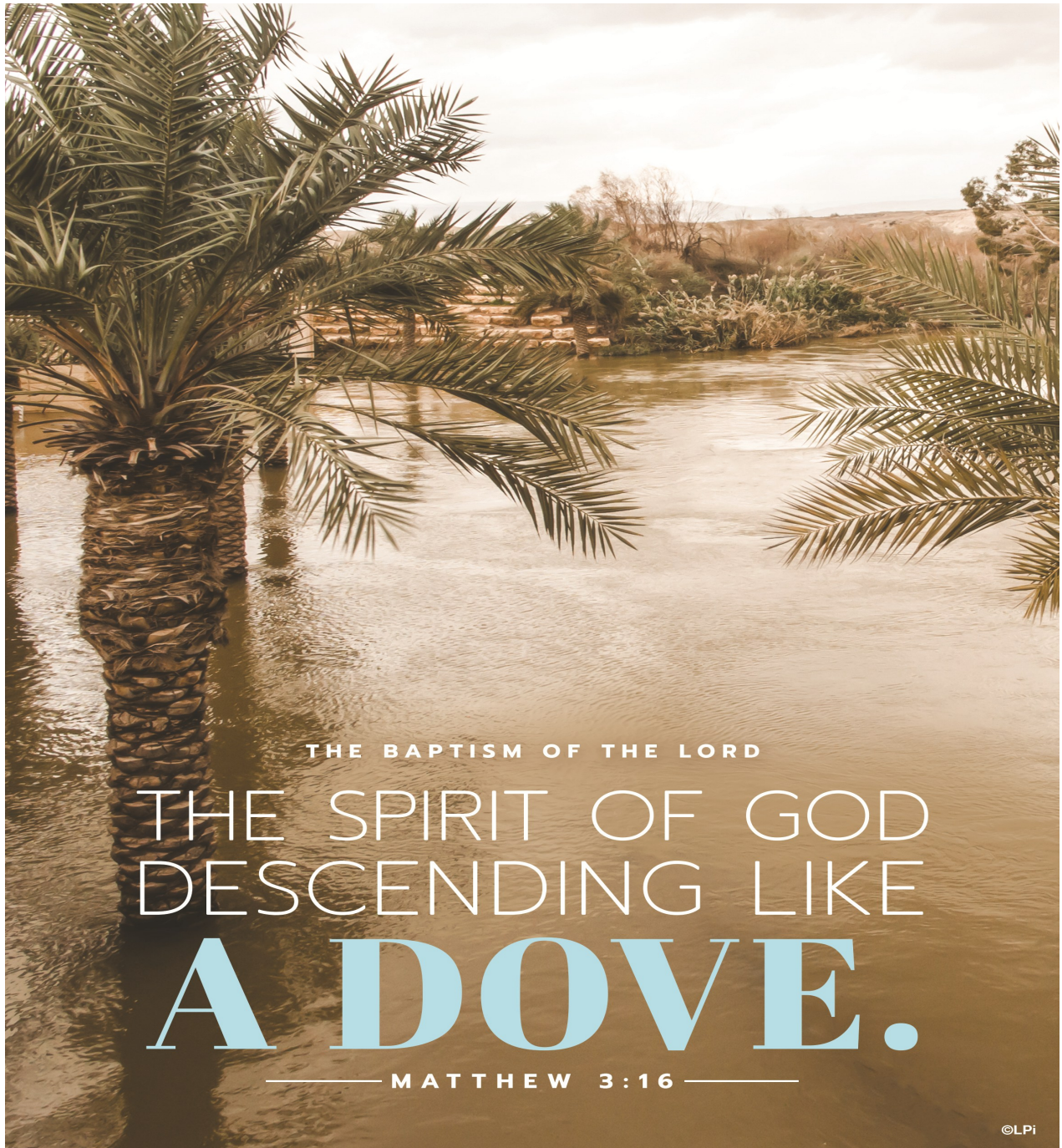


# ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

THE SPIRIT OF GOD  
DESCENDING LIKE  
**A DOVE.**

— MATTHEW 3:16 —

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**January 11, 2026**

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### SATURDAY, January 10-Vigil The Baptism of the Lord

