

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life; to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.

All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need.

Each day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes.

They ate their meals in exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people.

And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

DIRECTIONS – ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA CHURCH, EAST HAVEN, CT

From Points North:

Take I 91 south toward I 95 north
US 1/Frontage Rd
Take Exit 51
Continue in the right lane on Frontage Rd (past Chili's on the right)
Turn right at the light on to Forbes Pl
Turn left at the light on to Main Street
Turn right on to Taylor Ave (at the Dunkin Donut) St. Vincent dePaul Church will be on your right

From Points South:

Take I 95 north to US 1/Frontage Road
Take Exit 51
Continue in the right lane on Frontage Rd (past Chili's on the right)
Turn right at the light on to Forbes Pl
Turn left at the light on to Main Street
Turn right on to Taylor Ave (at the Dunkin Donut) St. Vincent dePaul Church will be on your right

SPONSOR

**St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish
80 Taylor Avenue
East Haven, CT 06512**

LOCATION

**Immaculate Conception Center
600 Liberty Highway
Putnam, CT 06260**

**ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA
PARISH
MEN'S ACTS RETREAT
AUGUST 20-23, 2026**



Adoration

Community

Theology

Service

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Adoration – God's CALL, your ACCEPTANCE OF, AND RESPONSE TO GOD.

COMMUNITY – LOVE AND CARING FOR EACH OTHER.

THEOLOGY – STUDYING GOD THROUGH SCRIPTURE AND OUR CATHOLIC FAITH.

SERVICE – TO GOD AND HIS PEOPLE.

What is it?

An ACTS retreat is a three-day, three-night Catholic lay retreat presented by men who have attended prior ACTS retreats, under the guidance of a Catholic Guide. Retreat activities focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service. Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church are the guides. The goals are to renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to create lasting and supporting friendships. This is done via a positive, lively and interactive manner. Participants return to their parish faith communities with a deeper love for each other and a desire to become more involved.

Past Reactions

“Attending the ACTS retreat was one of the most unexpectedly powerful experiences of my life. I walked in thinking it would just be a weekend away — I walked out feeling renewed, grounded, and reconnected to what truly matters.

The brotherhood I found there wasn't forced or superficial. It was real. Men opening up, supporting each other, laughing, praying, and rediscovering a sense of purpose that everyday life often buries.

If you're feeling stuck, overwhelmed, or simply hungry for something deeper, this retreat will meet you where you are. It's not about being 'holy enough' or having everything figured out. It's about showing up and letting God work in ways you didn't expect.

I am grateful I went. And I genuinely believe you will be too.”

~ John

“The ACTS retreat isn't just another church event - it's a wake-up call. A reset. A chance to step away from the noise and remember who you are and who God is calling you to be.

For one weekend, you get to breathe again. You get to connect with men who are walking the same struggles, carrying the same weight, and searching for the same strength.

If you've been waiting for a sign, this is it. Don't let hesitation keep you from doing something that could change your life. Take the step. Show up. Let God surprise you.”

~ Mike

Interested In Attending?

The retreat begins Thursday evening, August 20, 2026, with a 5:00 p.m. check-in at St. Vincent dePaul Church Hall on 80 Taylor Avenue, East Haven. Participants will then be transported to the Immaculate Conception Retreat Center in Putnam, CT for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, August 23, 2026, with a 11:45 a.m. Mass and reception at St. Vincent dePaul Church. Transportation to and from the Immaculate Conception Retreat Center will be provided.

The cost for the retreat is \$309. A deposit of \$115, made payable to St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish, submitted with the enclosed form, will reserve your place. The remaining balance will be due on or before August 11, 2026.

You will receive a letter within two weeks of the retreat describing the necessities you should bring.

Please Note: Financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. If you have financial concerns, please call and discuss your concerns with any member of the lead team listed below.

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