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SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

Wednesdays: during summer months (No Tues, No Thurs)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration: 8:30-11:50

First Thursday: during summer months NO Holy Hour

First Friday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration:
12:30-7:00, 6:00PM Confessions, 7:00PM Mass.

First Saturday: 8:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Saturday: 12:00pm, Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Novenas prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

St. Anthony: Tuesday

St. Joseph: Wednesday

St. Jude: Thursday

Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

Bl. Miriam Teresa Demjanovich: Friday

St. Peregrine: First Friday of the Month

Rosary: Recited M - Sat after 8:00am & after 12:00Noon Mass

Sunday, July 13, 2025
Jubilee Year of Hope



*We were not bought
with any sum of gold or silver,
but with
the Precious Blood of Christ.*
Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:

Mon.-Sat.: 7:30-7:50am. Saturday: 11:00-11:50am; 3:00-3:45pm

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

To register for Baptismal preparation and Baptism call the rectory.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

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Please call the rectory for an appointment.

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Sick calls at any time in emergency.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS AND VOCATIONS:

Anyone contemplating a vocation to the Priesthood
or Religious Life should contact the Vocations Office at
973.497.4365.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4pm & 5pm

Sunday: 7am, 8am Latin, 9:30am,
10:45am, 12pm, 1pm Spanish, 6pm

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Fr. Wojciech's Corner

Last Sunday through the course of different Masses I saw some young people attend Mass by themselves. I knew they came cause they wanted to be there. It was so edifying to see them not just checking the box but truly spending time in prayer. The other day I saw a lady help bring her elderly parents to Mass. Not easy to do, yet, truly inspiring.

Kudos to all those who do not just check the box.

For those who are travelling let us not forget to bring our *big OLV heart* wherever we go. To find a Catholic Church with the Mass times, visit our website olvhp.org and find *Mass Times Near Me* or go to Masstimes.org.

As the summer is getting hotter and hotter, I am so pleased to see that there are people, no matter the heat, come to Church dressed with dignity and reverence as Catholics coming to The House of the Lord (and not to the beach or the gym).

Thank you to those who donated to Annual Appeal, We made our base goal. Thank you to all who remember and support our parish with their donations while away.

I heard so many beautiful stories of holy ways people live their summer. *Creativity is amazing*. Some people spend some of their vacation time with an elderly or homebound person. Some people visit shrines, some people with their kids read and say special prayers or bring them to daily Mass. St. John Paul II in addition to skiing, hiking and kayaking would read lots of books during summer. *Let us not allow our kids be stolen by the media*. You could read a great classic- "Imitation of Christ" or many other great Catholic reads, watch movies on lives of saints or see the list of 100 top movies every Catholic should see [Top 100 Pro-Catholic Movies | National Catholic Register \(ncregister.com\)](http://Top100ProCatholicMovies.com). For other great ideas to spend vacations page 5.

Holy Summer to all!

Holy Name Society Meeting - July 13th

Join us for 9:30am Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and refreshments/discussion in the lower church. The Archdiocese of Newark's "We Are His Witnesses" initiative is the reflection topic of our July 13 meeting.

Sisters of Charity 50/50 Raffle – This Weekend!

Sr. Elizabeth will be selling raffle tickets after the Masses this weekend to support Maris Stella Retreat Center. Tickets are \$20 each or 3 for \$50. 1st prize 25%, 2nd prize 15%, 3rd prize 10% of gross receipts. Drawing will be August 30th at Maris Stella. Winner need not be present. Please make checks payable to Sisters of Charity.

Pray for Vocations

"If there is no priest, then there is no Holy Mass; if there is no Holy Mass, then there is no consecration of the Sacred Host; if there is not consecration of the Sacred Host then there is no Holy Communion; then if there is no Holy Communion there is no Sacramental Presence of Jesus."

What if you are CALLED! ???

Call the Vocations office 973-497-4365 and ask for Fr. Gino, Director, who is always ready to listen - or call Fr. Wojciech at our parish 201-768-1706, ext. 11.

dress code REVERENT DRESS

It is the Supper of the Lord - formal dinner. Please keep it in mind, especially now in the summer months. Let us be an inspiration rather than a distraction.