**4:00pm** **SVDP+** Marie & Ralph DelSanto  
by sister Catherine

**5:00pm** **OLOP+** Marie Notarino  
by Lou & Carmella Camera

### SUNDAY, January 11- The Baptism of the Lord

7:30am OLOP+ John Fabrizio  
by Family

9:00am SB+ Alfred Masi  
by Family

10:30am OLOP+ Angie Brancato  
by Linda

11:45am SVDP+ George Foster  
by Cristina, Diane, Patty &  
Sheila DelMonaco

### MONDAY, January 12- Weekday, First Week in Ordinary Time

8:00am OLOP + Diane Romans (1st)  
by Romans Family

9:00am SVDP + Rose Izzo  
by Daughter Dottie & Family

### TUESDAY, January 13- Weekday St Hilary, Bishop and Dr. of the Church

8:00am OLOP + Fr. John P. O'Neill

9:00am SVDP + Jennie Nazario  
by Hermanson Family

### WEDNESDAY, January 14-Weekday

8:00am OLOP + Vincent Consiglio  
by Porto Funeral Home

9:00am SVDP + Happy, healthy, blessed New Year for all  
morning Mass attendees  
by Mary Ann Buccì

### THURSDAY, January 15- Weekday

8:00am OLOP+ Edward Peterson  
by Porto Funeral Home

9:00am SB + Jackie Tracey & Mark Travisano  
by Marie Travisano

### FRIDAY, January 16- Weekday

8:00am SB + All members of St Pio Parish

### Saturday, January 17- Vigil

**4:00pm** **SVDP** + Hillary Edwards (birthday)  
by Family

**5:00pm** **OLOP** + Rose & Joseph Cordano &  
Robert "Tippy" Tinari  
by Jean Cordano

### Sunday, January 18- First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am OLOP + Anthony Rapuano  
by Frank & Christine

9:00am SB + Laurie Massaro  
by Family

10:30am OLOP + Annmarie DeMatteo  
by Lucian Family

11:45am SVDP + Mass of Thanksgiving for  
Joseph Negro Sr. & Jr  
by Madelyn



"This is my  
beloved Son  
with whom I  
am well  
pleased."  
*Matthew*  
*3:17*

## Readings for the week of January 11, 2026

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/Acts  
10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk  
1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk  
1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a,  
8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk  
1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk  
2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-  
7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1  
Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

## STEWARDSHIP

December 24 & 25, 2025

Christmas Collection: \$12,319.00

December 27 & 28 Collection: \$9,458.00

January 1, 2026 collection: \$2596.00

January 4, 2026 first collection: \$10,967.00

Monthly collection: \$4263.00

Thank for all for your continued generosity  
and support.

## SILENCE.

Please, be mindful that many parishioners arrive early  
prior to the start of Mass in order to sit reflectively with the  
LORD in prayer. Please, be mindful of the level of your voice  
and that voices carry from the back of the church to the front.  
Please, maintain a subdued tone when speaking so that other's  
quiet time is not disturbed.

## 2026 MASS BOOK



**There are a few openings left.  
There are many candles available to  
book for intentions as well**

Kindly have your Mass requests ready when scheduling.  
We will continue to have a limit of 2 weekend Masses  
per individual booking.

**Payment due at time of booking. Cash or check only please.**

## St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish

Address: 355 Foxon Road, East Haven, CT 06513

Phone Number: (203) 469-0764

## Office Hours:

**Foxon Road:** Mon-Fri 9:00-2:00

**Taylor Avenue:** Tue. & Thu. 9:00-1:00

**E-Mail:** stpioofpietrelcina@gmail.com



**The Candles burn this week for these special intentions:**

**Our Lady of Pompeii Candles**

*Sanctuary Lamp (Right Side) ~ All members of St Pio Parish*

*Sanctuary Lamp (Left Side) ~ Special Intentions*

*Chapel ~ All Unborn Babies*

*Sacred Heart of Jesus ~ Special Intentions*

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help Icon ~ Special Intentions*

*Pascal Candle ~ Deceased members of the Calamita Family, Hart Family, Surprenant Family & Zito Family*

**St. Vincent de Paul Candles**

*Sanctuary Lamp (Right Side) ~ In Memory of the Deceased members of St Pio of Pietrelcina*

*Sanctuary Lamp (Left Side) - In Memory of Ronald Paolillo*

*Our Lady's Altar ~ In thanksgiving for God's blessings*

*St. Joseph's Altar ~ Andrew & Phyllis Cinque & Peter Coppola by daughter and wife, Ann*

