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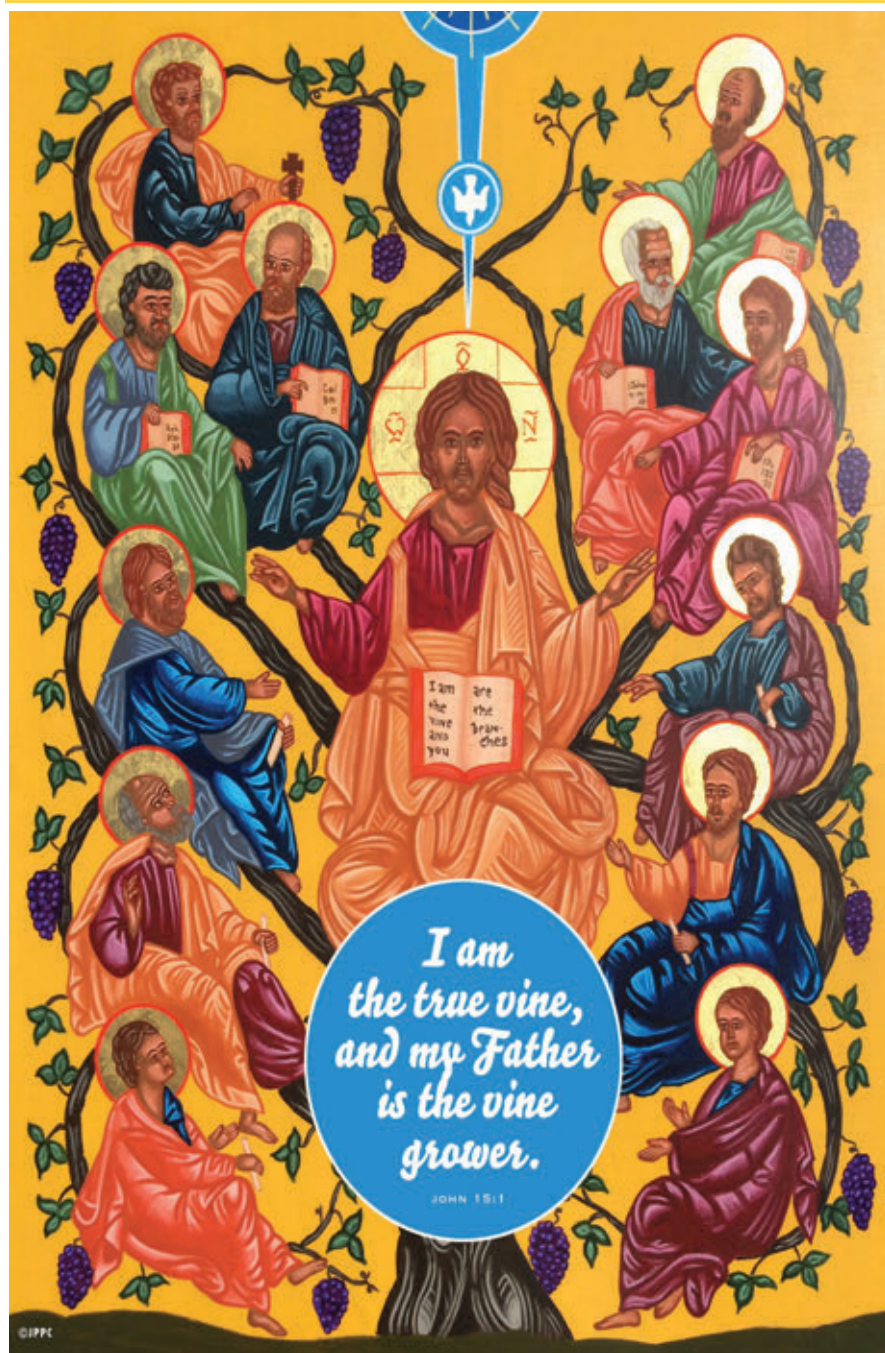
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May 2, 2021 Fifth Sunday of Easter



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MAY 2, 2021

Mass Schedule & Mass Intentions



Saturday

May 1

5:00pm **Brian Martin** r/b Joe & Adele Merkle
Josephine Gadaleta
r/b Joe & Joyce Kobylarz

Sunday

May 2

8:00am **For the People of the Parish**
10:00am **Daniel J. Dugan** r/b Dugan Family
Josephine Gadaleta r/b Kathy Diffley

Monday

May 3

8:30am **Ruth Delayo**
r/b Jack & Debbie McCormack

Tuesday

May 4

8:30am **Paul Marrone** r/b Family
Albert Berdel r/b K of C Ladies Auxiliary

Wednesday

May 5

8:30am **Thomas J. Higham** r/b Klugewicz Family
Allen Kowtko r/b Frank Petranich

