

Saint Padre Pio Parish

The Diocesan Shrine of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

August 2, 2026–18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4680 Dante Avenue
Vineland, NJ 08361



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Parish Office Hours

9AM to 5PM / M-F

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00PM

Sunday

7:30, 9:00, 11:00AM

Holy Child Chapel/OLP

St. Padre Pio

Thursdays

7:00PM Novena/Benediction

Recitation of the Rosary

every Monday 10:00AM

Mass Schedule

St. Mary's

736 Union Road

Monday thru Friday

8:15AM

First Saturday

9:00AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday afternoon 4:15-4:45 pm / Anytime by appointment

Before all Masses 1st Sunday of the Month

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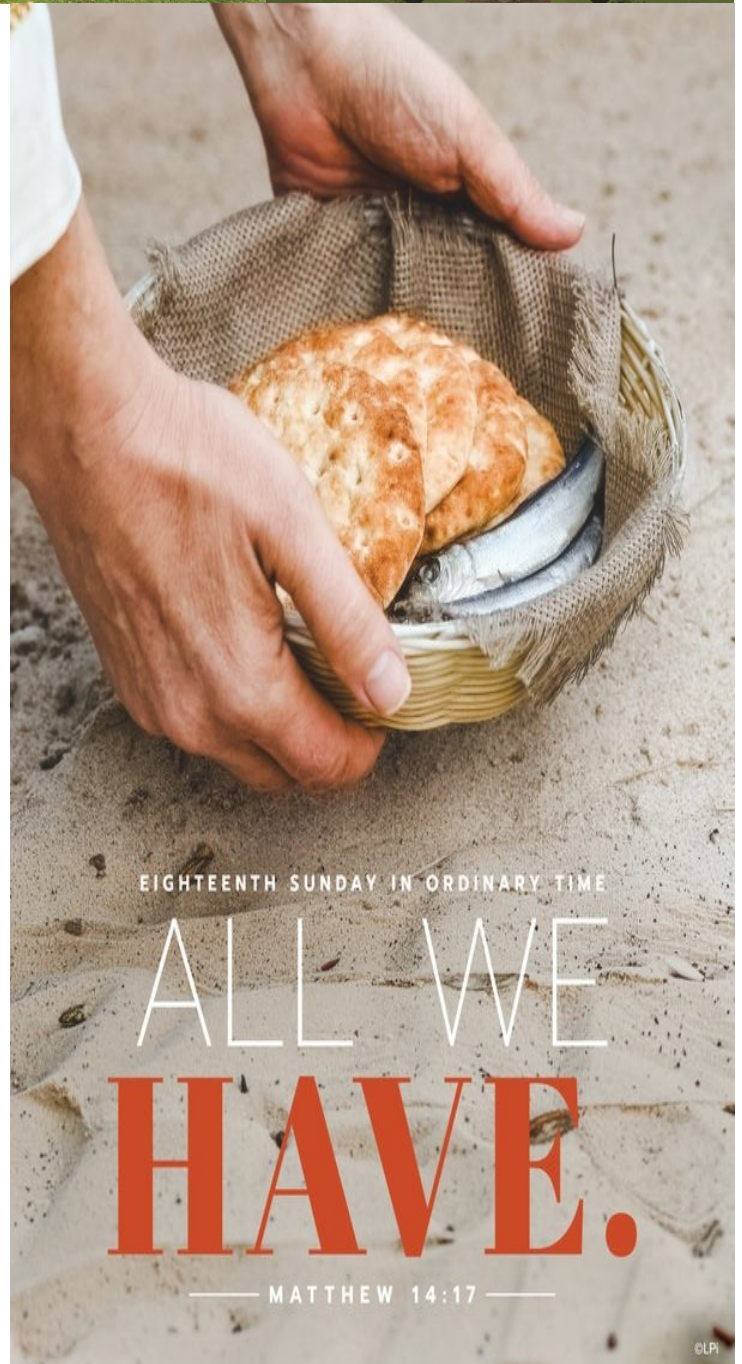
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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ALL WE HAVE.

— MATTHEW 14:17 —

Welcome!

