

*Padre Pio*  
"Pray, hope and  
don't worry"

# ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA PARISH

## Catholic Community

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### 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.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021

**"THIS IS MY BELOVED SON. LISTEN TO HIM." - MK 9:7**

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2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

## St. Pio Parish Directory

### Parish Staff

Rev. Greg Rozborski	Pastor
Rev. Mr. Arthur Majkowski	Deacon
Selma Yaldoo	Business Manager
Sandi Banovetz	Parish Secretary
Cathy Arsenault	Bookkeeper
Tina Bullis	Christian Service Coordinator
Roxanne Gronkiewicz	Secretary, Faith Formation
Mark Naworol	Maintenance
Jan Pazuchowski	Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Coordinator
Deborah Szeliga	Music Director

### Parish Information

Address - 18720 13 Mile Road, Roseville MI 48066

Parish Office Phone Number	(586) 777-9116, #0
Parish FAX Number	(586) 279-1660
Parish Emergency After Hours Number	(586) 204-3427
Parish E-mail:	stpiosecretary@gmail.com
Parish web page	stpioparish.org
Faith Formation Phone Number	(586) 777-9116, #5
R.C.I.A. - Jan Pazuchowski	(586) 777-9116, #5
St. Pio Prayer Line	(586) 777-9116, #1

### Christian Service Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday  
9:00 am to 12:00 noon

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

### Main Office 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, 9:30 am-3:30 pm
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

#### Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday:  
9:00am to 12:00 pm  
Cemetery Winter Hours  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm Daily

Roxanne Gronkiewicz	Cemetery Coordinator
Cemetery Phone Number	(586) 777-9116, #4
Cemetery Fax Number	(586) 279-1660
Cemetery web page	sacredheartcemetery.org

### Turning Point Inc.

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

## WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of February 28, 2021

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/  
Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10  
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38  
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12  
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28  
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31  
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/  
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

## Observances for the week of February 28, 2021

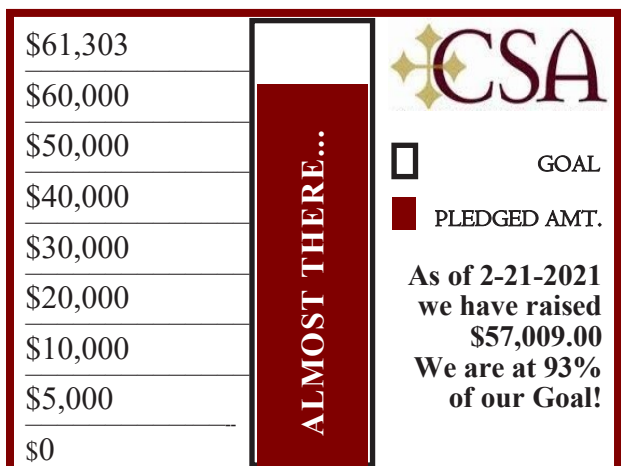
Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent  
Wednesday: St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin  
Thursday: St. Casimir  
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent



## St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish Offertory Collection The Week ending 02-21-21

To operate each week, our parish requires a minimum of.....	\$12,575.00
This week's offertory collection, we received, in envelopes.....	\$6,842.00
in loose collection.....	\$242.00
in e-giving.....	\$1,362.00
For a total of.....	\$8,446.00
<u>Under budget</u> for the week .....	\$4129.00
Number of Envelopes Used.....	167
Number of Envelopes Issued.....	529
Number of E-Giving & Direct Giving Transactions.....	28

*Thank you to all who support our Church.*





## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

### Saturday, February 27

2:30pm Confessions

4:00pm Mass

Faith Form. -Ham/Kielbasa Sale begins

Easter food drive begins

### Sunday, February 28

9:00am Mass

10:00am RCIA (Conf. Room)

11:00am Mass

Easter Food Drive Begins

### Monday, March 1

9:00am Mass

9:30am-4:30pm Eucharistic Adoration

4:30-5:45pm K-6 Classes

### Tuesday, March 2

9:00am Mass

10:00am-12:00pm Fellowship, SH

2:00-4:00pm Solanus Casey, CR

7:00-9:00pm HSM (Youth Room)