*Pascal Candle ~ Barbara & Maurice Connolly*

**St. Bernadette Candles**

*Sanctuary Lamp (Left Side) ~ Fred & Carmel DeMichele*

*Sanctuary Lamp (Right Side) ~ Special Intention*



**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Nick Vessicchio, Sally Ann Fallon, Lynette Ely, David T. Boyle, Richard Lucibello, Bryan Surprenant, Sharon Spadacenta, Marie Zambrano, Helen Langello, Brian Savo, Gerry Andrea, Alan Poirier, Connie Rasimas, Jane Pyka, Harry Clark, Lou DiNola, Geraldine Licciardi, Joseph Anyzeski, Fran Sofo, Elizabeth Kuen, Deborah Sanning, Paula Ferrara, Tina Marie Fionia, Joseph Parise, Frank DelGrego, Moira Ferguson, Danielle Joubert, Frances Polaski, Pauline Condon, Rose Anna Izzo, Angelo DeMatteo, Patricia Aulenti, Michael Pascale, Mark Schettino, Patty DiMilo, Rose Rogalski, Elaine Smith, Karen Rescigno, Virginia Pisano, DJ DiVincenzo, Philip & Sally DeMilo, Anna Concelmo, Anna Marie Nappi, Brian Higney, Rich Tortora, Denise Bailey, Joseph Peterson, Marion Mahl, Paula Ruddock, Pamela Willis, Laura Luzzi, Brian Wilson, Maureen Redmond, Kristianne Argentino, Shirley Perrelli, Andrew & Catherine Criscuolo, Patricia Miles, Joe Coscia, Deborah Verab, Dona Marie, Christina Meoli, Michelle Smith, Ron Mattei, Charlene Tantalio, Al Forgione, Gabriella Garrity, Beverly Fucci, W.D. Merkle, Phyllis Anastasio, Cheryl Barbara, Laura-Phyllis Esposito, Diana Vitelli O'Brien, Meghan Keeney, Gennaro Milone, Jo Vuolo, Felicia DeRoche, Mike Barnett, Richard Costanzo, Carole & Frank Casapulla, Michael Bowen, Linda Montone, Carol Esposito, Fred & Barbara Brow, Roberta Sanders-Gray, Jeannette Winston, Marilyn Sisson, Ryder Feeley, Theodore Siwinski, Michael Enders, Nicholas Cerillo, Edwina Cinque, Renee Flynn, The Cooper Family, Lynn Ely, Ethan Roche, Frances Graney, Rose Paula Dzedulonis, Taras Mychajlowskyj, Denise Steiner, Gloribeth R., Stacie Bouchard, Al Sappinetti, Guy Racino, Michael Polaski, Martha Catel, Eddie Villecco, Isaiah Colville, Jennie Nazario, Joan Proto, Caitlin Rustic, Michael Filion, John Torello, Mauro Antonio Bezanilla, Matteo Criscuolo, Robert Filion, Lucy Carbone, Dorene Izzo, Lucille Palange, Mark Houston, Avery Bye, Alex Bernaitis, Vincent Pisano, Barbara Bellucci, Michael Bulger, Anna Sabatino, Audrey Elder, Theresa Polio, Mike Liso, John Mongillo, Sr., Juan & Family, Vern Kelly, Monica Cantore, Fr. Lawrence Boch, Antoinette Comiskey, Diane DiLungo, Frances 'Jean' Massimino, Luca Small, Vincent Savo, Alex Dugatto, Kim Vincent-Foschini, Dawn Quartiano Ferraro, Sal DeCola, Pasquale Marino, Bernadette Mckiernan, Bill Izzo, Ron Ardito, Fr. Krugle, Arthur Brigante, Angela & Kevin Medley, Joycelyn Bila, Richard Marshall, Sandy Derbacher, John Cavallaro, Mr. Rubenstein, Roberta Perillo, Theresa Limosani, Carly Rose Pietrosimone

Please send prayer requests to [stpioofpietrelcina@gmail.com](mailto:stpioofpietrelcina@gmail.com) so that our parishioners and friends can be remembered in our prayers.

**Midnight Run  
Taylor Avenue Campus**

The Midnight Run for January is the **2nd Monday**, which is **January 12**. Donations of brown bag lunches, water, juice boxes and toiletries are appreciated. These donations can be dropped off to Sue Stacey's home, 82 Forbes Place, up until 7pm on **Monday, January 12**. Any questions, please contact Sue at 203-214-1762. Thank you and God bless you for all donations. Stay safe & well.

**Midnight Run  
Foxon Road Campus**

On the last Monday of each month, we bring 75 bagged lunches to the Columbus House Overflow Shelter.

