

**THE PADRE PIO
PRAYER GROUP
of Cleveland**

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**MISSION &
VISION:**

To carry out the works, words and devotion of St. Padre Pio through prayer and charitable works where we can touch lives and change souls.

Our vision is to create more Spiritual Children and lead souls to heaven.

**UPCOMING
EVENTS:**

**Feb 9 -
Pilgrims to Rome,
Italy for the Padre
Pio Prayer Group
Papal Audience
return home**

**Feb 10 -
Ash Wednesday
signals the begin-
ning of Lent**

**Mar 5 -
Padre Pio Prayer
Group Gathering
beginning with Mass
at 8:30 AM,
St. Barnabas
Church, 9451
Brandywine Rd.**



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Lent is Coming, Ready or Not

Ash Wednesday is the call to “Repent and believe in the gospel” (Mk 1:15). For the next forty days, the faithful willingly submit to fasting and self-denial in imitation of Our Lord’s forty-day fast in the desert. It is in these dark and still nights, these desert-times, that the soul experiences its greatest growth. There, in the inner arena, the soul battles the world, the flesh and the devil just as Our Lord battled Satan’s triple temptation in the desert. His battle was external, for Jesus could not sin; our battle is interior, but with a hope sustained by the knowledge of Christ’s Easter victory over sin and death. During this holy season, we are connected to the Paschal Mystery, the Catechumens prepare for Christian initiation, and current Church members prepare for Easter by a recalling of Baptism and by works of penance, that is, prayer, fasting and almsgiving. If you are one who cannot wait for Lent to be over so you can go back to the way you were, then what does that say about your 40 days of Lent. Do you just go back to sinning after Lent is over? No, that would be un-

thinkable, but we do not realize that Lent is a 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year event. We do not stop in our quest to “Repent and believe in the Gospel” until our last breath has left our bodies. Lent begins at our baptism and ends at death. That is why children should do the external Lenten sacrifices to learn how to begin to turn away from their sins while adults do more works of charity and turn away from their sins. Most adults become frustrated after the third day of Lent because they cannot keep their external Lenten practices. They end up becoming discouraged and just stop. This

shows us how weak our human nature really is and what does that say about any possibility for us to give up our sins. We need Jesus, without Him we fail.

In this penitential season we have the opportunity to make an annual spiritual “tune-up”, a 40-day retreat with Our Lord. Both silence and stillness can help you turn your heart and mind to God in a more intentional way during Lent. It is important to detach ourselves from the busyness of everyday life to find stillness and silence—even if only for a few minutes of prayer each day. A merciful heart does not mean a weak heart. Anyone who wishes to be merciful must have a strong and steadfast heart, closed to the tempter but open to God.



A heart which lets itself be pierced by the Holy Spirit so as to bring love to our brothers and sisters, one which realizes its own poverty and gives freely for others. Have you allowed worldly cares and the “daily drama” to obscure your call to holiness? Have self-love and materialism eroded your relationship with God? Then let us renew our efforts, and through our Lenten observance, discipline the body and master it as we “follow in the footsteps of the poor and crucified Christ”. St. Padre Pio bore the wounds of Jesus. Ask him to intercede for you. Be ready this year!

St Padre Pio, I am weak and broken. Help me to decrease my love for myself and increase my love for Jesus, each and every day. Give me the strength to never leave Jesus alone in His cruel Passion and at the Garden of Gethsemane. Destroy in me all that displeases the Lord and fill my heart with the fire of His love. Amen.

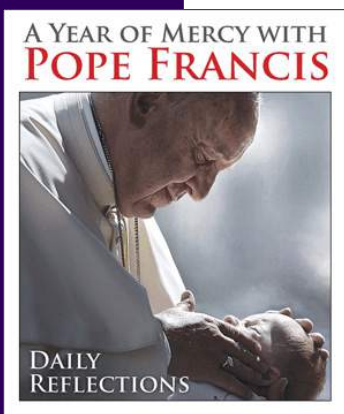
By the time you read this newsletter, our Padre Pio Prayer Group of Northeast Ohio will have finished our meeting with Pope Francis. We will have prayed Lauds [Morning Prayer]; received instruction on the faith from Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, Predicatore della Casa Pontificia; had our audience with the Holy Father, Pope Francis; and passed through the Sancta Porta [Holy Door] of the Basilica of St. Peter. We will probably be finishing our lunch by the time Mass begins at St. Barnabas Church. What a way to celebrate our Third Anniversary at St. Barnabas Church. For all of you that could not be with us, you have been in our prayers every day. We hope to have some memento or souvenir of this visit for all you when we return home.



