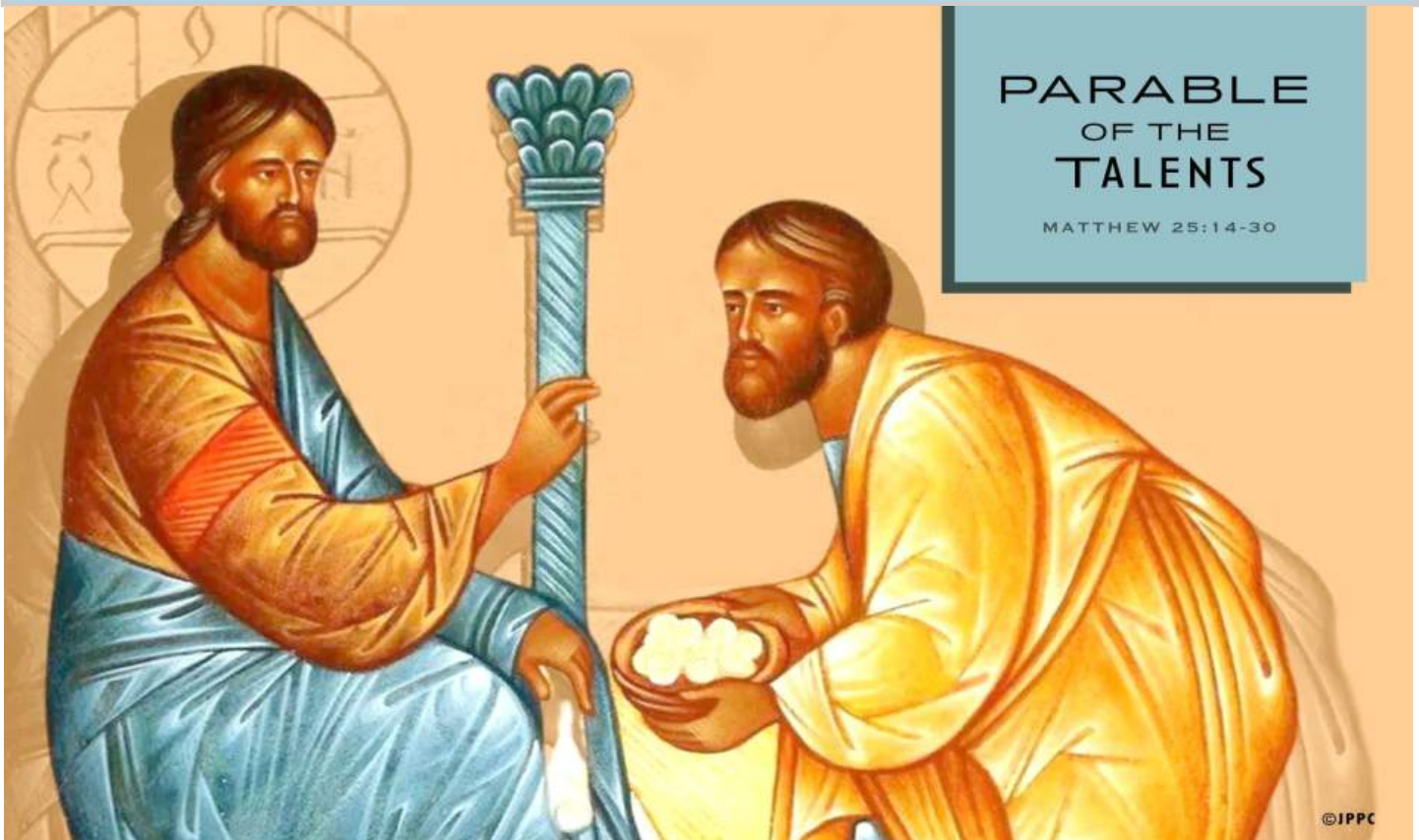


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November 19, 2023

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am Chapel
Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm Church
Sunday: 7:30 (no music), 9:00 & 10:30am Church

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



Saturday, November 18, 2023

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

Vigil

4:00pm Patrick J. Glynn r/b Laura & Greg
4:00pm Betty Muko r/b Antonette Daniels

Sunday, November 19, 2023

7:30am For the People of the Parish
7:30am Anthony Pennolino r/b Mariella Family
9:00am Charles Cerami r/b Lisa & George Truchan
10:30am Bill Smith r/b K of C Ladies Auxiliary
10:30am Edith Cullen r/b Gary & Gerry Adams

Monday, November 20, 2023

8:30am John Brodzinski r/b Rita Levey
8:30am Bill Smith r/b Doris & Tony Gallo

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

8:30am John & Eleanor Kochan r/b Diana Kochan
8:30am For A Personal Thanksgiving r/b Mary Shaffer

After Mass **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Wednesday, November 22, 2023

8:30am For Intentions of Bob & Pat Gleason
 4th Wedding Anniversary
8:30am Esther Terrano r/b Etzold Family

