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November 21, 2021

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
King of the Universe



Our Parish is Served by:

Rev. Fr. Joseph Hlubik, Pastor, x302

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Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 8:30am Chapel

1st Saturday of Month: 8:30am Chapel

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm Church

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30am Church

Holy Days of Obligation 9:30am Church

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

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Mass Intentions



Saturday

November 20

**4:00pm
Vigil**

*John Lodato r/b Cathy & John Coghlan
Betty Muka r/b Antonette Daniels*

Sunday

November 21

8:30am

*Rose Lappostato r/b Doris & Tony Gallo
For the People of the Parish*

10:30am

*Nick Marinaro r/b Denise & Chris Valtin
Grace Conrad r/b Misko Family*

Monday

November 22

8:30am

*John & Eleanor Kochan
r/b Diana Kochan
For the Intentions of Bob & Pat Gleason*

Tuesday

November 23

8:30am

*Jessie Frick r/b Frank Petranich
Dave Galloway r/b Mike Galloway*

Wednesday

November 24

8:30am

Kay & Sal Barraco r/b Connie

Thursday

November 25

8:30am

*Thanksgiving Day
Deceased Members of the Barraco & Zito
Families r/b Connie*

Friday

November 26

8:30am

Michael Loper r/b Jim & Nancy Loper

Saturday

November 27

**4:00pm
Vigil**

*Stan Gawel r/b Gawel family
John Lodato r/b Dianne Hayden*

Sunday

November 28

8:30am

*Patrick J. Hlubik
For the People of the Parish*

10:30am

*Michael Kennedy r/b Tullo Family
Michael Giordano r/b Leppert Family*

Healing: Fr. Douglas Freer, Jill Rager, Marci Haxall, The Filippini Religious Teachers in Rome & Ethiopia, Marie Woodrow, Mary Anne Grandinetti, Ginny Stefanacci, Fred Barbeito, Christopher Dorso, Nicholas Meola, Bernard D'Andrea, Sangita Rossano, Louise Scarlato, Florence Tynski, Colleen Anderson, Marie Graham, RJ Graham, Michael Christa, Joann Christa, Sharon Witty, Nick Lettas, Mary Buontempo, Dennis Maloney, 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).

The Deceased: Marilyn Giordano, Marge Tremain,

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.



The Altar Bread and Wine for the month of November has been donated by a parishioner for a Special Intention.

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Please put your donations in the bins located in the narthex of the Church and also at the entrance to our parish hall. Some suggestions are: protein bars, packaged nuts, hard candies, gum, beef jerky, canned meats, toothpaste/brush, lip balm, eye drops, packets of Tylenol, white heavy socks, word game books, paperback books, playing cards, cards and notes of support.

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The Holy Name Society of The Parish of St. Pio

Presents: **New Years Eve Gala**

Featuring: **Jukebox Legends**

Friday, December 31, 2021

Doors open: 8 pm

Show: 9 pm to 12:30 am

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Donna Hanna 908-787-3415



It's that wonderful time of the year again! Please pick up a tag from the Giving Tree which is located to the right of the Altar where the choir previously sat. For those of you who won't be choosing a tag, donations can consist of toys for all aged children, winter jackets, hats, mittens, children's books and puzzles, arts and crafts, coloring books, crayons, children's clothing of any age or size, as well as pajamas, gift cards for Target or Walmart, baby clothes, toys and diapers. Please help to put a smile on the face of a child this Christmas. Thank you for your support. For questions, call Laura Bierster at 917-693-5147.

1. Please do not wrap the gifts but be sure the tag, if any, is attached when you drop it off.
2. Drop off by the Giving Tree in Church or in the parish center foyer open from 9am to 2pm.
3. All gifts must be returned by December 5 so that they can be delivered to Madonna House and Downey Side Adoption Agency.

Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend of Nov. 14, 2021	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$4,317	\$3,632
Online	\$1,256	\$ 980
Total	\$5,573	\$4,612

Parish Giving
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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 web-site.



The parish office is closed Thursday and Friday, November 25th and 26th in celebration of Thanksgiving. Mass will be celebrated for Thanksgiving Day on Thursday in the Chapel at 8:30am. Let us give thanks to God for all our blessings.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING



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

"For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." John 18:37

The truth is found in the Bible and in our hearts and minds. **"I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them upon their minds." Hebrews 10:16.** In our hearts, minds and soul we know abortion is evil. Turn from evil. Be, vote and act pro-life.

"A person is a person now matter how small."