Left to right: Holy Doors at Basilica of St. Paul Outside-the-Walls, Basilica of St. Mary Major, Archbasilica of St. John Lateran, Saint Peter's Basilica.

As I reflect while writing this article I cannot help but think that we will have the opportunity to enter through the Holy Doors of the four major basilicas in Rome: St. Peter, St. Paul Outside the Walls, St. John Lateran, and St. Mary Major. These doors are usually closed and would not be opened until 2025, but as we all know, Pope Francis has declared this year to be an Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. The Holy Doors have been swung open so that the faithful can have the chance to receive the graces and blessings to be a people of love by receiving and giving away God's Mercy.

A new book has been produced by Our Sunday Visitor. It is entitled: *A Year of Mercy with Pope Francis: Daily Reflections*. Each day begins with some words of Pope Francis on Mercy and a reflection to reflect upon for that day. I would like to conclude with one that is titled: "Find the Door Open."



In the Church, the God we encounter is not a merciless judge, but like the father in the Gospel parable [Luke 15:11-32]. You may be like the son who left home, who sank to the depths, farthest from the Gospel. When you have the strength to say: I want to come home; you will find the door open. God will come to meet you because he is always waiting for you, God is always waiting for you, God embraces you, kisses you, and celebrates.

That is how the Lord is, that is how the tenderness of our heavenly Father is.

— General Audience, October 2, 2013

May this year be a year where we are "Merciful as the Father."

Basic Themes from Our Lady of America (Part 2)

Last month's article treated the history of the origin of Our Lady of America and the visionary from our own Sr. Mary Ephrem from Cleveland, Ohio. Had the visions, which Mary in her mercy gave to the church before the sexual revolution in the 1960's, been promulgated, our country and world would not be in the chaotic situation in which we find ourselves. The complete information can be found at www.OurLadyofAmerica.org. Today's article will treat some basic themes: Faith, Purity, Penance, Peace, Prayer, and the Shrine.

Purity -- "I desire that my children honor me, especially by the purity of their lives. I wish America to be the country dedicated to my purity. The wonders I will work will be the wonders of the Soul. People must have Faith and believe firmly in my love for them. I desire that they be children of my Pure Heart. I desire, through my children of America, to further the cause of faith and purity among people and nations. I will teach them to become pure". (Currently, America is probably the biggest exporter of pornography, contraceptives, and abortion in the world. Mary, help us!)

Although many in our country are turning away from God, Mary called herself Our Lady of America in response to the love and desire that reached out for this special title in the hearts of a multitude of her children in America. This title was the sign of her pleasure at the confidence our land places in her and as a reward for its staunch and childlike devotion to her. Her children longed for this personal visit of Our Lady, whether consciously or otherwise, and in her mercy she responded far beyond all expectations.

Our Lady often emphasized her desire that the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. be made a place of special pilgrimage, from which more miracles of the soul would flow than from Lourdes and Fatima combined!!!!!! She specifically requests that her statue, Our Lady of America, the Immaculate Virgin, be carried in procession by the American bishops and enthroned. This was requested by Cardinal Burke at the 2006 annual meeting of the American bishops. Thus far, it has not been acted upon, due in part to the fact that the hierarchy acts with caution in regard to apparitions. The situation was further complicated by the former nun-friend to whom Sr. Ephrem entrusted her writings. The woman left the order and refused to offer the writings to the Church. A long legal battle ensued, but fortunately this was resolved in De-

ember 2015. Satan resists Mary, but prayers are moving her cause forward.

Peace -- "Tell my children to come to me and learn this true love of my Son, which is so necessary for their peace of soul. My Son asks of souls love, that true love, willing to sacrifice itself for the One loved. Man fears to sacrifice himself because he is selfish. If souls would place themselves into my keeping, I would teach them the way of true love. If men truly loved my Son, they would not quarrel with one another and they would have peace in their own hearts. Peace is from within, not from without. If mankind were at peace with itself, there would be peace in the world. Man will only have peace if he has in his heart that true love of neighbor that springs from a whole-hearted love for my Son".