**Donations Needed:**

ShopRite Gift Cards or

Gallon Size Ziploc Bags

Quart Size Ziploc Bags

Peanut Butter & Jelly

Juice Pouches

Raisin Boxes

Fruit Cups & Pudding Cups

Granola Bars

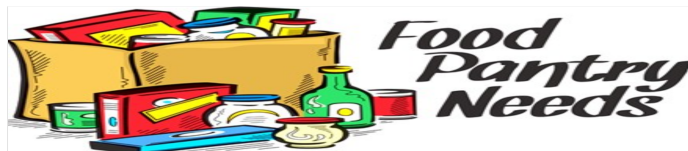
Individual Packaged Cookies, Crackers or Chips

We are also looking for small amounts or full skeins of yarn, it will be used to make hats and scarves for the midnight run. Please leave your donations at any entrance of Our Lady of Pompeii church **ONLY**. Thank you.

Midnight Run is the **LAST** Monday of **EVERY** month from Our Lady of Pompeii Church from 6-7 pm. Thank-you for being so generous!



**St. Bernadette Food Pantry** located at the St. Bernadette School is open every Saturday from 10:00am-11:00am. We are always in need of non-perishable foods. Top choices are, canned: tomatoes, **tomato sauce**, vegetables, tuna fish, **soups** and fruits. Pasta, mac & cheese and **peanut butter**. Consumption guidelines provided to us from the CT Food Bank: Expiration/Code Date Extensions past expiration: high acid foods (i.e. tomatoes) 12-18 months. Low acid foods (canned meat, most vegetables) 2-5 years. Food in jars, 12 months past expiration, dry cereal 6-12 months, rice/pasta (dry) 1 year. Questions, please contact Deb or Rico at 203-468-7489



**THE EAST HAVEN FOOD PANTRY** is asking for tomato sauce and pasta for the months of December and January. Please leave your donations of food at the church entrances. The Food Pantry will be open from 9:00am-11:00am on Saturdays & Tuesdays for East Haven residents. For more info call Christine Sandford 203-469-7823

## St Pio of Pietrelcina Parish Groups, Studies and Devotions



### Holy Hour

Monday mornings, 8:30 to 9:30 am  
Our Lady of Pompeii Church



### Bible Studies

Tuesday evenings, 7:00 pm  
Zoom meeting  
Contact Christine Sandford 203-469-7823

Wednesday evenings, 6:30 pm  
St Vincent dePaul Parish Building  
Contact Marie Connors 203-468-1184



### Rosary

Every evening 8:00 pm  
Zoom Meetings  
Contact Sally Mucka 203-469-0764 Ext 8

### Scriptural Rosary

Thursday, 6:00 pm  
Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel  
Contact Sally Mucka 203-469-0764 Ext 8

### Monthly Rosary

Every second Tuesday, 5:30 pm  
January 13, 2026  
St Bernadette Church  
Contact Mke Firiani 203-627-9216

### Men's Group

Saturday mornings 7:30 am to 9:00am  
St Vincent DePaul Parish Building  
Contact Deacon Wayne 203-804-8364

A continued reminder about the Mass modifications that will take place. First is that the 8:00a.m. Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and the 8:00am Mass at St. Bernadette Church on Thursday will be at 9:00a.m. starting January 5, 2026. The Friday Mass and the first Saturday Mass at St. Bernadette Church will remain at 8:00a.m.

The other change concerns the vigil Masses. The four o'clock Mass will be at St. Vincent de Paul Church for the months of January through June (except on Holy Saturday) then the four o'clock Mass will be at Our Lady of Pompeii from July to December. Starting January 3, 2026, the 5:30 pm vigil Mass will begin at 5:00pm, PROVIDED THAT THERE REMAIN TWO at St. Pio Parish.

The 5:00p.m. Mass will be at Our Lady of Pompeii Church from January to June (except on Holy Saturday), and then will be at St. Vincent de Paul Church from July to December.

### Sacramental Information



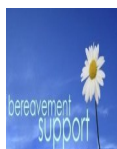
#### Baptism

Parents should contact St Pio of Pietrelcina's main office to schedule a date, a Parent Baptism class and to receive all of the paperwork needed to complete the scheduling process.



