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SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2022

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm
Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

SUNDAY

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass

MONDAY

No Mass and Office closed

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY

9:00am Mass
Novena to St Padre Pio
9:30am Sacrament of Penance
5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

BAPTISMS

11:30am 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
Sundays. Please contact the
Parish Office. Presentation and
Baptism Information morning
are held every 4th Sunday

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

8:00pm – 9:00am Saturday Mass
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years
Bethany Catholic Primary School
Hall Contact Joanne D'Agostino,
via the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

Dear Friends,

We have been preparing for our parish feast and we are almost there!
Once again, I wholeheartedly invite you all to the feast. Bring along your family
and friends to receive the blessing and intercession of our beloved patron St.
Padre Pio.

Few important things to keep in mind:

- It is OUR PARISH FEAST so come dressed in your Sunday best or even in cultural dress.
- Please allow sufficient time for yourself to park and proceed to the school hall for the procession.
- If the car park is full, then you will need to use the streets to park.
- After the Mass, we will have a fellowship meal with all. Please bring a plate of food to share with others. It is a great opportunity to show our hospitality to others.
- The blessing by the Holy Relic of St. Padre Pio will take place after the fellowship meal. Every family will be blessed individually.
- There will be a piety store with religious items on sale.
- Please follow the guidance of the ushers.
- Pray, Hope and Don't worry – and enjoy the parish feast.
- Looking forward to welcoming you all to the feast.

Thank You

God Bless..
Yours in Christ,
Fr. Suresh Kumar
Parish Priest

St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina
Feast Day
and Blessing by the
relic of St. Padre Pio
25 September 2022

Triduum

Thursday 22 September 7:00pm
Novena to St. Padre Pio and Mass

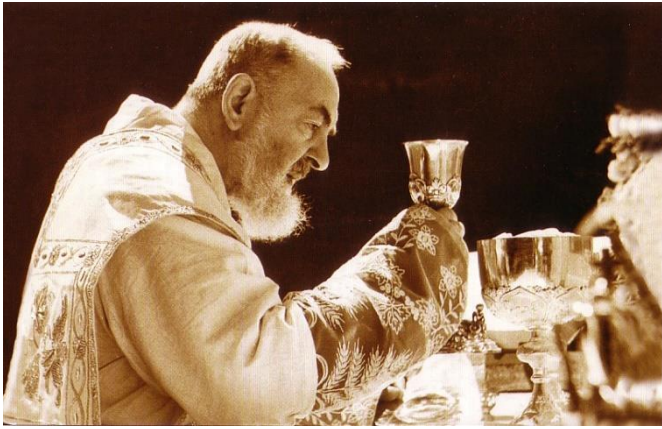
Friday 23 September 7:00pm
Novena to St. Padre Pio and Mass

Saturday 24 September 5:30pm
Novena to St. Padre Pio and Vigil Mass

Sunday 25 September 10:00am
Procession followed by the
Feast Day Mass
Veneration and Blessing
by St. Padre Pio's relic.

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Biography of Padre Pio of Pietrelcina



<https://comunidadepadrepio.com.br/site/a-historia-de-padre-pio/>

The below is from: www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=311

St. Padre Pio was an Italian priest who was known for his piety and charity, as well as the gift of the stigmata, which has never been explained.

St. Padre Pio was born Francesco Forgione, on May 25, 1887, in Pietrelcina, Italy. His parents were peasant farmers. He had an older brother and three younger sisters, as well as two other siblings who died in infancy. As a child, he was very religious and by the age of five he reportedly made the decision to dedicate his life to God.

Fortunately, his parents were also very religious and they supported his Catholic development. His family attended daily Mass. Francesco served as an altar boy at his local parish. Francesco was known for taking on penances and his mother once scolded him for sleeping on a stone floor.

Francisco's community was also supportive. Saint's days were popular celebrations and commonly celebrated in his town.

From his tender age, Francisco had a peculiar ability. He could see guardian angels, spoke with Jesus and the Virgin Mary. This was not something taught to him, but occurred so naturally that he assumed other people could see them too.

Although Francisco and his family was very religious, they were also very poor, which required that he work. He spent many years as a child tending to a small flock of sheep owned by his family. Unfortunately, the work meant he was unable to attend school regularly, so he quickly fell behind other kids his age.

Francisco was sickly as a child. He suffered an attack of gastroenteritis at age six and when he was ten, he had typhoid fever.

In 1897, after three years of schooling, Francisco expressed to his parents that he wanted to become a friar. His parents traveled to a nearby community of monks and asked if Francesco could join them. He was evaluated, despite his young age, and was told that he needed more education before he could join.

To prepare Francesco, his parents decided to hire a private tutor. To pay the cost of the tutor, Francesco's father traveled to America to find work, and sent the money home.

At the age of 15, Francisco was finally ready and he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin friars at Morcone. He took the name of "Pio" in honor of Pope Pius I, whose relic he often saw at his local chapel.

At the age of 17, Brother Pio became extremely ill and could only digest milk and cheese.

He was sent to the mountain for better air, and when this did not work, he was sent home to his family. Amid all this, he continued to study for the priesthood.

On one occasion during prayer, a fellow monk astonishingly reported he saw Pio levitate during an episode of ecstasy.

Brother Pio became a priest in 1910, but was permitted to remain at home because of his poor health

In 1915, with World War I afflicting the world, Padre Pio was summoned for military service. He was compelled to leave a tiny community of monks, with whom he was then housed, and drafted into medical service. However, he was so sickly that he was often sent home, only to then be recalled for service. In March 1916, he was finally dismissed because of his poor health.