Thursday

May 6

8:30am **Mary Ann Hostettler** r/b Etzold Family
Marta Alcoriza r/b Dorie Cruz

Friday

May 7

8:30am **In Thanksgiving** r/b Mary Shaffer
Ruth Delayo r/b Nick Zaccaria

Saturday

May 8

5:00pm **Rose Marie Frailey**
r/b Mary Ann, Edward, & Matthew
For the Living & Deceased Mothers
of the Parish

Sunday

May 9

8:00am **Edward Terrano** r/b Etzold Family
John Zaccaria r/b Nick
For the Living & Deceased Mothers
of the Parish
10:00am **Allan Kowtko** r/b Kowtko Family
Sophie Bleach r/b Kowtko Family
For the Living & Deceased Mothers
of the Parish



A time to be healed... Fr. Douglas Freer, Dawn Carmosino, Jill Rager, Marci Haxall, Pat Moran, Maggie Smith, The Filippini Religious Teachers in Rome & Ethiopia, Jim Carlson, Louis Amendola, Sr., Rosemarie Amendola, Ernesto DeLuccia, Marie Woodrow, Sharon Kline, Mary Anne Grandinetti, Emil Stefanacci, Jr., Chris Durso, Fred Barbeito, 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 ...Anthony Crisafulli, Ann MacMaster, Allen Kowtko, Kathleen Helmstetter Ferrara, Charles Cerami, Annette Kurinovich, Dr. Rita Coleman, Vincent Tavormina, Raymond Maragni, Joan Mandella, Patricia Golembeski, Clare & Michael LaPlace, Ruth Delayo, Albert Berdel, Joan Ferrary

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.

FEAST DAYS FOR THIS WEEK

May 3 **Sts. Philip and James,**
Apostles

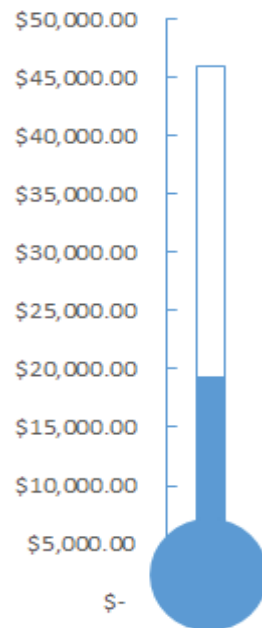
We welcome the **Eckels** family;
Dennis, Debra, Patrick and Brian,
our newest members in St. Pio's parish community.

The Annual Catholic Appeal kicked off in our parish on February 21, 2021. Donations shown are as of April 26, 2021.

Each of us has a vital part TOGETHER in all we do in Christ's name, and each of us can share in all we do with a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). Our single Act of Faith propels the works of love that build up our Church. You make that happen with a generous gift to the ACA. Your contribution does make a difference! Please help to the extent that you can.

Donations can be made online <https://dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal> or by dropping a check made out to **Annual Catholic Appeal** at the Parish Office.

ACA Parish
Goal \$46,000



Need a Sponsorship Certificate/ 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 have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist & Confirmation and if married, must have been married in the Catholic Church.
- A sponsor must be at least 16 years of age.
- A sponsor attends 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.

A sponsor must be registered at the Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina and registered for at least six (6) months prior to the request.



Please note, if he/she received all his/her sacraments at St. Pio of Pietrelcina years ago but now lives elsewhere, he/she is a member of the parish in whose territory he/she resides. This is where the sponsor certificate must be obtained.



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

Also, first time sponsors should contact Fr. Joe at 732-793-7291, x302 to request a sponsorship certificate.

WE ARE THE NEW KIDS IN TOWN!



Starting in May the Secular Franciscan Fraternity of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be meeting at St Denis! Although new to



the parish, we have been around quite a while, more than 800 years! Founded by St. Francis of Assisi in the 13th century, we were founded as an Order specifically for laypeople. An Order is a way of life and, like all Franciscans, ours is to serve God and His people by joyfully bringing the Gospel to life and life to the Gospel.

Our first meeting will be on Saturday, May 15 at 9:30 am in St. Denis School. Like our founder, St. Francis, we are deeply devoted to Our Lady and we will include a talk and brief study on the Annunciation, as well as, a flower Dedication to Our Lady under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We hope that you will join us and come and see what we are all about. For more information please contact us at dawnrusinko@yahoo.com and yes, we will be following social distancing guidelines. All are welcome! Peace and all goodness be yours!



MOTHER'S DAY



Please join us on Sunday, May 9th at the 8:00 am Mass for our May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We especially invite the Rosary Altar Society to meet at this Mass. This would be a special way and a special day to honor our Blessed Mother. May God bless all mothers living and deceased. St. Pio's wishes all mothers of the parish a beautiful and happy Mother's Day.