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church; no matter your family or marital status; no matter where you are in the practice of faith; no matter your personal history, age, or background; no matter what your self-image may be; YOU are invited, welcomed and loved at St. Padre Pio Parish.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 1st
5:00pm/OLP

Vigil
People of the Parish
Madeline Oertle
By Ray & Joan Rose
John Dalesandro
By Marie McClure
Bob Pepitone
By Diane Cheli & Family
Judith Riley
By Paul & Kim Abrams & Family
John Sikking
By Joe & Susan Tolotti
Gennaro Bifulco
By The Civileto Family
Catherine McMahan
By Kevin & Kathy Mattson

Sunday, August 2nd
7:30am/OLP

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Andrzej Malkiewicz
By Margaret & Ignatius Bik & Family
Peter Sparacio
By Vincent & Judith Sacco
Rosemarie Capabianco
By Donna & Bob Cleveland

9:00am/OLP

11:00am/OLP

Monday, August 3rd
8:15am/StM

Weekday
Concetta Maione
By Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Quinlan
St. John Vianney

Tuesday, August 4th
8:15am/StM

Fr. Peter Saporito
By Ann Derr & Family

Wednesday, August 5th
8:15am/StM

Weekday
Walt Sandell
By Jack & Carol Gribble
Transfiguration of the Lord

Thursday, August 6th
8:15am/StM

Gennaro Bifulco
By Nick & Sharon Bertonazzi
Padre Pio Novena & Benediction

7:00pm/HCC
Friday, August 7th
8:15am/StM

First Friday/Weekday
Sister Helen Murage, S.M.I.
(Silver Jubilee)

Saturday, August 8th
5:00pm/OLP

By Aileen & Jason Seigfried
Vigil

Sunday, August 9th
7:30am/OLP

Madeline Oertle
By Frank & Linda Szynal
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
People of the Parish
George & Judith Sacco
By Leo & Doris Duquette
Longina Leszczynska
By The Krawczyk Family
James Powell
By Margaret & Ignatius Bik & Family
Peter Sparacio
By Patti Dalponte
Marie Dandrea
By Margaret & Ignatius Bik & Family
Sunshine Wallace Jones
By Dave & Cathy Neder
Lorraine Franceschini
By John & Monica Jaworski
John Dalesandro
By Margaret & Ignatius Bik & Family

Gennaro Bifulco

By The Jaworsky Family
Deacon Michael Truman
By Leo & Doris Duquette
Cora Harrelson
By Mr. & Mrs. Steven Bertonazzi
Fr. Peter Saporito
By Ron & Josie Capriotti

9:00am/OLP

11:00am/OLP

With Opened Bible / Fr. Dimitri 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"All you who are thirsty,
come to the water!" (Isaiah 55, 1)

Chapter 55 of the Book of Isaiah begins with an invitation to receive divine favors freely. The thirsty believer can return to the source where everything is a gift and an act of generosity. God reveals His mercy by bestowing happiness upon those who are faithful to Him.

The thirst spoken of in this Sunday's first reading is not physical, like the thirst Israel experienced in the desert (cf. Exodus 17:3). That desire to satisfy an urgent need led to a miracle: the rock at Horeb.

Here, the thirst is spiritual, for God is addressing a people in exile who have lost all spiritual, emotional, and social freedom. This thirst stems from a religious isolation that reflects the distress of life in a harsh and foreign land.

Yet, the Lord God knew how to restore all of this. Through the ministry of the prophet, He promised to quench His people's thirst by granting them freedom and the joy of returning home. Hence, the invitation to eat and drink of wholesome and rich fare.

Far from God and the truth, the world thirsts for truth and justice. It is Jesus, the One sent from heaven, who becomes the drink and food our souls require. He explained this clearly to the Samaritan woman: "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." (John 4:13-14)

By suggesting to the disciples to feed the crowds, Jesus allows us to discover our true Christian mission: that of feeding and giving drink—both spiritually and physically—to the weakest among us: "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink." (Matthew 25:35)



18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied. - Mt 14:19c-20

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call the Parish office to request a home or hospital visit.

