

Padre Pio

"Pray, hope and  
don't worry"

# St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish

**Church location:** 18720 13 Mile Road, Roseville, MI 48066

**Parish office location:** 18430 Utica Road

(586) 777-9116

Email: [stpioparishsec@gmail.com](mailto:stpioparishsec@gmail.com); Website: [stpioparish.org](http://stpioparish.org)

## Our Mission Statement

*We, the Catholic Community of St. Pio, inspired by the Holy Spirit,  
celebrate the Eucharist with hope, to share our faith, love,  
and the Good News of Jesus Christ through outreach and fellowship.*

*December 17, 2017*



*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday*  
OF ADVENT



John answered them, "I  
baptize with water; but  
there is one among you  
whom you do not recognize,  
the one who is coming after  
me, whose sandal strap I am  
not worthy to untie."

- Jn 1:26-27

## Holiday Mass Schedule

*Sunday, December 24th,  
Christmas Eve:*

9:00am,  
4:00pm (Children's Pageant)  
& 10:00pm

*Monday, December 25th,  
Christmas Day:*

9:00am & 11:00am

*Monday, January 1st,  
Solemnity of Mary:*

9:00am

# St. Pio Parish Directory

## Leadership Team of St. Pio

Rev. Greg Rozborski	Pastor
Rev. Mr. Arthur Majkowski	Deacon
Peggy Ciaramitaro	Business Manager
Margaret Crawford	Administrative Assistant
Selma Yaldoo	Communications Coordinator
Jill Sears	Bookkeeper
George Mazich	Director of Music
Jan Pazuchowski	
Faith Formation, and Youth Ministry Coordinator	
Carol Reeser	Secretary, Faith Formation
Jeanne Wineski	Christian Service Coordinator
Mark Naworol	Maintenance

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## Parish Information

**Church Address** - 18720 13 Mile Road, Roseville MI 48066

Parish Office Phone Number (586) 777-9116, #0  
 Parish FAX Number (586) 777-7958  
 Parish Emergency After Hours Number (586) 777-9116, #7  
 Parish E-mail: [stpioparishsec@gmail.com](mailto:stpioparishsec@gmail.com)  
 Parish web page: [stpioparish.org](http://stpioparish.org)  
 Faith Formation Phone Number (586) 777-9116, #5  
 R.C.I.A. - Ellen Olivier (586) 218-9211  
 St. Pio Prayer Line (586) 777-9116, #1  
 Christian Service Hours:

9:00am to 6:00pm Monday thru Friday

Closed for Lunch - 12:00 noon to 1:00pm

Food Pantry / Baby Closet (586) 777-9116, #3  
 St. Vincent de Paul (586) 777-9116, #2

**Main Office:** 18430 Utica Road, Roseville MI 48066

**Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:

9:00am to 12:00 pm, 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Friday: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Eucharist Adoration Mondays, 9:30am-5pm  
 Confessions Saturdays, 2:30-3:30pm

## Sacramental Prep: Baptism

Baptisms will be held on the 2nd and 4th weekends of every month and need to be scheduled three months in advance. Contact the Parish office at (586) 777-9116, #0.

## Sacramental Prep: Marriage

Arrangements to be made with the Parish Office one year prior to wedding date. Please call Mark and Betty Squier at (586) 296-9589.

## Sacred Heart Cemetery Information

Cemetery Phone Number (586) 777-9116, #4  
 Cemetery Fax Number (586) 777-7958

## St. Pio Pastoral Council

Richard Pineau [ao8242@wayne.edu](mailto:ao8242@wayne.edu)  
 Mike Alcamo Vicariate Rep.  
 Tamara Alcamo Vicariate Rep.

## Turning Point Inc.

24-Hour Crisis Line (Domestic Violence Abuse) (586) 463-6990

## Readings for the Week of December 17, 2017

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Monday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25

Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56

Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66

Next Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

Observances for the Week of December 17, 2017

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Thursday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. John of Kanty, Priest

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent; Christmas Eve

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## St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish

December 9 & 10, 2017

Offertory Budgeted.....\$12,575.00  
 Total Offertory Collection.....\$8,776.61  
 Difference.....-\$3,798.39  
 Number of Envelopes Used.....337  
 Number of E-Giving & Direct Giving Transactions....17

*Thank you to all who support our Church.*



## Mass Intentions

Mass Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Intention for: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form with payment to the Parish Office or drop it in the collection basket at Mass.

