



Padre Pio

Saint for Reconciliation

1887–1968

Born in Pietrelcina, Italy

Feast Day: September 23

**Patron saint of confessors,
stress relief, and the town of Pietrelcina**

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Dedication

To my family:
my parents Jim and Peg,
my husband Bill,
our son Sam and daughter-in-law Erin,
and our precious grandchildren
Ben, Lucas, and Andrew

To all the children I have had the privilege
of teaching throughout the years.

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Baptist**
Baptism



Teresa of Ávila
Eucharist



Philip neri
Confirmation



padre pio
Reconciliation



maximilian kolbe
Anointing of the Sick



**louis and zélie
martin**
Matrimony



John vianney
Holy Orders

Padre Pio was an Italian priest and confessor. (*Padre* is “Father” in Italian.) He heard thousands of confessions during his lifetime. Confession, or reconciliation, is a sacrament of forgiveness and peace. Padre Pio filled people’s hearts with peace and helped them to love God.

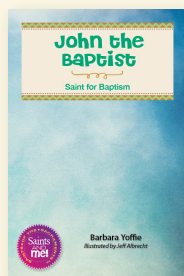




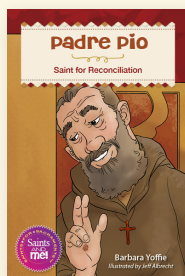
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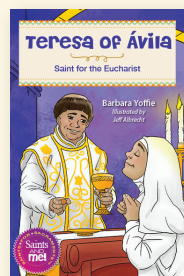
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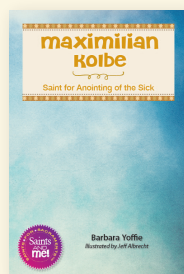
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saint for baptism



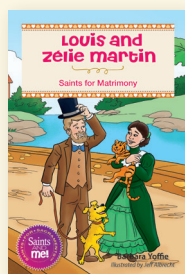
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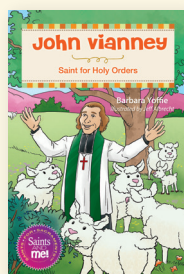
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saint for the eucharist



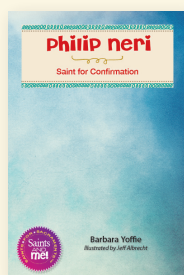
maximilian kolbe
saint for anointing
of the sick



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martin**
saints for matrimony



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