Saint Padre Pio Parish The Diocesan Shrine of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

August 24, 2025 -21st Sunday In Ordinary Time



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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00PM Sunday 7:30, 9:00,11:00AM

Holy Child Chapel/OLP

Monday thru Friday 9:00AM til 5:00PM

Recitation of the Rosary

every Monday 10:00AM

Mass Schedule

Mon: w/MM Novena & Mass/7:00PM Thurs: w/PP Novena & Mass 7:00PM

St. Mary

736 Union Road Vineland, N.J. 08361

Mass Schedule

Tues: 8:15AM Wed: 8:15AM

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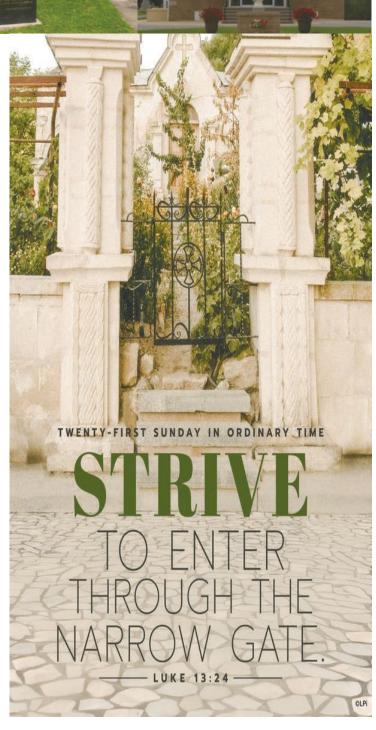
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No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church; no matter your family or marital status; no matter where you are in the practice of faith; no matter your personal history, age, or background; no matter what your self-image may be; YOU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



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 23rd 5:00pm/OLP

Sunday, August 24th 7:30am/OLP

9:00am/OLP

11:00am/OLP

Monday, August 25th 7:00pm/HCC Mass w/MM Novena Tuesday, August 26th 8:15am/StM

Wednesday, August 27th 8:15am/StM

Thursday, August 28th 7:00pm/HCC Mass w/PP Novena Friday, August 29th 8:15am/StM

Saturday, August 30th 5:00pm/OLP

Vigil
Helen Coia
By Lou & Jen Sacco
Nina Lascari

By Steve & Gerry Volpe 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

People of the Parish Marguerita Perez

By Margaret & Ignatius Bik

& Family
Larry Hennessy
By Jeannine Hennessy
(Loving Wife)
Edward Bachinsky

By Wilfred Bertonazzi & Sons

Robert Casazza
By Cecelia Bachinsky
David Franceschini, Sr.
By Fred & Joan Richmond
James Bertonazzi

By Mr. & Mrs. Paul Bertonazzi

Mary Di Palma
By MaryJane Kendall
Vincent James Mesiano
By Loving Wife Margaret
John F. Rotelle, Jr.

By Michael F. Robb & Robert May

Lamarr Stanker

By Bruce & Linda Tiemann

Rita Quinn

By Humberto & Elvira Pinzon

Weekday **Doreen Spinelli**

By Carol & Jack Gribble Weekday

Peter Konopatski, Jr.

By Loving Wife Patricia & Family St. Monica

Maria Ciancaglini

By Rich & Andrea Cheli

St. Augustine

Angela Conte

By The Walsh Family

Passion of St. John the Baptist

Walter Badaracco

By The Piccioni Family

Vigil

People of the Parish Micheal Rodevick

By Joe Mish

Diane Marie Vitarelli

By Anna Conover

Salvatore Edward Giglio

By Paula Gruccio

Stanley J. McMahan, Jr.

By The McMahan Family

Helen Coia

By Arthur & Denise Smaniotto

Albert E. Casper, Sr.

By Rich & Andrea Cheli & Family

Todd Rakotz

By Dan DeTetta & Tarryn Hofstetter

Sunday, August 31st 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am/OLP Edward Bachinsky

11:00am/OLP

By Margaret & Ignatius Bik & Family

9:00am/OLP Lamarr Stanker

By Ed & Saralyn
Charles Bylone

By Pete & Mannetta Bylone

With Opened Bible / Universality of Salvation Fr. Dimitri

"And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God."

This Sunday's first reading and Gospel lead us to reflect on the purpose and recipients of the salvation proclaimed in Jesus Christ. The Holy Scriptures teach that God chose Israel to be his firstborn out of all the nations of the earth. (Cf. Exodus 4:22) To him belong adoption, promises, covenants, worship, and glory. (Cf. Romans 9:4) Jesus himself also declared to the Samaritan woman that "salvation is from the Jews" (John 4:22). Considering all this truth about Israel's election, can we say that the rest of the world doesn't matter?

