

The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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October 22, 2023

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our Parish is Served by:

Rev. Fr. Joseph Hlubik, Pastor

Rev. Fr. Joy Chacko, Parochial Vicar

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Rev. Monsignor Phil Franceschini

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x322

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

Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am Chapel

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00pm Church

Sunday: 7:30 (no music), 9:00 & 10:30am Church

Confession: Saturday 4 - 4:30pm or by appointment



Saturday, October 21, 2023

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

Vigil

5:00pm Joseph A. Lambariello
r/b Ocean Bay Boulevard Friends

5:00pm Tom Highman, Jr. r/b Wife, Sophie

Sunday, October 22, 2023

7:30am For the People of the Parish

7:30am John Brodzinski r/b K of C Ladies Auxiliary

9:00am Dorothy Solsy

10:30am Teddy Jacoviak r/b Jim & Andrea Borowski

10:30am Bill Smith r/b The Ushers of St. Pio Parish

Monday, October 23, 2023

8:30am Nicholas Salleroli r/b Josephine Piscitelli

8:30am Joe Merkle r/b Family

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

8:30am John & Mary Hamulak r/b John & Cathy Coghlan

8:30am Carol Ann Wheat r/b Maria & Francis Chiarella

After Mass **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

8:30am For the Personal Intentions of Sarah Elizabeth

8:30am Intentions for Unborn Baby of Sarah Elizabeth

Thursday, October 26, 2023

8:30am Dino A. Tambascia r/b Chris Grandinetti

8:30am Intentions for Venus Dougherty
r/b Aunt JoAnn & Uncle Jody

After Mass **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Friday, October 27, 2023

8:30am Personal Intentions for Xenia Yelovich

8:30am Intentions for Mr. & Mrs. Yelovich Family

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

Saturday, October 28, 2023

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

Vigil

5:00pm John Pepe r/b Mary Marra

5:00pm Lou O. Fehrle r/b Daughters & Family

Sunday, October 29, 2023

7:30am For the People of the Parish

7:30am John Brodzinski r/b Donna Janus

9:00am Intentions for Fr. Joe and Fr. Joy

9:00am Joe Merkle r/b Family

10:30am Josephine Kowal r/b Tom & Debby Restaino

10:30am Bill Smith r/b Joe & Joyce Kobylarz

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 Gillmore, Vince Covello, Betty Ann Beschen, 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 Orłowski, Anna May Wolfe, Joe Merkle, Rosemarie Calice, Eveline Sadakas, Josephine Kowal, Bob Egle, Michael Galloway, Vincent & Christine Manente, Edith Cullen, Bernadette Shedosky, Len Calderaro, Winifred Kelly, James Henry Muller, David Vetere, Frank Mazzeo, John Brodzinski, Jr., Thaddeus Jacoviak, Bill Smith, Bob Yankevicz

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



From the Pastor's Desk

Thanksgiving After Holy Communion

Dear Parishioners

One thing I have noticed, especially recently, is that people who have just received Communion, quickly seem to shift their focus on leaving. After receiving communion, it is good to spend a few moments on private prayers of thanksgiving. At this moment Christ is both physically and spiritually united with us. It is a most sacred time. I fervently ask you to take this time seriously. That is why I have been praying the beautiful “**Unity Prayer**” of the **Flame of Love Movement** after Communion. I encourage everyone to say a prayer of thanksgiving. It can be a formula prayer, or one you compose yourself. Below are a few examples from great saints of the Church

Act of Thanksgiving After Communion

From the depths of my heart I thank You, dear Lord, for Your infinite kindness in coming to me. How good You are to me! With Your most holy Mother and all the angels, I praise Your mercy and generosity toward me, a poor sinner.

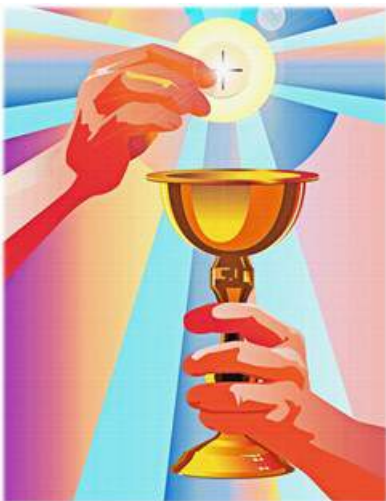
I thank You for nourishing my soul with Your Sacred Body and Precious Blood. I will try to show my gratitude to You in the Sacrament of Your love, by obedience to Your holy commandments, by fidelity to my duties, by kindness to my neighbor and by an earnest endeavor to become like You in my daily conduct.

