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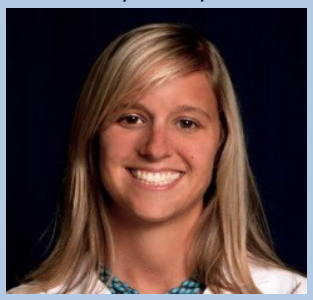

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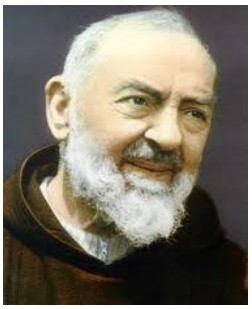
Padre Pio's Hospital In The USA...



Padre Pio is a very famous contemporary saint, who continues to touch many lives with miracles even today. He was a Capuchin friar who bore the five wounds of Christ, a confessor, a miracle worker, a saint, and the founder of the Casa Sollievo Della Sofferenza (His "Work") in Italy.

Padre Pio's Casa is a world renown international referral hospital, considered one of the best in its class. It is also a model of truly faithful Catholic healthcare delivery in a very secular world.

On October 1st, 2009 this Vatican-owned hospital executed a formal Collaboration Agreement with Catholic Healthcare International (CHI) to duplicate Padre Pio's hospital, called the "Home For The Relief Of Suffering", in the United States...as a "Beacon of Light" in a secularized culture which continues to slip further each year from its Christian foundation.

As Padre Pio said, we will build a "Cathedral of Love", "A Clinic for the Body & the Soul", to serve the "Twice Jesus" in the poor and the sick. The Casa USA will be the fruition of the long awaited vision expressed by the Director originally chosen by Padre Pio to build his hospital in Italy:

***Casa Sollievo Della Sofferenza* in San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy**

"The Casa Sollievo Della Sofferenza should therefore be the first link in a great chain. It should be the model for many other innumerable Casa's with the same name and above all the same spirit, which must bring love to all of humanity. A program which would make us tremble with awe if it was not inspired by God who is above all Love!"

- Dr. Guglielmo Sanguinetti 1950

...& A Faithful Catholic Medical School Too!

Just as the Casa USA hospital will be a "Beacon of Light" and model of truly faithful Catholic healthcare delivery in our ever-secular society, a similarly faithful medical school is needed to train Catholic physicians to practice faithfully amid the challenges they will face in the world. We will develop a Catholic medical school that is completely faithful to the Magisterium of the Catholic Church and obedient to the Bishops in all matters of faith and morals. It will be a haven for Catholic medical professionals seeking to arm themselves with the tools to practice in Truth.

CASA USA THREE PILLAR VISION

Casa San Pio Catholic Medical Clinic In Appalachia

On October 24th, 2011 the Directors of Catholic Healthcare International completed construction and opened the doors of Casa San Pio Medical Clinic, a completely new and state-of-the-art comprehensive outpatient medical facility situated in the extremely poor and underserved region of Appalachia in rural Kentucky.

On July 1st, 2013 Casa San Pio of Appalachia formally became an apostolate of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Lexington, wholly-owned and operated by the Diocese and its Bishop. In addition to comprehensive medical care, Casa San Pio was equipped by CHI leadership with highly technical services including CAT scanning, ultrasound, stress testing, X-ray, laboratory, and a fully electronic medical record system. This fully Catholic medical clinic was the "first fruits" of the Collaboration Agreement executed between Catholic Healthcare International & Padre Pio's Casa hospital in Italy, to duplicate Padre Pio's model of faithful Catholic healthcare delivery in the USA.

Bishop Ronald Gainer & CHI Leadership at the Grand Opening & Blessing of Casa San Pio in Stanton, Kentucky December 2011

"That is the goal of the Work: To care for the body to arrive at the soul."

- *Padre Pio*

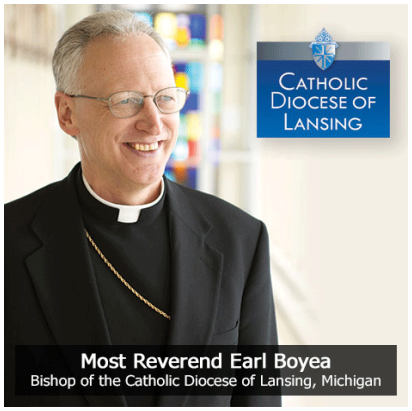
Padre Pio's Casa In Italy

On January 9, 1940, Padre Pio announced his grandiose plans to develop a Home for the Relief of Suffering (the Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza) in the small town of San Giovanni Rotondo in the remote south Italian region of Puglia. The Casa opened its doors on May 5, 1956 as a 300 bed facility, built on the small, sincere and spontaneous donations and prayers of his followers. He also developed an international network of prayer groups for the support of the Casa and its ministry that continues to live on and grow today. Padre Pio considered the Casa Sollievo Della Sofferenza (Casa) his "Work", inspired and blessed by God, to be a haven of relief from suffering for all of God's children in pain in body or soul. It is a model community of Catholic Christian health delivery, and has grown into a regional referral center of international renown. Today, with over 1,000 beds and services comparable to most academic research centers of excellence, the Casa is thriving by God's graces in one of the most remote, desolate and poorest areas of Italy…atop Mount Gargano and over a four hour drive from Rome.

Our Prayerful Vision - *A Replica of St. Pio's Italy Campus in the USA*

Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Lansing, Michigan



Bishop Boyea with our Casa USA Leadership Team

Archbishop Castoro, Casa President, with CHI President Jere Palazzolo at St. Pio's Casa Hospital in Italy

The Casa USA Campus in the Diocese of Lansing, Michigan

A beautiful replica shrine of St. (Padre) Pio's Church *Santa Maria delle Grazie*, a replica of his renown *Home for the Relief of Suffering* hospital, a truly Catholic medical school fully faithful to the Magisterium of the Church, a *Christ Medicus Foundation National Center for Public Policy*, and a *Terri Schiavo Life & Hope Network Center* upholding human dignity through service to the medically vulnerable...all resting on a tranquil campus in the town of Howell, Michigan (Less than an hour drive from Detroit). This is no longer just the vision, but now the active collaborative plan being implemented by the leaderships of Catholic Healthcare International & the Diocese of Lansing, Michigan with the support of St. Pio's Casa hospital in Italy. This Casa USA campus will be a national "Beacon of Light" & model of truly faithful Catholic healthcare delivery for our country, to be emulated by other Catholic healthcare providers currently challenged by our increasingly secular culture.

We need your prayers & donations!

Many thanks & God bless you!

Cardinal Raymond Burke presides at the Casa USA Collaboration Mass at St. Pio's *Santa Maria delle Grazie Church* in San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy

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