

Saint Padre Pio Parish

The Diocesan Shrine of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

September 20, 2026–25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4680 Dante Avenue
Vineland, NJ 08361



Rev. Joseph F. Ganiel Pastor, Rector
Parochial Vicar Rev. Dimitri Demesmin
Deacon Richard T. Sampson

Church of Our Lady of Pompeii

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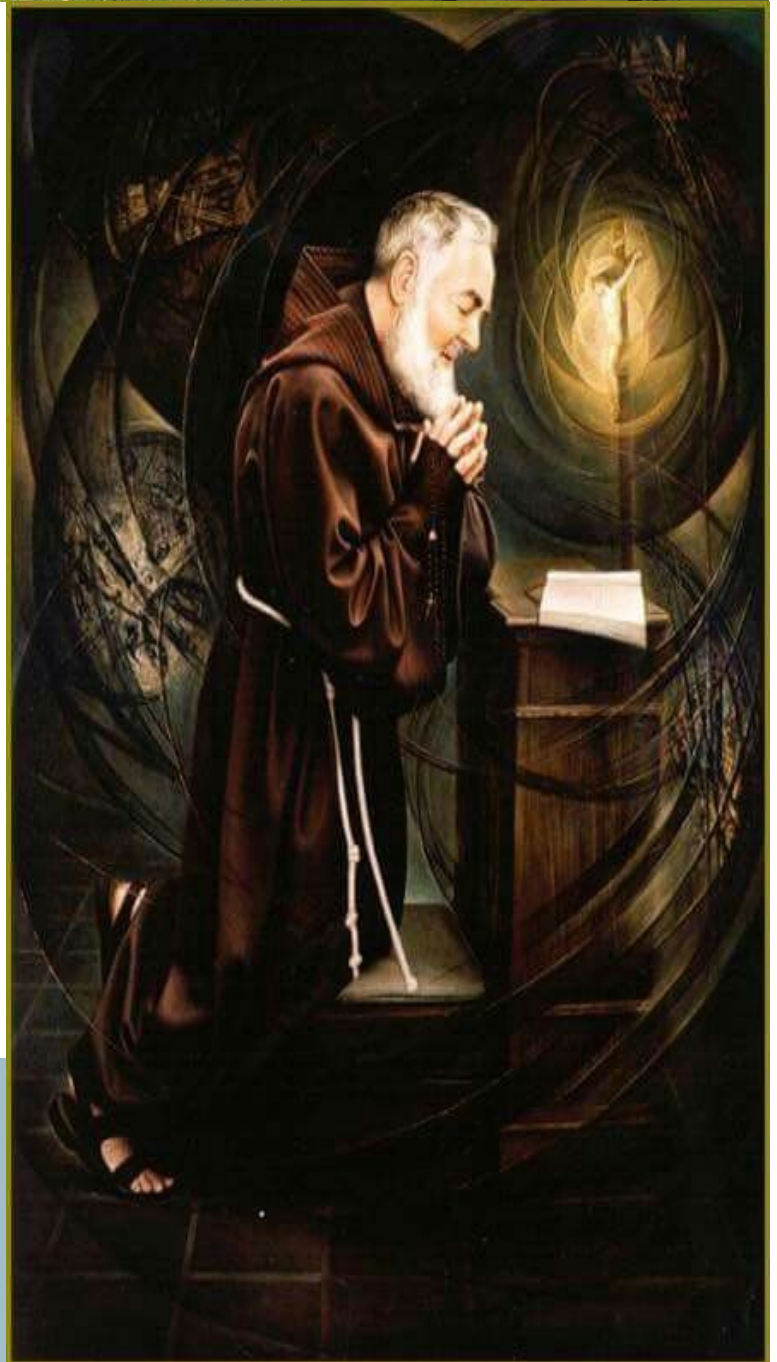
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No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church; no matter your family or marital status; no matter where you are in the practice of faith; no matter your personal history, age, or background; no matter what your self-image may be; YOU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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 19th Vigil
5:00pm/OLP
Madeline Oertle
By Loving Husband Frank

Sunday, September 20th 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am/OLP
People of the Parish
Fr. Peter Saporito
By Pete & Mannelita Bylone
Gennaro Bifulco
By Margaret & Ignatius Bik & Family
Nancy Lynn Asselta
By Donnie & Judy Fiocchi
Josephine Hofstetter
By Silvio Belfi & Phyllis Rambone
Michele Sutter
By Ignatius & Margaret Bik & Family
Bucky Lynch
By Helen Levvari & Family
Louis Scattolini
By Lou & Joye Scattolini
Jose Matos
By Lou & Joanne Tolotti
Rev. Peter Saporito
By Bruce & Linda Tiemann
Dolores, Catherine & Michael Gardella
By Albert & Judy Tamagni
St. Matthew
Rawley Heibel, Sr.
By The Heibel Family