Suggested donation is \$10

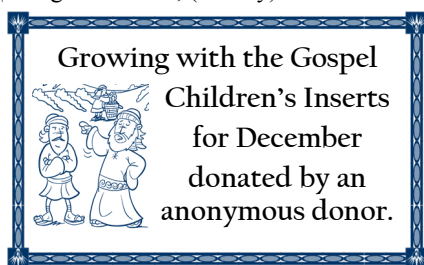
## St. Pio Parish Mass Intentions for this Week

### Saturday, December 16

2:30 pm, Reconciliation

#### **4:00 pm Mass Intentions:**

†James Stein (Mary Anne Stein)  
 †Harry Kaczmarek (Jim & Pat Munifo)  
 †Emily Kaczmarek (Jim & Pat Munifo)  
 †Steve Roach (Monica & Richie Pineau)  
 †John Guttek (Family)  
 †Erin Hartley (Family)  
 †Cheryl Randall (Family)  
 †Robert Soley (Eva & Mark Joy)  
 †Helen DiCenzo (Husband, Frank)  
 †Irvin Grossman (Bill & Joann)  
 †Noreen McCormick (Eva & Mike Joy)  
 Gwen Joy, Health (Eva & Mike Joy)  
 †Margaret Guttek, (Family)



### Sunday, December 17

#### **9:00 am Mass Intentions:**

†Arthur Thomas (Alice Ross)  
 †Regina Szeptowski (Family)  
 †John & Stephanie Wisniewski (Czech family)  
 †Francis Bahorski (Jim & Karen Clarke)  
 †George & Anna Franko (Daughter, Rita)  
 †Bernice Daugul  
 (Kevin & Theresa Switanowski)

#### **11:00 am Mass Intentions:**

†Annette McDowell (Husband, Dennis)  
 †Janet Stehlin (Family)  
 †Matthew Reyes (Family)  
 †George Chase (Wife, Lucille)  
 †Fr. Bill Bonnici (Friends)  
 †Fr. Ron Milligan (Friends)  
 †Anthony Carducci (Family)  
 †Patricia (Herman) Andeleon (Family)  
 †Ed Herman (Family)  
 †Frank Poremski (Family)  
 †Irene Widowicki (Family)  
 †Florence Lis (Wandz & Family)  
 †Lincoln Kelly (Mary Trbovich)  
 †Brenda Pardo (Mary Trbovich)

### Monday, December 18

#### **9:00 am Mass Intentions:**

†Frank Zuckero (Ann Zuckero)  
 †Monica Zuckero (Ann Zuckero)

### Tuesday, December 19

#### **9:00 am Mass Intentions:**

†Harry Gorney (Wife, Patricia)

### Thursday, December 21

#### **9:00 am Mass Intentions:**

†Margaret Simsick  
 For those who suffer from mental illness.



**Deadline for the December 31st Bulletin is Thursday, December 21st at noon.**

### Saturday, December 23rd and Sunday, December 24th, 2017

	4:00pm	9:00am	4:00pm & 10:00pm
<b>Lectors</b>	J. Racine - J. Shereda	E. Corey - G. Ernat	To Be Announced
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	M. Perjes - J. Chipukites P. Feys - R. Pineau D. Monfette - J. Racine D. Domino	To Be Announced	To Be Announced
<b>Altar Servers</b>	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced
<b>Ushers</b>	Team #1 M. Budnick - A. Czech B. Linsenmann - C. Teehan R. Williams	Team #1 D. Belcher - S. Cole J. Gomez - P. Huebner B. Kew - D. Vander Hagen	Team #2 O. Barba - M. Batke L. Lyle - D. Pasqual - P. Schattmaier
<b>Mass Intentions</b>	†Jerome Gwisdalla (Family) †Paul Baril (Maryann Baril & Family) †Dawn Baril (Mom) †Daniel Chambers (Baker Family) Sacristans of St. Pio (Richard Pineau)	†Michael Leonard (Parents) †Stanley Rawski (Family) †Anna Krimm (Granddaughter, Tammy Kmiecik) †Erica McCurry (John & Debbie Edwards) †Robert Schick (Family) †Raymond & Joan Penzak (Family) †Anthony & Frances Alcamo (Family)	<b>4:00pm</b> †Stella & Tony Sokoloski (Nieces) †William Sleeve (Nieces) †Evelyn & Joseph Wietku (Daughter) †Louis B, Louis P, & John Budnick (Wife & Mother) †Leonard & Adriana Budnick (Baby sister) †Thieopheel & Juliana Neirynck (Daughter, Madeline) †Louis & Anna Budnick (Daughter-in-law, Madeline) †Audrey Cobb (Family)  <b>10:00pm Mass Intentions on Page 4</b>