The answer is no. Since the beginning, the prophets have consistently proclaimed the universality of salvation. The Greek word for universality is "katolikos," which means "offered to all." Isaiah sang of this universal participation in salvation when he said: "In days to come, the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest mountain and raised above the hills. All nations shall stream toward it. Many people shall come and say: "Come, let us go up to the LORD's mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he can instruct us in his ways, and we can walk in his paths." (Isaiah 2:1-3) Let us note carefully that the word "nations" is in the plural (which means all pagan peoples). All are invited to celebrate God's salvation, but Israel is the spiritual leader. "I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." (Isaiah 49:6)

With Jesus, this invitation becomes more vibrant through his death on the cross. He becomes the sign of God's love for the whole earth: "God so loved the world he gave his only begotten Son" (John 3:16). He loved the world so much (not just Israel). Thus, Jesus makes his death a universal (catholic) act to carry out the divine plan for the world. At the end of his ministry, he will reiterate this idea of the universality of salvation to his apostles: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." (Matthew 28,19-20) So it will be for the eternal banquet: "And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at the table in the kingdom of God." (Luke 13, 29) But even thou, Israel will be the last to answer and the nations will precede her. "Some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."



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:**September 3, 2025

October 1, 2025

Please call the Parish office to sign up for class. (856) 691-7526

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, Boone Bautro, Justin Bellusci, Peggy Beninati Gary Bertonazzi, Jacob Bocchicchio, Miriam Brimlow, Robert Bubel Stanley "Lee" Burke, Nick Calio, Shanna Lamcken-Capelli, Lois S. Cassisi, Charles Cestaro, Sr., Sherry Cestaro, Andrea Cheli, Theodore Conrad Harry Curley, Sr., Jim Daly, Anthony Damato, Annette Domassi Anne M. Dondero, Agnes Dondero, Hannah Elbuef, Katie Faldetta Donald Fiocchi, Sr., Linda Gallina, Patricia Gandy, Madeline Graciolett Howard Hammerstedt, Leokadia Krawczyk, Ida Larkins Lucille Magolda Charles Maines, Emil Milano, Kathy Milano Paul Milano, Sr., Paul Milano, Jr. Rita Milano, Victoria Milano, John McKown, Jr. Jim McMahan, Rose Molner Mary Polizzi, Phil Polizzi, Gerardo Procopio, Maria Procopio, Mae Reilly Karen Richmond, Trinity Ruga, Jessica Flaim-Salerno, Bill Semus Beverly Smaniotto, Dorothy Smaniotto, Paula Smaniotto, Richard Smaniotto Sharon Speziali, Michele Sutter, Gloria Ventura, Maryann Walz Christopher Waxmonsky



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Airman Dominic DiGiovacchino
Captain Rocco Sangataldo, Gen. Michael A. Fantini, Sr.,
Lt. Colonel Elizabeth Golden, Sgt. Rachel Wright
Air Force National Guard: MSGT. Joseph R. Tolotti

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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

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PFC Elton King, LCpl Michael Quinlan



CONFIRMATION

The Diocese has informed us that Confirmation for St. Padre Pio Parish will take place at Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, November 1st at 10am & 12pm.

Receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Wisdom, Understanding Counsel, Fortitude Knowledge, Piety, Fear of God Sanctuary Lamp/St. Mary's

Sanctuary Lamp/OLP

In Memory of Michael Marino

Requested by Jackie Eilenberg

St. Padre Pio Candle

Flowers in front of the Holy Family



FINAL MEETING

St. Padre Pio Festival Planning Meeting **Monday, September 8,** Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

CCD Registrations 2025-2026 School Year

Scan QR code to register!

Paper copies available in church rectory Children going into 1st grade-8th grade

Cost: \$90 first child / \$140 for two children / \$200 for three or more children

After August 1-September 30th: late fee of \$20 per child!

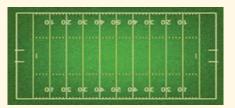
NO ONE accepted after 09/30/2025!





FOOTBALLMANIA Kickoff September 4th, 2025

FOOTBALLMANIA tickets will be sold before and after all Masses the weekends of 8/23-24 and 8/30-31



STITCHING MINISTRY

Join us as we knit & crochet together Fridays 10AM til 12PM Rectory / 4680 Dante Ave. Vineland, N.J. For information call Paula at 856-498-1730

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.



Women's Gospel Reflection Facilitator: Patty Barse Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30pm Holy Child Chapel 4680 Dante Avenue Vineland, N.J.

Join us as we pray and share stories of our journey in faith, reflecting on the upcoming Gospel.

You may also join us via Zoom.

All are encouraged and welcome to attend If interested, please contact:

Patty Barse at Gospelreflection2023@gmail.com or 609-381-9187



Many families will be away on vacation during the summer months. However, our expenses do not go away during that time. Our operating expenses continue throughout the year. Please know that your weekly contributions during those low cash

flow months is needed and greatly appreciated.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry

Happy summer from your friends at St. Vincent de Paul pantry. FYI...we have a new food donation receptacle located in the rectory vestibule. No longer will we refer to the "Blue Box" now it will be the "White Cart". Now all we have to do is fill it! Your donations are always needed and much appreciated. Nonperishable goods, toiletries, all the usual items and canned tuna fish would be gratefully accepted. Thank you for your continued generous support. God bless you always in all ways! Parishioners...YOU'RE THE BEST!



