

**25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025**

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### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

SECOND & FOURTH  
SUNDAYS  
1:15 PM ENG  
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Please arrange the date of baptism through the Rectory office after the birth of your child

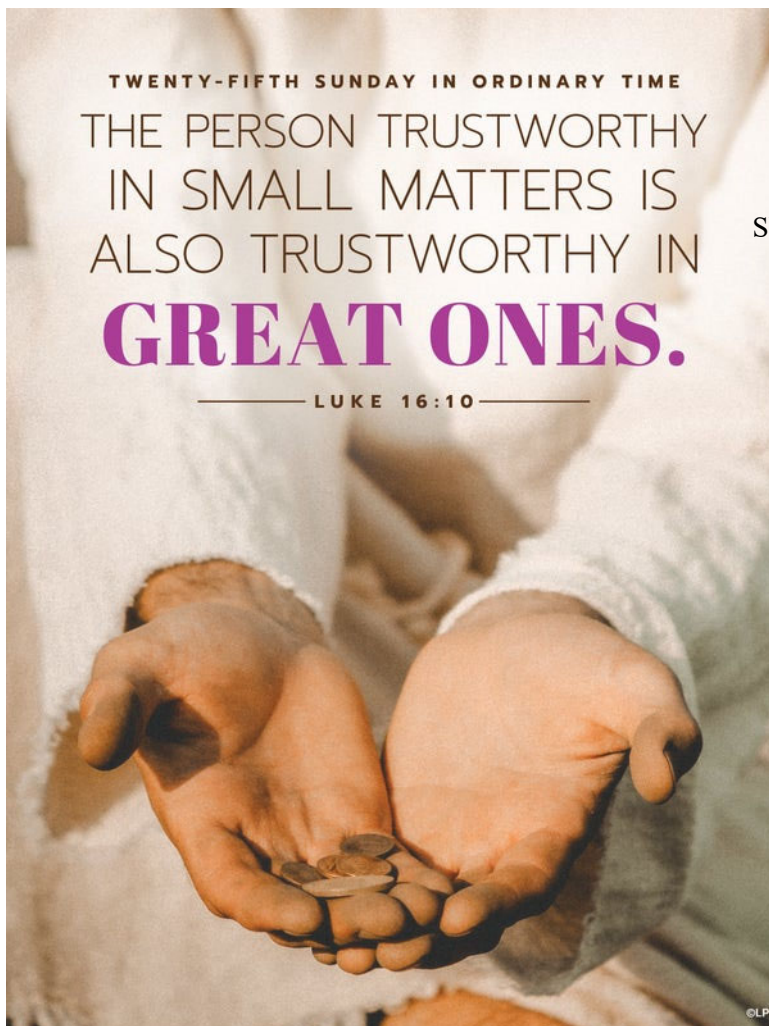
### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Please call the Rectory for an appointment at least **six months** prior to the desired date.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

SATURDAYS  
4:00 to 4:45 PM  
and  
THURSDAYS BEFORE  
FIRST FRIDAYS  
4:00 to 5:00 PM

Other times by appointment.



### **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

WEEKDAYS 7:00 AM  
SATURDAYS 8:00 AM  
SATURDAY EVENINGS  
VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM  
SUNDAYS 8:00 & 9:15 AM,  
10:30 (Polish)  
12:00 Noon

### **RECTORY HOURS WEEKDAYS**

9 AM to 12 Noon  
& 1 PM to 4 PM

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

TUES. 12 to 1 PM

**MILLIONS OF MONICAS**  
TUESDAY 1 PM to 2 PM

**PL PRAYER GROUP  
W/ ADORATION**  
2<sup>ND</sup> THURSDAYS 7 PM

**LAY CARMELITES**  
1<sup>ST</sup> SAT. AFTER  
8 AM MASS

**1<sup>ST</sup> SAT. DEVOTION**  
AFTER 8:00 AM MASS

**ALTAR ROSARY**  
1<sup>ST</sup> WED. 6:30 PM  
(APRIL, MAY, JUNE,  
SEPT., OCT. & NOV.)

### ***Our Mission Statement***

*Lord, God, all creation is yours, and you call us to serve you by caring for the gifts that surround us. May the example of St. Isidore urge us to share our food with the hungry and to work for the salvation of mankind. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.  
Saint Isidore, Pray for Us.*