## St Pio Activities this week:

### Sunday, December 17

9:00am, Mass  
9:00am, MSM, Room 110/112  
10:00am, RCIA, Room 111  
11:00am, Mass w/ Children's Liturgy  
K of C Coffee & Donuts

### Monday, December 18

9:00am, Mass  
9:30am, Eucharistic Adoration  
4:30pm, K-6 Faith Formation  
7:00pm, Men's Club

### Tuesday, December 19

9:00am, Mass  
10:00am, Fellowship, Social Hall  
5:00pm, HSM, Dinner & a Movie  
7:00pm, Choir

### Wednesday, December 20

1:30pm, Shawl Ministry  
4:00pm-7:00pm, Pierogi Sale Pick-Up  
7:00pm, Ushers, Conference Room

### Thursday, December 21

9:00am, Mass  
10:00am, Senior Pinochle, Social Hall  
6:30pm, Commissions & Parish Council  
7:00pm, Prayer Group, Room 103  
7:00pm, YAM

### Friday, December 22

7:00pm, Scouts, Room 112

### Saturday, December 23

2:30pm, Confessions  
4:00pm, Mass



Welcome  
Our  
Newly Baptized

Joseph Dushaj



Please Welcome the  
Newest  
Families to St. Pio  
Mr. Samuel Patti

&

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Tye



### Sunday, December 24th, 10:00pm Mass Intentions

†Joseph & Lillian Nicosia  
(Daughter, Christine)  
†Barbara Olevenick  
(Monica & Richie Pineau)  
†Otto Wilhelm (Nancy Wilhelm)  
†Frank & Nancy Wiekowski (Family)  
†Deceased members of Kupper,  
Pastorek, Houbeck & Trbvich Families  
(Family)



### HOLIDAY HOURS:

St. Pio Parish Offices  
will be closed

MONDAY, December 25th

&

TUESDAY, December 26th

### 2017 Tax Statements

Please fill out this form (please print clearly) and  
place in the collection baskets at Mass

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Statements will be mailed the week of January 29, 2017

## Education Commission



Reverence of the Church:

"My House shall be called a  
House of Prayer."

Reverence is that virtue which  
inclines a person to show honor and respect  
primarily to God.

Reverence is not automatic. It must be nur-  
tured, to be built up, to be kept up.

We need to find God and He cannot be  
found in noise and restlessness. God is the  
friend of silence. The more we receive in  
silent prayer, the more we can give in our  
active life. According to Mother Teresa,  
"The essential thing is not what we say, but  
what God says to us and through us."

In some cases, people in the pew find mo-  
ments of silence difficult to observe because  
they have not learned to engage in personal  
prayer.

We come to Church to celebrate, to partici-  
pate in the greatest act of worship possible,  
the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass which per-  
petuates Jesus' Sacrifice on the cross.

We come to Mass to adore God, to thank  
Him, to ask pardon for our sins and to make  
requests for our needs. We are not the cen-  
ter. God is.

Take time to reflect before the Mass begins  
to understand that it is truly our Lord and  
Savior who is present on the altar.

When we approach our pew, we look up at  
the place where the Eucharist is reserved,  
signified by a red vigil lamp, and we genu-  
flect or bow, recognizing that we are before  
our God and Savior.

Christ speaks to us when the Scriptures are  
read. We must be open to letting the Word  
of God touch our hearts.

After the Gospel listen attentively to the  
homily. It is the single most effective  
weekly moment in which we can be fed on  
the doctrines of our faith. If our hearts are  
open to our Lord, Jesus will speak to each  
person in some manner.

The individual Catholic who receives Jesus  
in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist  
shows reverence in many ways. The most  
important reverent attitude is that the com-  
municant be in the state of grace.

As one returns to the pew, it is not a time to  
greet others... it is a time to speak and listen  
to Jesus and allow others to do the same.

At the end of Mass Christ's true presence  
remains in the tabernacle and as a sign of  
respect, we should leave the Church in a  
reverent manner. This is also a courtesy for  
those who remain after Mass to pray.

We should not simply "hear" the Mass, but  
"pray" the Mass and that requires effort on  
our part.

The Education Commission

## Faith Formation News



Next week classes for Faith Formation, Grades K-6 are scheduled for Monday, December 18th from 4:30-5:45

p.m. Our Christmas Break begins on Christmas Day, December 25 until January 2nd. All Classes will resume at their usual times after the break!

Congratulations to 8th grader, Jack Polega, who was baptized at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. It was very special to witness the dedication and Love that this child has for God and his willingness to become Catholic! He helped me to become a better witness for Christ through this experience.

High School Ministry Students will be attending "Dinner and a Movie" on Tuesday, December 19 at 5:00 p.m. instead of their regularly scheduled meeting. Permission slip is required. This is an annual favorite for the holidays to come together and have some fun!

