off, putting holes in the flat roof surrounding the church as they fell. We contracted for the roof replacement in the middle of all the supply chain interruptions so it took a very long time to complete, but the roof, both the peaked and flat roof, is finally finished. Of course right afterward we had a visit from Hurricane Ian that caused extensive water damage to the north side of the church. The source of the water infiltration was *not* our new roof, but instead the water found its way right through the brick. Repairs for the interior damage were covered by insurance but the repointing of the brick (drilling out and replacing the mortar between the bricks) was a long and costly job. It is now nearly finished! Along the way we also repointed the steps and made repairs to the exterior foundation walls. Inside the church we replaced our organ with a newer model and installed a brand new sound system. And lastly we repainted the sacristies. Total cost for these items was **$1,006,582.70.**

PARISH HALL - The second floor Heat and AC units (HVAC) needed to be replaced; we did a complete redesign of the system to save costs on unused spaces by having units with individually controlled thermostats for each room. The Breezeway Roof (between the Chapel and Parish Hall) had been leaking for several years, we finally had that repaired, but had to remove, by crane, all the HVAC units for the hall which reside on the roof. We decided it was the right time to replace the downstairs HVAC units for the hall while they had the crane on site. The new HVAC conditions (heat & air) most of the downstairs space, relieving the stress on our aging boiler units that support the baseboard heat in the Hall. We also installed a new Freezer in the kitchen when the old one was beyond repair. An inspection of the roof showed it needed to be replaced, we also restricted the over-ventilation of the attic and installed new gutters. Lastly, we completely repainted the Meeting Room and Foyers (this painting cost was covered by donations from our parish organizations). Total cost for the hall repairs was: **$221,365.44**

COVID PRECAUTIONS - during the height of Covid, before we opened back up, we had electronic air cleaners installed onto the Church & Hall HVAC systems. These advanced systems filter out fine particles from the air. Individual units were also installed in the offices, rectory, chapel and in each confessional for everyone's comfort and safety. Cost for these units is **$13,711.13.**

On the entire property, we also re-keyed all the locks and added additional video cameras to enhance security. Overall the projects reached a grand total of $1,250,000.00

If you have any questions about the specifics of any of our projects, please contact our Business Manager, Marta Barkhausen at 732-793-7291 x 322 or via email at marta@stpioparish.com

We realize there are many, expensive renovations with our large facilities and we have a very small congregation. We will work to raise more funds from our summer visitors. All of the expenses above have been covered by our carefully invested endowment funds. These funds were the result of the sale of the former Our Lady of Peace parish. However, the fund is now dwindling, and the investment market has not been kind in the past years. We could use a little help replenishing our funds so that we can continue to make repairs and improvements for the years to come.

Please make your donations payable to St. Pio Parish – Replenishment Fund.

Thank you for your continued generosity in support of the Lord's House here in Lavallette. - *Father Joe*

Ordination Congratulations!

With prayers we congratulate all our priests celebrating their Ordination Anniversary

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

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

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Coronation of Our Blessed Mother Mary

May 8, 2023 Guest speaker Fr. Noel, O.F.M.

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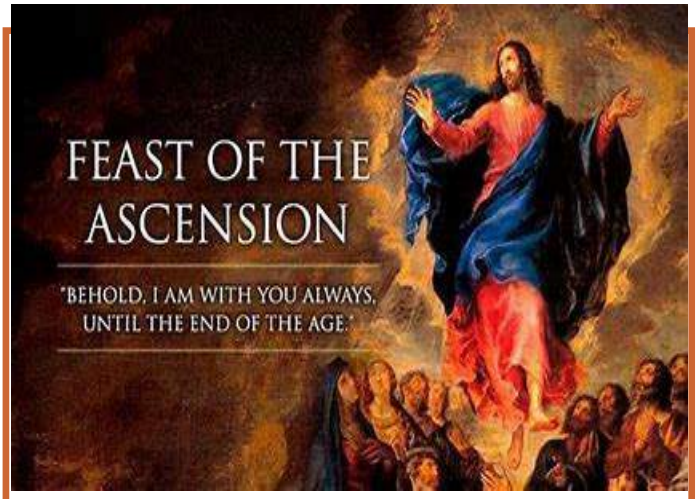


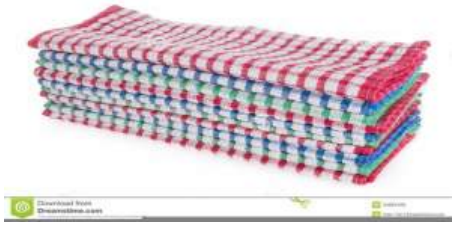
Today, we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension

Come join us for

COFFEE AND ……..

on the Sundays of
June 4th, June 11th, and June 18th
in the Parish Hall
after the 7:30 and 9:00am Masses.

