

Saint Padre Pio Parish

The Diocesan Shrine of St. Pio of Pietrelcina

September 27, 2026–26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4680 Dante Avenue
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Parochial Vicar Rev. Dimitri Demesmin
Deacon Richard T. Sampson

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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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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." - Mt 21:31

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, September 26th Vigil
5:00pm/OLP
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

Monday, September 28th Weekday
8:15am/StM
Jack Gribble, Sr.
By Carol & Jack Gribble

Tuesday, September 29th Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael
8:15am/StM
James Pagliughi
By Michele D'Angelo

Wednesday, September 30th St. Jerome
8:15am/StM
**Thomas P. Farnoly
(10 Anniversary)**
By Donalyn & Jim Grace

Thursday, October 1st St. Therese of the Child Jesus
8:15am/StM
Hedwig Lindner & Tillie Coslop
By Children & grandchildren

7:00pm/HCC
Friday, October 2nd
9:15am/School
Padre Pio Novena & Benediction
First Friday / Holy Guardian Angels
Fr. Peter Saporito
By Rich & Andrea Cheli & Family

Saturday, October 3rd First Saturday/Vigil
9:00am/StM
Josephine Hofstetter
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Bertonazzi

5:00pm/OLP
Madeline Oertle
By Loving Husband Frank

Sunday, October 4th 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am/OLP
Mary Carbaugh
By Shane Carbaugh

9:00am/OLP
People of the Parish
Juan Miguel Gutierrez
By Family

Rocco, Alice & Dr. Ron Magolda
By Fran & Nick Magolda
Gene Lagerholm
By Angela Hess
Jose Matos
By Jim & Eileen McMahan
**Margaret & Ignatius Bik
(36th Wedding Anniversary)**
Steven DePalma
By Nick & Sharon Bertonazzi
Michele Sutter
By K of C Council #6621
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Elizabeth Caruso
By Gail Marino
Brian Riggins
By The Massaro Family
Fr. Peter Saporito
By Judy & Vincent Sacco

11:00am/OLP

With Opened Bible / Fr. Dimitri 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Amen, I say to you,
tax collectors and prostitutes
are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Matthew 21,31)
Jesus declares that tax collectors and prostitutes will enter
the kingdom ahead of so-called believers.
Why such a declaration?
The answer to this question lies in the rest of the discourse:
"When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you
did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did.
Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your
minds and believe him." (Matthew 21:32)
Believe! Believing in Jesus goes hand in hand with listening
to His Word. For it is written: "Not everyone who says to me,
'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the
one who does the will of my Father in heaven." (Matthew 7:21)
To do the will of God, one must listen to His words.
In Sunday's Gospel, the son who said "no" is the one who
changed his mind and did what the Father wanted of him. No
one can please God without faith (Hebrews 11:6), and faith
requires listening to His Word (John 10:27).
We can better understand why Jesus was so harsh with the
Jewish crowds. They pretended to believe but did not listen.
Tax collectors and prostitutes were looked down upon in
Jesus' time. Yet, their strength lay in listening to the Word.
Consequently, they will enter the kingdom ahead of those
who claim to believe in Jesus but do not obey Him.
Indeed, the word of saint Paul to the Romans joins that idea
of listening to show faith: "Thus faith comes from what is
heard, and what is heard comes through the word of
Christ." (Romans 10,17)

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

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

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

Richard Rivera, SPC Michael Ruga, Sgt. James Conklin; Lt. Nicolette B. Pizzo

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Navy: Chief Dennis Lloyd, Seaman Garrett Nordberg

Captain Matthew Richmond

Marines: PFC William F. Butler, III, Lt. Col. Christopher Kühlen Caldwell

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 a 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

Special Intention

Requested by
Camille DeCriscio

Sanctuary Lamp/St. Mary's

Anthony Damato

Requested by
The Carlson Family

St. Padre Pio Candle

**Flowers in Front of the
Holy Family**



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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.

Classes begin on October 5th

For more information please contact:

Fr. Joe at 609-790-4488



FOOTBALLMANIA

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR
1st Week Winner
Thomas Hayes**



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.



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



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

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

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

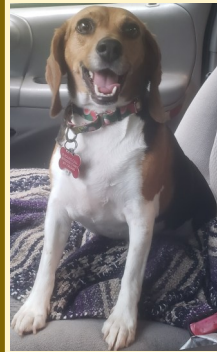
CANTORS: Rehearsal after choir as needed

Choir Masses

September 27th 11:00AM / OLP

October 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th 11:00AM / OLP

All Choir Rehearsals Tuesdays 7:00PM



St. Padre Pio Altar Rosary Society
Annual St. Francis Pet Food Drive
will take place on October 3rd & 4th

In honor of St. Francis, Allie McBeagle
will be hosting the
Blessing of the Animals

immediately following the 11:00AM
Mass / OLP

Sunday, October 4th in the
Garden of Saints



**St. Padre Pio
Festival
2026**

Watch the
Bulletin over
the next few
weeks for
pictures
from our recent
Padre Pio
Festival



Stewardship

Yearly Collection Goal: \$525,161.00
Weekly Goal: \$10,940.00 / Monthly Goal: \$43,763.00
09/06/26: \$9,163.00 / 09/13/26: \$7,459.00
09/20/26: \$8,085.00

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 are needed!!!

Baked Goods

We are also in need of Shoprite Gift Cards
to purchase ingredients for
our home made soups
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, October 2nd
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
craft or play a game with our preschool class. It is a
perfect time to see what our Preschool program is like.
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Last year we created "The Cenacle" as a meeting for parents to
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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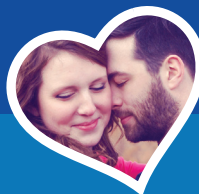
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