Thank you from Sr. Elizabeth

Dear Very Special Friends and Parishioners of OLV,

A very sincere thank you to all of you for all your care, concern, and compassion that you expressed with your prayers and Masses offered for my dear sister, Aileen.

Believe me when I say that meant so much to me and to my family. God bless you,

Love,
Sr. Elizabeth and
Vassar Family

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL-July 16

Before Christ: Mount Carmel is a biblical place where the prophet Elijah dwelt. It rises 1,742 feet above sea level and towers above Israel's Mediterranean coastline. It was here where Elijah prayed to God for the salvation of Israel, which was suffering a terrible drought at the time. He continued to pray and sent his servant up the mountain several times to look for rain. On the seventh try, Elijah's servant returned with good news. "Behold a little cloud arose out of the sea like a man's foot" (1 Kings 1:44). Soon thereafter, torrential rains fell upon the parched land and the people of Israel were saved. Elijah saw the cloud as a symbol of the Virgin mentioned in the prophecies of Isaiah (Isaiah 7:14). The hermits who lived on Mount Carmel followed Elijah's example and prayed for the advent of the much-awaited Virgin, who would become the mother of the Messiah. The origins of the Carmelite Order can be traced back to Elijah and his hermitic disciples.

St. Simon Stock: In the 13th century, during the Crusades, St. Simon Stock joined a group of hermits on Mount Carmel during a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. In 1247, he was elected superior-general of the Carmelites at the first chapter held in Aylesford, England. However, the order had difficulty gaining general acceptance and suffered much persecution from secular clergy and other orders which prompted the monks to have recourse to the Blessed Virgin in the year 1251.

On Sunday July 16, 1251, as Simon Stock knelt in prayer, Our Lady appeared to him, holding the Child Jesus in one arm and the Brown Scapular in the other. She uttered the words: "Hoc erit tibi et cunctis Carmelitis privity legium, in hoc habitu moriens salvabitur" (This shall be the privilege for you and for all the Carmelites, that anyone dying in this habit shall be saved). On January 13, 1252, the order received a letter of protection from Pope Innocent IV, defending them from harassment. St. Simon Stock lived a holy life for 100 years and died in the Carmelite monastery at Bordeaux, France on May 16, 1265.

The Brown Scapular: The scapular of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, also known as the Brown Scapular, is one of the most popular and celebrated of Roman Catholic devotions. The sacramental (as the lay faithful commonly use it) is a miniature derivative of the actual brown scapular used by the Carmelites – the sleeveless outer garment falling from the shoulders which is worn as a sign of their vocation and devotion.

Our Lady gave St. Simon a scapular for the Carmelites with the following promise, saying, "Receive, My beloved son, this habit of thy order: this shall be to thee and to all Carmelites a privilege, that whosoever dies clothed in this shall never suffer eternal fire. It shall be a sign of salvation, a protection in danger, and a pledge of peace."



Pray for Those in the Military

US Army

Captain Ben Clemente
RRT Specialist James Crumb
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Major Michael Franson
Sergeant First Class Charles Greene
Captain Shawn Linn
Colonel John McLaughlin
Sergeant Major Marc Medina
Captain John G. Miele
Captain Joseph W. Niece
1st Lieutenant Megan Niece
Captain Jack Ottomanelli
Staff Sergeant David Petersen
Specialist John Petersen

US Air Force

1st Lieutenant Brian Kearney
Chief Master Sergeant Shawn Llewellyn

US Marine Corps.