### Wednesday, March 3

Offices Closed

4:30-6:00 pm, Living Stations practice,  
Youth Room and Church

### Thursday, March 4

9:00am Mass

7:00pm Prayer Group, Room 1

### Friday, March 5

9:00 am Mass

10:00am-12:00pm Shawl Ministry, Rm 1

3:30-7:00 pm Fish Fry

K of C Tootsie Roll Drive

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

7:00-9:00pm MSM, Room 5/6

### Saturday, March 6

No Confessions

4:00pm Mass

### Sunday, March 7

9:00am Mass

10:00am RCIA, Conference Room

11:00am Mass

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, February 27, 4:00pm

† Jacob Pennar (Friends)

Sue Gallo (Bullis Family)

### Sunday, February 28, 9:00am

† Doris Scarsella (Novak Family)

† Matthew Switanowski

(Kevin & Theresa Switanowski)

Matt Cass

(Kevin & Theresa Switanowski)

### Sunday, February 28, 11:00am

† Bill Paret (Lynda & Dennis Pasqual)

† Jacob & Ella Banovetz (Family)

### Monday, March 1, 9:00 am

† Nathan Curtis (Edward Ochylski)

### Tuesday, March 2, 9:00 am

† Benedicte Ngallula (Friends)

† Mary Harrett (Friends)

### Thursday, March 4, 9:00am

† Angelo & Lillian Delise

(Edward Ochylski)

† Martin C. Urbena (Friends)

### Friday, March 5, 9:00am

The Haugland Family (Family)

Deanna Cortese (Friends)

### Saturday, March 6, 4:00pm

† Henry Dorfman (Edward Ochylski)

† Willie Dusseldorf (Edward Ochylski)

### Sunday, March 7, 9:00am

† Janet L Marola (The Kew's)

† Christopher Ciurla, Happy Birthday  
(Mom)

† Wilbur Eberline (Edward Ochylski)

† Homer Evans & Brother

(Edward Ochylski)

### Sunday, March 7, 11:00am

† Hal & Anna Jarvis (Friends)

† Daniel Tumidajewicz (Family)

† Martin C. Urbena (Friends)

† Gerald Shields, Birthday, (Wife, Patsy)

† George Matheny, (Matheny Family)

† Janine Lerminez (Matheny Family)

† Kathy Szafran (Matheny Family)



As you know, St. Pio Parish has been actively participating in the 2020 Catholic Services Appeal. Most of our Parishioners have received letters and pledge cards directly from the Archdiocese of Detroit.

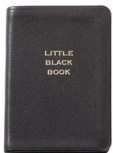
St. Pio has been asked to raise \$61,303.00 for the 2020 Catholic Services Appeal. As of February 21, 2021, we have \$57,009.00 in pledges from 289 families, which is \$4,294.00 short of our goal.

This year we are asking for 100% participation from our parishioners! If you have not done so, please consider a donation of any size to help us meet our CSA target; I am grateful for whatever amount you can contribute.

For those of you who have already made a pledge or donation, I am humbled by your continued support. If you are making payments on your pledges, please continue to do so.

If you are still reflecting on how you can help our parish meet its CSA target, and you would like to speak to the Business Manager, please feel free to reach out to Selma Yaldoo at 586.777.9116 ext 6. Selma would be happy to answer any questions you may have concerning the Catholic Services Appeal.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Greg



## LITTLE BLACK BOOKS

are available in the vestibule during Lent.

Suggested Donation \$2.00



**The Deadline  
for the  
March 14th  
Bulletin is  
Thursday,  
March 4th**

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 13, 4:00 pm

L. Legree

Sunday, March 14, 9:00 am

P. Harris

Sunday, March 14, 11:00 am

C. Fortunate

## Faith Formation & Youth Ministry News



We have just completed our first week of Lent. Instead of asking "What are you giving up?" I've decided to challenge you to make this your best Lent ever by adding more prayer, fasting and almsgiving to this season. What can you do to make this effort in serving the Lord more memorable?

