

The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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November 13, 2022

Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

**"Do not
be terrified;
for such
things must
happen first."**

LUKE 21:9



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

Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am Chapel

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm Church
Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30am Church

Holy Days: 9:30am Church

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

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<u>Saturday</u>	<u>November 12</u>
8:30am	For our Parish Families & Their Loved Ones, Living and Deceased
5:00pm Vigil	Pina DiStefano r/b Mary Fodera Josephine Verderame r/b Mary Fodera
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>November 13</u>
8:30am	For the People of the Parish Marguerite Smith r/b Gary & Gerry Adams
10:30am	For the Intention of all Living Priests r/b B.T.G For the Intention of all Deceased Priests r/b B.T.G.
<u>Monday</u>	<u>November 14</u>
8:30am	Anthony Demaio r/b Santo & Dina Rosa Thanksgiving r/b Mary Shaffer
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>November 15</u>
8:30am	Josephine Hlubik-Hastings r/b Staff at St. Pio Frank & Dorothy McNerney r/b John & Rita Lorenzo
After Mass	Miraculous Medal Novena
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>November 16</u>
8:30am	Jill Rager r/b Bill & Pat Kevish Intentions Herlihy Family r/b Hanrahan Family
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>November 17</u>
8:30am	Claire Nicastro r/b Santo & Dina Rosa Josephine Hastings r/b Mary Shaffer Divine Mercy Chaplet
<u>Friday</u>	<u>November 18</u>
8:30am	Thomas Rosa r/b Santo & Dina Rosa Timothy Herlihy r/b Hanrahan Family
After Mass	Adoration & Benediction - 20 min.
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>November 19</u>
8:30am	For our Parish Families & Their loved Ones, Living & Deceased
4:00pm Vigil	Betty Muka r/b Antonette Daniels Mary Jane Dugan r/b Vassallo Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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, Joe Romano, Jim Tavormina, Gina Palmieri, Maureen Zebrowski, 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

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.



PROMISE TO PROTECT- PLEDGE TO HEAL

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965 or e-mail at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org. The diocese reports allegations of abuse to the law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation should provide information to law enforcement authorities.

Mass Intentions Continued.....

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>November 20</u>
8:30am	For the People of the Parish Betty-Sally r/b B.T.G
10:30am	Bernard "Buddy" Neugebauer r/b Chris & Michelle Rogers Marguerite Smith r/b Gail Zawacki

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Pride and Humility

By Thomas A. Tarrants-C.S.Lewis Institute

"Pride is your greatest enemy, humility is your greatest friend." So said the late John R.W. Stott, a remarkably humble man of great abilities and accomplishments who is often said to have made the greatest impact for Christ of anyone in the twentieth century. His succinct statement about pride and humility goes straight to the heart of what the Bible teaches about the deadly root of our sins and sorrows.

How many recent sermons have you heard on pride or humility? Probably not many. One hears surprisingly little from church or parachurch leaders about either of these subjects. In fact, what throughout history has been recognized as the deadliest of vices is now almost celebrated as a virtue in our culture. Pride and arrogance are conspicuous among the rich, the powerful, the successful, the famous, and celebrities of all sorts, and even some religious leaders.

And it is also alive and well in ordinary people, including each of us. Yet few of us realize how dangerous it is to our souls and how greatly it hinders our intimacy with God and love for others. Humility, on the other hand, is often seen as weakness, and few of us know much about it or pursue it. For the good of our souls, then, we need to gain a clearer understanding of pride and humility and of how to forsake the one and embrace the other.

Pride

C.S. Lewis, another top contender for having had the greatest impact for Christ in the twentieth century, called pride "the great sin." Every believer should read his chapter by that title in *Mere Christianity*.

There Lewis said, According to Christian teachers, the essential vice, the utmost evil, is Pride. Unchastity, anger, greed, drunkenness, and all that, are mere flea bites in comparison: it was through Pride that the devil became the devil:

Pride leads to every other vice: it is the complete anti-God state of mind..... it is Pride which has been the chief cause of misery in every nation and every family since the world began.

1. If this sounds like exaggeration, it will help us to know that Lewis is not simply giving us his private opinion but summarizing the thinking of great saints through the ages. Augustine and Aquinas both taught that pride was the root of sin.
2. Likewise Calvin, Luther, and many others. Make no mistake about it: pride is the great sin. It is the devil's most effective and destructive tool. Why do the great spiritual leaders, Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, and Protestant alike, unite around this conviction? Because it is so clearly and solidly taught in Scripture.