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

5:00 pm + Joseph Ruthinowski  
+ Jennie H. Densieski (A)  
+ Patricia Peter  
+ Marge McCarthy

### 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPT. 21, 2025

8:00 am + Fred Ranghelli  
9:15 am + Frank L., Bertha M., Frank L., Jr, Ostroski  
10:30 am The People of the Parish Living & Deceased  
(PL) + Jadwiga & Julian Bondarowicz  
+ Ziggy Wilinski  
Wed. Anniv. Bl. For Anna & Grzegorz Szlejter  
& Blessings for their Family  
+ Konstincja & Antoni Pietkun &  
+ Ryzard Pietkun & + Family  
+ Stanislaw Tuminski  
& Dec'd Members of the Bazyolo Family  
12 noon + Sophie & John Kruszon

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

7:00 am + James E. Pearce

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

7:00 am + Maryann Matlak

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

7:00 am Anniv. Bl. For Debbie and Ted Danigelis

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

7:00 am + Bronka and Michal Litwin

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2025

7:00 am + Rosalie Gelb

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

8:00 am Int. of the Demarco and Goodale Families  
Birthday Bl. For Yaima and Yanelley  
Birthday Bl. For Mark and Family  
5:00 pm The People of the Parish, Living and Deceased  
+ Joseph and Tessie Karpinski  
+ Lachick Family  
+ Ilona Harrigan (A)  
+ Bonnie Gould

### 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPT. 28, 2025

8:00 am + Walter Zilnicki  
9:15 am + Margie, Andrea, Patty & Gertrude Danielowicz  
10:30 am Birthday Bl. For Ignacy Wasilewski  
(PL) + Jan & Jadwiga Zawadzcy & + Family  
+ Kathrzyna i Marian Kozlowsky  
+ Czeslawa Zakrzewska  
12 noon + Eugene O'Connor

## IN LOVING MEMORY

**Bread and Wine & Sanctuary Lamp**  
Dorothy Podlas, Altar Rosarian

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Tuesday, September 23, 2025

2026 Mass Book Opens  
Adoration 12 to 1 PM  
Millions of Monicas 1 to 2 PM

## OUR COLLECTIONS

**Today, Sept. 21:** Sunday & St. Pius X Residence for Retired Priests

**Next Week, Sept. 28:** Sunday & Debt Reduction  
*Thank you for your generosity!*



## PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

*Juan Camilo Alape-Panuela*

## Our Gratitude for your Generosity

The Outreach program is deeply grateful and humbled by the constant donations we receive each and every week. So many of you give without us even knowing who you are to thank you—monetarily as well as foodwise. Thank you for ALL that you do to help us do what we do.  
May God bless your kindness!