Monday, September 21st
8:15am/StM
Weekday
Charles E. Derr
By Loving Wife & Sons

Tuesday, September 22nd
8:15am/StM
St. Padre Pio
In Thanksgiving to St. Padre Pio
By Celinda Santillan

Wednesday, September 23rd
8:15am/StM
Weekday
Leo Coslop
By Children & grandchildren
Padre Pio Novena & Benediction

Thursday, September 24th
8:15am/StM
Weekday
Rosa Martinez & Philip Grimshaw
By Humberto & Elvira Pinzon

Friday, September 25th
9:15am/School
Vigil
People of the Parish
John Dalesandro "Bunky"
By Brian & Lisa Simpkins & Family
Catherine McMahan
By Camie DeCriscio
Barbara Joan Nicolosi
By Brother Richard Ferrante
Bohdan Herbowy
By Richard & Janet Sampson
Madeline Oertle
By Frank & Staci Oertle
Louis Ferrari, Jr.
By Paul, Kim, Nick & Anthony Abrams
Helene Falasca
By Bob, Janice & Family
Charles Maines, Sr.
By Aileen & Jason Seigfried
Jose Matos
By Jim & Eileen McMahan

Genevieve Carbonara

By Mary & Phil Polizzi

Sunday, September 27th 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am/OLP

Gennaro Bifulco

By Mark & Jessica Benedetto & Family

9:00am/OLP

Julio Alvarez, Sr., Nelson Alvarez & Steven Alvarez

By Mother & sister

11:00am/OLP

Fr. Peter Saporito

By Gerard & Jadwiga Lotkowski

With Opened Bible / Fr. Dimitri 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Are you envious because I am generous?"

Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.

"(Matthew 20.,16)

This Sunday's Gospel invites us to reflect on the concept of divine generosity. Throughout the Bible, this idea reveals the love and compassion of the God who creates, protects, saves, and above all, offers eternal life to all in Jesus.

In the Old Testament, this generosity is manifested through promises dependent on the covenant. He promises to make Abraham and his descendants a great nation (Genesis 12:2-3). In his relationship with Israel fleeing slavery in Egypt, he demonstrates his providence through the gift of manna and bread (Exodus 16:12-15).

In the New Testament, this generosity finds its expression in the gift of the Person of Christ the Savior. Spiritual blessings are offered to all believers (Ephesians 1:3). In Jesus, the providential God gives us everything without expecting anything in return. (Romans 8:32)

This Sunday's Gospel emphasizes this divine generosity through the parable of the laborers who entered His service at different times. This passage of Holy Scripture is none other than the revelation of the universal grace promised to all.

For Jesus (who represents the master who hires), all are called to serve Him, even when they do so at different times. God's service in this world will not be rewarded by the number of hours, days, or years spent, but by the quality of the service. The last will be first, and the first will be last. God's gift to faithful servants is eternal life, and this grace knows no bounds or distinctions.



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:**

October 7, 2026

November 4, 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
Anne M. Donder, Agnes Dondero, Hannah Elbuef, Katie Faldetta, James Farrell, Jean Fanucci, Donald Fiocchi, Sr., Linda Gallina, Patricia Gandy, Larry Gray, Shirley Gray, Mary Gruccio, Howard Hammerstedt Leokadia Krawczyk
Henry Lamb, Dominic Loperuolo, Lucille Magolda, 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, Sharon Speziali, Carol Suppa, Pat Tirelli, Gloria Ventura, Christopher Waxmonsky, Eddie R. Williams

God Bless Our Women & Men in Service

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Lt. Colonel Elizabeth Golden, Sgt. Rachel Wright

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Rusty Waymack, Sgt. Maj. Timothy M. Dobson; CWO Jason Heney; Stf. Sgt.

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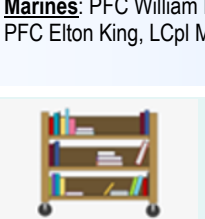
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Captain Matthew Richmond

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PFC Elton King, LCpl Michael Quinlan



The Altar Rosary Society
Lending Library Cart, is now
located next to the Reconciliation Room.



Traveling Mary Statue

There is a sign out book on the cabinet on the choir side in the back of the church. Feel free to sign up in advance. A wonderful way to honor Our Lady



The updating & improvement of the pond is under way. Stop by and have look. The completed project will help to honor Fr. Peter Saporito. Checks should be made out to St. Padre Pio Parish, ARS. On the Memo line please write "Pond".
Many Thanks!

Sanctuary Lamp/OLP

In Memory of Fr. Peter Saporito

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Special Intention

Requested by
Nicole Stringari

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Flowers in Front of the Holy Family



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Are you interested in becoming Catholic?
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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.

