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**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 9:15, 10:30 & 12:00 noon  
- 8:00 a.m. Italian

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:**

Monday - 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday - 9:00 a.m.  
Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday - 7:00 p.m. (Italian)  
Friday - 9:00 a.m.

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**Hours:**

Monday-Friday

8:00am to 4pm

5:30pm to 8:30pm

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**BAPTISMS:**

By appointment at least **two months in advance**. Instruction may be required.

**CONFESSIONS:**

Thurs - 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. (Italian)  
Sat - 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Any other time by appointment.

**COMMUNION FOR THE SICK:**

We are available to visit the sick in the home or hospital and to bring communion. Please contact the Parish Office.

**MARRIAGE:**

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest **one year in advance**. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage.

If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Sat. Dec. 12

5:00 pm + **For the People of the Parish**

Sun. Dec. 13

9:15 am + **Filomena Cicco**

10:30am + **Maria Vomiero & deceased members of the Vomiero family**

12:00 noon + **Angelo Nonis**

Mon. Dec. 14

7:00pm **Intentions of Matthew and Daniel D'Silva**

Tues. Dec. 15

9:00am + **Patrizia Narcisi-Sparks**

Wed. Dec. 16

7:00pm + **Marie-André Vergis, Holy Souls in Purgatory**

Thurs. Dec. 17

7:00pm + **Isabella Teti**

Fri. Dec. 18

9:00am + **Claudio Martellacci**

### Feast Days This Week

Mon. Dec. 14 – **St. John of the Cross**, priest, doctor of the Church

**Rejoice Sunday** – The Third Sunday of Advent has traditionally been called 'Gaudete Sunday' or 'Rose Sunday'. Gaudete is the Latin word for 'rejoice' and today the Church rejoices that Advent is half over and the coming of Jesus is closer. The rose-coloured vestments are used at Mass – a further sign of our rejoicing at the nearness of our Saviour.

**Archdiocesan Week of Confessions:** Confessions will be heard in all churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto this week. Dates and times may be found on our bulletin board. Our confession times will be Wednesday, Dec. 16 from 11:30am to 12pm, 2:30pm to 3:00pm, 5:30pm to 6:00pm, and 7:30 to 8:00pm.

### An Advent Service for the Home

A member of the family lights three pink candles on the Advent wreath – two purple and one pink.

**Leader:** Rejoice the Lord is at hand.

**All:** Come, Lord Jesus

(A family member reads the suggested bible passage for the day)

Third Week of Advent:

Sunday Isaiah 9:6-7

Monday Isaiah 7:10-14

Tuesday Isaiah 11:1-6

Wednesday Isaiah 40:10-11

Thursday Isaiah 52:7

Friday Jeremiah 33:14-16

Saturday Malachi 3:1-2

**Leader:** The peace of the Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

**Leader:** Let us pray. O God, who sent prophets to prepare the way for the coming of your Son, help us to hear their warning and their measure of joy which was given for all people; so that at the birthday of your Son, our redeemer, we may receive Him more joyfully into our hearts. This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen

**All:** Our Father, who are in heaven...

**Leader:** May the Almighty and merciful God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

**All:** Amen

### Christmas Joy! Christmas Mass Schedule

The following schedule is tentative as restrictions for the churches can change very quickly. All Masses will have musicians and a cantor only. There will be no choirs, brass or banner ministry. This year, because of the pandemic, and as per the Archdiocese, the congregation may not sing at these Masses, since droplets from singing can travel over 10 feet. Since we can only have 30% capacity, the Masses will be much smaller this year. For these reasons, there will not be a Midnight Mass this year. This will be a very difficult Christmas this year, but we want to keep everyone safe and healthy.

**Christmas Eve** – Thursday, Dec. 24

(note: there will not be a 7pm Italian Mass)

6:00pm

8:00pm

10:00pm

**Christmas Day** – Friday, December 25

8:00am Italian

9:15am

10:30am

12:00pm

The 10:30am Mass on Christmas morning may be watched on our website: [www.stpp.church](http://www.stpp.church)

More people than usual may attend the Christmas Masses. Please come early if you expect to get a seat. Once the church has reached 30% capacity, the doors will be closed and no one else may enter.