"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." Teresa of Avila

Contributions Week-end of April 25, 2021	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$4,620	\$900
Online	\$1,520	\$640
Total	\$6,140	\$1,540

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

Respect Life Prayer:

"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

Baby's Due Date: July, 2021

GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE

FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT

"Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before Him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything." 1John 3:19-20

Month Seven Developing Baby

You are in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. He is completely formed and has been since about 8 weeks. All he is doing now is gaining weight and making his mom uncomfortable with his size. In a short time the baby will be born. His mother has plans to take him home or to place him for adoption into a loving family. She knows she can receive assistance from the church and the pregnancy help centers. Your baby's mother appreciates the prayers that you have said for her and her baby throughout her pregnancy. It has not been easy, but your prayers have given her the grace to seek the help she needs.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



St. Pio's Parish is in need of volunteers that are willing to launder the small finger linens that are used at our Masses. If you can give your time once a month, please contact Adele at 732-830-5242 for more information. Thank you!



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD



The feast day of the Ascension of our Lord will be celebrated at the weekend Masses on May 15 at the 5:00pm Mass and on May 16 at the 8:00am and 10:00am Masses. These Masses will fulfill your holyday obligation for the feast of the Ascension.

All parish offices of the diocese will be closed on Thursday, May 13.

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St. Pio's parish community welcomes
Blair Rose Formisano
Blair Rose was baptized on April 18th.
Congratulations to the Formisano family.

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We welcome the **Eckels** family; **Dennis, Debra, Patrick and Brian**, as our newest members in St. Pio's parish community.

Padre Pio Prayer Anthology

Prayer #23

Focus idea: The natural beauty of the month of May is rejuvenating in body, mind, and spirit! It is also the month dedicated to our Blessed Mother who has the power to rejuvenate our hearts, our souls, and our dedication to prayer! Mary lived a life filled with many challenges, and so do we. She understands our human anxieties, our stresses and our fears. Mary is waiting for us to turn to her for understanding, comfort and guidance. Our loving Blessed Mother is a magnificent role model because of her dedication to prayer, her trust in God, her purity, and her genuine and natural goodness. May we be guided by Mary's example and her unshakeable trust in God! In Fr. Joy's words, "We must trust that in God, great things can be done through our faith. May we be inspired to live by faith, compassion and dedication to God and to one another."

Prayer for Mary's Support and Inspiration:

Dear God, help me to build an intimate relationship with Your Blessed Mother through prayer. Help me to call upon Mary when in danger, difficulty or doubt. Help me to take refuge in her most loving heart with all of my trust, knowing that she will always help me to find peace in my troubles, and will tenderly hold my hand so that I will no longer be afraid or grow weary. Help me to take comfort in Mary's guidance and make choices in my life that are faith filled, choices that show my love and appreciation for her Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Beginning to Prayer to Our Blessed Mother:

Dear Mary, thank you for listening to my concerns. I know that you will understand my worries. I am asking you to intercede with your loving Son, Our Lord to bring me peace and comfort. Help me to be receptive to God's will, and to grow closer to Jesus in everything I do. Renew my spirit and restore my soul through your intercession. As I seek your guidance and protection, bless me with your purity of heart, compassion for others, and fill me with the blazing love of Jesus all the days of my life. Amen.



The Altar Bread and Wine, offered at the Masses in the month of May, have been given in loving memory of Don Gillmore, requested by Colleen, Krissy, and Lauren.

MAY 2, 2021

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From Fr. Joe:

For Jesuits, the conversation about a vocation is always a conversation about love. Over the last 30 years, the Jesuit conversation about love and vocations has often been pulled into focus by these compelling words:

FALL IN LOVE

by Joseph Whelan, SJ

Nothing is more practical than finding God, than falling in love in a quite absolute, final way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you do with your evenings, how you spend your weekends, what you read, whom you know, what breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude. Fall in love, stay in love, and it will decide everything.

The beloved Falling in Love Prayer is commonly attributed to Fr. Pedro Arrupe, SJ, but is actually believed to be a quote from Fr. Joseph P. Whelan, provincial of the Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus and American assistant to the superior general of the Jesuits in Rome. He passed away in 1994.

PARISH INFORMATION

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.

Baptisms and Marriages

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

Religious Education for Children or R.C.I.A. for Adults

Call John Paglione at 732-899-1398, x5



SPECIAL COVID GUIDELINES:

RECEIVING COMMUNION WITH A MASK ON

Please remember not to remove your mask until after the priest or Eucharistic Minister puts the Sacred Host in your hand. Then 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 on the tongue please wait until all have received and then go to the end of the line of the priest distributing Communion.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Collection baskets are at the main doors of the Church to drop your envelopes and contributions. You can also give them to an usher as you exit the Church. There is a secure drop box in the foyer of the parish office for contributions, and correspondence. We also recommend Online Giving, visit our website for easy sign-up information.

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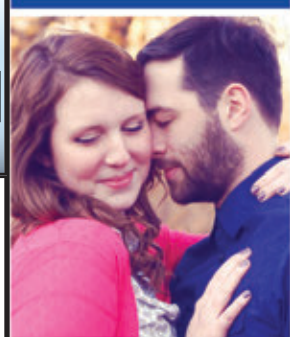
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