

The Parish of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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September 24, 2023

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Summer Mass Schedule Beginning May 27th

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, September 23, 2023

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

Vigil

5:00pm Cameron Radulic r/b Brian & Lenore Moran
5:00pm Joe Merkle r/b Patty & John Wagner

Sunday, September 24, 2023

7:30am Lawrence A. Johnson r/b Maureen Zebrowski
7:30am For the People of the Parish

9:00am For Intentions of Mr. Cameron Evans r/b Mom & Dad
9:00am For Intentions of Mrs. Mary Evans r/b Mom & Dad

10:30am Dennis Golden r/b The Etzold Family
10:30am Josephine Kowal r/b Linda & Tom Clark

Monday, September 25, 2023

8:30am Stephen P. Kelleher r/b Marta Barkhausen & The Staff of St. Pio's
8:30am Heidi Van Vliet r/b Susan Huyck

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

8:30am Anne Phelan r/b Bert & Mary Brady
8:30am Kristan Daley r/b The Chiarella Family

After Mass **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

8:30am Bob Frick r/b Frank Petranich
8:30am Jean Hilch r/b Frank Petranich

Thursday, September 28, 2023

8:30am Raymond Minneci r/b Family
8:30am Edward Terrano r/b Etzold Family

After Mass **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Friday, September 29, 2023

8:30am Dorothy McNerney r/b John & Rita Lorenzo
8:30am Jim Sinnott r/b Connie Barraco & Family

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

Saturday, September 30, 2023

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

Vigil

5:00pm Diane Daniels r/b Antonette Daniels
5:00pm Chet Hodyl r/b Eve

Sunday, October 1, 2023

7:30am Fr. Frederick Kochan r/b St. Pio Staff
7:30am For the People of the Parish

9:00am Edith Cullen r/b Rosary Altar Society
9:00am Winifred Kelly r/b Rosary Altar Society

10:30am Dave Simpson r/b Renzulli Family
10:30am Timothy Herling r/b Dorothy Fleming

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, 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 Orlowski, 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

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. who has been deployed.

The K of C Ladies Auxiliary requested a Memorial Mass to be said for past member, **Edith Cullen**, on Monday, September 25th in the Chapel at 12:15pm.

All are welcome

Thank You for your Support!!

Contributions Weekend 9/17/23	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$7,191	\$6,127
Online	\$2,311	\$2,256
Total	\$9,502	\$8,383



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 Parish welcomes **Charles & Louise Tagliareni** into its faith community.

Special Announcement for All Parishes:

The deadline for registrations for the Bishop's Anniversary Blessing has been extended until **September 30th**. Couples may register online via the main Bishop's Anniversary Blessing web page – www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing. All registration forms and information for the Bishop's Anniversary Blessing events on October 8 (Monmouth/Ocean) and October 22 (Burlington/Mercer) can be found on the Anniversary Blessing page for parishes only on the diocesan website – www.dioceseoftrenton.org/anniversary-blessing-parish.

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**GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE
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**“A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they may have life and have it abundantly.”
John 10:10**

**“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.”
John 3:16**

Jesus said to him “I am the way and the truth and the life.” John 14:6

Next Sunday is **Respect Life Sunday** and October is **Respect Life Month**. Please join with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), our Bishop David, our Pastor Fr. Joe and all the faithful of Sacred Heart and St. Pio Parishes in building a **culture that cherishes and protects every human life! Love God, Love Life!**

Respect Life Committee at SHRCBH@comcast.net

“Oh, how much love and compassion we must have for the children we have in our care ... We must love them, love them very much!”

Dear Fr. Joe, Fr. Joy and Parishioners of Sacred Heart and St Pio Pietrelcina,

Thank you very much for your warm welcome and hospitality to us. Every year we must raise significant funds to support Kateri Day Camp. This past summer camp season we had approximately 225 campers enrolled at Kateri Day Camp. As you are aware, Camp is not a luxury for our families, it is a necessity. We are so privileged to be able to offer this resource to our families and their children, all of whom are living beneath the poverty level. They know their children are safe, supervised, learning and having fun when they are at Kateri Day Camp. It is so healthy and helpful on so many levels. We cannot do it without you.

We were delighted to receive from St. Pio's your very generous collection of \$4,131 for our camp. You are in our prayer of deep gratitude.

Sr. Debbie Drago and Russell Gartz
Collier Youth Services



**RAFFLE WINNERS
WILL BE
ANNOUNCED
IN
NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN**

From Father Joe:

Our Pilgrimage to St. Padre Pio's Shrine, at San Giovanni Rotondo and Southern Italy Sponsored and directed by Mr. Joe Leone, Sept 2- 8, 2023

I was fortunate to be the spiritual director of this pilgrimage thanks to the generosity of Joe Leone. There were 14 of us in total. The places we visited were incredibly spiritual and beautiful, and the food we ate was absolutely delicious, as of course, Joe knows where to find the best!

The pilgrimage was organized to give thanks to God for the healing through St Padre Pio, that has already happened for Aaron Van Trease, a senior at St. John Vianny High School. Aaron was a quarterback playing football. He became a paraplegic as a consequence of a football injury during a game on Sept 23, 2022. That day is also the Feast of St Pio!

Since that time Joe Leone, who has a great devotion to Padre Pio, has been visiting and praying with Aaron and his family for a miracle ever since the accident happened. Aaron was not even supposed to be able to breathe on his own again, and could not move his arms or legs after the accident. The doctors said that this would be his condition for his life.

Thanks to Aaron's determination and that of his therapy team, and other families with spinal cord injuries, and all of those who have been praying for Aaron and his family, he has been able to breathe on his own, and has slowly has gained a lot of upper body mobility; he now can get around using a wheelchair.

