

Expressions of Prayer: Three Ways to Raise Your Heart to God

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All prayer is a raising of the heart to God, but every believer responds to God's invitation differently, so this raising of the heart can be expressed in many ways. Christian tradition has particularly recognized three primary expressions of prayer: vocal prayer, meditation, and contemplation (CCC 2699). Join us on this Day of Renewal with Father Pio Mandato, FMHJ as we explore these three ways to encounter God and pursue a relationship of love with Him in prayer. **There is no cost to attend this retreat; however, it is a ticketed event. Register at www.padrepio.org by clicking on the event calendar for May 8th. Registration opens on April 1st.** Bring your own packed lunch or pre-order and pre-pay \$17.00 for a boxed lunch when registering for your ticket on-line. **Deadline to order lunch is May 1st.** Bus groups welcome!

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Welcome and Opening Prayer - 10:00 AM

Conference #1 - 10:15 AM

Rosary - 11:30 AM

Mass for the Intentions of Benefactors and Devotees
with Veneration of the Relic Glove of Padre Pio - 12:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation, Lunch, and

Free Time to Visit the Museum and Gift Shop - 1:00 PM

Conference #2 with Exposition - 2:15 PM

Chaplet of Divine Mercy with Benediction - 3:00 PM

The Museum, Gift Shop, and Spirituality Centre remain open until 4:30 PM.

About Our Retreat Director

Father Pio Mandato is a Franciscan Missionary Hermit of Saint Joseph. Father Pio lived in Padre Pio's hometown of Pietrelcina, Italy, received his First Holy Communion from Padre Pio, and celebrated his first Mass as a priest at the very same church and altar where Saint Pio had celebrated his first Mass. Father Pio presently resides in the Diocese of Scranton, PA where he lives out his priestly vocation in solitude and prayer in the spirit of Saint Francis of Assisi.