Americans are becoming ever more narcissistic, focusing on "MY pleasure and MY convenience". "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and ALL other things (including happiness) will be given you besides". The messages of Mary at Medugorje, which St. John Paul personally believed in, state that world peace begins with the individual, then spreads to other individuals, then to families, to neighborhoods, states, countries, and then world. "The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed.....". World peace begins with ME!

Our Lady says, "The world is dying because it will not let me give it life. People fear man-made destroyers of life, yet destruction is in themselves. Man destroys himself through the evil that is within himself. Implements of war kill only that which is without. Man kills that within himself which none but he can kill."




**"BY THY HOLY AND
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"The false peace of this world allures my children and in the end will destroy them. They think they have done enough in consecrating themselves to my Immaculate Heart. It is not enough. That which I ask for and is most important many have not given me. What I ask is reformation of life. There must be sanctification from within. I will work my miracles of grace only in those who ask for them and empty their souls of the love of the love and attachment to sin. Souls who cling to sin cannot have their hands free to receive the treasures of grace that I hold out to them."

Much has been accomplished in regard to making Mary's request a reality. The final outcome is still in question. Mary is doing all she can do. Let's do our part!

A Year of Mercy with Pope Francis Daily Reflections for February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p>  <p>MERCIFUL LIKE THE FATHER Jubilee Year of Mercy 6 December 2015 - 28 November 2016</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Mary, Mother of Jesus, we turn to you. Teach us how to look upon your merciful Son and to speak with Him. Help us to learn how to bear witness to Him and to love like Him. Hail Mary . . .</p> <p>THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Sometimes other people can be a source of frustration. . . . In the end we are called to recognize the wrong, but also to love God by loving them. Choose mercy over judgment.</p> <p>St. Blaise St. Ansgar</p>	<p>4</p> <p>The poor and outcast are often the last people on our minds. Ask the Lord to change our hearts and mind to think of the poor. God calls us to look to them first.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Do you lose sight of God in your sufferings, or do you draw near to Him? This week try to pray in moments of distress. Reach out to Him in small ways when you are challenged or feel weak. He is there to help you.</p> <p>St. Agatha First Friday</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Is your relationship with God filled with passion and joy? Or is it filled with guilt, obligation, duty, or indifference? Consider how to deepen your relationship with God. Start by contemplating His mercy. He has so much love for you.</p> <p>St. Paul Miki and Companions</p>	
<p>7</p> <p>What place does the Word of God have in your life? If we are going to transmit the Gospel and the mercy of God to others, we must be receiving that mercy each day. Ask the Lord to let you experience His heart and love for others.</p> <p>5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Do you have an intense desire to share God's love? If not, is this because you haven't experienced His love deeply enough in yourself? Go on a retreat where you can enkindle the love of God more powerfully in your life.</p> <p>St. Jerome Emiliani St. Josephine Bakhita</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Our lives are amazing gifts, especially when you give them to others. Think about one small but merciful action you can make today that could brighten someone's day.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>What are you doing for Lent this year? How will it help you leave behind your old habits and lazy addictions? How will it lead you to become more merciful?</p> <p>ASH WEDNESDAY Fast and Abstinence</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Look back at what God has done in your life. When did you encounter Him? Be grateful that He has gone before you, and have the courage to follow after Him more closely.</p> <p>Thursday after Ash Wednesday Our Lady of Lourdes</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Where do you lack confidence? When do you bury your talents? Ask God for the boldness to share His mercy with others.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Is there someone in your life who needs to know that you are standing by him or her every step of the way? Who needs a phone call, a kind note, or a visit? Make time for a small act of mercy.</p> <p>Saturday after Ash Wednesday</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Read the story of the Merciful Father in Luke 15:11-32. What is God calling you to do?</p> <p>1ST SUNDAY OF LENT World Day of Marriage</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Are you open to God's mercy? The Lord gives Himself to us, but are we willing to give ourselves to Him? What do you still need to give over to him?</p> <p>Lenten Weekday President's Day</p>	<p>16</p> <p>One of the Spiritual Works of Mercy is to forgive offenses willingly. Do pride and selfishness prevent you from forgiving others?</p>	<p>17</p> <p>In what ways can you look "with new eyes" at your brothers and sisters and their needs. Pray that God will allow you to look upon others with more mercy.</p> <p>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</p>	<p>18</p> <p>What is one action of mercy that you can make today to help relieve the burdens of others?</p>	<p>19</p> <p>The Mass is a deep encounter with the mercy of the Lord. Next time you are there; try to use each element of the Mass to meditate on His mercy. What is He saying to you through the prayers, the readings, and the Eucharist?</p> <p>Lenten Weekday Abstinence</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Do you practice mercy through giving? Find an opportunity to give freely without expecting anything in return.</p>
<p>21</p> <p>Read the parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10:25-37. How can you practice the corporal work of mercy of visiting the sick?</p> <p>2ND SUNDAY OF LENT</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Sis. Peter and Paul committed the most serious sins. What can you learn about God's mercy amidst their grave mistakes? What does this tell you about your own faults, no matter how small or large they may be?</p> <p>THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Are you open to God's mercy? The Lord gives Himself to us, but are we willing to give ourselves to Him? What do you still need to give over to him?</p> <p>Lenten Weekday St. Polycarp</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Who do you need to forgive? Who do you need to ask for forgiveness? Experience the joy of giving and receiving mercy.</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Which people in your life have a strong and humble faith? How does their faith, even in their weakness, encourage you?</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Do you know people who practice sacrificial mercy toward others? How can you show them gratitude? How can you follow their example?</p> <p>Lenten Weekday Abstinence</p>	<p>27</p> <p>How do you open your heart to God? Do you speak to Him about your life? Do you take the time in silence to allow him to speak?</p> <p>Lenten Weekday</p>
<p>28</p> <p>Is Jesus in first-place in your life right now? What suffocates your heart right at this moment? What's one small thing you can give up this week to make room to experience more of God's mercy?</p> <p>3RD SUNDAY OF LENT</p>	<p>29</p> <p>There is freedom in the Lord's mercy. Don't be afraid. Go to confession this week.</p> <p>Lenten Weekday</p>	<p>30</p> <p>THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE</p>	<p>Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten Journey of forty days, which lead us to the Easter Triduum, the memorial of the Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection, and the heart of the mystery of our salvation. Lent prepares us for this most important moment; therefore, it is a "powerful" season, a turning point that can foster change and conversion to each of us.</p> <p>We all need to improve, to change for the better. Lent helps us and thus we leave behind old habits and the lazy addiction to the evil that deceives and ensnares us.</p>			

