





It's official: the Padre Pio blanket is a HUGE hit!

We knew you would like our Christmas gift, but we had no idea just how much! Thank you for your many, many beautiful notes. We could tell that you were happy to receive the warm, lightweight blanket with the image of our beloved Padre Pio encouraging us to "Pray, Hope and Don't Worry." Whether used as a cozy throw, a wall hanging, or to upholster a chair, kept in a car for journeys, bringing comfort to the sick in hospitals, or designated as a prayer shawl, you have found countless uses for the blanket. We loved hearing from you and reading all your amazing stories. Keep them coming and send us more photos!



The Spirit of Christmas

Your kindness allowed us to spread much needed Christmas cheer by filling the pantries of food banks, adopting a family for the holidays and providing warm socks, gloves, hats and scarves to the homeless and others in need. Thank you for all your support!

As Padre Pio said: *"Charity is the measure by which our Lord judges all things."*

"Through divine grace we are at the beginning of a new year. God alone knows whether we shall reach the end of it, so we should spend it in reparation for the past and preparing for the future with good resolutions. Good work goes hand in hand with good intentions."

Padre Pio

Join Padre Pio's Guardian Angel Club

Padre Pio's **Guardian Angel Club** is our monthly giving program. As a member of the Guardian Angel Club, your monthly gift keeps his legacy alive by providing solace and help to those less fortunate. Member benefits include **a special monthly mass**, **exclusive angel pin, advance notice about promotions**, projects, and special events. For more information and to sign up, please visit our **website** at <u>www.padrepio.com</u>.

New Book

Frank Rega's collection of stories and articles reflecting on Padre Pio's stigmata, miracles and supernatural gifts of healing and bilocation. Available on our website, in our gift shop, or by mail.





Everyday Intercessions

From Hopelessness to Miracle

We were very moved when we read Rita's letter and obtained her permission to share it with you.

In July 2015 Rita's husband Dan was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer of the larynx. Doctors presented him with three options: he could have his vocal cord surgically removed and replaced with a voice box, go through chemotherapy, or receive radiation treatment twice daily for six weeks. Against his doctor's recommendations, he chose the last option.

Meanwhile, a friend had sent the couple a Padre Pio

prayer card. Rita prayed fervently to Padre Pio for intercession during the six weeks of Dan's radiation treatment and thereafter.

At Dan's post-treatment checkup, a miracle occurred:

the doctor was amazed that he could no longer find *any* cancer! Three years later, Dan is still in remission and just celebrated his 73rd birthday.

Rita says she will always be grateful to that friend and continues to pray to Padre Pio. Thank you Rita for sharing the story of Dan's miraculous healing!

Prayer to Saint Pio

O God, You gave Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, Capuchin priest, the great privilege of participating in a unique way in the passion of Your Son, grant me through his intercession the grace of ... which I ardently desire; and above all grant me the grace of living in conformity with the death of Jesus, to arrive at the glory of the resurrection. Glory be to the Father...

(three times)

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Rita's letter about her husband's miraculous healing from cancer after praying to Padre Pio.



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