



The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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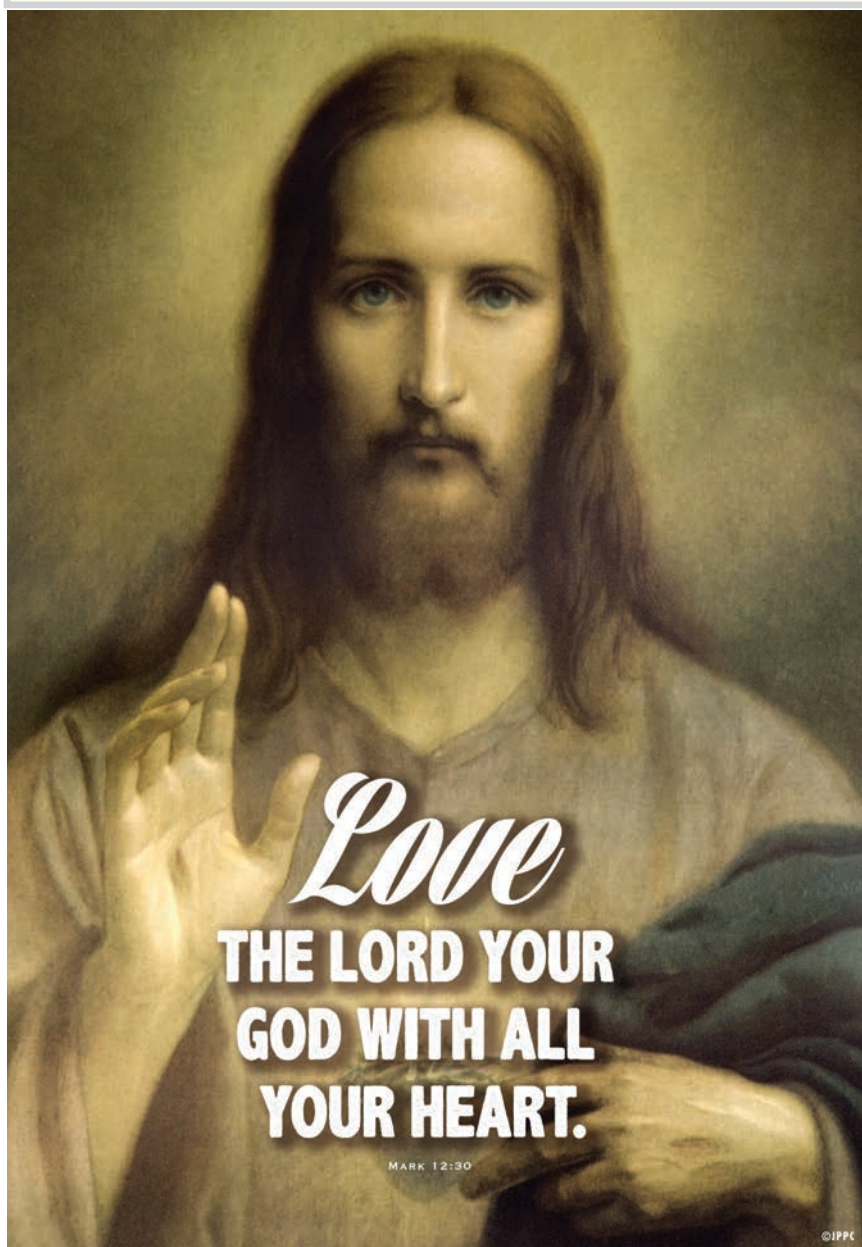
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Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00am to 2:00pm

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October 31, 2021

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our Parish is Served by:

Rev. Fr. Joseph Hlubik, Pastor, x302

Pastor's office hours: Tuesdays &
Thursdays following 8:30am Mass

Rev. Fr. Joy Chacko, Parochial Vicar, x361

Assisting Priest:

Rev. Fr. Frederick Kochan

Rev. Monsignor Phil Franceschini

Deacon Emeritus, John H. Hanna, x320

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732-899-1398, x5

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Music, x315

Joyce Kobylarz, Ministries Coordinator

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Connie Barraco, x316

Laura Bierster, x321

Pat Kevish, x301

Tim Drake, Facilities Manager

Bart Coleman & Vito Gagliardi, Trustees

Nick Zaccaria, Finance Chair

Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday:	8:30am	Chapel
1st Saturday of Month:	8:30am	Chapel
Saturday (Vigil):	5:00pm	Church
Sunday:	8:30 and 10:30am	Church

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

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Mass Intentions

Saturday

October 30

**5:00pm
Vigil**

John Lodato
r/b Fr. Joe & Staff of St. Pio Parish
Joe Barraco r/b Family

Sunday

October 31

8:30am

Jesse Imbimbo
r/b Mr. & Mrs. James Evancik
For the People of the Parish

10:30am

Millie Lahiere r/b Joyce Fox
Lauren Mulcahy r/b Joan Selesky

Monday

November 1

Feast of All Saints

**8:30am
Chapel**

Deceased Members of the Tavormina & Perrone Families r/b Connie Barraco
Joe Barraco r/b Connie