#### Wedding

Couples should contact St Pio of Pietrelcina's main office 12 months in advance to schedule a wedding date. Couples will be asked to meet with a priest prior to confirming a date and time for a wedding



Have you recently lost a friend or a family member? Are you having difficulty concentrating and enjoying everyday activities? For information, please contact Barbara Natarajan at Rajnet352@comcast.net or Phone: 713-898-2563

*From the  
Pastor's  
Desk*



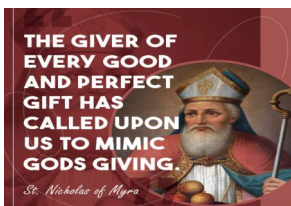
One of the Spiritual Acts of Mercy that we Catholics are encouraged to perform is to pray for the living and the dead. We have a Book of Petitions in each of the churches where parishioners can write down any prayer requests that they may have. In addition, we have a section in the bulletin where we list the names of the sick who could use our prayers. However, some names have been on the list for years and we have no update as to their status.

Therefore, any new names will be kept on the list for only three months.

Those names already on the list will be removed at the end of April, unless we receive a new request to retain someone's name on the list.

Also, we are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many parishioners to our "Annual Collection." Every gift was welcomed and sincerely appreciated.

**Thank you!**



There is still an open enrollment to join the choir that sings at the 9:00am Mass at St Bernadette. If you are interested in joining, please contact Marie Celso before or after Mass on Sunday at St Bernadette. Choir rehearsals are at 8:00am on Sundays in the St Bernadette church choir loft.



## Blessing for Baptismal Graces

*Dear God,  
Through Baptism,  
You called and claimed us as Your  
own, chosen and loved.  
Pour Your blessing upon us as we  
remember our Baptism.  
Plant Your identity in our hearts.  
Help us to live as Your beloved.  
Amen.*

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St Pio of Pietrelcina Parish!!**

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The ladies Guild thanks all  
the bakers, sellers and  
buyers of Jesus Cakes  
On the weekend of  
December 20 & 21

Our sale was a HUGE success  
profiting \$993.00!  
Marie Connors, Chairperson

# LIVE OUT YOUR BAPTISM

January 11, 2026  
The Baptism of the Lord  
Matthew 3:13-17



What have been the most significant moments in your life? You probably celebrate your birthday every year, so the day you were born must be pretty important. How about elementary, high school, or college graduations? Hopefully you do something special on or around your wedding anniversary if you are married. Do you have children? The birth of each child is probably near the top on the list of moments you will never forget. Then there are the sad moments of life: deaths, breakups, and tragedies. As you reflect on all these moments, you can see that you would not be who you are today without having experienced them. Of course as a Christian, you have one moment in time that has had an even greater impact on you and perhaps it didn't even come to mind: your Baptism.

You might say you don't remember it because you were an infant. Perhaps you do not even know the date it took place. You might not feel like it has had much impact on you at all. However, it has made all the difference.

Whether you feel the difference or not, on that day you were made a new creation in Jesus Christ. You were marked for Him with an indelible mark that no one can remove, not even you. On that day, you inherited a tradition and lineage of faith that has changed the face of the earth. Today, that baptismal grace beckons you to a real and substantial relationship with the One whose name was invoked on that day. It also calls you to respond with a stewardship way of life, where your gifts make a difference and glorify God. If today is the day you start taking all this seriously, you get to add a new moment to your list.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

*Apple ran a commercial not long ago called "Behind the Mac – Greatness." It shows artists and creators, such as Kendrick Lamar, Billie Eilish, and Lady Gaga, working behind their MacBooks. The narration says, "There's a certain kind of person who doesn't wait for greatness. They make it." It's a compelling message. There's beauty in using our gifts with passion and purpose. But there lies a hidden weight in that idea: If you are what you make, what happens when you can't anymore? When the project fails, the passion fades, or the spotlight moves on, where is greatness then?*

*Today's Gospel offers a differing vision of greatness. Jesus steps into the Jordan River. He hasn't preached, healed, or performed a single miracle. Then the heavens open, and the Father speaks: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." It's not a reward for success. It's not earned. Before he does anything "great," Jesus receives the greatness of his identity from the Father.*

*And so do you. At your baptism, God said the same thing over you: "You are my beloved." That is your true identity, not constructed or earned but received. When we see ourselves and others this way, everything changes for the better. We discover a greatness that can never be taken away. This week, reflect on your baptism: look up the date, thank God for it, pray for those baptized with you, or visit the church where it happened. Let your identity be rooted there.*