Unity Prayer

My adorable Jesus, may our feet journey together, may our hands gather in unity (gather souls to save), may our souls be in harmony, may our hearts beat in unison, may our thoughts be as one, may our ears listen to the silence together, may our glances profoundly penetrate each other. May our lips pray to together to gain mercy from the eternal Father.

Thanksgiving after Communion is a spiritual practice among Christians who believe in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Communion bread. It involves maintaining oneself in prayer for some time to thank God and especially listening in one's heart for guidance from their Divine guest. In the Eucharist, the Church both receives the gift of Jesus Christ and gives grateful thanks to God for such a blessing.

This thanksgiving is the only proper response, for through this gift of Himself in the celebration of the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine, Christ gives us the gift of eternal life.



Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend 10/15/23	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$6,041	\$5,811
Online	\$2,245	\$2,056
Total	\$8,286	\$7,867



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 through January, 2024. A container is provided in the parish hall entrance and in the vestibule of the Church for all your gifts. They will be delivered overseas in time for Valentine's Day. A list of gifts is attached to each container for your convenience. For example: paperbacks books, toiletries, puzzles, gloves, socks, packaged tea, nuts, tuna, pens, Valentine cards, and batteries. Thank you once again for your generosity.

Do You Have Questions About End-of-Life Issues, Living Wills & Advanced Directives?

You are invited to attend a FREE presentation:
End of Life Issues, Living Wills & Advanced Directives
- a Catholic Perspective

Where: Donovan Catholic High School Cafeteria
When: Saturday, October 21, 3-4:30 pm; 5:00 Mass to follow

Presented by: Dr. DiAnne Ecret from
The National Catholic Bioethics Center

To register, please call 732-341-5364

An employee of Sacred Heart Church is looking for a year round rental in the La-vallette area. Please call the office with any information. Thank you.



The **K of C Ladies Auxiliary** invites all parishioners to join us in our winter coat drive to benefit those in need. We are looking for clean or new winter coats for men, women and children. So clean out your closets and call Pat Marmo at 732-793-9351 or Ro Rocco at 973-670-6474 from October 9th through November 12th.

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

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH



"If the unborn is not a human person, no justification for abortion is necessary. However, if the unborn is a human person, no justification for abortion is adequate." Greg Koukl, Christian apologist

FACTS of LIFE:

- Day 1 At fertilization the new cell contains equal shares of DNA from the mother and father and begins to live and grow as a unique human with unique DNA.
- Day 6 The new human is now composed of 100+ cells is in the uterus and feeding on the child's mother's uterine milk. (23% of abortions at this time)
- Day 22 The child's heart begins to beat pumping its own blood.
- Day 35 Eyes, legs and hands begin to develop and mom thinks she may be with child.
- Day 42 The child's brain waves are detectable.
- Day 56 Every organ is in place. (35% of abortions at this time)
- Week 12 End of first trimester, all organs, limbs, bones and muscles are present and circulatory, digestive and urinary systems are functioning.

We are human from conception. To say otherwise would be akin to saying a teenager is less human than an adult, a pre-teen less than a teen, child less than a pre-teen, a toddler less than a child, an infant less than a toddler, a baby less than an infant, a fetus less than a baby, and embryo less than a fetus, a zygote less than embryo.

**No justification is adequate!
Know the Truth! Be Pro-life**

Respect Life Committee at SHRCBH@comcast.net

FAMILIES NEEDED

Did you know there are close to 500,000 children in the United States of America in the foster care system whose parents have lost all legal rights to them? They live every day, dreaming of having what other kids have, a forever family, a permanent school, and a house to call home. Sadly, most of them age out of the system and become a statistic, because not enough families consider adoption. What better way to make a difference in the world than to adopt a homeless child? If there is room in your heart, there is room in your home. Downey Side is a non-profit that allows us to make adoption affordable. To learn more, contact Dawn Rusinko at 732-359-8434 or drusinko@downeyside.org



AED's and where to find them!

An AED, or Automated External Defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's a sophisticated, yet **easy-to-use**, medical device that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm.

Our parish has 2 AED units. One in our main **Church** (on the back wall [parking lot side] just before St. Pio's Prayer Room) and one in **the Parish Hall** (on the back wall, street side).