Tuesday

November 2

All Souls Day

8:30am

For the Faithful Departed
Ann MacMaster r/b Her Loving Children

6:30pm

For the Faithful Departed

Wednesday

November 3

8:30am

Constance Beatty r/b Ann McNulty

Thursday

November 4

8:30am

Patrick Hlubik r/b Joe & Joyce Kobylarz

Friday

November 5

1st Friday

8:30am

Thanksgiving r/b Mary Schaffer
Allen Kowtko r/b Marc Kowtko

Saturday

November 6

1st Saturday

8:30am

Deana Petrullo r/b Ray & Chris Higgins

5:00pm

John Lodato r/b Tom & Clare Delano

Vigil

John Lodato r/b Bill & Pat Kevish

Sunday

November 7

8:30am

For the People of the Parish
Margaret T. Johnson
r/b Maureen Zebrowski

10:30am

Laura Chesnes r/b Denise Ryan
Nick Marinaro r/b Barbara DeMassi

PRAY FOR

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, 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: 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, Catherine Bogdan, Anna DeSousa, Judith Mrozek, Pat Moran, Dorothy Child, Maria Spoto, Katherine Barnett, Dawn Carmosino, Edward Sadankas, Deana L. Petrullo, Patrick J. Hlubik, Vincent A. Timoni, Dr. Robert J. Waldron, Barbara Papa

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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**Eastern Standard Time Begins
November 7**

**Saturday Vigil Mass Begins
November 13**



Remember to change your clocks one hour back at 2am Sunday morning November 7th. Also please be aware that the following weekend on November 13th the Saturday Vigil Mass will change to 4pm.



St. Pio Parish welcomes **Mr. & Mrs. J. Teal Hall and family** into our faith community.

October 31, 2021

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Presents: **New Years Eve Gala**

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GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE

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"The first is this: 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no greater commandment than these." Mark 12:29-31

If you love the Lord your God you will keep his word and do his will. If you love your neighbor you will not support abortion/choice. October is Respect Life Month in the Catholic Church. Be, vote and act pro-life

RIGHT TO LIFE



The weekend of November 6th and 7th, representatives from NJ Right to Life will be selling raffle tickets before and after all Masses here at St. Pio's. The drawing will take place on November 19th. Tickets are \$10 each. 1st prize is a 2022 Volvo SUV and the remaining prizes are ShopRite gift cards. Thank you for your support.

Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend of Oct. 24, 2021	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$4,714	\$3,434
Online	\$1,841	\$1,465
Total	\$6,555	\$4,899



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.



ALL SAINTS DAY

This year All Saints Day is not a holy day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel at 8:30am. Please note that the parish office will be closed on Monday, November 1st in honor of the feast of All Saints.



ALL SOULS DAY



All Souls Day

A special Mass will be celebrated Tuesday, November 2nd at 6:30pm in the Church for all the Souls in Purgatory and especially for our loved ones who died this past year. All are welcome to attend.

PARISH VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT (LAST CALL)



We GREATLY appreciate our many parish volunteers!! Our first parish appreciation dinner will be held on Thursday, November 11th at 6:00pm in the parish hall. ALL parish volunteers are welcome, whether you are a weekly volunteer or just help out occasionally, please come! You will be treated to a catered dinner! Please RSVP via email to office@stpioparish.com or place a written note in the parish drop box no later than November 3rd. Feel free to BYOB!

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Padre Pio Prayer Anthology

Prayer #29

Focus idea: The month of November begins the wonderful holiday of Thanksgiving. We call to mind our many blessings, most importantly our family and friends. Most of us have been touched in some way by the presence of God in our lives, and so we wholeheartedly give thanks for God Himself, and for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us. But is God thankful for us? Is He happy with the way we are living our lives? Do we have the right priorities? Have we put our faith into action? Fr. Joy tells us, "try to understand that our gifts come from God and that we are to use our gifts to carry out the Gospel message of love for others!"

Prayer for Living a More Selfless Life:

Dear Jesus, I want You to be thankful for my life here on earth. I love You so much that I want You to be proud of me. Help me to be a contributor in building up Your Kingdom. Help me to recognize my faults, especially greed and envy. Help me to set a good example for my family and friends by giving to others in every way that I can. Reward me with your warmth and give me the strength to resist temptation. Please, never give up on me as I sometimes struggle to stay on the right path. I know that You love me unconditionally, but please help me to feel that love deeply and with great intensity! Help me to lead others to You through my kindnesses and to light the flame of Your love firmly within their hearts. Amen.

Closing Thoughts: Tell Jesus what is in your heart. Thank Him for your gifts and most of all, thank Him for loving you with His most Sacred Heart!

St. Francis Food Pantry is open on Wednesdays from 10 am – 12 noon. The demand for donations is great. Please consider bringing some food items with you when you attend Mass each Sunday. Donations may be left in the bin in the narthex of the Church. If you would like to donate items, and you are unable to carry the packages to Mass, please call Paul Sandy at 732-606-3656 and he will come to your home to pick up the items. We are grateful for the support you have given us over the years, and we hope that you will continue to support your neighbors who are in need. Thank you.



We know it's a bit dusty.