Corporal Shanna Bennett
Staff Sergeant Matthew Brady
1st Lieutenant Ryan Colomeo
Corporal Mark Fredrick
Private Nicholas Giron
Major Stephen Ikalowych
Captain J.P. Maher
Corporal Cody McGrath

US Navy

Commander Julia Cheringal
Lieutenant Jonathan Clemente
Lieutenant Joseph Jaeger
Lieutenant Andrew Jaeger
Airman Cody Massa

Prayer for the Safety of Soldiers

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in You will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Pray for Our Sick Please *Pray* in the name of *JESUS*, the Healer, that the *sick of the Parish* may be restored to health and all those who *assist and care* for the sick will be given the *strength* to continue *God's Will*: infants Jack Merritt, Abigail Jude, Aidan, Olive, Adeline Quarello, Jonathan & Joseph; children Gabriel Aungst, Antonio and Shane, Cordelia and Eileen, Remy and Silvie; Cheryl Alonso, Annie Baklycki, Michael Baruch, Julie Berbert, Richard Bolton, Paul Brennan, James Buckley, Joe Cafaro, Anna Carfagno, Bill Clark, Kevin Columbo, Thomas Connolly, Eddie Cooper, Paula Criqui, Michael Curran, Marie D'Ascenzo, Maryann Dean, Noelle DeJoseph, Vincent DePaola, Marge Devitt, Guy DeSantis, Siobhan Donaghi, Whitney Dugan, Carl Falasca, Michael Fallon, Dan Filippone, Jeremy Fillis, Peter Fimbel, Walter Flaherty, Mary Foley, Phil Gangusa & Vicky Ferrara, Robin Fletcher, Leo Gendron, Ken Grier, Glenn Hall, Pat Halligan, Cara Hansen, Amy Hartwell, Richard Hogan, Kristine Leigh Hook, Rolando Joaquim, Austin Kellar, Pat Kissane, Christina Kenny, Tim Keohane, Joseph Koch, Chester Kovalesski, Artie Latz, Kenneth Luther, Peter Mahler, Robert Mayer, James McGarry, Matt McGowan, Michael McMahon, David Mercur, Alice Miller, Len Moriarity, Gianna Moscatello, Kevin Mullane, Rose Marie Myers, Natalie Niedbergall, Michael Oates, John Pal, Mary Parker, Tom Paskewich, Ronald Peterson, Louis Peduto, Bob Phillips, Cathy Pommett, Canice Prince, Christina Pulver, William Ragu, Dan & Phyllis Ragusa, Robert Rasmussen, Patrick Ricci, Herman Rodriguez, Veronica Romanchuk, Wendy Ruggiero, Beth Sacco, Blase K Sacus, Samantha Sconzo, Patricia Ann Shalhoub, Peggy and Chris Shedden, Roseanne Stella, Brian Sumereau, Michael Suresh, Maria Tamayo, Ollie Tetlow, Angeline Thomas, Felicia Veneruso, Jim Viantes, Carl Walker, Megan Weingarten, Hope White, Maria Williams, Daniel Wu, Mary Young, Brian, Carla, Chris, Christina, Donna M., Edward, Elba, Jennifer, Joann, John, Karen, Kathleen V., Kaitlin V. Lauren, Lisa, Lou, Lucas, Lynn, Mary, Margaret, Michelle, Patrick, Peter, Robert, Samantha, Sarah, Scott, Sean, Sharon, Steven, Tom.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 13 - St. Henry II of Bavaria-Emperor

7:00 John "Tad" Humphreys
8:00 Marilyn Arthur R/b Dianne Foerster
9:30 Andrew Paul Lardiere R/b Marie Liebreich
10:45 Carole Stonitsch R/b Pete Stonitsch
12:00 Agnese Mastrangelo R/b Felicia Castle
1:00 People of the Parish
6:00 John Roache R/b David and Donna Hansen

Monday, July 14 - St. Kateri Tekakwitha of Auriesville, NY-Virgin

8:00 Benjamin and Hazel Obutelewicz R/b Regina Bond
12:00 Mary McGrath R/b Dennis Falotico

Tuesday, July 15 - St. Bonaventure of Bagnorea, Italy-Bishop

8:00 Gunnar Traylor R/b Regina Bond
12:00 Intentions of Joan Crowley R/b Teresa Meierdierks

Wednesday, July 16 - Our Lady of Mount Carmel

8:00 Guy Giordano R/b the Galloway Family
12:00 Theresa Wayne R/b Peter and Linda Wayne