Please familiarize yourself with where these are so they can be retrieved in an emergency.

ALL SOULS DAY

A special Mass will be celebrated Thursday, November 2 at 5pm in the main Church for all the souls in Purgatory and especially for our loved ones who died this past year. All are welcome to attend. Please join us as we light a candle for those who have gone to rest in the hands of our Lord.



ATTENTION: ALL ORGANIZATIONS

Due to the holiday season, many of our bulletins have to be sent to the publisher to be printed in advance of the normal due date. We ask that anything that needs to be published in the bulletin by the parish organizations, to please call the parish office well in advance. Thank you for your understanding.

Going to the Hospital?

If you are scheduled to go to the hospital it is good to go to confession before you go. If you are having a scheduled surgery you might want to be anointed before you go. You can do this by calling the parish office and arranging a time with Fr. Joe or Fr. Joy.

When you arrive at the hospital or if an emergency arises make sure that you or a family member let them know that you are Catholic and that you would like an anointing, Holy Communion and a visit by the Catholic priest chaplain.

These steps are important because HIPPA and Covid Restrictions. The hospital often restrict chaplaincy to priests they have on call. In case you cannot get the hospital to respond to your needs, please call the parish office and we will assist you in getting the spiritual help you need, or we will respond ourselves as best we can!



Collection Counters Needed

We are in need of a few more volunteers to help count the collection on Monday mornings. You will be assigned to a rotating team of persons that serves once per month. Teams count in the Parish Center beginning at 9am and it usually takes 1 - 1 ½ hours. If you are available to help, please call the parish office.



**Get Ready to Set Your
"Hearts on Fire,
Feet on the Move"
For
World Mission Sunday!**

Embrace the Pope's Missions with "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move" this World Mission Sunday!

Today, Pope Francis echoes the universal call of our Baptism - to be Christ's witnesses to the world. As we gather with global Catholics on this World Mission Sunday, our prayers and contributions to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith bolster the Pope's missions, enabling:

- * Over 844,000 catechists to share the faith
- 258,540 Religious Sisters to tend to families and children
- 38,140 seminarians to journey towards the priesthood
- Education for 26 million children
- Medical assistance in 12,000 clinics
- Comfort in 8,750 homes for the orphaned and elderly

By supporting this cause, we truly live out the call to be the spark that transforms lives. May your prayers and gifts create ripples of love and transformation. Thank you for your missionary zeal!

The New Jersey Right To Life

will be selling raffle tickets after all Masses next weekend, October 28th and 29th. The tickets are \$10 each. The drawing takes place on November 17, 2023.



The prizes are:

- 1st - 2024 Volvo XC40 AWD SUV
- 2nd - \$1,000 ShopRite Gift Card
- 3rd - \$750 ShopRite Gift Card
- 4th - \$500 ShopRite Gift Card

Please support NJRTL. Thank you.

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

Monday, December 4, 2023
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:

- Chicken Francaise,
- Herb Crusted Salmon,
- Penne Pasta w/ Vodka Sauce

STANDING TOGETHER FOR Life

SAVE the DATE

**FRIDAY
JANUARY 19, 2024**

Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

Mass for Life | *Lunch & Seminar*

11:00 a.m.
CELEBRATED BY
Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.
All are invited to the Mass for Life

12:30-3:30 p.m.
FEATURING
4 Expert Panelists
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REGISTRATION TO OPEN MID-OCTOBER

Bishop O'Connell's powerful Respect Life Month message can be found in this month's edition of the MONITOR (official publication of the Diocese).

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
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Holy Name Society	Tom Leonard	732-995-0044	thomasleonard62@gmail.com
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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
Hall Rental	Marta Barkhausen	732-793-7291	marta@stpioparish.com

HOLY NAME SOCIETY	Meeting	Monday	November 6	5:30pm
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY	Meeting	Monday	November 6	1:00pm
FAITH SHARING	Meeting	Wednesdays	in October	9:00am
K of C 8415	Meeting Meeting	1st Tuesday of Month 3rd Tuesday of Month		7:00pm 6:30pm
K of C Ladies Auxiliary	Meeting	Monday	October 23	1:00pm
LAVALLETTE SENIORS	Meeting	Thursday	November 16	12:30pm
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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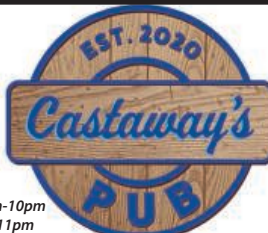
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