Thursday, November 23, 2023 Thanksgiving

8:30am Rose Dannolfo r/b Laura & Greg
8:30am Jessie Frick r/b Frank Petranich

After 8:30am Mass **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Friday, November 24, 2023

8:30am Kay & Sal Barraco r/b Connie
8:30am Ellen Flynn r/b Felicia Kingenberg

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

Saturday, November 25, 2023

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

Vigil

4:00pm Buda Familiy r/b Eve Hodyl
4:00pm Joseph Fitzgibbons
 r/b Debbie & Jack McCormack

Sunday, November 26, 2023

7:30am For the People of the Parish
9:00am Michael Loper r/b Jim & Nancy Loper
9:00am Stan Gawel r/b Gawel Family
10:30am Bill Smith r/b Gary & Gerry Adams
10:30am Missy Barretta r/b Jessica

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, Joe Romano, Greg Thomas, Sherrie Forst, Susan Smith, Kelly Palmieri, Alan Kurinovich, Maegan Higham, Richard J. O'Neill, Tommy Traina, Eddie McCrabb, Gina Kwortnik, Joseph Winchock, Jim Pells, Antonette Daniels, Janet Daniels, Maureen Gilmore, Vince Covelto, Betty Ann Beschen, Kathy Connelly, Michael Garcia, Eileen Carroll, Judi Pecoraro, Amina Gaban, 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: All Souls

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, especially:

Capt. Tyler Urban, U.S. Marine Corp. (deployed)
 Lance Cpl. Jack Balwierczak, U.S. Marine Corps
 Private 1st Class Jason Rodriguez, U. S. Army



As often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.

Simon's Soup Kitchen will once again hold a special Thanksgiving Day dinner distribution on Thursday, November 23rd from 2:00pm to 3:00pm at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Center 168 Grant Ave., Seaside Heights, NJ.

On Thursday, November 23rd, Thanksgiving Day, the 8:30 Mass will be celebrated in the Church.



7 Beautiful Ways to Help Young Children Deeply Love the Catholic Faith

Excerpts By Harumi Zuzuki for Churchpop

Do you have children at home and want to bring them closer to God? Modeling and exposure are good ways to introduce children to the Catholic faith and its traditions.

Pope Francis indicated in 2014 that: **“A Christian must take great care of the children and transmit the faith to them, transmit what he lives, which is in his heart... All of us have the responsibility to give the best we have and the best we have is faith. Give it to them, but give it by example!”**

These seven practices will help you bring children closer to the Catholic faith:

1. Art and Sacred Icons : Be sure to expose them to images of the important people and events of our faith. Icons of Jesus and Mary, statues of saints, and paintings of the Last Supper can all help kids to know that the faith is important .

2. History of Saints for Children: Currently, there are many books for children that tell the lives of saints. This type of reading is a perfect way to start the conversation about holiness. To make it even more special, find books that include saints relevant to your family, region, or parish .

3. Rosary: A large wooden or silicone rosary should be a staple in a Catholic home with children. Showing the little ones the cross, the image of the Virgin, and how this sacramental is used for prayer can help children understand the importance of the rosary in the life of faith.

Patron Saint: Help your little one foster a devotion to a patron saint. Choose one based on his or her name or look for a saint whose feast day is close to your child's birthday or baptismal date. Give them pictures or dolls of their saint and help them pray for his or her intercession.

Daily Mass: stress that the daily Mass is an “excellent tool for teaching children,” since, during it, you have the opportunity to be in a sacred space, where the little ones can become familiar with the prayers and see that faith is a daily priority. Sometimes a shorter, less-populated daily Mass can even be easier for kids than the hustle and bustle of Sunday morning.

Let Them See You Pray: When we pray in front of our toddlers, they learn more than we even realize. More than letting them see you offer 'Our Fathers,' let them see that you have a personal and intimate relationship with God. And if you don't, let them see you working on it. If we tell the little ones to be calm while we have important calls, why not show them the importance of prayer in daily life?

Pray with Them: Pray a "Hail Mary" before bed, "The Angelus" before lunch, or say a short morning prayer that can mark the child's day. Praying with toddlers shouldn't be long and complicated—almost nothing we do with them can be. Inviting them to join you in short prayers they'll soon memorize shows them that faith and prayer aren't just for adults.

Let's live the faith with our children!



Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend 11/12/23	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$4,257	\$4,971
Online	\$2,503	\$1,351
Total	\$6,760	\$6,322



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.



St. Pio's 2023 Annual Christmas Giving Tree campaign

An update ...

We are in week 3 of our campaign and we are very excited by your generosity. If you are contributing with gift cards, please do not put the cards in the collection baskets. You can leave them under the tree, we have a team of volunteers who will sort the gifts after each Mass.

The last weekend for giving will be **December 2-3, 2023**, so the gifts can be sorted and delivered in time for Christmas. Just a friendly reminder, **please do not wrap the gifts.**

As the campaign continues we will move the gifts away from under the tree in order to maintain a safe space for walking.

Thank you and a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving to all,
Laura

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

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Therefore we work towards and pray for an end to abortion, child mutilation, the teaching of perversion and the end to poverty. We pray that the abortionist, child mutilators, the child traffickers, the terrorist killers seek Jesus, repent and join us in the light.