We've got dirt & debris coming in through the open rafters as we replace the entire slanted roof. The good news is that part of the roof should be complete by next week. Until then, please be mindful of where you sit, at least the dust is dry and should just brush off. Our maintenance staff person is working very hard to keep up with the majority of the mess during the week; without his efforts it would be much worse! *Thanks for your understanding.*



We are looking for volunteers to help coordinate our parish's Annual Giving Tree. The job entails getting the list of wants/needs from the local groups we support, making gift tags and putting them on the tree in the Church foyer for the first Sunday in Advent. Then, after the gifts are brought in, we need to sort them and deliver them.



The weekend of November 7 & 8 we will begin our annual Giving Tree project. Tags will be placed on the Christmas tree in the narthex of the Church. Please pick up a tag as you enter or exit the Church. In order to continue doing our part and minimize the spread of germs, please read the tags then pick one tag (or more) and do not put it back on the tree. Donations will consist of toys, winter jackets, hats, mittens, children's books, puzzles, clothes and much more. Gift cards for Target or Walmart are also acceptable. More details and contact information to follow in next week's bulletin. As always, thank you for your generous contributions.

VOTE YOUR CATHOLIC VALUES

Tuesday, November 2nd is Election Day in New Jersey. All the seats are up for election: the Governor, all the NJ State Senators and Assembly Members. The US Catholic Conference of Bishops state in their letter *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*: "The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed." **Please vote your Catholic values on November 2nd!**

October 31, 2021

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Breakfast Bread Kit (LAST CALL)

This year we are again offering 3 different bread kits for sale! **PLEASE** purchase a kit with the dry ingredients, and add your own wet ingredients to bake a warm, delicious loaf of sweet and comforting breakfast bread. Pick 1 or all 3 kits at \$5 each, **Pumpkin Bread, Cinnamon Apple Bread**, and back by popular demand, **Corn Muffin Toasting Bread**. To order, call Joyce (732-600-0359) or Pat (732-793-9351). All proceeds go to LOCAL charities.

Coats for the Needy

We are collecting coats for needy individuals and families. If you can donate a warm coat by November 13th, please call Pat Marmo at 732-793-9351 or Ro Rocco at 973-670-6474 to arrange for drop off. Thank you.

Church Sound System



We have heard many complaints in the past few months of trouble with our sound system. We have repeatedly had the system serviced; in fact we have proven on multiple occasions that all of our speakers are working. However, a problem was found with our amplifiers, they just don't have enough power anymore to carry the sound through the system. The current system was installed in 2006. After careful consideration we have made the decision to replace the system entirely. Our hope and prayer is that we can receive delivery and installation of the new system before Christmas. The cost of the new system is \$45,000.

WHEN SHOULD WE CALL A PRIEST FOR THE “LAST RITES?”

BY FR. JASON SIGNALNESS

When one goes to confession and the priest says, “I absolve you from your sins...,” sins are forgiven. Anointing of the sick also has its effects. It “imparts consolation, peace, and strength and unites the sick person, in his precarious situation and his sufferings, with Christ in a profound way. For many people, the anointing of the sick brings about physical healing. But, if God should decide to call someone home to Himself, He gives him the strength for all the physical and spiritual battles on his final journey. In any case, the anointing of the sick has the effect of forgiving sins” (*Youcat* 245). Likewise with Holy Communion, when the priest says the words, “This is my Body” and “This is the chalice of my Blood” at Mass, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ truly become present and can be received as *Viaticum*, “food for the journey,” for the dying.

Confession, anointing of the sick, and Holy Communion, when celebrated together during someone’s last days, used to be called, the “last rites.” While that title isn’t as common among clergy as it once was, there is still no better way for a baptized and confirmed Catholic to prepare for death than to receive as many of these three sacraments as possible. When someone is very near death, however, they typically can’t speak for confession or swallow Communion, and that leads me to the question of when a priest should be called.

There is a proper time for each sacrament. People should receive confession as often as needed and Holy Communion whenever they can, even daily. Anointing of the sick, however, is not for every stage of life. This sacrament “is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him to receive the sacrament has certainly already arrived” (*SC* 73, cf. *CCC* 1514). This sacrament is not for those who have minor illnesses. But, for those in danger of death, it should be received. In fact, it can even be received multiple times. If a sick person is anointed and recovers, they may receive the sacrament again if illness returns. Likewise, if an illness worsens over time, the sacrament may be received again. One may also receive this sacrament prior to a surgery.

So, when should a priest be called? My advice is to make that call when a loved one is “beginning to be in danger,” but don’t wait until the person can no longer speak, think clearly or swallow. It’s best to receive the graces of all the so-called “last rites,” including confession, anointing and Holy Communion, before death. If that’s not possible, such as when death seems to be coming very quickly, don’t hesitate to call a priest immediately and he will do what he can.

Going through a serious illness or the dying process is difficult. The end of life is the devil’s last chance to tempt us before we face Jesus Christ as our judge. We need all the help we can get! Don’t hesitate to call a priest when things get serious, but call sooner rather than later.

From the Pastor's Desk

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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	fifthmyles@yahoo.com
Wedding Ministry	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
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