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.!

Ministry

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**!**

Congratulations to the

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on the Baptism of their children

NATALIE BEATRICE
and
BENJAMIN GREGORY

May God's Blessings Be Upon Them

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary invites all parishioners and guests to our

Spring into Summer

HAPPY HOUR NIGHT

PRIZES! FUN!

Friday, June 2
6 p.m.

St. Pio's Parish Center
Rt. 35N & Philadelphia Ave.

NO CHARGE, but please "B.Y.O.B." and an appetizer to share.

Complementary water, homemade desserts & decaf coffee.

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.

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.

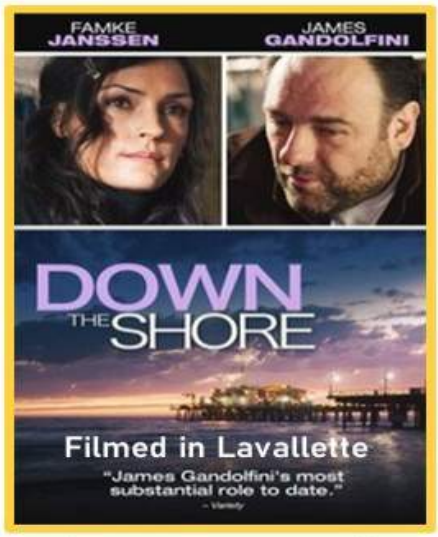
The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus
is happy to invite all parishioners & their guests to our:

Summer Meal & a MOVIE NIGHT

5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, June 7

$12 per person

includes salad, sandwich, soda, water, dessert & coffee



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St. Pio Hall

Contact Marybeth Hess 201-988-5516 to register and pay, no later than Monday, June 5

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"And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Matthew 28:20

Be a person of God. Love the Lord with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. Be in the Lord as He is in you. Be virtuous, put on the armor of light. Reject Satan, the lusts of the flesh and the false attractions of the world. Reject war, persecution, child mutilation and abortion.

Love God, love life!

St Pio Parish

welcomes our new parishioners

Vincent and Adele Mattone

to its' faith community.

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.

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 May 14, 2023**	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	N/A	$6.640
Online	AT	$1,961
Total	PRINT	$8,601

Contributions Weekend **of May 7, 2023**	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	$5,171	$6,640
Online	$1,313	$1,061
Total	$6,484	$7,701

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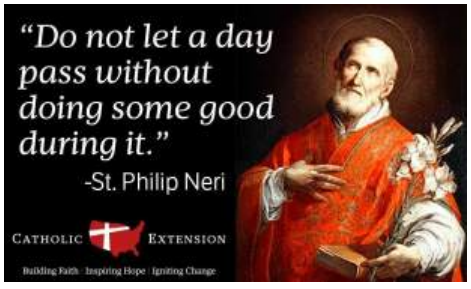
FEAST DAYS
May 26th
Memorial of St. Philip Neri



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	Bill Haight	201-334-6686	beachbum09@optonline.net
Knights of Columbus	Donald Almasy, GK	732-407-3226	throssell@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