Baptisms:

Please call the Parish office to schedule
Baptisms will take place during our 11AM Sunday Mass

Pre-Jordan Class

The Pre-Jordan Program is a required class to prepare parents, who are having their babies baptized. These classes are offered once a month at 7pm in the Parish office: **Sessions will be held:**

August 5, 2026

September 2, 2026

Marriage:

Please contact the office at least **1 year** prior to wedding

New Parishioners:

Please call Parish office to register (856) 691-7526

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Jennifer Bailey, John Baron, Justin Bellusci, Gary Bertonazzi, Jacob Bocchicchio, Miriam Brimlow, Robert Bubel, Stanley "Lee" Burke, Nick Calio
Lois Smaniotto Cassisi, Andrea Cheli, Theodore Conrad, Jim Daly
Anthony Damato, Anne M. Donder, Agnes Dondero, Hannah Elbuef,
Katie Faldetta, James Farrell, Jean Fanucci, Donald Focchi, Sr., Linda Gallina,
Patricia Gandy, Larry Gray, Shirleey Gray, Mary Guccio, Howard Hammerstedt
Leokadia Krawczyk, Henry Lamb, Dominic Lopercolo, Lucille Magolda
Jose Matos, Jack Michael, Emil Milano, Kathy Milano, Paul Milano, Sr.,
Paul Milano, Jr., Carmen Milete, Jim Notorianni, Rita Milano, Victoria Milano
John McKown, Jr., Jim McMahan, Mary Polizzi, Phil Polizzi, Gerry Policarpio
Gerardo Procopio, Maria Procopio, Mae Reilly, Jessica Flaim- Salerno
Bill Semus, Beverly Smaniotto, Dorothy Smaniotto, Joan Smaniotto
Paula Smaniotto Richard Smaniotto, Sharon Speziali, Carol Suppa, Pat Tirelli,
Gloria Ventura, Christopher Waxmonsky, Eddie R. Williams



God Bless Our Women & Men in Service

USAF: Stf. Sgt. Michael Rhodes, Sr.

Gen. Jennifer Hammerstedt,

Airman Dominic DiGiovacchino

Captain Rocco Sangataldo, Gen. Michael A. Fantini, Sr.,

Lt. Colonel Elizabeth Golden, Sgt. Rachel Wright

Air Force National Guard:

Army: Wes Jarrell; Col. Stephen P. Dondero

Sgt. Keith Harris, Jr., Pvt. S. Allen, John Caccia; Stf. Sgt. Special Forces/Medic
Rusty Waymack, Sgt. Maj. Timothy M. Dobson; CWO Jason Heney; Stf. Sgt.
Richard Rivera, SPC Michael Ruga, Sgt. James Conklin; Lt. Nicolette B. Pizzo
2nd Lt. Angela Dalesandro

Coast Guard: BMC Matthew Coulter

Navy: Chief Dennis Lloyd, Seaman Garrett Nordberg
Captain Matthew Richmond

Marines: PFC William F. Butler, III, Lt. Col. Christopher Kuhlen Caldwell
PFC Elton King, LCpl Michael Quinlan

Festival Basket Raffle

We are in need of donations for our
Festival Basket Raffle.

All donations may be dropped off at the Parish office
Monday through Friday between 9AM & 5PM

Each year, the baskets become more unique and well designed
We look forward to this year's creations!!



The Altar Rosary Society
Lending Library Cart,
now located in the Reconciliation Room.

Sanctuary Lamp/OLP

**In Memory of
Jim Gerace**

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Lou & Joanne Tolotti

St. Padre Pio Candle

**In Memory of
Jane Pinotti**

Requested by
Maryann Tamagni

Sanctuary Lamp/St. Mary's

Special Intention for Family

Requested by
Saralyn Bergamo

**Flowers in Front of the
Holy Family**



The Altar Rosary Society
is conducting a fund raiser to honor the
memory of Fr. Peter Saporito.
The funds collected will be used to
update and improve the pond on the
grounds of Our Lady of Pompeii Church.
Checks should be made out to:

St. Padre Pio Parish, ARS and on the Memo line please write
"Pond". Many Thanks!



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Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?
Or are you already a baptized Catholic,
but have not yet received the sacraments of
First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation?