Baptism

This week we welcome Josephine Gloria Morales Jargowsky to the Church and our St. Padre Pio parish family.

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHOIR SCHEDULE / 2025-2026

MASSES: All Masses are at 11:00AM unless noted otherwise

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS: Tuesdays at 7:00PM
unless noted otherwise
CANTORS: Rehearsal after choir as needed
CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME: Tuesday, August 26th/ 7:00PM

Choir Masses Resume Sunday, September 7th / 11AM



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Are you interested in becoming Catholic?
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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



Advancement Assistant St. Mary School Vineland

is seeking a part time Advancement Assistant to join our dynamic team. The position offers Monday through Friday hours from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, with avenings and weekender required for special events.

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Ideal candidates will have strong secretarial skills and be proficient in Microsoft Excel, Word, and Google Suite. We are looking for someone who is organized, detail-oriented, eager to learn, and enjoys working collaboratively in a fast-paced, mission-driven environment.

If you are a team player with a positive attitude and a desire to grow, we encourage you to apply! Please send your resume to Mr. Steven Hogan, Principal (principal@smrschool.org).

Altar Rosary Society Annual Breakfast Meeting

Saturday, September 6th / 10:30am to 12:30pm Green Olive Restaurant 3513 S. Delsea Drive, Vineland

All women of the parish are invited to attend. Come for fellowship and leave with new friends and renewed faith. The breakfast will follow the 9am Mass at St. Mary's Church / Cost of the breakfast is \$24.00

Guest Speaker: Mr. Brendan D. Towell, a highly passionate and respected educational leader with particular training and experience in Catholic secondary schools.

Reservation forms are available in the vestibule of OLP church and in the Rectory office.

Collection totals for: 8/17
Weekly Collection: 8/17: \$8,597.00
Monthly Collection: August (In Pew): \$23,322.54
Weekly Collection Goal: \$10,000.00

Total Monthly Collection Goal: \$40,000.00 Candles: 8/17: \$341.00

PARISH MEETINGS & EVENTS CALENDAR

St. Vincent de Paul / Place all donations in blue box in Rectory vestibule Bingo Support Preparation Team, Tuesdays, Rosary Hall, 10:00AM

09/10/25: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

09/16/25: St. Joseph's Society, Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

10/08/25: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

10/21/25: St. Joseph's Society, Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

11/12/25: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

11/18/25: St. Joseph's Society, Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

12/10/25: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

12/16/25: St. Joseph's Society, Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM



August 29th, 2025 St. Padre Pio Parish Rosary Hall BINGO

Doors open at 5:00PM / Bingo starts at 7:00PM



Wanted Kitchen Workers for Bingo
Where: Rosary Hall
When: Fridays from 4:30pm until 8:30pm or
anytime in between
If you are able to give some time to
help serve our many Bingo players,
please contact: Leslie Trucano at
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Far to often in prayer, we tell God what we think He wants to hear, presenting ourselves as pious; things that seem messy, dirty, or unkept in our lives, we sweep under the carpet. But this is so much nonsense. Take a good, prayerful look at Psalm 139: "O Lord, you have searched me & known me." (Ps. 139:1) Tell the Lord what's

happening in your life-the good, the bad, & the ugly. Tell Him what's frightening you & what's depressing you. Confess your sins before Him in the manner of David & Peter, & tell Him how guilty you feel when you sin. There is a lot of talk of tears in the Bible; in fact, the saints speak of the "gift of tears." If anything shows that you're not just going through the motions, this is it.



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.

Please drop off all donations in the Rectory vestibule.

THANK YOU!!!!!

ATTENTION ALL 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 Our Lady of Pompeii Church Please return the completed form to the Parish office.

Festival Basket Raffle

We are well on our way to having many beautiful baskets for the Festival Raffle.

We are in need of empty baskets to fill. If you have a basket or baskets in good condition and would like to donate them, we will gladly see that they get a good home.



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.

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

ATTENTION FESTIVAL BOOTH CAPTAINS

The next festival planning meeting will be on **Monday, September 8th** in Rosary Hall.

Booth Captains , please submit your list of supplies needed for the day of the Festival.

Please drop off the list to the Parish office.

Our goal is to have your supplies available for you the day of the Festival to avoid unnecessary stress and insure proper use of your valuable time.

Thank you for all you do each year to make the festival a success!



St. Mary School Grandparents' Association
Mum Sale
August 25th til September 19th
Order forms available in August / OLP vestibule
& on the school website
Cost: \$9.00 per Mum
Pick-up September 26th, Rosary Hall
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