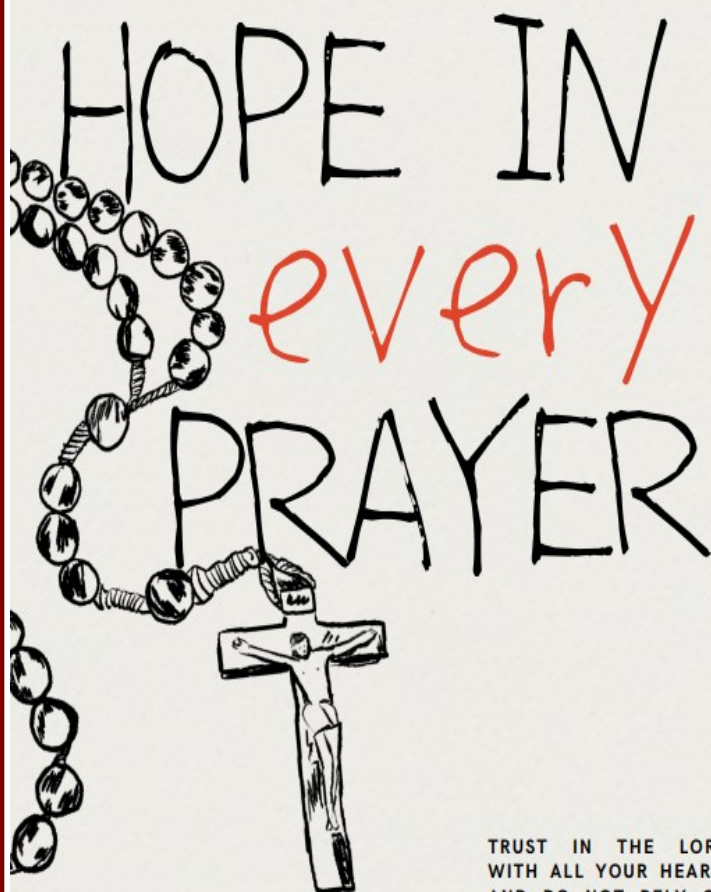
— Father John Muir

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## St Pio of Pietrelcina Parish Office of Religious Education

**Jennie Llanos, Director of Religious Education**



IN A WORLD FILLED WITH UNCERTAINTY, WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL FAMILIES TO RENEW THEIR COMMITMENT TO THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH BY ATTENDING MASS TOGETHER AND PRAYING AS A FAMILY.

**THE MOST POWERFUL WAY CHILDREN LEARN FAITH IS BY EXAMPLE.** WHEN FAITH IS MEANINGFUL TO PARENTS, IT BECOMES MEANINGFUL TO CHILDREN OVER TIME. IN TODAY'S WORLD, SO MANY VOICES COMPETE FOR A CHILD'S ATTENTION: SPORTS, ACTIVITIES, SCREENS AND SOCIAL MEDIA BUT NONE CAN OFFER WHAT A RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS PROVIDES: LOVE, HOPE, PURPOSE AND LASTING PEACE.

AS FAMILIES, WE ARE CALLED TO NURTURE NOT JUST OUR CHILDREN'S SCHEDULES, BUT THEIR HEARTS AND MINDS. FAITH GIVES CHILDREN A FOUNDATION THAT HELPS THEM NAVIGATE LIFE AND TRUST IN GOD.

**CHILDREN NEED MORE THAN INFORMATION; THEY NEED A LIVING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.** THEY NEED TO KNOW THAT CHURCH IS NOT JUST A PLACE TO ATTEND ONCE A WEEK, BUT A PLACE WHERE THEY ARE KNOWN, WELCOMED AND LOVED. A PLACE OF COMMUNITY. A PLACE OF COMFORT. A PLACE OF REST AND STRENGTH IN DIFFICULT MOMENTS.

THIS YEAR, WE INVITE YOUR FAMILY TO WALK WITH US AS WE HELP CHILDREN GROW IN FAITH, DISCOVER THEIR BELONGING IN THE CHURCH, AND COME TO KNOW AND RELY ON JESUS MORE DEEPLY.

TRUST IN THE LORD  
WITH ALL YOUR HEART,  
AND DO NOT RELY ON  
YOUR OWN INSIGHT. IN  
ALL YOUR WAYS  
ACKNOWLEDGE HIM,  
AND HE WILL MAKE  
STRAIGHT YOUR PATHS.  
PROVERBS 3:5-6

### **FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE:**

JANUARY 11, 2026 9:00 AM SB  
JANUARY 25, 2026 11:45 AM SVDP  
FEBRUARY 8, 2026 10:30 AM OLOP  
MARCH 8, 2026 11:45 AM SVDP

### **Prayer for the Family**

Dear Lord,

We lift our families to you in prayer — every generation!