This weekend, we will start the Easter Ham, Kielbasa and Pierogi Fundraiser. Please see the flyer for details including pricing. The deadline for the sale is Monday, March 22. Full payment should be included with all orders which can be dropped in the offertory Basket with Ham Sale written on the envelope or to the Faith Formation Office during regular business hours. Pick up of items purchased will be on Wednesday, March 31 from 4-7 p.m. Please form a line in the parking lot and orders will be brought out to your car. Thank you in advance for ordering with us!

Living Stations of the Cross practice has begun for our Middle & High School Students interested in presenting the journey of Jesus to the Cross. We practice every Wednesday during Lent from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Our presentation will take place on Good Friday, April 2 at 2:00 p.m.

Please continue to pray for our RCIA Elect and Candidates: Christopher Reding (Full Initiation), Kenneth Kopp (Eucharist and Confirmation) and Tammy Joy Kmiecik preparing for Confirmation. All will be receiving their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you would like to share words of encouragement with them through cards or letters, please drop them off in the box by the Parish Office doors during regular business hours and mark their name on the envelopes. Thank You!

Several Students in Grades 2 & 3 are preparing to make their First Holy Communion. We held our Parent Meeting and passed out materials for home instruction. Students will be learning more in class over the next 6 weeks in preparation for the Sacrament of Eucharist on April 25. Please keep these students in your prayers as well.

Janice Pazuchowski,  
Faith Formation, Youth Ministry

## Musical Notes...



It hardly seems possible that we are already two weeks into our Lenten season. I adore this season because the musical options are vast that support the readings (and it's great fun to dust off those favorites that we may do only once a year.)

Today's Gospel reading, from the Gospel of St. Mark, is the transfiguration of Jesus among his disciples Peter, James and John. On the holy mountain, they see Jesus standing before them with a manifestation of light and glory that is unlike anything we could encounter on earth.

As prelude to mass, we sing Bob Hurd's *Transfigure Us, O Lord*. The lyrics to verse one are so powerful and speak perfectly to Jesus' journey to the cross and our call to follow him on this paschal road.

*Down from heights of glory into the depths below,  
the love of God self-emptying, the love of God to show.  
You light the path before us, the way that we must go.*

Sometimes, the simplest of songs pack the greatest punch. Such is the case with *Transfigure Us, O Lord*.

Blessings,

Debi Szeliga,  
Music Director

## CHRISTIAN SERVICE

### EASTER REQUESTS



The Easter Food Baskets are appreciated by many and we look forward to assisting those in need this season.

We would like to purchase fresh items to complete the baskets. If you would like to make a cash donation, envelopes are available in the vestibule.

Paper bags are also available should you wish to provide items needed.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Tina Bullis,  
Christian Service



## OUR LENTEN TREE OF LIFE

*Located in the vestibule, our Lenten Tree of Life is lit up with tags that will help you on your Lenten Journey as well as help those in need. Suggested Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving will help you grow deeper into your faith. With every act of change we wait in anticipation, for Jesus to celebrate His Resurrection.*



*"I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing- all this because you obeyed my command."*

Gn22: 17

## When Sacrifice Becomes Mundane

It seems to happen every year, like clockwork: we drag a bit, as we enter into the second week of Lent. On Ash Wednesday, we feel a bit like soldiers banging our shields, rushing into battle. "We're ready, God!" our hearts cry out. "Transform us through sacrifice! Your will be done!"

But by now, these Lenten resolutions are no longer novelties - they've joined the ranks of everyday inconveniences, which somehow are the hardest to bear. Because transformation, in real life, happens in inches, just as a battle is won slowly in the crash of one sword against another. It's not always a dramatic thing, to the naked eye. It's the perseverance in prayer despite weariness, or the continual denial of some pleasure even though there's that nagging voice in our minds saying: go ahead, God doesn't really mind.

It's a week when we all need a shock to the system - and wouldn't you know it, this Sunday God gives us a double-whammy of dramatic sacrificial scenes. We picture Abraham, who also cried "Ready!" when God called, never imagining what He would ask: the surrender of his long awaited son. We see Christ himself transfigured, as God shows us what He is ready to give up for love of us. We must remain committed, persevering daily in acknowledging that everything belongs to God. What we sacrifice, we simply give back to Him. If God is for us, who can be against us? Can we still reply, "Ready!" when we hear the call of God?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
LPI

## What is the purpose of Lent?

Lent is not simply a way to renew your commitment to a New Year's resolution or jump start your diet. It's much more than a tradition or ritual. Lent should be a time of spiritual renewal and purification that ultimately leads us to Christ.