Thursday, July 17 - The Blessed Martyrs of Compiègne-Nuns

8:00 Fr. John Renard
12:00 Terry Hickey R/b the Barrett Family

Friday, July 18 - St. Camillus de Lellis, priest

8:00 Frances Scaffa R/b the Purcell Family
12:00 Frank Dunn R/b the Dunn Family

Saturday, July 19 - St. Arsenius of Rome, Italy-Monk

8:00 Benjamin Obutelewicz R/b Regina Bond
12:00 Mary and Bob Bardsley R/b the Gill Family
4:00 Frances and Nick Sita R/b Barbara Sita
5:00 James Clark R/b John and Jamie Francisco

Sunday, July 20 - St. Apollinaris - bishop - martyr

7:00 Rachel Minaya - 1st Anniversary R/b Sr. Elizabeth
8:00 Souls in Purgatory R/b Alysia and Ed Kelly
9:30 Fr. John H. O'Connor - 1st Anniversary
10:45 Vincent Schittulli R/b Mary Muggeo
12:00 Frank Muggeo R/b Bob and Sue Muggeo
1:00 People of the Parish
6:00 Roger Ryan R/b Sr. Elizabeth

Sanctuary Memorials (this week)

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the souls in Purgatory.

The Bl. Virgin Mary Votive Lamp will burn for the intentions of the Coleman Family, r/b Cathy Ryan.

The St. Joseph Votive Lamp will burn for the repose of the soul of Fr. John Renard.

Sanctuary Offerings The Sanctuary Lamp, Bl. Virgin Mary Votive Lamp, St. Joseph Votive Lamp, and the bread and wine can be dedicated on a weekly basis. Altar Flowers may be dedicated as well - contact the rectory.

My Parish-My Responsibility Thank you to those who so generously continue to support our parish by mailing in your donations. At the same time, we understand that some are experiencing decreased income and are unable to continue their donations at this time. *Donations may be mailed to OLV Rectory, 81 Lynn St., Harrington Park, NJ 07640.*

New to the area? Register to become a member of the OLV Family. Visit OLV's website olvhp.org and click on "Parish Registration".

New address or phone number? Please inform the rectory.

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Visit relevantradio.com for Patrick Madrid's July 2nd 3-minute read,
"When to Speak, When to Listen"

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha – July 14

Lily of the Mohawks

The blood of martyrs is the seed of saints. Nine years after the Jesuits Isaac Jogues and Jean de Lelande were tomahawked by Iroquois warriors, a baby girl was born near the place of their martyrdom, Auriesville, New York.

Her mother was a Christian Algonquin, taken captive by the Iroquois and given as wife to the chief of the Mohawk clan, the boldest and fiercest of the Five Nations. When she was four, Tekakwitha lost her parents and little brother in a smallpox epidemic that left her disfigured and half blind. She was adopted by an uncle, who succeeded her father as chief. He hated the coming of the Blackrobes - Jesuit missionaries - but could do nothing to them because a peace treaty with the French required their presence in villages with Christian captives.

She was moved by the words of three Blackrobes who lodged with her uncle, but fear of him kept her from seeking instruction. Tekakwitha refused to marry a Mohawk brave, and at 19 finally got the courage to take the step of converting. She was baptized with the name Kateri-Catherine on Easter Sunday.

Now she would be treated as a slave. Because she would not work on Sunday, Kateri received no food that day. Her life in grace grew rapidly. She told a missionary that she often meditated on the great dignity of being baptized. She was powerfully moved by God's love for human beings and saw the dignity of each of her people.

She was always in danger, for her conversion and holy life created great opposition. On the advice of a priest, Kateri stole away one night and began a 200-mile walking journey to a Christian Indian village at Sault St. Louis, near Montreal.

For three years she grew in holiness under the direction of a priest and an older Iroquois woman, giving herself totally to God in long hours of prayer, in charity, and in strenuous penance. At 23, Kateri took a vow of virginity, an unprecedented act for an Indian woman whose future depended on being married. She found a place in the woods where she could pray an hour a day - and was accused of meeting a man there!