Classes begin on October 5th

For more information please contact:

Fr. Joe at 609-790-4488



FOOTBALLMANIA
Stay tuned for the names of
the lucky winners. Maybe it will be you!!
GOOD LUCK!!!



Bishop Joseph A. Williams
will be administering the
Sacrament of Confirmation
at St. Padre Pio Parish
Our Lady of Pompeii Church
on Tuesday, September 29, 2026
at 5PM.

Congratulations to our Confirmandi

May the Holy Spirit give you grace,
strength, and guidance
as you live out your faith.

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 / 2026/2027

MASSES: All Choir Masses are at 11:00AM

Unless otherwise noted

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS: Tuesdays at 7:00PM

***There will be an Adult Choir Rehearsal
on Monday, September 28th at 7:00PM

CANTORS: Rehearsal after choir as needed

Choir Masses

Sunday September 20th, Bishop Williams, Celebrant
September 27th



8/24 to 9/18 Annual Mum Sale
Friday, September 25 Mum Pick Up Day
Rosary Hall Grounds, St. Padre Pio Parish
Cost: \$9.00 / 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.

LOCATION CHANGE!!

**Beginning Friday, September 4th our ministry will meet
from 10AM til 12 Noon in Rosary Hall
next to the Grotto on Cornucopia Avenue**

All skill levels are welcome!!

For more information call Paula @ 856-498-1730



Bishop Joseph Williams has graciously accepted our invitation to celebrate the 11AM Mass on Sunday, September 20th, the day of our annual Padre Pio Festival. Please join us in welcoming the Bishop to our parish community.

The Italian Mass will take place at 2PM in Our Lady of Pompeii Church the day of the Festival with Fr. Sinatra as the main celebrant.



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



Baptism

On September 6th
we welcomed
Alyssa Hazel Congiu
to the Church and our
St. Padre Pio parish family.

Thought for the Week

Let us always keep before our eyes the fact that here on earth we are on a battlefield & that in paradise we shall receive the crown of victory; that this is a testing ground, & the prize will be awarded up above; that we are now in a land of exile, while our true homeland is heaven, to which we must continually aspire. Let us live, then,... with a lively faith, a firm hope, and an ardent love, with eyes fixed on heaven & the keenest desire, as long as we are travelers, to dwell one day in heaven whenever this is pleasing to God.

St. Padre Pio

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

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry

Fall is nearly here...summer fun is a mere memory! You have been most generous during the summer months providing food and clothing to our SVdP clients. During the month of September we would like to distribute toothpaste to our clients and during October laundry detergent. Our regular needs include canned tuna, mac 'n cheese, canned veggies, canned ravioli and cereal for kids. As always, thank you for your generosity. Reminder: September 27th is the feast day of St. Vincent de Paul, please pray for his intercession to our Father for the continued success of the Vineland pantry in feeding the needy of our community.

"We should spend as much time in thanking God for His benefits as we do in asking Him for them!" St. Vincent de Paul. We at the Vineland pantry thank God for all of you! Parishioners...You're the Best!

Questions: Carol DeBello 609 805-2693

Stewardship

Yearly Collection Goal: \$525,161.00
Weekly Goal: \$10,940.00 / Monthly Goal: \$43,763.00
09/06/26: \$9,163.00

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

10/03 & 04/26: ARS St. Francis Pet Food Drive for
Associated Humane Societies South Jersey
10/12/26: Parish Council Meeting, Rectory, 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
11/11/26: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM
11/17/26: St. Joseph's Society, Monthly Meeting
Rosary Hall, 7:00PM



Christmas Bazaar

November 8th / 9am til 5pm
Rosary Hall / Cornucopia Avenue
Calling all crafters
Contact: Marie Kammerdiener
856-265-6839

Raffle Baskets needed!!!
Meeting September 22nd
Rosary Hall / 7PM



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, September 25th
St. Padre Pio Parish
Rosary Hall
Doors open at 5:00PM
Bingo starts at 7:00PM



Lectors

If you are 15 years of age or older, a fully initiated practicing Catholic
who has received Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation,
Deacon Rich wants you! Training is provided.

Please prayerfully consider becoming a proclaimer of the Word
by bringing the Sacred Scriptures to life for your parish community.

For more information please call the parish office at
856-691-7526



We invite all those not enrolled in our Preschool
Program to come and celebrate Story Time with us. The
program begins at 9:30 AM and goes until 10:30 AM.
Children will listen to a story, have a snack, make a
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gather & socialize. This year we will be returning with the same
goal, to provide a place for parents to relax with a warm cup of
coffee & a snack.

No agenda, no pressure. Come talk, sit quietly, or just relax for a
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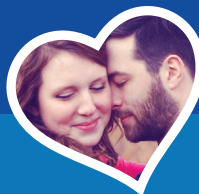
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