Another mission of the pilgrimage was to ask Padre Pio's intercession for complete healing for him. You might have seen the story about Aaron this past week in the Asbury Park Free Press; it is well worth the read.

I also took prayer petitions from people of both our parishes, as well as from prisoners at The Federal Corrections Institution at the Joint Base at Ft. Dix, where I say Masses on the first Sunday every month. These were placed in front of the altar at all the Masses we visited. Each of us who went, also had our own needs and petitions for healing and miracles we are praying for as well.



San Gregorio Orphanage

We traveled on a small bus that could accommodate Aaron's wheelchair.

Below is a List of places we visited, and said Mass:

Sunday: a very brief visit Vatican City and St Peter's and celebrated Sunday Mass at a beautiful St. Eustace Church.

Monday we visited Assisi, and celebrated a Midnight Christmas Mass in the afternoon in the Village of Greccio, where St Francis displayed the First Nativity (live) Scene in the 12th century. Since then, as you know, the custom grew and grew for Churches to display nativity scenes at Christmas, including at the Vatican.



Tuesday we visited the village of Aquila, where Joe has helped and continues to help, rebuilding and maintaining one of the Casa Familigli Orphanages. The orphanage is called San Gregorio, after Pope St. Gregory the Great. Joe had the stone statue of St Gregory, which had been destroyed by the earthquake, refashioned, but this time carved out of wood. Joe visits the priests, sisters and orphans they care for, as often as he can, when he has business trips to Italy. We celebrated Mass at the orphanage late in the morning, and had a most delicious lunch at the orphanage. Then we began our journey to the Padre Pio Hotel at San Giovanni Rotondo.

Wednesday morning we celebrated Mass, and then visited San Giovanni Rotondo, where the glass casket containing the body of Padre Pio is exhibited. His body seems in good condition for a person who died in 1968! We revered his body and prayed for all of our intentions there. San Giovanni is the monastery where Padre Pio lived most of his priestly life. I encouraged everyone with us to go to the sacrament of confession since Padre Pio worked so many spiritual healings in the confessional. Wednesday evening we arrived in Bari and the Church of St. Nicholas of Bari. We stayed at a hotel there

Friday we very briefly visited the village of Pietrelcina and the Church that was built accommodate the crowds that were coming to visit Padre Pio's birthplace. Because we got a late start to the day, it was a very brief visit.

Some went up the hill to the Church where St Pio and his family went to Church when he was young. After that, we headed to Rome for the trip home. We stayed at a hotel on the outskirts of the city of Rome and celebrated Mass in the evening there.



We talked and prayed our way as we traveled on our bus to each of the sites. Joe handled the history and spoke about foods of each of the regions we visited. It was very enjoyable as many of us met each other for the first time on this pilgrimage. It wasn't long before we became a F.A.M.I.L.Y.

Fr. Joe

The Parish Communion Breakfast

sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, will be on Sunday, October 8, 2023 at 12 noon until 3 pm at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center on Rt. 37 West, Toms River. The guest speaker will be;

Fr. Noel Danielewicz
OFM Conv.

The donation is \$32.00. There will be no ticket sales at the door. For tickets contact:

Mary at 908-591-1284
Nancy at 848-469-0318
Sheila at 732-552-7149



The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary presents an

Hour of Reflection

11 a.m. ♦ Thursday, October 12 ♦ St Pio's chapel

followed by a Luncheon in
St Pio's Parish Hall at noon

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Face of God
in People
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Prayers and Presentation by
Marie Harwanko,
Spiritual Director at
Quellen Spiritual Center
in Mendham.

Marie Harwanko is a member of Spiritual Director's International. She completed a three-year spiritual direction formation program in 2014 at the Quellen Spiritual Center in Mendham, New Jersey. Marie also was awarded a Master's Degree in Pastoral Ministry from the Immaculate Conception School of Theology at Seton Hall University with a concentration in Christian Spirituality in 2006.



I would like to attend the Hour of Reflection and Luncheon

Name/s: _____ Telephone No. _____

Cost: \$12 per person (includes lunch) – No. of attendees: _____ @ \$12 = \$ _____

Please make your check payable to “KOC Ladies Auxiliary”
and return this form with your payment **NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 1st** to

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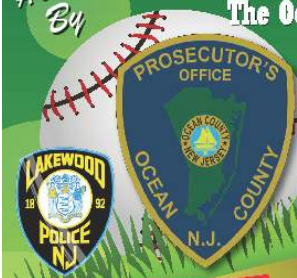


The **K of C Ladies Auxiliary** invites all parishioners to join us in our winter coat drive to benefit those in need. We are looking for clean or new winter coats for men, women and children. So clean out your closets and call Pat Marmo at 732-793-9351 or Ro Rocco at 973-670-6474 from October 9th through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

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Rosary Rally



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the court yard between the Chapel and the parish hall to recite the Rosary together. For further information call Alex Barletta, GK at 908-578-5095

(Please bring your own chair if you would like seating as the gathering should last an hour or less.)

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	Tom Leonard	732-995-0044	thomasleonard62@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus	Alex Barletta, GK	908-578-5095	barlettaa@verizon.net
Ladies Auxiliary to the KofC	Joyce Kobylarz	973-714-6797	jkoby2@aol.com
Lavallette Seniors	James Peeney	732-793-4675	JDPeeney@msn.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
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	October 2	5:30pm
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY	Meeting	Monday	October 2	1:00pm
FAITH SHARING	Meeting	Wednesdays	in October	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	September 25	1:00pm
LAVALLETTE SENIORS	Meeting	Thursday	October 19	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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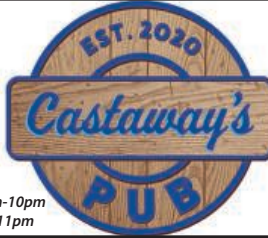
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