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

May 18, 2025 – Fifth Sunday of Easter



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#### Church of Our Lady of Pompeii

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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

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#### 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 St. Mary School

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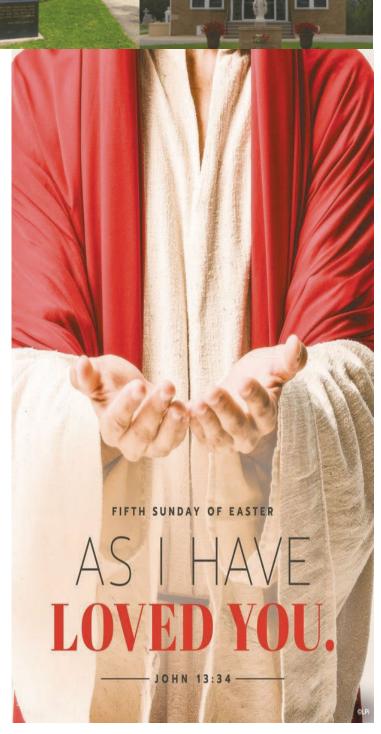
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#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, May 17th 5:00pm/OLP

Sunday, May 18th 7:30am/OLP

9:00am/OLP

11:00am/OLP

Monday, May 19th 7:00pm/HCC Mass w/MM Novena

Tuesday, May 20th 8:15am/StM

Wednesday, May 21st 8:15am/StM

Thursday, May 22nd 7:00pm/HCC Mass w/PP Novena Friday, May 23rd 8:15am/StM

Saturday, May 24th 5:00pm/OLP

Sunday, May 25th 7:30am/OLP

9:00am/OLP

11:00am/OLP

Vigil

Marie Marolda

By Karen

Fifth Sunday of Easter

People of the Parish **Debra Monteleone** By Lucille Smaniotto Dr. Anna C. Giacalone By Robert & Donna Cleveland

**Catherine Rubino** 

By Margaret & Ignatius Bik

& Family

Leonard Dolson, Sr. By Wife Maria & Family Bruno Tramontana

By Margaret & Ignatius Bik

& Family Carla Tolotti

By Ann, Louis, Lisa, Robert

& Families

Mike Duffek, Helen Rahn

& Ethel Farrell

By Loving Wife & sister Ruth

Easter Weekday **Special Intention** By a Parishioner

Jeanne Testa

By Carol & Jack Gribble Easter Weekday

**David Levari** By Joe & Susan Tolotti

Easter Weekday

**Steven Martini** 

By Rich & Andrea Cheli & Family St. Rita of Cascia

**Bruno & Katherine Mattioli** 

By Gerry Quinlan & Family Easter Weekday

Walter A. Badaracco

By Dennis Badaracco Vigil

People of the Parish

John & Anna Franceschini By Marie Franceschini & Family

Daniel Biagi, Sr.

By Jimmy & Lorraine Halferty

Gerald Amari By Sandra Pantalione

Louis Amico

By Joseph & Bernadette Battistini

Rita Castellini By Judy Agostini Walter Badaracco By John Kinka

Sixth Sunday of Easter

**Debra Monteleone** By Mardi Palmer Barbara Carli

By Steve, Patty, Carina & Cara Barse Frank Giordano (15th Anniversary)

By Carmela, Paula, Michael

& Family

#### With Opened Bible Fr. Dimitri

On this fifth Sunday of Easter, Jesus bestows upon us a new commandment: to love one another.

This commandment, though seemingly ancient in the context of the Law of Moses, carries a profound novelty. 'Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against your own people. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.' (Leviticus 19:18) This commandment, however, is not limited by blood ties or citizenship. It is a universal call to love, embracing all of humanity.

It's all in the context. When it comes to the Bible, a text taken out of context can become a pretext.

According to the Law of Leviticus, love of neighbor was limited by blood ties. The neighbor I must love and protect is a citizen of my people. Moses gave the Law, but Israel in the flesh received it. Thus, loving one's neighbor went hand in hand with protecting one's compatriot. 'No grudge, no revenge against your own people.' That love was a close circle. But with Jesus, this circle of love expands, transcending all boundaries and becoming a universal concept.

However, Jesus came to save humanity, not just the Jews. The grace of the Gospel was given to all nations. (Let us recall the reception of the Gospel by the pagans in Acts 13:46.) Saint John confirms this universality of salvation when he declares, "God so loved the world (nations), he gave his only begotten Son." (John 3:16) By loving the whole world, Jesus' new commandment becomes a universal commandment.

From now on, he who loves must be able to love everyone without discrimination. According to Gospel criteria, love of neighbor goes beyond boundaries of race, color, language, or religion. We have, for example, the Good Samaritan who comes to the aid of a man who does not love him because of his Samaritan origins. (Cf. Luke 10:25-37) Love knows no bounds. It is catholic, that is, universal. This is the challenge that Jesus presents to us, to love without discrimination, to love as He loves.

Let us be Catholic like the love of Christ to evangelize and save all humanity.



#### 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:** 

June 4, 2025 July 2, 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, Shanna Lamcken-Capelli 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 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, Dorothy Smaniotto Paula Smaniotto, Sharon Speziali, Gloria Ventura, Maryann Walz Christopher Waxmonsky



#### 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: MSGT. Joseph R. Tolotti

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

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Captain Matthew Richmond

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#### **Parish Report**

5/09/2025/Total Raised: \$52,967.00 / 55.3%

Easter Duty Obligation: After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the Obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This Precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, March 9, 2025 to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, June 15, 2025.