## **PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

Jadwiga Luniewska \* Wanda Tuminska \* Etta Jean Otis \* Richard Anderson \* Eric Frak \* Gale Durney \* Jack McCarthy \* Andrew \* Chris Bonocore \* Ethan Donahue \* Irene Monahan \* Joseph LoBosco \* Jodi Ponce \* Catherine & Charles Sehy \* Ben G. & Elizabeth \* Wm. Snyder \* Nancy McDonald \* Brendan Gallagher \* Kristy West \* Josephine Barker \* Paul Farber \* Nicholas Steinkamp \* Teresa Muenkel \* Ron Danowski \* Peter Kraljic \* Carson Whible \* Dave Zazeski \* Faye Anderson \* Hana Cutler \* James Gibson \* Jim Kenna \* Daryl Alec \* Paula George \* Christina Donovan \* Joan Zaleski \* Gillen Family \* Blythe Fickenwirth \* Jody Breitfeller \* Benjamin Gonzalez \* Dominique Tirado \* Diana Perniciaro \* Sammy \* Brodie \* Joseph Stepnoski \* James Kenna \* Douglas Clark \* Jan Suchta \* Justin \* Dakota Harmon \* Cole Faller \* Halikias Family \* Liana Forstein \* Rosemary & Daniel Ambrosini \* Thomas Ryall \* Anne Marie Donlon \* Dorothy Sousa \* Thomas McEnany \* Mary Khulman \* Michael Alpert \* Roseanne Murphy \* Barbara Kozlowski \* James West \* Elizabeth Farruggia \* Kelly Wine \* Mary Van Duesen \* Thomas DeGirolamo \* William Berenger \* Daria Quarlena \* Eileen Borchart \* Sheila Nolan \* Tom Wisniewski III \* Jeffrey Clark \* James, George & Barbara Jaeger \* Ernest & Alex Aponte \* Helen Long \* Michael Miglionico \* Ralph Conforti \* The Barauskus Family \* Hope & Brittany Williams \* John Marion \* Emilia Andrychowski \* Augie & Georgianna Lucente \* Johanna Benthall \* Michelle Giaccone \* Howard Seifert \* Ed Kennedy \* Kit Z. \* Dolores Contino \* Agnes Brown \* Anders Ryden \* Kevin C. Cook \* Anita Costi \* Doriane Bay \* David Vallone \* Brittany Schacor \* Karen and Kim Finocchiaro \* Grace Mary Schulteis \* Victor Sechyshyn \* George Angle \* Melissa Alexandra \* Christian Vidal \* Suzanne Thompson \* Anna Grefe \* Anthony Mannino \* Marcella Frisen \* Theresa Puglia \* Brian Darmody \* Leigh Anne Brown \* Dan Modjeska \* Judy Zakorski \* Marie Miley \* John Shuot \* Patrick Murphy \* Brian Crowley \* Louise Pampinello \* Barbara Fenn

Please keep all those serving in the military and their families in your thoughts and prayers especially:  
Nicholas Pelosi, Christopher Drowns, Jeffrey Heppner, James Fleming, Thomas V. D'Auria, Mateusz Marzec, Andre DeRosa, Garrett Bracht and Hunter Bahnke

Please keep Seminarians,  
**Nicholas Waldron** and **Patrick O'Brien**,  
in your prayers.

**The 2026  
Mass Book  
Opens  
Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**



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## **THIS WEEK ON FORMED**

Padre Pio: Miracle Man This movie captures the Capuchin friar's intense faith, devotion, and deep spiritual concern for others, as well as his great compassion for the sick and suffering. It reveals the amazing details and events in Padre Pio's life as a boy and throughout his fifty years as a friar, dramatizing the frequent attacks from the devil, as well as the persecution he suffered at the hands of people, including those in the Church.

Saint Matthew | Catholic Saints Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. We are all familiar with the four Gospels, but what makes them stand out from the rest? Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber as they discuss St. Matthew, the great Apostle and evangelist.

Padre Pio: Between Heaven and Earth Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968. Blessed with incredible spiritual gifts, including healing, bi-location, reading of souls, and the stigmatic wounds, Padre Pio was a powerful witness for Christ, and a great spiritual guide to countless souls for over fifty years.



## ***A DOUBLE BLESING***

***“But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. But woe to you who are filled now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you will grieve and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for their ancestors treated the false prophets in this way.”***

***Luke 6:24–26***

Is it dangerous to be rich, to be filled, to laugh, and to have all speak well of you? According to Jesus, it appears so. Why would Jesus warn against these things? And before that, why would He pronounce it blessed to be poor, hungry, weeping and insulted? Essentially, Jesus was condemning four common sins—greed, gluttony, intemperance, and vainglory—and promoting their opposite virtues.