The Christmas Ham, Kielbasa and Pierogi Sale Orders can be picked up on Wednesday, December 20th from 4-7 p.m. in the Social Hall. We Thank all those who ordered from us for the fundraiser!

Young Adult Ministry meets on Thursday, December 21 to solidify plans for the "Ugly Sweater Christmas Party". Please see the flyer in next week's bulletin for more info!

## RCIA News



Praise the Lord, we have grown to 7 participants in the RCIA Program! They all went through the first Rite on the First Sunday of Advent. The

Rite of Acceptance is celebrated when we receive the participants into the Catechumenate and Candidacy. Those who are going to be Baptized, receive Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil are called Catechumens. Those who have been Baptized, either Catholic or in another Christian faith, but haven't gone through any faith formation, will receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Each week when we meet, we read the readings and Gospel and then talk about what the scripture means for us in the Church now.

Please pray for Chloe, Dolly, Matt and Priscilla, our new Catechumens, and Cherie, Michelle and Bill, as they continue their journey as Candidates. They are all excited, faithful and filled with the Holy Spirit. My team grows in our faith each time we meet with these special people and it is an exciting time for all of us. The support we receive from our faith community at St. Pio is overwhelming and we appreciate all of you very much.

Each week during the 11:00 am Mass, the Catechumens and Candidates will be dismissed after Fr. Greg's homily, as we "break open the Word" with them. You will see them as they grow in their faith and relationship with Jesus Christ. God bless all of you with a wonderful Advent, as we prepare our hearts, minds and souls for Jesus, remembering his birth and anticipating his coming at his second coming.

Ellen Olivier  
RCIA Facilitator

## Christian Service Office



### Serving the needs of the Homeless

Picture yourself walking outside on a cold winter day climbing over piles of snow at street corners. You try to avoid stepping into puddles of melted snow. Your shoes have holes and you feel have frostbite and they hurt. Your legs are aching, and your ankles are swollen. You can't sit down and get comfortable because you have to keep moving just to stay warm. This is the type of story of we hear at our St Pio Free Midday Meal Program. We truly hear the cries of the poor. At St. Pio's we are trying our best to give rest to those who are most in need.

On January 23rd, 25th and 30th and February 1st we will be hosting our community meal program. The Free Midday Meal Program (FMMP) is an opportunity for those in our community to come in from the cold and receive a free meal, personal care help and transportation support. Each of these days we will be offering coffee and doughnuts, a hot lunch, and snack bags. With this program we also offer our guests gloves, hats, socks, hand/foot warmers, t-shirts, briefs and bus tickets. We have personal care items such as; deodorant, shampoo, shaving cream, toothpaste and toothbrushes, razors, soap, combs and lip balm.

Just imagine yourself sitting in a culvert on a winter day when the temperature dips below freezing. It's a daily challenge for our homeless brothers and sisters just to stay dry and warm. Please consider signing up to offer your help in support of those who are homeless. There are several ways to from volunteering to help serve a meal, host one of our meals, buy paper products, sponsor doughnuts one morning, help at registration or with personal care items. The largest single purchase we need to make for this program is bus tickets, which cost \$400.00. Each guest receives just one bus ticket per day. Each guest uses their ticket in their own way. They use them to go to work, go to an AA meeting, travel to an area shelter or hospital, or just to ride the bus as a way to stay warm.

Any support you can offer this program is always greatly appreciated. There will be a sign-up sheet in the December 30/31 bulletins for this program. And please remember to keep our homeless friends in your daily prayers.



Thank you for making this year's  
**Santa Breakfast**  
event a huge success!



## Growing with the Gospel

There are two inserts in our bulletin for the children of our Parish each week.

If you would like to help offset the cost of this outreach to our young Parish members, a donation of \$36.00 will sponsor the printing of these inserts for one month.

If you would like participate, please place your donation in a marked envelope in the collection basket at Mass or call the Parish Office (586) 777-9116 ext. 0

## Angels of the Feast

If you would like to have the candles, wine and/or hosts dedicated to the memory of a loved one at one of the St. Pio Masses, Candles are \$30 for the month, the Hosts are \$80,

and the Wine is \$50. please call the Parish Office (586) 777-9116 ext. 0

## Children's Tuition Assistance Fund

If you would like to help a St. Pio family in need to pay for their child's Faith Formation tuition, Simply place any donation in an envelope marked "Children's Tuition Assistance" and place in the collection basket at mass, or drop off to the Faith Formation Office during business hours.