On September 20, Padre Pio was hearing confessions when he felt pain in his hands and feet. He noticed the stigmata, the wounds of Christ, appearing on his hands and feet. The experience was painful. Bleeding occurred. The wounds smelled of roses, and although they continued to weep, they never became infected. Doctors who later examined the stigmata were amazed at their perfectly round shape.

By 1919, word began to spread about Padre Pio's stigmata and people came from far away to examine him.

Padre Pio became popular with the people he encountered and soon began to attribute supernatural occurrences to him. For example, he was said to levitate, and able to perform miracles.

His popularity became a source of concern for the Church and the Vatican began to restrict his activities to minimize public interaction. Padre Pio himself was uncomfortable with his newfound popularity and the attention he received because of his stigmata. A Church investigation into his stigmata concluded that his condition was not faked.

By 1934, the Vatican began to change its attitude towards Padre Pio and he was again allowed to perform public duties. He could preach, despite never being officially licensed by the Church to do so. Pope Pius XI encouraged people to visit him.

In 1947, Fr. Karol Wojtyla visited Padre Pio who prophetically told him he would rise to the highest post in the Church." Fr. Karol Wojtyla became Pope John Paul II in 1978.

Padre Pio used his newfound popularity to open a hospital in San Giovanni Rotondo. The facility opened in 1956.

Pope Paul VI reviewed the controversies surrounding Padre Pio and dismissed any concerns over his conduct and the authenticity of his stigmata.

Padre Pio became internationally famous. He was known for his piety, charity and the quality of his preaching. He famously advised, "Pray, hope and don't worry."

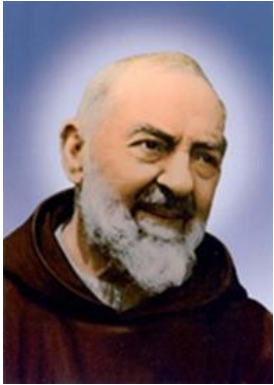
He had other illnesses, as well, including cancer which was miraculously healed after just two treatments. Other problems, such as arthritis, which plagued him in his later years, never went away.

Padre Pio died on September 23, 1968. His funeral was attended by over 100,000 people.

Pope John Paul II recognized Padre Pio as a saint on June 16, 2002. His feast day is September 23. He is the patron of civil defense volunteers, adolescents, and the village of Pietrelcina.

ST PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

ST PADRE PIO FEAST DAY 2022



THREE DAY TRIDUUM:

Thursday 22 September, 7:00pm

NO 9:00AM MASS

Friday 23 September, 7:00pm

NO 9:00AM MASS

Saturday 24 September, 5.30pm

NO 9:00AM MASS

FEAST DAY MASS

Sunday 25 September, 10:00am

No 8:00am Mass

Everyone is invited to bring a plate of food to share.

Please add your contact details & the food you would like to bring to the sheet on the Welcome Table.

PARISH RAFFLE

Funds raised from the raffle will be used to purchase a new Statue of Our Lady. Everyone is encouraged to support this cause. Further, if you would like to buy tickets or sell a book of tickets, please see the ticket sellers at the back of the church or contact the Parish office.

1ST PRIZE

A3 Charcoal drawing of St Padre Pio

2ND PRIZE

Diamond Dot Art of St Padre Pio

3RD PRIZE

Statue of St Padre Pio

Cost: \$2 a ticket or 3 tickets for \$5

Please return all raffle tickets and money to the parish office no later than WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2022.

NO 9:00AM MASS ON SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER – CHURCH DECORATION & CLEANING

Please come and help with the preparations for the Feast Day. Cleaning and decorating the church will begin at 9:00am.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION TOWARDS THE STATUE OF OUR LADY

Frank, Maria, Jacinta Aquilina, Shelly Barnes, Jessica Bartolo, Kenny Chan, John & Leanne Gately, Khalid Younan, Josephine Khairy, Sipeli Family, Finianos Family, Graham Roberts, Nancy & Naomi Linning, Di Dinkha, Antenit Jesuthasan. **God Bless You!**

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS - 30 OCTOBER

The annual Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday 30 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall.

All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent.

Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending at marriage@parracatholic.org by 21 October.

Family and friends are welcome.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY 18: Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Tuesday 20: Saints Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang and companions

Wednesday 21: St Matthew

Friday 23: ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA

NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 20 September

Place: Lorna & Arnold Cayabyab 33 Dara Cres, GMP

LEGION OF MARY ROSARY MEETING

Please note change of meeting time.

Date: Every Thursday, 6:00pm

Place: Parish meeting room. All welcome to attend.

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS

Deceased: Tarcisio & Helen Cauchi **Death Anniversary:** John Brombal **Recently Deceased:** Penny Licoudis.

Prayers for the Sick: Trudi Weber, Carey Weber, Georgina Rastegorac, Waled Hana, Maryrose Vella, John Vella, Catherine Vella & Lolyn Velayo. **Thanksgiving:** Julieta Totanes Murray. *Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered for Recently Deceased, Death Anniversary, Prayers for the Sick, Thanksgiving or Birthdays.*

ST PADRE PIO FEAST ROSTER – 24/25 SEPTEMBER 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	10:00AM ONLY
COORDINATOR	Cristina Cignarella	Lynn Young, Chris Hersey
ACOLYTE	Khalid Younan	Chris Hersey, Daniel Rossetto, Craig Wilson
SENIOR SERVER	Sebastian Rossetto	Kylie Sultana & Tracy Armituani
READER	1. Trish Warda 2. Phil Walsh	1. Cristina Cignarella 2. Eric Ruiz Prayers of Faithful: Zon Lupisan
MUSIC	Youth For Christ	Combined Choir
HOSPITALITY	Feast Day Team	Feast Day Team
CLEANING	Usual team plus volunteers for cleaning & decorating church for the Feast Day.	



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