Pride first appears in the Bible in Genesis 3, where we see the devil, that "proud spirit" as John Donne described him, using pride as the avenue by which to seduce our first parents. Taking the form of a serpent, his approach was simple yet deadly. First, he arrogantly contradicted what God had said to Eve about eating the forbidden fruit and charged God with lying.

This shocking rejection of God's word introduced Eve to the hitherto unknown possibility of disbelief and was intended to arouse doubt in her mind about the truthfulness and reliability of God. In the next breath, the devil drew her into deeper deception by contending that God's reason for lying was to keep her from enjoying all the possibilities inherent in being Godlike. This clever ploy was aimed at undermining her confidence in the goodness and love of God and arousing the desire to become as God.

The desire to lift up and exalt ourselves beyond our place as God's creature lies at the heart of pride. As Eve in her now confused and deceived state of mind considered the possibilities, her desire to become Godlike grew stronger. She began to look at the forbidden fruit in a new light, as something attractive to the eyes and pleasant to the touch. Desire increased, giving rise to rationalization and a corresponding erosion of the will to resist and say no.

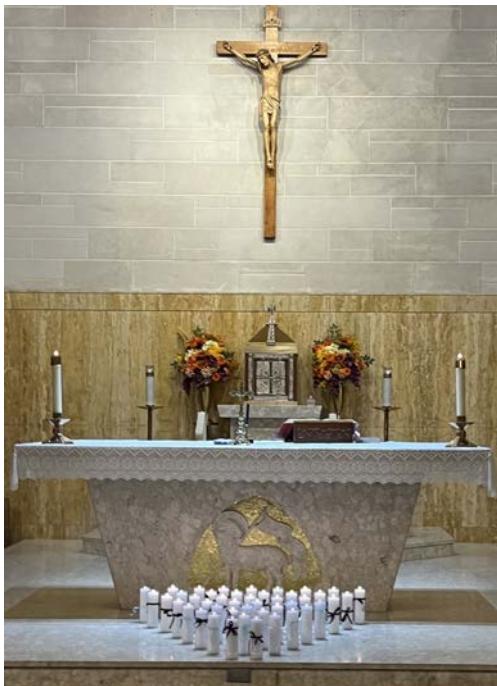
HUMILITY
IS NOT THINKING
LESS OF YOURSELF,
IT IS THINKING
OF YOURSELF LESS.
-C.S. Lewis

to be continued.....

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**“ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD
AND
LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM”**

**ALL SOULS DAY MASS
WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 2, 2022**



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 home-bound. 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.
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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.****

Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend of November 6, 2022	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$5,398	\$5,320
Online	\$1,136	\$1,401
Total	\$6,534	\$6,721



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.



The **Rosary Altar Society** is sponsoring their annual drive for our military from now through January, 2023. A container is provided in the parish center entrance and in the vestibule of the Church for all your gifts. You can bring your donations to the parish center Mondays through Wednesdays between 9am and 2pm and before and after all weekend Masses at the Church. Your gifts will be delivered overseas in time for Valentine's Day. A list of gifts is attached to each container for your convenience. Some, i.e., can be: paperback books, toiletries, puzzles, gloves, socks, packaged tea, nuts, tuna, pens, Valentine cards, and batteries. Thank you for your generosity!

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St. Pio Parish welcomes into its parish community

Gianna Deana Pagliuca

Gianna was baptized at St. Pio's Sunday, November 6th.

God Bless Gianna

Our congratulations to the Pagliuca family.

"Cookies & Carols"



Spend a relaxing Sunday afternoon with the K of C Ladies Auxiliary! Enjoy complimentary crackers and cheese (BRING YOUR OWN WINE!), while you learn about the origin of Christmas and some interesting stories behind our popular Christmas carols. Join in singing some cheerful Christmas songs, then enjoy complimentary decaf coffee and holiday cookies!

Date: December 11th - 2pm - St Pio's Hall

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**GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE
FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT**

"You will be hated by all because of my name."

Luke 21:17

Catholics, Christians and those that openly profess their love of God are being increasingly ostracized. Those who take out a Rosary and silently pray in public are vilified. Those who pray in front of abortion mills are federally investigated.