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process
by which one becomes a fully initiated member of the
Catholic Church. Participants can be those who are
baptized and have no Christian background, or those
who were baptized and raised in other Christian communities.
The class is also intended for baptized Catholics who have not
yet been Confirmed.

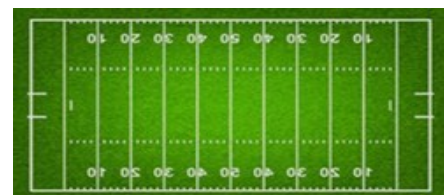
For more information please contact:
Fr. Joe at 609-790-4488



FOOTBALLMANIA

Kickoff September 10th, 2026

FOOTBALLMANIA tickets will be sold before and
after all Masses the
weekends of 8/22-23 and 8/29-30



The Women's Gospel Group

WHEN: MONDAYS

6:30-7:30pm OLOP Chapel

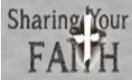
Are you looking for a way to strengthen
your relationship with our Lord?

Join our Women's Reflection Group / Faith Sharing for Women.

I invite you to join us as we pray, read, discuss, and reflect on the upcoming Gospel for the week, and share our experiences that shape, challenge, enhance, and strengthen our faith. Feel free to share or sit quietly and listen. If you can't make it every week, come when you can. For those of you who can't participate in person, please join us via Zoom! Please contact Patty Barse if interested at:

gospelreflection2023@gmail.com

and she will forward the Zoom link to you.



MUSIC MINISTRY

CHOIR SCHEDULE / 2026

MASSES: All Choir Masses are at 11:00AM

Unless otherwise noted

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS: Tuesdays at 7:00PM

Unless noted otherwise

CANTORS: Rehearsal after choir as needed

Choir Rehearsals will resume on

Tuesday, August 25th at 7:00PM

Choir Masses will resume on

Sunday, September 6th, 11:00 Mass



8/24 to 9/18 Annual Mum Sale
Friday, September 25 Mum Pick Up Day
Rosary Hall Grounds, St. Padre Pio Parish
10:30 AM unloading, 12 PM-4 PM Pick Up

STITCHING MINISTRY

The Padre Pio Stitching Ministry creates handmade items that bring comfort and share Christ's love throughout our community.

This past year, we donated baby hats to Inspira Hospital, Pet blankets for the South Jersey Regional SPCA, Hats, scarves and fingerless gloves to Code Blue, Lap blankets to the NJ Veterans Home, and Baby items and blankets to the NJ military support group.

Our Ministry meets on Fridays from 10AM til 12 Noon
in the Rectory of St. Padre Pio Parish,
4680 Dante Avenue, Vineland, N.J.

All skill levels are welcome!!

For more information call Paula @ 856-498-1730

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

JOHN 8:12

CCD 2026-2027

Classes for Religious Education will begin on
Tuesday, September 15th from 6pm until 7pm

Registration for St. Padre Pio Parish will be
take place in Rosary Hall

on Monday August 3rd & 10th from 5pm til 7:30pm

Registration for St Isidore will take place in St. Isidore
Parish office on Mondays 1pm to 3pm & Thursdays 3pm til 5pm



Prayer to Saint Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend
us in battle. Be our protection
against the wickedness and snares
of the devil.

May God rebuke him we humbly
pray; and do thou O Prince
of the Heavenly Host, by the
power of God, cast into hell
Satan and all the evil
spirits who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Come to Atlantic City for the Assumption August 15!

A tradition a thousand years in the making is coming to the heart of Atlantic City. Join the Parish of Saint Monica for the annual Wedding of the Sea on Saturday, August 15.

Experience the solemn Mass at the
Hard Rock Seminole Ballroom at 10 AM with Bishop Emeritus
Dennis Sullivan, followed by the iconic procession and ceremonial blessing of the Atlantic Ocean. For more information, please visit weddingofthesea.org to sponsor a program ad, to purchase buffet tickers or to learn more.

Join us as we honor Our Lady on her feast.



SAVE THE DATE

St. Padre Pio Festival Planning Meeting
Wednesday, August 19th, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

All Booth Captains are asked to please try & attend.