Bind our wounds, forgive our debts, show your mercy!

Lead us to deeper communion with each other and You.

Help us, too, to be a holy family.

Amen.

### **Prayer for Children**

Dear Jesus,

Wrap the young members of our family in your love.

They know how to love BIG, even though they are still small.

Their trust can inspire, their faith can change hearts.

Help them to know you, now and always.

Amen.



# Branches on the Vine

JANUARY 10 - 16, 2026



Gil Thompson, a parishioner of St. John Fisher Roman Catholic Church in Marlborough, hosts the weekly online rosary and reads a scriptural passage before each Hail Mary. SUBMITTED PHOTO

## COME, PRAY THE ROSARY ONLINE

St. John Fisher Parish invites the homebound to join in.

**F**ive years ago during the height of the coronavirus, Deacon John McKaig of St. John Fisher Parish in Marlborough was invited to join two parishioners to pray the rosary on a Zoom call.

"I was going through chemo at the time, and my wife Patty and I started joining them the following Monday," he recalls. "Nine months later, my cancer was in remission."

Every Monday at 8:30 a.m., the prayer community begun by Jennifer O'Neill and Kurt Filosa gathers online to pray the Scriptural rosary, and that half hour has been a source of solace for people who often can't leave home.

"The big advantage," says Gil Thompson, who hosts the prayer session, "is that if someone is too sick to come to church, they can sit at home with their laptop and pray with us. Some, who have cancer, can turn on their video and not worry about transportation. We could be anywhere in the world and pray together."

His wife Laurie recalls a member of the church who suffered from Lou Gehrig's Disease and was committed to praying with them.

"When he first joined us, you could see the impact it had on him," she says. "He asked to do the responses, and tears would be flowing from his eyes."

The community of 10 people was so committed they would often go to his home to get him up.

"He needed us and we needed him," Laurie says. "It got to the point where he could no longer speak, but two weeks before he passed, his caregiver brought him on."

The group prays for many intentions, including those who are sick, new babies, job seekers, graduates and people who have overcome illnesses.

"We pray for everything," Gil says, "including our pastor, Father George Mukuka." Word of the online rosary ministry spread and parishioners often reach out with intentions.

"It's fulfilling to pray for people," Laurie says. "Parishioners who are ill are happy when they hear they're in our prayers. And whether they're here or not, they know we're praying for them."

"We're starting our week with prayer and thinking about people who are less fortunate because of health issues or whatever," Gil says, "And we think about them for the rest of the week."

During the rosary, Gil reads the Scriptural verse for each Hail Mary, while Laurie prays the response and others recite it at home.

"This method of praying the rosary keeps my mind focused on the Scripture reflections that the leader reads before each Hail Mary," Deacon McKaig says. The beauty of the rosary, he says, is that it offers Catholics a way to meditate on the life of Jesus and the Blessed Mother, starting with the Annunciation when Mary said "yes" to God's invitation, and culminating in Jesus' Ascension and her Assumption.

"When we join others in this spiritual practice, it's a powerful way to live out our baptismal promises by living the Greatest Commandment to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul and mind and the Second Commandment, which is like it, to love our neighbor as ourselves," Deacon McKaig says. "This lets us always remember it's not about me. It's not about you. It's all about what we can do for someone else."

To join the rosary prayer group on Mondays at 8:30 a.m., go to St. John Fisher's website, [stjfcchurch.org](http://stjfcchurch.org), and click on the "Ministries" tile and then the link for "Online Rosary."

- Story by Joe Pisani



# Upcoming Events

  
HelpOurMarriage.org  
**RETRouvaille**  
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES  
**JANUARY MARRIAGE WORKSHOP**  
**January 30 – February 1, 2026**  
**Windsor, CT**



If your marriage has become distant, troubled, unloving or uncaring; if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to communicate better, resolve conflicts fairly, and re-discover why you fell in love.

[helpourmarriage.org](http://helpourmarriage.org)  
(860) 837-0447

## *The Vocation of Caregiving: The Challenge of Presence*

*Day Retreat for Caregivers*

*Saturday, January 31, 2026*

*9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*



During this day of retreat, we will explore the Caregiving Journey, the choices we make and the personal costs to us. We will discuss The Good Samaritan, the daughter of Jairus, and Mary and Martha, all as models of caregivers. We will include time for discussion, quiet reflection, the opportunity for conversation with trained counselors, and sharing with one another.