Persevere. Pray to God and openly love Him.
Protect life. **Save babies and fight evil.**

"By your perseverance you will secure your lives" **Luke 21:19**

The Altar Bread and Wine for the month of November have been donated in loving memory of

Michael Buontempo
requested by Greg and Mary.



Simon's Soup Kitchen will once again hold a special Thanksgiving Day dinner distribution on Thursday, November 24th from 2:00pm to 3:00pm at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Center 168 Grant Ave., Seaside Heights, NJ 08751. Anyone in need of a hot meal is welcome to attend.



November 13, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Pio of Pietrelcina,

St. Pio has kicked off its 2022 Annual Christmas Giving Tree Campaign. Yes, it seems a bit early to think of Christmas, but not too early to think of others in need of clothing, diapers, toys, and even food. What you have done every year with your generous gift giving has allowed a child to

Believe in the Magic of Christmas.

This year we continue to give gifts to Madonna House Inc, founded by Rebecca Blonski, located in Neptune, NJ. It is dedicated to serve infants, children and women by providing clothing, juvenile furnishings, toys, infant formula, diapers, small household items and other life necessities to impoverished and needy families – FREE OF CHARGE. Rebecca is forever grateful for the generosity of our Parish. We will also give to The Downey Side Adoption Agency. Dawn Rusinko, the Director is also grateful for your donations. Their focus is on adoptions for a distinct group of children: older children (7-17), children of color, physically and emotionally challenged children and sibling groups.

All of you have been so very kind to our Parish this year. St. Pio's parishioners and friends are thoughtful and generous. We continue to help those who really need us, ***not just during Christmas.*** However, it is that time again, and we are once again asking for your help.

Our Christmas tree is by the Altar with tags designated to either girls or boys and their age. Feel free to take a tag or two after Mass and when you can, put your special donation under the tree. Or, you can bring your gift up to the Parish office, Monday-Wednesday 9am-2pm. ***Please do not wrap the gifts!*** The last weekend for giving will be **December 3 and 4, 2022** so the gifts can be sorted and delivered in time for Christmas.

Thank you, thank you, thank you and God Bless each and every one of you. Wishing you a very happy and healthy Thanksgiving and Christmas season.

Giving Tree Chairladies: Laura: 917-693-5147 and Kathy 908-451-8687



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The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary invites all parishioners to join us in our winter clothing drive to benefit the homeless in the Toms River area. We are now looking for clean WINTER clothing for men, women and children. So clean out your closets and call Angie (908-705-1483) or Joyce (732-830-3467) for details on how to donate. Thank you!

Clothing Drive

What's in your closet?

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary is collecting coats for needy individuals and families. If you can donate a warm coat by November 16th, please call Pat Marmot at 732-793-9351 or Ro Rocco at 973-670-6474 to arrange for drop off.



Thank you.

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Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

Christmas Luncheon

Monday, December 5, 2022

12 noon to 4:00 pm

Lobster Shanty

Point Pleasant Beach, NJ

Door Prizes - Entertainment - Cash Bar

\$35. per person payable to St. Pio Rosary Altar Society

Entrée Choices: Apricot Chicken, Pork Tenderloin, and Broiled Seafood Combo

Tickets: Debbie McCormack, 732-830-4787 or

Gerry Adams, 908-803-6262



The Holy Name Society of the Parish of St. Pio

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Saturday, December 31, 2022

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Bill 732-250-2151

John 732-259-3577

Tom 732-995-0044



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
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
Wedding Ministry	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
Ushers	Chris Grandinetti	908-910-6214	chris.grandinetti@gmail.com

SCHEDULE OF ORGANIZATIONS

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

K of C LADIES AUXILIARY	Meeting	Monday	November 28, 2022	1:00pm
FAITH SHARING	Meeting	Wednesday	November 16, 2022	9:00am
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 8415	Memorial Mass	Wednesday	November 16, 2022	5:00pm

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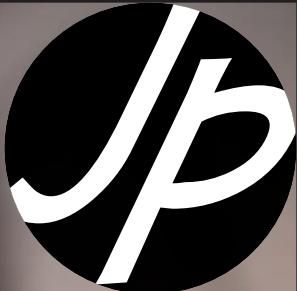
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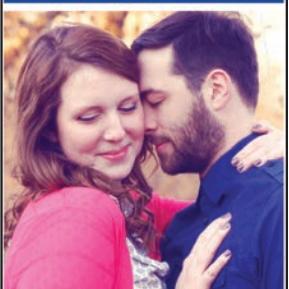
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