## "Marriage Help" *Retrouvaille*

(pronounced retro-vi) has helped thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too.

The 2018 Retrouvaille program:  
January 19-21, March 16-18  
May 4-6, August 10-12  
October 5-7

For confidential information or to register call 800-470-2230 or visit the web site at HelpOurMarriage.com

## St. Pio Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays, 9:30am-5:00pm

Mid-day Prayer at 1:00pm

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm, followed by the Rosary

Benediction Service

at 5:00pm with

Fr. Greg

Come in and pray for a loved one.



## Glory & Praise Hymnal Donation Program

Help defray our ongoing expense by making a direct donation or a donation in memory of a loved one.

A bookplate will be personalized and inserted on the inside front cover. Books cost \$20-\$140 each.

You may bring your donation to the main office or place your donation in an envelope with your name and the name of your loved one, and place it in the collection basket.

Thank you for your generosity.

## Please Pray for our Armed Forces

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their Families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen."



SSgt. Matthew Huck, Army  
SSgt. Justin Keown, Army  
CWO Phil Keown, Army  
SSgt. Sean McDowell, Army  
CPT. Michael Reed, Army  
CPO Timothy J. Smith, Navy  
Sgt. Keith Trojniak, Marine Corps.  
SSgt David C. Vancell, Air Force  
Maj. Robert Weiss, Air Force



# Recurring Events

## St. Pio Prayer Group

Meets every Thursday  
from 7:00 - 8:00pm

## St. Pio Ushers

Meets on the third Wednesday  
of each month at 7:00pm

## St. Pio Women's League

Meets the first Wednesday,  
of each month at 6:30pm

## St. Pio Prayer Shawl Ministry

Meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesday  
of each month at 1:30pm

## Pinocle Games

We play every Thursday from 10:00am  
to noon, and from noon to 2:00pm

## The St. Pio Men's Club

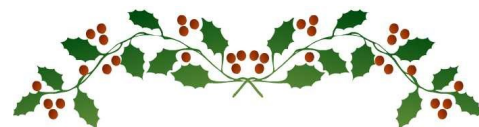
Meets on the third Monday of each  
month at 7:00pm

## The St. Pio Senior Group

Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of  
each month from 10:00am to 2:00pm

## St. Pio Fellowship Group

Meets the first and third Tuesday of  
each month after the 9:00am Mass  
until noon.



## St. Pio Prayer Line

When you call the parish office (586) 777-9116, please wait for the prompt, and then press #1 for the prayer line. A volunteer parishioner will answer you. The days and times of this service will be provided on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday between 11:00 am and noon.

If you cannot call during these times, Please leave your phone number and someone will contact you.

The purpose of this prayer line is to pray with/for the caller's intention and should be brief.

There will not be any type of counseling by the volunteer. This will be kept confidential.

### *Pray for Our Sick...*

Shirley Becking  
Jacob Binkowski  
Elliana Budnick  
Haven Budnick  
Madeline Budnick  
Livaria Burley  
Bernadette Calabro  
Marlene Calder  
Jim Clark  
Maureen Combs  
Patty Conway  
Emily  
Jim Fyn  
Kathy Fyn  
Anthony G  
Marie Gregory  
Dawn Gunn  
Kathleen Gunthner  
Ryan Gunthner  
Jim Hill  
George Hoffman  
Ashley Hopkins  
Michael Hunsanger  
Anna Jarvis  
John Junga

Jennie Kayl  
Judy LaPerre  
Larry Lappin  
Mark Lappin  
Nancy Lappin  
Tom Lappin  
Nancy Pukala Lazur  
Melanie Lech  
Tammy Lech  
Sharon Marinelli  
Laura Mazich  
Sue McCann  
Maureen McFarland  
Delphine Meagher  
Patrick Meagher  
Donna Moore  
Destiny Nowicki  
Margaret Owens  
Lily Pickering  
Kathleen Piper  
Irene Pukala  
Steve Rybinski  
Margaret Scavone  
Connie Spencer  
Kenneth Spencer  
Maria Spencer

Paul Taylorson  
Joanna Totty  
Roger Weiss Sr.  
Baby Hannah Weissman  
Veronica Wolchon  
Zenobia Zawodny

**Pray to St. Michael for protection against the power of evil, and to bring us closer to God.**



#### **Prayer to St. Michael**

Saint Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle.  
Be our protection against the  
wickedness and snares of the devil.  
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;  
and do You, O Prince of the  
Heavenly Host, by the Power of God,  
cast into Hell, Satan and all evil spirits,  
who roam throughout the world  
seeking the ruin of souls.  
Amen

*Please contact the Parish Office  
to add your loved one to the sick list.*