Poverty, in and of itself, is not sufficient for holiness. But in Luke’s Gospel, Jesus declares it blessed to be poor, literally. This goes further than Matthew’s Gospel which says it is blessed to be “poor in spirit.” To be poor in spirit is to be spiritually detached from the material things of this world so that you can be fully open to the riches of God. One common tendency among those with material wealth is to rationalize that even though they have many things, they are detached from them. Hopefully that is the case. However, in Luke’s version of the Beatitudes, Jesus directly says, “Blessed are you who are poor” and “woe to you who are rich.” In this teaching, we discover a second blessing not found in Matthew’s version. In addition to spiritual detachment (poverty of spirit) being identified as a blessing, literal poverty is proclaimed as the easier way to achieve this spiritual detachment. Material wealth, though not a sin in and of itself, brings with it many temptations toward attachment, self-reliance, and self-indulgence. Thus, spiritually speaking, it is easier to be detached when one is poor, rather than when one is rich. This is a hard truth for both the poor and the rich to accept. The poor often want to be rich, thinking that if they were, they would share their wealth with others and remain detached. The rich often enjoy being rich and believe that they are more spiritually detached than they actually are.

Being “hungry” is also identified as a blessed state, whereas being “filled” is a dangerous state. When you are literally hungry, either from fasting or from lack of an abundance of food, it is easier to turn your hunger and thirst toward God so as to be filled by Him and to more easily trust in His providence. An abundance of food, especially fine food, tempts you with a gluttonous satisfaction that makes it difficult to hunger and thirst for God and His holy will in a complete way. Therefore, if you refrain from indulgence and experience hunger, you will be blessed to be free from gluttony and even the temptation toward it.

“Laughing” and “weeping” in this case are not referring to joy and despair. Rather, they are referring to those who are always seeking fun and an indulgent life. Many people live for fun, entertainment, and momentary pleasures. Weeping refers to those who have discovered that the fleeting pleasures of the world can never satisfy. Constant entertainment, therefore, brings with it a real temptation, whereas the loss of that form of fleeting pleasure helps eliminate that temptation.

Finally, Jesus declares it blessed to be hated, excluded, insulted, and denounced as evil on account of Him rather than being spoken well of by all. In this case, Jesus is referring to the praise that comes from things that mean nothing from an eternal perspective. When all speak well of us, praising qualities and accomplishments that are not true Christian virtues, we will be tempted to rely upon that praise for our satisfaction. But this form of satisfaction is nothing other than vainglory and never truly satisfies in the end. However, when one sees and praises the virtues of God within us, God is praised first and foremost, and we are blessed to share in God’s glory.

Reflect, today, upon whether you prefer to be rich, to indulge in the best of foods, to be constantly entertained and to be the envy of others, or whether you see the temptations this type of life brings. Reflect also upon the concrete spiritual blessings that come to those who are literally poor, hungry, temperate and humble. This is a very demanding teaching from Jesus. If it doesn’t sit well with you, then know that it is a sign that you still have various attachments in life. Reflect, especially, upon the beatitude that is most difficult to embrace, and make that beatitude the source of reflection and prayer. Doing so with honesty and openness will result in you being among those who are truly blessed in the eyes of God.

*My blessed Lord, You were poor, hungry, temperate and humble to the perfect degree.  
For these reasons, You were filled with perfect virtue and were satisfied to the greatest degree.  
Please open my eyes to the deceptions of this world so that I can live with You a life of true holiness,  
experiencing the riches of the Kingdom of Heaven.*

*Jesus, I trust in You!*

## St. Pio of Pietrelcina (St. Padre Pio—Feast Day Sept. 23)



*Pio of Pietrelcina (born Francesco Forgione; 25 May 1887 – 23 September 1968), widely known as Padre Pio (Italian for 'Father Pius'), Latin: Pater Pius, was an Italian Capuchin friar, priest, stigmatist, and mystic. He is venerated as a saint in the Catholic Church, celebrated on 23 September.*

Pio joined the Capuchins when he was fifteen and spent most of his religious life in the convent of San Giovanni Rotondo. He was marked by stigmata in 1918, leading to several investigations by the Holy See. Despite temporary sanctions imposed by the Vatican, his reputation kept increasing during his life, attracting many followers to San Giovanni Rotondo. He was the founder of the Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza, a hospital built near the convent of San Giovanni Rotondo.