Her dedication to virginity was instinctive: Kateri did not know about religious life for women until she visited Montreal. Inspired by this, she and two friends wanted to start a community, but the local priest

dissuaded her. She humbly accepted an "ordinary" life. She practiced extremely severe fasting as penance for the conversion of her nation. Kateri Tekakwitha died the afternoon before Holy Thursday. Witnesses said that her emaciated face changed color and became like that of a healthy child. The lines of suffering, even the pockmarks, disappeared and the touch of a smile came upon her lips. She was beatified in 1980 by Pope John Paul II and canonized in 2012 by Pope Benedict XVI.



Portrait from life of St. Kateri Tekakwitha,
c. 1690, by Fr. Claude Chauchetière

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Are you an **ADULT** without

Confirmation, Communion or Baptism?

If you want to become a Roman Catholic or complete your Initiation into the Church, the RCIA is for you! For information, phone the rectory. *Adult Catholics* who have not yet celebrated *Confirmation* or Holy Communion should contact the rectory for preparation class/information.

REQUIREMENTS FOR BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION SPONSOR

Godparent/Sponsor must be at least 16 years old * **Godparent/Sponsor must be in good standing with the Catholic Church.** Must be a practicing Catholic (*Attend Sunday Mass weekly*). * Must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. If married, must be married in the Catholic Church. * If single, not living with significant other, nor married civilly only. * **Godparent/Sponsor cannot be the candidate's parent.** Each child only requires one Godparent. If you wish to have two Godparents, there must be one female and one male. (Canon Law 872874)

Sacred Matrimony on Sacred ground

"ceremony" at the venue is not a valid Sacrament

For the Catholic Church the Sacrament of Matrimony is such a sacred matter that the Church requires for two Catholics to be married Sacramentally in the Catholic Church, not elsewhere. All the Sacraments except Confession are always celebrated in Church. Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and the Sacred Orders (Priesthood is even celebrated at the Cathedral of a given Diocese). A Catholic priest can only officiate Sacrament of Matrimony of two Catholics on sacred grounds (Church). This wedding at the same time is a civil wedding. For more info contact Fr. Wojciech.

Respect Life Any woman who is pregnant and in need of assistance should **never** feel that abortion is her only option. For confidential assistance call: Archdiocese Respect Life Office: 973-497-4350 * Gateway Pregnancy Center: 908-353-0604 * Catholic Community Services: 201-246-7379 * Lifecall: 800-662-2678 * Birthright: 201-845-4646 * New Hope 201-722-4705.

OLV Needlers If you'd like to learn to knit or crochet, join us in the lower church Wednesdays at 6PM and/or Thursdays after 12Noon Mass. Yarn, crochet hooks and knitting needles supplied.

OLV Knights of Columbus All men over 18 are invited to join the Knights of Columbus, the world's largest men's fraternal organization. As Catholic men we are called to lead, serve, protect and defend our Faith, families, and our parish. The Knights of Columbus will help you grow as a husband, father and Catholic. Join us!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Scholarship: Scholarship up to \$1000 open to 8th grade students entering Catholic high school this Fall. To receive an application, mail request to Dr. Marie Woke, 20 Kensington Court, Norwood, NJ 07648. Deadline for completed essay submissions is August 1st. For more information call Marie 201-741-0499.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Healing the pain of abortion...

September 19-21, 2025

For info contact Cheryl Riley at 973-497-4350 or Cheryl.riley@rcan.org.

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

1. Israel.
2. Brown.
3. St. Simon Stock.
4. St. Kateri Tekakwitha.

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of prophet Daniel and Jonah
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by Alban Butler, Online resources
<http://www.sacred-texts.com/chr/lots/index.htm>
Or online google the saint of your birth day, Baptism, 1st Holy Communion,
Graduation day, Confirmation day, wedding day, etc. You can also
travel virtually to the places where they lived - SO MUCH FUN, so much to
find out and learn & above all so much **INSPIRATION**
SO MUCH FUN + INSPIRATION

What about a Holy Trip?