Please remember to observe parking regulations. Please be reminded that there is NO PARKING on the North side of St. Padre Pio Gardens. There are 400 parking spots on the church grounds.

**Christmas Together: A Carol Concert** – Normally, our annual Carol Concert is held on the First Sunday of Advent, but this year, because of the pandemic, it will be held virtually and livestreamed to your home [on Sunday, December 13](#), which is Gaudete or Rose [Sunday, at 6pm](#). Our talented musicians and singers look forward to sharing their special talents and gifts with you, bringing the community together and relaying messages of hope, joy and inspiration through the power of music. Go to our website [www.stpp.church](http://www.stpp.church) and follow the link.

**Advent December 17 to 24** – The Advent days from Dec. 17 to 24 are intended as a direct preparation for Christmas. There are special readings from Scripture for the Masses. And Dec. 17 also marks the beginning of the “O” Antiphons, an ancient part of our liturgy, dating back to the 4<sup>th</sup> century, one for each day until Christmas Eve. These Antiphons which are used at Evening Prayer and in the Gospel Acclamation, address Christ with seven Messianic titles, bases on Old Testament prophecies. They are also found in the ancient hymn, O Come, O Come, Emmanuel. During this same period, some cultures have very early morning Masses and Las Posadas, a reenactment of the journey to Bethlehem.

**Nativity Scenes** – St. Padre Pio presents its tenth Annual Display of Nativity Scenes, entitled ‘Joy to the World.’ Because of the pandemic, no new nativities will be displayed this year. Nativities from the previous nine years will be displayed again. They represent many different countries and cultures, artistic styles and materials. All of them present the different ways that artists have interpreted the birth of Jesus through the ages. Jesus was born for all people, so his birth is depicted reflecting the different artistic styles found in many cultures. The display, in the cabinets at the side entrance of the church, will continue until Sun. Jan. 10/21, the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, and the end of the Christmas season.

**The Gift Store** – will be opened after the 10:30am Mass on weekends. Only one person at a time please.

**A Reminder** that the 10:30am Mass on Sunday is available to watch on our website: [www.stpp.church](http://www.stpp.church)

**Offertory Envelopes for 2021** are available for pick up in the Narthex. Envelopes are sorted alphabetically. If you are new to the parish and would like to start using envelopes, please ask one of the Ushers to get you a new box. Please do not touch all the boxes and sanitize your hands after picking up your box. PLEASE DO NOT REARRANGE THE BOXES.

**Longo Gift Cards Christmas Drive** – the Parish Office will be taking orders for our annual Longo Card

Christmas Drive. Cards are available in any denomination. Just drop off your cheque to the office and pick up your cards the following weekend. Please consider giving Longo cards to charities, friends, families, clients or employees this Christmas. Your gift will also support our Mortgage Fund. Please call the Parish Office to place your order. 905-893-7879.

**Parish Office** – Will not be open to the public at this time. However, we will open on Tuesday from 10:00am to 12:00pm and Wednesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm, [by appointment only](#).

### A Guide to St. Padre Pio Church

#### THE PROCESSIONAL CROSS

***“I saw the tree of life...and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of nations .”***

The processional cross, standing in the sanctuary with the image of Christ crucified, is the Tree of Life and the instrument of our healing and our salvation.

#### THE CHOIR AREA

***“Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many wates and like the sound of might thunder-peals, crying out, “Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.”***

In this area the choirs support the singing of the people and the cantor leads from the lectern. Contemporary instruments are used as well as a large three-manual organ. The three choirs, by their ministry, give praise and glory to God.

**Sympathy** - We offer our deep sympathy to Gustavo Faraldo and his family on the death of his wife, Lucia Faraldo. May God grant her His eternal peace and joy and send comfort to all who mourn her passing.

**Parish Donations** - We are happy to announce that you can now make your weekly envelope donation on the church website at [www.stpp.church/home.html](http://www.stpp.church/home.html) by using the *Parish Donations* blue donor box. Please indicate your envelope number on the form. A receipt will automatically be e-mailed back to you. For those watching the livestream of the mass at 10:30 am on Sundays, Christmas Day, and New Years day, please consider making your Sunday offering through this secure portal. Thank you for your generosity

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