Do you know drug induced abortions shut down the baby's life support systems.

Love God, Walk in Light, Be Thankful for Life!

Respect Life Committee at SHRCBH@comcast.net

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.****

Please see the parish website (www.stpioparish.com) for information on the Sacraments.

The homemade **prayer blankets** that are made by a group of parishioners are the perfect gifts for a loved one in need of healing prayers. These blankets have been blessed and sprinkled with holy water from Lourdes. You can obtain one by stopping by the parish office. A free will donation is accepted. Thank you.



St. Pio Parish welcomes
Michael & Barbara Jean Mainero
and
Jenna Lynn Mainero
into its' faith community.

Hello!

My name is David. I am 33 years old, I hold a master's degree and possess several years of experience caring for adults in need. Currently, I work part-time for a gentleman in Lavallette, assisting with grocery shopping, driving him to medical appointments, and helping with light housekeeping, as well as maintaining the house and grounds. For more information please feel free to contact me 732-278-6133



The Ladies Auxiliary of the K of C Council 8415 would like to thank all those who supported our fundraisers this past year and all those who donated coats to our annual winter coat drive! This year, 90 coats were collected for needy men, women and children and delivered to the Toms River Salvation Army. The funds raised throughout the year exceeded \$7000 and were donated to 11 LOCAL charities and families in need! Thank you again **Knights of Columbus** for your GREAT generosity!

We need volunteers who are willing to clean and iron the small Altar linens for the Chapel Masses. It can be done on an annual basis or part of the year; once a month in the winter and once every 2 months in the summer. Please call Adele Merkle for more information at 732-830-5242. Thank you.



The Knights of Columbus Council 8415 invite all parishioners and their families to a

Breakfast with Santa

and a **50/50 RAFFLE**

Sunday, December 10
9 a.m. until noon

Saint Catharine of Siena Church Hall
50 E Street, Seaside Park

Each child in attendance will be entered into a free raffle for one girl's and one boy's bicycle and helmet!

\$10 Adults
Kids 5 & under free

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ADVENT RETREAT

Join us for this powerful time of the year! Where we will ground ourselves into the birth of Christ through the faith of the saints, such as Padre Pio, St. Francis of Assisi, etc., and one another. Wednesday December 6th from 9:30-11am in lower Kolbe Hall St. Peter's Church 406 Forman Ave Point Pleasant Beach. **Refreshments will be served.** Hosted by the Medjugorje prayer group. **All are invited.** For further info please contact dawnrusinko@yahoo.com



INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE FROM LAST WEEK

Contributions Weekend 11/05/23	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$5,119	\$4,971
Online	\$1,125	\$1,351
Total	\$6,244	\$6,322

2023

HERE COME THE HOLIDAYS!

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus is happy to present:




PIZZA & MOVIE NIGHT

5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 29

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John 732-259-3577
Tom 732-995-0044

**St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish
Christmas Luncheon**

Monday
December 4, 2023
12 noon - 4:00 pm



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Gerry Adams at 908-803-6262
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Debbie McCormack at
732-830-4787



Retreats

December 7, 2023 - QUIET BY THE FIRESIDE -

This evening will provide the busy person an opportunity to contemplate Jesus, the Incarnate Word, through reflection in a quiet and prayerful environment. Christmas sing-along and refreshments after program. **SPACE WILL BE LIMITED TO 40 PEOPLE.** Please call in advance for reservations. Arrival: 5:00 p.m. / Departure: 8:00 p.m. (Presenters: Staff) Donation

Please call St. Joseph By the Sea at 732-892-8494 to register or for additional information



**We wish you all
God's blessings on
Thanksgiving and always.**

**Fr. Joe, Fr. Joy
and the staff of St. Pio's**

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
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Raffle Committee	Jack McCormack	732-830-4787	jack17mac@verizon.net
Religious Education & R.C.I.A.	John Paglione	732-899-1398 x5	pages711@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
Hall Rental	Marta Barkhausen	732-793-7291	marta@stpioparish.com

HOLY NAME SOCIETY	Meeting	Monday	December 4	5:30pm
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY	Party	Monday	December 4	12:00 noon
FAITH SHARING	Meeting	Wednesdays	in November	9:00am
K of C 8415	Meeting	1st Tuesday of Month		7:00pm
	Meeting	3rd Tuesday of Month		6:30pm
K of C Ladies Auxiliary	Meeting	Monday	November 27	1:00pm
LAVALLETTE SENIORS				
RIGHT TO LIFE GROUP	2nd Thursday of the month at Sacred Heart, Msgr. Casey Hall			3:30pm
FLAME OF LOVE ROSARY	Recited on Tuesdays at 8am in the Chapel			

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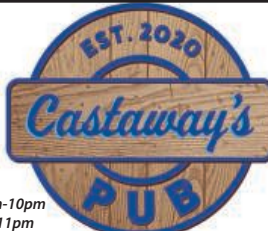
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