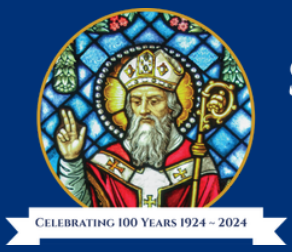

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM at St. Richard Sunday 8:00 AM at St. Richard Sunday 10:00 AM at Holy Spirit Sunday 11:30 PM at St. Richard

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday — Thursday 8:30 AM
Saturday8:30 AM

Confession Schedule

Saturdays 3:30—4:15 PM
Before each Sunday Mass

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October 18th 2026 - World Mission Sunday

"...MAY WE KNOW THEE MORE CLEARLY, LOVE THEE MORE DEARLY, AND FOLLOW THEE MORE NEARLY."

- From the Prayer to St. Richard

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY October 17

4:30 PM Vigil Philip and Elisa Mancini
Req. by Salvatore and Josephine Mancini

SUNDAY October 18

8:00 James and Rose Goffredo
Requested by Richard and Mary Goffredo

10:00 For the Parishioners of St. Richard Parish

11:30 Joseph DiSilvestro
Requested by wife, Amelia

MONDAY October 19

8:30 Catherine and Mario Terruso
Requested by Bob and Lorraine Terruso

TUESDAY October 20

8:30 Richard Donnelly, Sr.
Requested by Family

WEDNESDAY October 21

8:30 Luigi and Emilia Zuccarini
Requested by daughter-in-law and children

THURSDAY October 22

8:30 Kelly Wiseley
Requested by Donna Ferry

FRIDAY October 23

No 8:30 AM Mass

SATURDAY October 24

8:30 Jack Mount
Requested by Patty Mount

4:30 PM Vigil Michael Mulvihill
Requested by Mike and Carol Garafolo

SUNDAY October 25

8:00 Vincent Moffo
Requested by Donna and Rocco Moffo

10:00 Richard Ferullo
Requested by wife, Bea

11:30 For the Parishioners of St. Richard Parish

Weekly Memorials

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE
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Requested by Carmela Sullivan

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Edith Scairato, Doris Blessington, Karen Deniz and Rose Alteri
By Family

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Theodore Scairato, Sr., James Blessington, Sr. and Anthony Alteri
By Family

Altar Bread and Wine
(Holy Spirit Church)
Donated In Loving Memory of the
Deceased Members of the Campione and Scarlata Families
By The Campione Family

VOTIVE CANDLES

ILM Birthday of Marie McManus
Requested by Tom and Rosalie McManus

IMO Jackie Enright
Requested by Jennie and Anthony Filippello

IMO Gus Zagame
Requested by Jennie and Anthony Filippello

ILM 35th Anniversary of Rose C. Spatola
Requested by Children

A Pastoral Point

Dear Church Family,

What a joy it was to celebrate my Installation as Pastor this past weekend. Thank you to everyone who attended, especially our Saint Pio school students and their families whose presence always brings such life to our parish. My gratitude also extends to all who helped make the celebration so beautiful—far too many to name in this short column, but each contribution mattered. My own family members who were able to attend, including my mom and dad, were deeply moved by the enthusiasm and devotion of our parish family. They saw what I see every day: a community striving to love God with sincerity and joy.

The most memorable moment of the Mass for me was renewing the promises I made at my ordination. It has been some time since I renewed all of them, but one in particular struck my heart with fresh clarity: the promise "to implore God's mercy upon the people entrusted to my care by observing the command to pray without ceasing." That promise affirmed so much of the prayerful work we have undertaken together—our Tuesday adoration, our growing use of the Hallow app, and the quiet ways we lift one another to the Lord. And, in harmony with this weekend's Gospel, it reminded me that everything must be offered back to God. He is the One ultimately in control, and He desires to work through us and with us, never against us.

As disciples, we are all exhorted to pray without ceasing—for our own salvation and for the salvation of those around us. This is our mission as a parish. So I offer you a challenge flowing from this grace-filled weekend: take at least 30 minutes in the church over the next couple of days. If you are not able to because of work or school, attend the evening devotions at 6:30 PM on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday. Let us continue to be a people who pray, who trust, and who allow God to work wonders in our midst.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Alessandro Giardini,
Pastor

Parish Information

Parish Staff

Marian Paone	Parish Office Manager
Lisa DeFelice	Director of Religious Education
Mary Carney	OCIA & Safe Environment
Diane Blaney	Director of Parish Facilities
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Debra Scairato	Choir Director & Organist
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Joseph Mancini	Head Summer Sacristan
Shane Porchia	St. Richard Sacristan
William Brown	Maintenance Supervisor
George Gunning	Parish Finance Council
Joey Sofia	Pastoral Council

Baptisms

Baptisms are celebrated at St. Richard Church on the first and third Sundays of each month following the 11:30 AM Mass. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Marriage

Couples planning a wedding should contact the parish office at least six months in advance to begin the preparation process.

Anointing of the Sick and Homebound Visits

Arrangements can be made for anointing or Holy Communion to be brought to the sick or dying by calling the parish office.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults who wish to join the Catholic faith or those who were baptized but are in need of the other Sacraments of Initiation may e-mail RCIA@strichardchurch.org for information!

Tuesday "Holy Half-Hour" & Benediction

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed Tuesdays following the 8:30 AM Mass, followed by prayers for vocations and for priests, time for quiet Adoration, and concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:30 AM.

