

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Students will assist at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (Traditional Latin Mass) at 8:15am each school day as part of their regular schedule. Parents are most welcome to assist at this Mass whenever possible.

In addition to assisting at Mass, students will recite daily prayers before and after school, and at meal times. Students will observe seasonal devotions throughout the Liturgical Year.

Priests will be available to hear confessions during morning Mass, once a week, when possible.

All students must have their own missals (1962) and rosaries. Girls must also have their own white chapel veils.



## DAILY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

7:45 am	Doors open; Students may arrive at or after this time
8:00 am	All students must be in the School Building
8:00 am	Attendance and Morning Prayers
8:15 am	Holy Mass in Christ the King Church
9:00 am	Morning Classes begin
12:15pm	Lunch and Recess
1:00 pm	Afternoon Classes begin
3:15 pm	Dismissal

## TUITION AND FEES

Tuition for the school year is \$7,500 for the first child of the family, with reductions for each additional child.

There is a Book Fee of \$150 per child.

PADRE PIO ACADEMY  
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## PADRE PIO ACADEMY



Padre Pio Academy, a private, traditional Catholic school for grades Pre-K through 8 situated on 14 acres overlooking Lake Mamasasco in historic Ridgefield, CT. The Academy is the parish school of Christ the King Church





## Padre Pio

Patron of Our School



Padre Pio was born May 25, 1887 in Pietrelcina, Italy, a small country town located in southern Italy. He was baptized the next day, in the nearby Castle Church, with the name of his brother, Francesco, who died in early infancy.

At age 15, he took the Habit of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin on January 22, 1903. On the day of his investiture, he took the name of Pio in honor of Saint Pius V, the patron saint of Pietrelcina. He was ordained to the priesthood on August 10, 1910 at the age of 23.

On September 20, 1918, Padre Pio was praying in the choir loft in the Church of Our Lady of Grace, when the wounded Christ appeared to him. When the ecstasy ended, Padre Pio had received the Visible Stigmata, the five wounds of Christ, which would stay with him for his remaining 50 years.

**"It is easier for the earth to exist without the sun than without the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass."**

— Padre Pio

## CURRICULUM

The curriculum for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade includes the following subjects: Religion, Language Arts (Learning to Read and Write, English Grammar, Diction, Literature, Composition), Latin, History, Geography, Mathematics, Nature Study and Science, Music, Art and Physical Education. These will be taught at the appropriate developmental level for each grade.



### Religious Instruction

Formal religion instruction holds the place of honor in the curriculum. Classes include an ordered presentation of the Catholic Faith through the study of Christian Doctrine, the life of Our Lord, the Mass, the Liturgical Year, Bible History, and the Lives of the Saints. The child is taught to memorize his catechism (Baltimore Catechism), and at the same time to see behind these truths the Face of Our Lord, calling him to a life of holiness in union with Him. Thus the students are encouraged to develop a profound spiritual life in union with the liturgical and sacramental life of the Church.

### Fine arts

Music (sacred and secular), Poetry and Art are an important part of the curriculum. The school encourages performing skits, copying and drawing pictures, dramatizing poetry and singing, along with creative projects and presentations in all subjects.