Scripture Quotes for Lenten Reflection

Mathew 6:16-18

When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Peter 5:6

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

Joel 2:12

"Even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning."

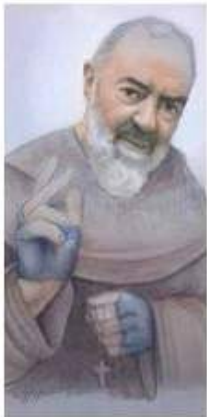
Daniel 9:3

So I turned to the Lord God and pleaded with him in prayer and petition, in fasting, and in sackcloth and ashes.



Prayer for Priests

by St. Mary Faustina Kowalska



In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, let us pray for our priests with a prayer of St. Faustina, an Apostle of Mercy. Our priests bring us to the Heart of God's Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Jesus' message to St. Faustina shows the essence of mercy as a personal encounter with the merciful God, who draws us to himself and his love:

My Heart was moved by great mercy towards you, My dearest child, when I saw you torn to shreds because of the great pain you suffered in repenting for your sins. . . . I lift up the humble even to my very throne, because I want it so (Diary 282).

Also, St. Pio was known to be a great confessor. He was able to do what few confessors can and that is to read hearts. This charism allowed him to know if someone had forgotten a sin or was being deceitful. He was able to tell the penitent what they did and when. Many came to him with the desire of sincere repentance and to be guided in the spiritual life.

O my Jesus, we beg You on behalf of the whole Church: grant it love and the light of Your Spirit, and give power to the words of priests, so that hardened hearts might be brought to repentance and return to You.

Lord, give us holy priests: You Yourself maintain them in holiness.

O Divine and great High Priest, may the power of Your mercy accompany them everywhere and protect them from the devil's traps and snares, which are continually being set for the souls of priests.

May the power of Your mercy, O Lord, shatter and bring to naught all that might tarnish the sanctity of priests, for You can do all things.