**Offering: \$75, includes lunch**

**Visit [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org) to register or learn more**

**Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, 303 Tunxis Road, West Hartford, CT**

## ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

### BEER TASTING & COCKTAIL RECEPTION

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6<sup>TH</sup> 2026 | 6PM – 9PM**

**AQUA TURF CLUB, PLANTSVILLE, CT**

ENJOY A CASUAL SETTING WITH ARCHBISHOP COYNE WHILE SAMPLING LOCAL BEERS SERVED WITH HOT AND COLD HORS D'OEUVRES.



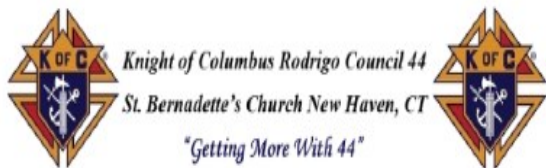
*Gouveia Vineyards*



**21+ | PLEASE RSVP AT [AOHFORMS.COM/BEERTASTING](http://AOHFORMS.COM/BEERTASTING)**



*Knights of Columbus Rodrigo Council 44  
still has available entries for the 300 Club.  
If you are interested, please read and  
complete the form below.*



**Knights of Columbus Rodrigo Council 44  
of St. Pio Pietrelcina Parish St. Bernadette Campus  
Is now selling tickets for the 2026 300 Club**

Rodrigo Council Members, St. Pio Pietrelcina Parish and friends,

The Knights of Columbus Rodrigo Council 44 is offering an opportunity to join our annual 300 Club. The club will run from January 2026 to December 2026.

Four winning numbers will be drawn each month for twelve (12) months.

**Deadline to enter  
Will be January  
11th  
THESE MAKE  
GREAT GIFTS!**

**EACH ENTRY HAS  
49  
CHANCES TO WIN**

**FIRST NUMBER wins \$150.00  
SECOND NUMBER wins \$100.00  
THIRD NUMBER wins \$75.00  
FOURTH NUMBER wins \$50.00**

**One Grand Prize of \$1000.00 will be drawn in December 2026.**

Numbers will be drawn on the second Saturday of each month at our council meeting. All winners will be notified by phone or email. Names will also be placed in the parish bulletin.

ALL WINNING NUMBERS will be returned for the following month's drawing.

Tickets for membership is limited to 300.

**YOU MUST BE IN IT TO WIN IT!**

The cost of membership is \$50.00.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RODRIGO COUNCIL 44

PROCEEDS FROM THIS PROGRAM WILL BENEFIT OUR COUNCIL'S CHARITABLE DONATIONS TO ST. PIO OF PIETRELCA PARISH COMMUNITY, OUR COMMUNITY IN GENERAL AND THOSE IN NEED.



Knights of Columbus Rodrigo Council 44  
St. Bernadette's Church New Haven, CT

Should you wish to reserve a specific number please select a number form 1-300. Please indicate your preferred numbers, First, Second or Third choice. Numbers will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. If numbers are not available, the next available number will be assigned.

Payment must be made at the time of number selection. Only 1 entry per form.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
Cash: \_\_\_\_\_ Check: \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_



**Mass  
Schedule**

### **January 10 & 11, 2026**

**4:00p.m. Mass SVDP. Fr Matthew**

**5:00p.m. Mass OLOP. Fr Walsh**

**7:30a.m. Mass OLOP. Fr Walsh**

**9:00a.m. Mass SB: Fr Murasso**

**10:30p.m. Mass OLOP. Fr Walsh**

**11:45a.m. Mass SVDP. Fr Matthew**

### **January 17 & 18, 2026**

**4:00p.m. Mass SVDP. Fr Murasso**

**5:00p.m. Mass OLOP. Fr Matthew**

**7:30a.m. Mass OLOP. Fr Borino**

**9:00a.m. Mass SB: Fr Matthew**

**10:30p.m. Mass OLOP. Fr Murasso**

**11:45a.m. Mass SVDP. Fr Walsh**

**\*\*Deacons Preaching at all Masses**

**4:00p.m. & 7:30a.m. Deacon George**

**5:00p.m. & 10:30a.m. Deacon Larry**

**9:00a.m. & 11:30a.m. Deacon Wayne**



### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE:**



**Our Lady of Pompeii:**

**Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm**

**St. Vincent de Paul:**

**Saturday, 3:00-3:30pm**