Sanctuary Lamp/St. Mary's

Sanctuary Lamp/OLP

In Loving Memory of Jeanette DeSimone

Requested by Betty Boughton

St. Padre Pio Candle

In Memory of Lamarr Stanker

Requested by Adelyne Covi

Flowers in front of the Holy Family

In Loving Memory of Mike, Helen & Ethel



#### **SAVE THE DATE**

St. Padre Pio Festival Planning Meeting **Wednesday May 28**, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM We are always in need of volunteers. If you

volunteered in 2024, we look forward to seeing you again this year.

Festival Date: September 21st

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



Pope Leo XIV

#### **Prayer for the Holy Father**

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Leo XIV whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Amen



The Sacrament of Confession will be available

before the 9AM &11AM Masses the 1st Sunday of the month.

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#### **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

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



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

Support the South Jersey Scholarship Fund's Spring Sprint for Scholarships Appeal now running through June 30th

Last year the fund provided scholarship assistance for 165 Catholic school students in the Diocese of Camden. For many of these families, this support enabled them to continue sending their children to Catholic school.

For more information or to contribute, visit southjerseycatholicschools.org/springsprint.
To donate offline, please send payment to:
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#### 2025 VILLA ROSSELLO RAFFLE

The 2025 Villa Rossello 20-Week Raffle is in progress. The proceeds from this fundraiser are indispensable for us to meet our daily expenses and help us support our ministries and missions in our outreach to the very poor in the true spirit of Mercy handed down to us by our Foundress, St. Mary Joseph Rossello.

The 1st drawing will take place on June 8th. Tickets are available and can be obtained by calling 856-697-2983 or at dmraffle@yahoo.com.

The Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy are appreciative of your support and assure you of their prayers. Thank You.

#### **MUSIC MINISTRY**

#### **CHOIR SCHEDULE**

MASSES: All Masses are at 11:00AM unless noted otherwise ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS: Tuesdays at 7:00PM/Conclude at 8:15PM (8:30PM) unless noted otherwise CANTORS: Rehearsal after choir as needed CHOIR MASSES

05/25: Mass 11:00AM/OLP

#### St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Donations of protein/snack bars, cereal, pasta, & personal care products: shampoo, toothpaste & toothbrushes, deodorant. Sturdy adult backpacks. Please leave donations in the **Rectory vestibule.**For additional information contact Carol DeBello at (609) 805-2693

"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

> Pierre Bingue Robert L. "Bob" Casazza Edward Bachinsky



The Imperio Family
Valerie, Daniel, Valentina, Vincent
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Disciples Love One Another
"This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:35)

Flight attendants begin each flight with safety announcements, including instructions to put on your oxygen mask first before helping others do the same in an emergency. It's not a selfish act; it's essential and practical.

Could showing love to others in our faith communities be likened to that procedure? Can we work on loving each other there first so that we are able to witness effectively to others that our God is love?

Jesus, you command us to love as you love. Give us this day the determination to be generous in our relationships with fellow parishioners.



Collection totals for: 5/11 Weekly Collection: \$6,574.00

Total Monthly Collection: May(In Pew): \$16,376.00

Weekly Collection Goal: \$10,000.00 Total Monthly Collection Goal: \$40,000.00

Candles: \$245.00

#### **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

05/20/25: St. Joseph's Society, Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

05/21/25: ARS Rosary at the Grotto (6:30PM), Ice Cream Social to Follow

05/21/25: Parish Council Meeting, Parish Office, 7:00PM 06/11/25: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

06/17/25: St. Joseph's Society, Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

07/09/25: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

07/15/25: St. Joseph's Society, Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

08/13/25: K of C Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM

08/19/25: St. Joseph's Society,, Membership Meeting, Rosary Hall, 7:00PM



May 23, 2025 St. Padre Pio Parish Rosary Hall

#### **BINGO**

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

#### **Father's Day Remembrance Mass**

If you would like your father, living or deceased remembered at the Masses on Father's Day, please mail or drop off your envelopes to the Parish office

no later than Wednesday, June 11th
For inclusion in the bulletin insert
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There will be a 2nd Collection at all Masses the weekend of June 1st.



#### **Recommended Reading**

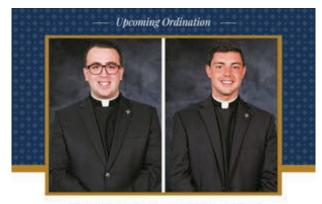
## Jesus Speaking-Heart to Heart with the King By Gabrielle Bossis

A Daily Devotional, that chronicles interior conversations between the author & Jesus. Published in the spiritual classic "He and I". The devotional includes a daily Scripture passage and daily prayer that prompts the reader into meditation on the Word, a deeper conversation with Jesus and promotes the habit of daily prayer.

# Strangeness of Truth-Vibrant—Faith In A Dark World By Father Damian Ference

In an age of loneliness and distraction, it is easy to forget that God is present in our daily lives. Father Ference shows the reader ways that our everyday lives point us to the mystery of who God is and what He has done for us.

Father Ference points to the strange and mundane experiences that make up our everyday lives and awakens the reader to the radical truths that surround them: that God holds the world in existence, that He became man, and that He sacrificed Himself for us. This book is a perfect gift for someone who is considering conversion to the Catholic faith, or anyone who wishes to deepen their relationship with God.



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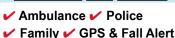
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