Discover a shrine or pilgrimage site of a saint. The family can divide the work of researching info about a saint or shrine, finding appropriate prayers and once ready - get on the road! North of here there is a great shrine, The National Shrine of the North American Martyrs, also dedicated as the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs, in Auriesville, New York with a great history of saints. Montreal with great Saint Joseph's Oratory of Mount Royal which is connected to the life of one of the greatest saints and devotees to St. Joseph (St. André Bessette). Travelling towards Montreal St. Marguerite d'Youville Sanctuary (near Montreal in Varennes), St. Joseph's shrine in Sterling NJ, Shrine of Mother Seton in Emmitsburg, or in NYC or in Baltimore. You can head towards Philadelphia with great saints of St. John Neuman, St. Rita, St. Katharine Drexel Tomb at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. There are several Marian shrines: National Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC (it has many different chapels of Mary inside, and one great thing, beautiful Rosary mosaics with stories from the Old Testament that parallel the mysteries of the Holy Rosary - What a great way to (re)discover the Rosary and to fall in love with it, a great Marian Shrine of Our lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA or The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel located in the mid-Hudson region of New York state, The National Shrine of The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, The shrine of St. Frances Cabrini, or Mother Seton in New York, shrines like St. Gerard Magellan in Newark. You can also go to the Holy Face monastery on Route 3 or even to Newark Cathedral. The list could go on and on ... there are not enough pages in the bulletin to cover the richness that we have with saints. So sorry for all those who laugh at us when we pray to saints. What would we do without all the saints. This kind of vacation idea could be a great source of fun to be together with unexpected adventures and also a great source of blessing for the entire family. Even those parishioners who cannot physically make a trip due to work or family illness can make a spiritual pilgrimage; for example, devote some days or some hours of your day to reading about a shrine of a saint and then praying to that saint.

**Every time the priest raises his hands
In absolute over you, the Blood of Christ
is dripping from his fingers.**
Archbishop Fulton J Sheen

Padre Pio's Habit Comes to America



Relics of Padre Pio will be touring the United States for the first time this October.

This October, the robe of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, known as Padre Pio, will tour the United States accompanied by the Our Lady of Grace Capuchin Friars from his home friary in San Giovanni Rotondo.

"This sacred relic, brought by the friars of Our Lady of Grace Capuchin Friary, offers the faithful a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to venerate an extraordinary

sign of Padre Pio's life of prayer, humility, and sacrifice," the Padre Pio Foundation of America announced in a tour press release.

"Together, we invite you to join us for a time of prayer, reflection, and devotion as we welcome Padre Francesco Dileo, OFM Cap., Provincial Minister of the Capuchin Friars in San Giovanni Rotondo, along with a second sacred relic," the release continued.

The relic tour is being co-organized by the Padre Pio Foundation of America and the National Centre for Padre Pio. As the relics travel through America, they will be accompanied by the Capuchin friars from San Giovanni Rotondo.

Until now, the full-size habit worn by Padre Pio has been kept in Italy. Relics touring America include Padre Pio's robe and a glove that he wore to cover his stigmata. Both relics are authentic second-class relics, meaning items that belonged to a saint.

Catholics who come to venerate the relics will also be given the opportunity to be blessed with Padre Pio's glove.

Padre Pio, born Francesco Forgione in 1887 in Pietrelcina, Italy, was a Capuchin friar and priest renowned for his piety, mystical experiences, and stigmata, which he bore for 50 years.

The stigmata is a miraculous condition wherein the bodily wounds, scars, or pain corresponding to the crucifixion wounds of Jesus Christ are experienced by certain saints as a sign of deep spiritual union with Christ's suffering.

Padre Pio dedicated his life to prayer, Confession, and helping others, attracting millions to his ministry in San Giovanni Rotondo.

Despite enduring physical suffering, including the stigmata, he remained steadfast in his faith, founding a hospital, Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza, to serve the sick. Padre Pio was canonized in 2002 by Pope John Paul II.

The relics will be making stops in Connecticut and Pennsylvania from October 11 to 18. For a schedule of the relic tour visit <https://padrepio.com/relic-tour-2025/>

- LifeSiteNews

KIDZ KORNER

1. Mount Carmel is located in what country?
2. The scapular of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is what color?
3. To whom did Our Lady give the brown Scapular on July 16, 1251?
4. What Saint is known as Lily of the Mohawks?

Answers page 4.

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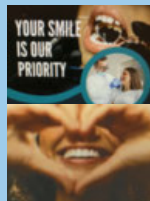
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