It's easy to get caught up in the goals that we have set for ourselves during Lent and to become fixated on the results that we desire, but we must remember that if we have not grown deeper in love with the Lord, our accomplishments are in vain.

Keeping our eyes fixed on Christ will help us stay strong in our Lenten sacrifices and offerings. When we purposefully fast, give alms, and pray with a heart that desires to know Jesus and serve Him, our actions move beyond requirements and rules. It is this type of Lent that will lead to a joyous Easter morning and a true celebration of the Risen Lord.

Catholic-link.org

The Simply Give Program runs now through April 10, 2021, at the Roseville, Meijer Store. By purchasing a \$10 Simply Give card at the store, Meijer will match your donation, **March 13th and April 3rd are double match days!**

Simply Give gift card tags are available on our Tree of Life, in the Social Hall, and at Meijer check-out counters. Cards must be taken to the register to be purchased, scanned, and credited to St. Pio's Food Pantry.

Please encourage your family and friends to participate in the Meijer-St. Pio Food Pantry fundraising campaign!

If you have any questions about the Meijer Simply Give Program, please contact Tina at the Christian Service Office at 586-777-9116 ext 3



## St. Pio Parish Fish Fry

Friday's During Lent:  
3:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Good Friday,  
April 2nd from  
4:30pm - 7:00pm.  
CARRY OUT &  
LIMITED DINE IN AVAILABLE!

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need your help each week with:

# Fish fry

Food prep, servers, bussing tables, carry-outs,  
towel laundry, washing pots & pans,  
and especially clean-up.

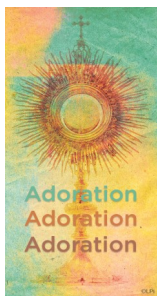
Please fill out this form as soon as possible and turn it in at the main office or drop it into the collection basket at Mass.

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_





**Eucharistic Adoration**  
Mondays,  
9:30am-4:00 pm  
Please follow  
social distancing  
protocol and  
wear a mask.

### 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

For the Month of February:  
Candles, Host & Wine are donated  
**In Memory of Gregory Martini**

### Growing with the Gospel

There is an insert 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.

You may place your donation in a marked envelope in the collection basket at Mass or call the Parish Office (586) 777-9116 ext 0

For the Month of February:  
*St. Vincent de Paul*

### 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."

FCSN, Janelle Holder, Navy  
A1C, Ryan Holland, Air Force  
SSgt. Matthew Huck, Army  
Sfc. Justin Keown, Army  
CWO II Phillip Keown, Army  
SSgt. Sean McDowell, Army  
SPC. Keegan Murphy, Army  
CMD Peter T. Murphy, Navy  
SSgt. Jacob Piechowski, Army  
CPT. Michael Reed, Army  
CPO Timothy J. Smith, Navy  
SSgt David C. Vancell, Air Force  
Maj. Robert Weiss, Air Force

### 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.

### Glory & Praise Hymnal Donation Program

Honor a loved one with a donation to help defray the monthly expense of our hymnals.

A bookplate will be placed on the inside front cover for each donation.

Hymnal Costs:

\$20-Pew Hymnal

\$30-Choir Hymnal

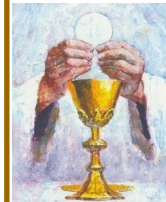
\$70-Solo Instrument Set

\$110-Guitar Set

\$140-Keyboard Set

Please place your donation in the collection with your information and the name(s) you would like to remember.

You may also bring your envelope to the Parish office.



### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present  
in the

Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You  
into my soul.

Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You  
sacramentally, come at  
least spiritually into my  
heart.

I embrace You as if You  
were already there and  
unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be  
separated from You.

Amen



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

Saint Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle.

Be our defense against  
the wickedness and snares  
of the devil.

May God rebuke him,  
we humbly pray; and do Thou,  
O Prince of the Heavenly Host,  
by the power of God,  
thrust into hell Satan,  
And the other evil spirits,  
who prowl about the world  
for the ruin of souls.