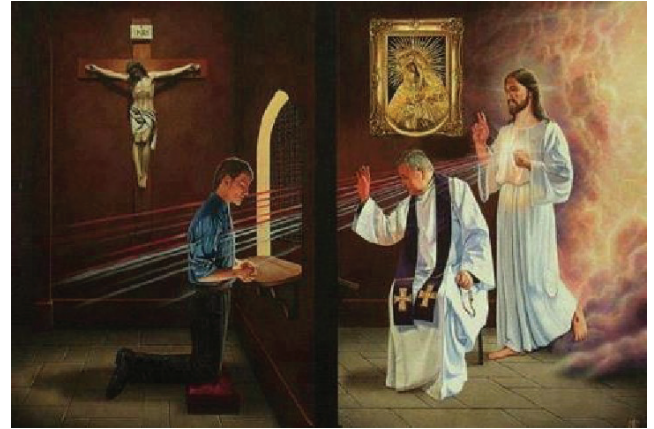
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FROM FR. JOE:

Why go to Confession, I don't have any mortal sins?

Excerpts from Fr John Bartunek, LC, ThD: <https://spiritualdirection.com/2018/03/22/should-i-still-go-to-confession-if-i-have-nothing-to-confess>



Benefits of Frequent Confession

Every sacrament imparts its own particular grace. The sacramental grace of confession is primarily the forgiveness of sins, but it is also, secondarily, the spiritual strengthening of the soul. This is why it is called a sacrament of healing. It heals (reconciles) our relationships with God and with the Church, which have been wounded or broken by personal sin, and at the same time strengthens those relationships. When we break a bone, we go to the doctor for repair and healing, so that the bone is actually stronger at the breakpoint after the healing than it was before the injury. Something similar happens with confession. God pours out his strengthening grace in a special way on our souls.

Now you can understand why the devil works so hard to keep us away from frequent, regular confession. If our relationship with God has been ruptured (by mortal sin, venial sin or habitual sins), the devil doesn't want it reconciled.

This sacrament, however, offers even more benefits to the soul than the sacramental graces of forgiveness and strengthening. Making a good confession requires self-reflection on a regular basis to help us understand ourselves and grow spiritually. Most saints of the Church took advantage of the healing sacrament of confession. We have to discover and realize, with God's help, how needy we really are. **Going to confession is also like going to the gym and doing a major spiritual workout. Through the process of self-examination, repentance, confession, and penance, we exercise every major spiritual-muscle group. These include helping us to grow in:**

- **faith, hope, love for God**
- **humility, being totally honest enough to name and confess our sins to God through His priests**
- **justice, prudence, fortitude (it takes courage to step into a confessional)**
- **a deeper realization of our self-centeredness and pride**

This sacrament is like a gymnasium for the soul. *Frequent and regular workouts do wonders for our spiritual health.*

What to Confess?

As we grow in our spiritual life in, we examine ourselves more carefully to uncover the hidden attitudes, judgments, and intentions that are still self-centered and not Christ-centered. Scripture warns us that we do not know the day or hour of judgement (*Mark 13:32*) so let us be prepared.



Please join us on the four Sundays of Advent before the 8:30 am Masses to recite the **Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. We will begin at approximately 8:10 am. The dates are November 28th, December 5th, December 12th and December 19th. Let us pray this powerful prayer together.

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COME, JOIN YOUR HEART WITH MINE!

Jesus is calling YOU to join your heart with His through the Sacrament of Penance. Don't be afraid. Join us for gentle and heart-warming prayers, and let the Holy Spirit inspire you to experience a thorough examination of conscience. Ask God to bless you with the strength to avoid sin in the future, and feel the peace and exhilaration of God's forgiveness!

**Join us in the Church
Tuesday, December 14th at 7pm
Short service followed by private
individual confessions.**

Jesus will be waiting!



The K of C Ladies Auxiliary presents **HOLIDAY PIZZA & MOVIE NIGHT**



Enjoy salad, pizza, soft drinks (you may BYOB), coffee and dessert and the Hallmark movie, "Once Upon a Christmas Miracle" at St. Pio's Parish Hall on Wednesday, December 1st at 6pm. The cost is \$10 per person. RSVP to Joyce at 973-714-6797 by November 29th.

ALL PARISHIONERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE WELCOME!



**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY
INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMBERS**



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 of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

PENANCE SERVICE at SACRED HEART

Sacred Heart Church in Bay Head will have a Penance Service followed by individual confessions on November 30th at 6pm. If you cannot join us on December 14th at St. Pio's, this is another opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Penance.

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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. To receive on the tongue please wait until all have received, go to the end of the line of the priest distributing Communion.
- Anyone needing a **low gluten host**, please get in the communion line in the front, on the pulpit side. Ask the minister for a low gluten Host.
- To take Communion from Mass to **homebound family members**, go to the sacristy **after Mass** with your pyx. Ask the priest/minister to get you a host from the tabernacle. Hosts for others will not be distributed during Mass.

Collection Baskets are at the main doors of the Church or give your envelope to an usher as you exit. There is a secure drop box in the foyer of the parish office for contributions and correspondence. We recommend Online Giving, visit our website for easy signup information.

Lost & Found Items: Please call the parish office.

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:

- 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.****

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	Dc. John Hanna	732-793-7291 x320	jhanna@stpioparish.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	blanch139@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	Pat McCourt	732-830-6519	fifthmyle@yahoo.com
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