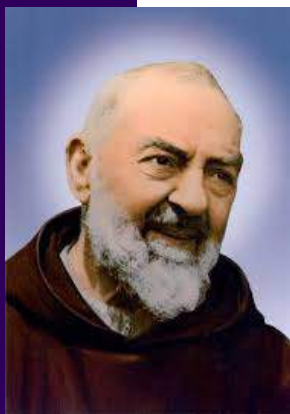
We ask You, Jesus, for a special blessing and for light for (here mention the name of your confessor or parish priest) and all the priests before whom we will make our confessions throughout our lifetime. Amen.

MARY, MOTHER OF PRIESTS, PRAY FOR US.

Missionaries of Mercy to be sent out under the gaze of Padre Pio

By Ann Schneible Vatican City, Jan 6, 2016 / 02:03 am (EWTN News/CNA)

The body of Padre Pio will be on display for veneration at next month's Ash Wednesday Mass in the Vatican, where a group of priests will be sent out as "Missionaries of Mercy" for the Jubilee Year. Pope Francis "has expressed his keen desire" for the relics of the Capuchin saint to be exposed during the Feb. 10 Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, said Archbishop Rino Fisichella, president of the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization.



In a letter Archbishop Michele Castoro of Manfredonia-Vieste-San Giovanni Rotondo, Archbishop Fisichella explained that this year's Ash Wednesday is the day on which the Pope "will send the Missionaries of Mercy throughout the world, conferring on them the special mandate of preaching and hearing confessions, as a living sign of how the Father welcomes all those who seek his forgiveness." "The presence of St. Pio's remains," he said, "will be a precious sign for all missionaries and priests, who will find strength for their own mission in the wondrous example of this untiring, welcoming and patient confessor, an authentic witness of the Father's mercy."

These Missionaries of Mercy are priests who, during the Jubilee of Mercy, will be given the faculties to pardon sins in cases otherwise reserved to the Holy See. St. Pio of Pietrelcina, colloquially known as "Padre Pio," was a priest of the Order of the Friars Minor Capuchin, a stigmatist, and a mystic, who lived from 1887-1968. He was beatified in 1999, and canonized in 2002 by St. John Paul II. He was born in Pietrelcina, but ministered in San Giovanni Rotondo from 1916 until his death. February's exposition of Padre Pio's remains at the Vatican is part of the relics' tour for the Year of Mercy, which will include stops in Rome and Pietrelcina, according to newly released information.

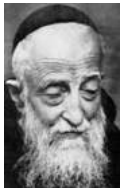
Italian media reports that Padre Pio's relics, which reside in the shrine at San Giovanni Rotondo, will arrive Feb. 3 at Rome's Basilica of Saint Lawrence Outside the Walls, where it will remain through Feb. 4, under the care of the Capuchins. On Feb. 5, the relics will be carried in procession from Saint Lawrence to St. Peter's Basilica, where they will remain until Feb. 11. Various events will be held during this period, including a papal audience Feb. 6 with members of "Padre Pio prayer groups," workers at the Home to Relieve Suffering – founded by St. Pio in 1956 – and faithful from the Manfredonia-Vieste-San Giovanni Rotondo archdiocese. On Feb. 9, Pope Francis will preside over Mass with Capuchin brothers, Padre Pio's own order, from around the world.



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After Mass Feb. 11 for the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes presided over by Archbishop Fisichella, St. Pio's relics will be taken for three days to Pietrelcina.

Saint Leopold Mandic: The Saint of Confession



At the personal request of Pope Francis, in addition to the remains of St. Padre Pio, the remains of St. Leopold Mandic will be brought to Rome from 3 to 11 Feb for veneration to highlight the importance of the ministry of a confessor.

St. Leopold was a contrast between physical frailty and spiritual strength. Four foot five inches tall, and physically weak, his health became worse with age. He had a stammer, suffered abdominal pains, and was gradually deformed by chronic arthritis, making his frame stooped, his hands gnarled, and his life one of endless pain. Spiritually, Leopold Mandic was a giant, full of Christian strength. His humility and faith in God enabled him to accept his poor physical condition, and realize God's power – for without God he could do nothing.

Bogdan, “the God-given-one”, was born on 12 May 1866, the twelfth child of Peter and Caroline Mandic. Although physically malformed and delicate of health, he showed early signs of great spiritual strength and integrity. At age 16, he became a student at the Capuchin Seraphic School at Udine, Italy, and an aspirant to the Capuchin Order. He applied himself to his studies, and entered the Capuchin Order as a novice on 20 April 1884 at Bassano del Grappa, taking the religious name *Brother Leopold*. After his Profession of Vows in May 1885, Leopold began clerical studies at Padua and Venice, and was ordained in Venice on 20 Sep 1890.