Amen



### PRAYER TO *Padre Pio* FOR HEALING

Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, obedient father, you loved the sick and infirm more than yourself because in them you saw Jesus. In the name of God you performed miracles of healing in body, soul and mind.

Your intercession with God healed the ills of past and present and strengthened people to respond with confidence to future challenges. Those who came to you regained a sense of spiritual integrity as you rekindled hope in their lives, and encouraged them to renew the spirit in their hearts.

Through the intercession of Our Heavenly Mother, may we experience your powerful assistance and be healed in our bodily and spiritual needs. Gratefully give praise and thanks to God for all His blessings.

Amen

*If your loved one is no longer sick, please call the Parish Office to remove their name from our list. 586) 777-9116*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Rose Alampi	Jim Clark	Theresa Lorio	Kathleen Smith
Bobby Barba	Patty Conway	Lila Lukatch	Keiko Smith
Ruth Becker	Eva Corey	Luke Lukatch	Kenneth Spencer
Rob Bennet	Martha Cusman	Art Majkowski	Heather Stadler
Don Berndt	Joseph Cusmano	Cathy Martin	David Stoll
Janet Bertolin	Michael D'Agostino	Laura Mazich	Shirley Swieczkowski
Andrea Bidwell	Nick DeCresce	Maureen McFarland	Amie Szerdi
Jacob Binkowski	Gianni Delio	Delphine Meagher	Cathy Taylorson
Owen Binkowski	Pat Durda	Patrick Meagher	Dianne Tegler
Sharon Blair	Emily	Barbara Michalik	Cindy Thibodeau
Mary Bologna	Fred Elias	Jerry Mike	MaryLee Tonkoshkur
Pam Bouffard	Karen Ermanni	Donna Moore	Joanna Totty
Paul Brent	Erica Esparza	Tommy Murray	Rose Urban
Rachael Brent	Alice Esper	Garry Nault	Dan VanderHagen
Elliana Budnick	Cathleen Fischer	Paul Noll	Mark VanderHagen
Haven Budnick	Mary Fox	Destiny Nowicki	Michelle VanderHagen
Madeline Budnick	Mary Franke	Baby Elizabeth Palm	Mark VanLacken
Suzanne Burkell	Tonya Franke	Shirley Paret	Angie Ventimiglio
Livaria Burley	Valerie Franke	Chad Parks	Virginia Wagner
Bernadette Calabro	Kathy Fyn	Natalie Perini	Marlien Wakeford
Marlene Calder	Anthony G	Lily Pickering	Anthony Wickowski
Angeline Call	Joanna Gold	Kathleen Piper	Marc Williams
Ken Campau	Benjamin Grajek	Steve Rybinski	Veronica Wolchon
Michael Campau	Marie Gregory	Margaret Scavone	Maureen Yaklin
Kelly Carrow	Dawn Gunn	Olivia Shaw	Cass Zalewski
Rocko Carrion	Eleanor Gunn	Susan Shuler	Sandra Zuby
Elsie Ciccone	William Hartwell	Caroline Smith	Anne Zuckero
			Dolores Z



### St. Casimir of Poland

Casimir grew up a prince of Poland and realized from a very early age that his life was not only committed to his biological father, the king, but to the mightiest of all, God the father.

Casimir rebelled against the riches around him and chose to wear the plainest of clothes and live very humbly. He rebelled against his father's plans and chose rather, to participate in his true King's plans wholeheartedly by praying, studying, and helping the poor.

Casimir is the patron saint of Poland and Lithuania.

*Saint Casimir, help us to remember that our true King is Jesus Christ and always serve him with joy and love. Help us to turn to our true Father for guidance and protection. Amen*



**Stations of the Cross**  
**Every Friday during**  
**Lent**  
**7:00 pm**

## EASTER FOOD BASKETS



Christian Service administers food year-round to struggling families, seniors and children.

The demand for assistance is great around the holidays when families are trying to provide food, gifts, and joyous times. If you need food assistance and would like to register for a Easter Basket, please complete the form below and return it to church.

If you would like more information, please feel free to reach out to the Christian Service Department at (586)777-9116 ext. 3.

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

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_