During his priesthood, Padre Pio was known to have performed a number of successful conversions to Catholicism. Pio was devoted to rosary meditations. He compared weekly confession to dusting a room weekly, and recommended the performance of meditation and self-examination twice daily: once in the morning, as preparation to face the day, and once again in the evening, as retrospection. His advice on the practical application of theology he often summed up in his now famous quote: *"pray, hope, and don't worry"*. He directed Christians to recognize God in all things and to desire above all things to do the will of God.

In June 1905, Pio's health worsened to such an extent that his superiors decided to send him to a mountain convent, in the hope that the change of air would do him good. This had little impact, however, and doctors advised that he return home. Even there his health failed to improve. Despite this, he still made his solemn religious profession on 27 January 1907. In August 1910, Pio was ordained a priest by Archbishop Paolo Schinosi at the Cathedral of Benevento. Four days later, he offered his first Mass at the parish church of Our Lady of the Angels.

Pio's health deteriorated in the 1960s, but he continued his spiritual works. On 22 September 1968, Padre Pio celebrated a Mass in recognition of the 50th anniversary of his receiving the stigmata, with a large crowd of pilgrims present to celebrate the event as well as television crews. Due to the large number of pilgrims present for the Mass, the superior of the monastery decided that a Solemn Mass be celebrated. Pio carried out his duties, but appeared extremely weak and frail. His voice was weak, and, after the Mass had concluded, he nearly collapsed while walking down the altar steps. He needed help from his Capuchin brothers. This was his last celebration of Mass.

A few days before dying the stigmata had disappeared. Examining Padre Pio's body, the doctor who was present at his deathbed observed that the wounds of the stigmata were completely healed, without any trace or scar. Early in the morning of 23 September 1968, Pio made his last confession and renewed his Franciscan vows. As was customary, he had his rosary in his hands, though he did not have the strength to pray the Hail Marys aloud, instead repeating the words *Gesù, Maria* ('Jesus, Mary'). He died in his cell in San Giovanni Rotondo around 2:30 a.m. at the age of 81.

### Supernatural phenomena

Pio was said to have had mystical gifts such as reading souls, the ability to bilocate and the ability to work favors and healings before they were requested of him. His reported supernatural experiences also include celestial visions, communication with angels and physical fights with Satan and demons. The reports of supernatural phenomena surrounding Pio attracted fame and amazement, even if the Vatican seemed skeptical. Some of these phenomena were reported by Pio himself in letters written to his spiritual directors, while others have been reported by his followers. The Mass for his beatification was celebrated on 2 May 1999 by John Paul II at St. Peter's Square in Rome, with more than 300,000 faithful attending the ceremony. In his homily, John Paul II mentioned Padre Pio's stigmata and his mystical gifts: *"His body, marked by the 'stigmata', showed forth the intimate bond between death and resurrection which characterizes the paschal mystery. Bl. Pio of Pietrelcina shared in the Passion with a special intensity: the unique gifts which were given to him, and the interior and mystical sufferings which accompanied them, allowed him constantly to participate in the Lord's agonies, never wavering in his sense that 'Calvary is the hill of the saints'."*

After his beatification, another case of healing attributed to his intercession was examined, an Italian boy named Matteo Pio Colella who recovered from a coma. After further consideration of Padre Pio's virtues and ability to do good even after his death, John Paul II promulgated the decree of canonization on 28 February 2002.

His relics are exposed in the sanctuary of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, next to the convent of San Giovanni Rotondo, now a major pilgrimage site.

*"Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry!"*

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