He wanted to be a missionary in Eastern Europe, an area torn apart by religious strife, but he was denied by his superiors because of his frailty and general ill-health. He was stationed at various Friaries in the Venetian Province from 1890 to 1906, including his homeland of Dalmatia, where the Italian friars had a mission. He was transferred to Padua, Italy in 1906 where, except for a year spent in a prison camp in World War I because he would not renounce his Croat nationality, he remained for the rest of his life. In Padua he became a Confessor and Spiritual Director. Fr. Leopold encouraged many, especially the hopeless in enslavement to sin. Though he did not go to the missions, his long service in the confessional proved it to be his own apostolate. For nearly forty years, twelve hours a day, he absolved and counseled thousands of penitents, always weak but always available.

He died on 30 Jul 1942 at the Friary in Padua, Italy of esophageal cancer. He was Beatified on 2 May 1976 by Pope Paul VI and Canonized on 16 Oct 1983 by Pope John Paul II. His Feast Day is 12 May.



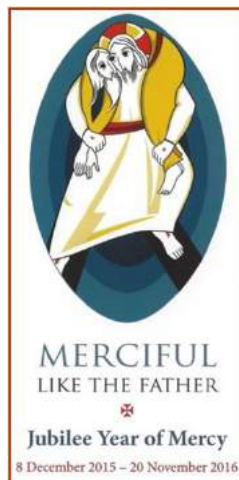
Works of Mercy

This Holy Year is a time for the faithful to reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, Pope Francis writes: “It will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty. And let us enter more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God’s mercy... Let us rediscover these corporal works of mercy... And let us not forget the spiritual works of mercy...” (Misericordiae Vultus). These are actions we can perform that extend God’s compassion and mercy to those in need.

Corporal Works of Mercy

The Corporal Works of Mercy are these kind acts by which we help our neighbors with their material and physical needs.

- feed the hungry
- give drink to the thirsty
- clothe the naked
- shelter the homeless
- visit the sick
- visit the imprisoned
- bury the dead



Spiritual Works of Mercy

The Spiritual Works of Mercy are acts of compassion, as listed below, by which we help our neighbors with their emotional and spiritual needs.

- counsel the doubtful
- instruct the ignorant
- admonish sinners
- comfort the afflicted
- forgive offenses
- bear wrongs patiently
- pray for the living and the dead

KEEP OUR SICK SISTERS & BROTHERS IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS

Call Helen Husky 440-232-3462 to add a member to the list.

Mary Bacon
Sue Brand
Tom Bruno
James Candeletti
Bob Dodds
Sean Doherty
Tim Doherty
Stephanie Fiata
Steve Fiata
Marty Franck
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Richard Frein
Herman Grazioli
Jim Green
Pat Jones
Amy Kerico
Jeff Kerico
George Landfear
Pauline Lubey
Baby Joseph Angelo Martyn
Beth Morici
Marilynn Murphy

Eleanor Phillips
Marianne Sandy
Donna Stasse
Christine Wagner



*“Remember, our suffering is brief
but our reward is eternal.”*

- St. Padre Pio

OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES OF OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Ernie Mazzone, brother of Tina and Michael Mazzone

REMINDER

If you have not filled out an Information Sheet, please complete one so we can enter you into our database.

For those who suffer, that our Lord Jesus Christ will give them the grace and courage to accept their suffering, that they may experience the healing hands of our Lord Jesus Christ. *“Saint Pio intercede to Jesus for them”*

For those who are ill in my family and among my friends, that they may be restored to full health: physically, mentally and spiritually. *“Saint Pio intercede to Jesus for them”*

For the housebound, the bedridden, and those in wheelchairs, who have to rely on others for their needs. *“Saint Pio intercede to Jesus for them”*

For those who suffer serious diseases, that God’s loving Spirit may radiate within them. *“Saint Pio intercede to Jesus for them”*

For those with disabling handicaps, that they reach out in faith to touch the hem of the Lord’s garment and know his power. *“Saint Pio intercede to Jesus for them”*

For those who are mentally ill or seriously depressed, that the Lord give them both the desire to be healed and the courage to change. *“Saint Pio intercede to Jesus for them”*

For the peace of God’s gift to see an illness as an opportunity to draw even closer to him. *“Saint Pio intercede to Jesus for them”*