SCHEDULE OF ORGANIZATIONS

HOLY NAME SOCIETY	*Meeting*	*Monday*	*June 5*	*5:30pm*
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY	*Luncheon*	*Monday*	*June 5*	*12:00pm*
FAITH SHARING	*Meeting*	*Every Wednesday in*	*May*	*9:00am*
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 8415	*Officers & Business Mtg.*		*June 6*	*6:30pm*
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 8415	*Social Meeting*		*June 20*	*6:30pm*
K of C Ladies Auxiliary	*Meeting*		*May 22*	*1:00pm*
LAVALLETTE SENIORS	*Restaurant & Theater*		*June 15*	*12:30pm*
RIGHT TO LIFE GROUP	*2nd Thursday of the month at Sacred Heart, Msgr. Casey Hall*			*3:30pm*
	No meetings in Summer			
ROSARY OF THE DIVINE FLAME OF LOVE OF MARY	*Saturdays at Sacred Heart Church*			*7:45am*
ROSARY OF THE DIVINE FLAME OF LOVE OF MARY	*Tuesdays at St. Pio Parish*			*8:00am*
	*and Sundays at 9:45am **except** the 1st Sunday of Month*			

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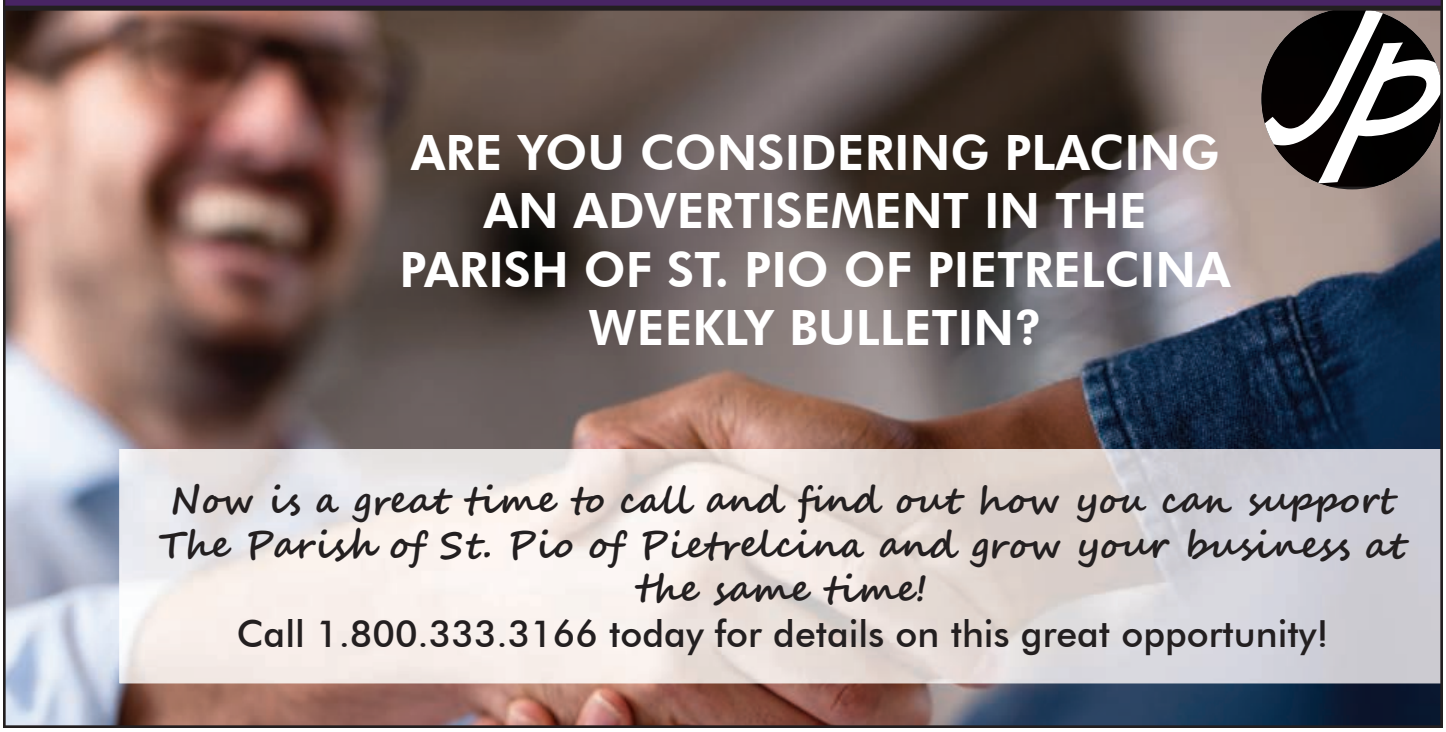

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