Novena Prayers (Following the 8:30 AM Mass)

- **Miraculous Medal Novena** (Monday)
- **Novena to Saint Joseph** (Wednesday)
- **Novena to Our Lady of Knock** (Thursday)

Parish Registration

New parishioners are always welcome and may register either in-person at the parish office or anytime by visiting our website!

Parish Choir

Our 11:30 AM Mass is enhanced by our choir. The choir practices weekly on Wednesday evenings in the choir loft. Please contact the parish office if you would like to join the choir.

Designer Bag / Cash Bingo Night

Friday, November 6, 2026,
from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m.
Swann Waterfall Catering Room
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Tickets: $60 per person

Admission includes a buffet-style dinner, wine, beer, soda, and dessert.

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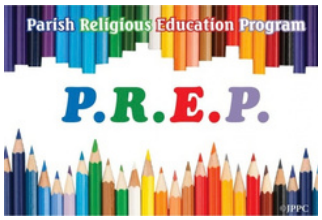
If you would like to add someone to our Prayer List, please contact the rectory at 215-468-4777.



General PREP Session Schedule

Session 2 -
Sunday, November 8 (10:00 AM - 12:30 PM)
Session 3-
Sunday, December 6 (10:00 AM - 12:30 PM)
Session 4-
Sunday, January 10 (10:00 AM - 12:00 PM)
Session 5 -
Sunday, February 7 (10:00 AM - 12:30 PM)
Session 6 -
Sunday, March 7 (10:00 AM - 12:30 PM)

Confirmation Schedule

Confirmation Session 2 —
Sunday, November 8 (10:00 AM - 12:30 PM)
Confirmation Session 3 —
Sunday, December 6 (10:00 AM - 12:30 PM)
Confirmation Session 4 —
Sunday, January 10 (10:00 AM - 12:30 PM)
Confirmation Session 5—
Sunday, February 7 (10:00 AM - 12:30 PM)

St. Richard of Chichester will host our annual Baby Bottle Drive for the Legacy of Life Foundation (LOLF) on October 24-25. For over 15 years, Legacy of Life has supported women and families in our community and has helped save more than 5,000 lives. Please mark your calendar and join us in supporting this life-saving mission.

St. Richard Parish Forty Hours Devotion

Please join us on

Sunday October 18 at 6:30 PM for Vespers

Monday October 19 at 6:30 PM for Vespers

Tuesday October 20 at 6:30 PM for Vespers & Closing

40 Hours Sign UP

"Could you not watch with me one hour? "
—Matthew 26:40

We ask for at least two volunteers to be in the church with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament during the times listed on the sign-ups sheets in the back of church.

Each day will conclude with a service at 6:30 PM.

2027 Mass Book Opening

on Saturday, October 31, 2026

The School / Parish Hall doors will open at 9:30 AM and close at 11:30 AM.

Each household can request a total of

7 Masses per Household

(3) Weekend Masses per Household
(Mass Times – 4:30 PM Vigil, 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Holy Spirit), and 11:30 AM)

(4) Weekday Masses per Household
(Mass Times – 8:30 AM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday)

Memorials for 2027 -

Blessed Mother Roses, St. Joseph Roses,

Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Candles, Votive Candles, and

Altar Bread & Wine (Holy Spirit Church only) will be

available Wednesday November 10.

Donations have been made to the St. Richard Altar Fund

In Memory of Marie A. DelViscio
By Roseann Scairato
By Rich and Joanne Donnelly
By Rodney and Lorraine Lambert
By Peter and Edna Amenta

Celebrate 100 Years of World Mission Sunday! This World Mission Sunday marks the centennial of this global day of prayer and solidarity. Pope Leo XIV spent a large part of his priestly ministry as a Missionary in Peru and has spoken about how dependent he was on the support generated by World Mission Sunday. As Pontiff, his appeal now is, "Please help me help Missionaries everywhere." That's what World Mission Sunday does!
The second collection we take up today helps extend the Church 's evangelization work to Missionary lands where the Gospel is being proclaimed for the first time, as well as to places where the Church barely exists, or is too young, too persecuted or too poor to sustain herself. Thank you for responding to Pope Leo's call to help him help Missionaries everywhere!

There will be a second collection on
Sunday October 18 for World Mission Sunday.

St. Pio's
Trunk-or-Treat Monster Mash

Friday, October 23

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Advance tickets are $15.00 each and must be purchased by Tuesday, October 20, 2026.
Admission at the door: $20.00
Each ticket includes admission to Trunk-or-Treat, Monster Mash, and the Spooky Trail, plus, a mini water and a soft pretzel.
Parents and children under age 2 are admitted free.

First and Last Name: _____

Number of Tickets: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Please circle one: CASH CHECK *(Make checks payable to: St. Pio School)*

Please select your preferred ticket delivery option:

□ Send my tickets home with:
Student Name: _____
Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

□ I will call the school at 215-467-5430 to arrange ticket pickup.

Please return this form by Tuesday, October 20 to either the School Main Office or the Rectory Office.

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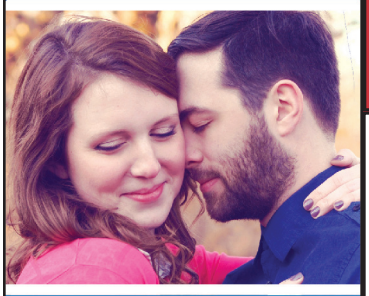
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