We are always in need of volunteers. If you
volunteered in 2025,

we look forward to seeing you again this year.

Festival Date: September 20th

Volunteer sign-up sheets will be available in June, however, if you wish to sign up now, you may call the Parish office M-F 9AM til 5PM
856-691-7526

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry

Just a short note to wish all a happy, healthy, fun-filled summer and to thank our parishioners for their continued giving spirit in fulfilling the needs of our Vineland pantry. Please remember, hunger does not disappear just because it's summer vacation! The white cart in the rectory vestibule awaits your donations.

"Love is the first ingredient in the relief of suffering." St. Padre Pio Parishioners...You're the best!!! Enjoy summer!

Questions: Carol DeBello 609 805-2693

Stewardship

Yearly Collection Goal: \$525,161.00
Weekly Collection Goal: \$10,940.00
Monthly Collection Goal: \$43,763.00
07/05: \$8,768.00 / 07/12: \$11,845.00
07/19: \$9,822.00 / 07/26: \$8,749.00

PARISH MEETINGS & EVENTS CALENDAR

St. Vincent de Paul / Place all donations in white cart in
Rectory vestibule

Bingo Support Preparation Team, Tuesdays, Rosary Hall, 10:00AM

08/10/26: Parish Council Meeting, Rectory, 7:00PM
08/12/26: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM
08/18/26: St. Joseph's Society, Monthly Meeting
Rosary Hall, 7:00PM (**CANCELLED**)
09/09/26: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM
09/15/26: St. Joseph's Society, Monthly Meeting
Rosary Hall, 7:00PM
10/14/26: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM
10/20/26: St. Joseph's Society, Monthly Meeting
Rosary Hall, 7:00PM



Desserts are needed for Café Pio at our annual St. Padre Pio Festival. Thanks in advance to all the wonderful bakers who take the time to make all of the delicious goodies. Drop off time and place will be given closer to the Festival date.

Due to Health Department Regulations, we are unable to accept any desserts that require refrigeration.



Christmas Bazaar
November 8th / 9am til 5pm
Rosary Hall / Cornucopia Avenue

Calling all crafters
Contact: Marie Kammerdiener
856-265-6839

Raffle Baskets needed!!!
Planning Meeting

Tuesday, August 11th / Rosary Hall 7PM



SODA & BOTTLED WATER DRIVE

We are asking for donations of cans of soda
Regular and Diet (Coke, Pepsi, Ginger Ale etc.) and
bottled water for our Festival in September.

The next time you go shopping, don't go past the soda &
water aisle without thinking **"festival"**.

Please drop off all donations in the Rectory vestibule.

THANK YOU!!!!!!



Additional floor personnel are needed
for our Friday night Bingo 5PM until 9PM.
Any amount of time you can volunteer is
greatly appreciated.
For Information call Aileen Seigfried:
609-214-0792



Bingo Night
Friday, August 7th
St. Padre Pio Parish
Rosary Hall
Doors open at 5:00PM
Bingo starts at 7:00PM



"Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in
the joys of
Heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave
Shepherd has gone before."
**Heavenly Father we ask you to send laborers
into your harvest**
Inspire, in the hearts of your people, vocations to the
priesthood, diaconate and religious life.
Bless our families with a spirit of generosity. So that
those whom you call have the courage to give themselves
to your Church in faith. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

If you feel that you have a burning desire to help people get
closer to Christ and to know the Truth, then perhaps you have a
vocation to the priesthood. If you feel like God is calling you,
call our vocations director Father Joseph Szolack at:
Joseph.Szolack@camdendiocese.org

ATTENTION ALL 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Students

If you would like to work the Padre Pio Festival this year & would
like to earn service hours for Confirmation, please call the parish
office at
856-691-7526

Volunteer sheets are also available in the vestibule of OLP



Rosary Making Made Easy

Please join us in Rosary Hall
Thursday, August 13th
12 noon or 7PM
No experience necessary
Instructions will be provided



Traveling Mary Statue

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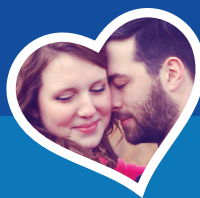
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