# The Parish Community of

# St. Padre Pio

Welcomes You



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#### **PARISH TEAM:**

Monsignor Gregory Ace, C.H.H. - Pastor Deacon Gary Thibodeau - Deacon Assistant Deacon Curtis Boone - Deacon Assistant

#### **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.

#### **OFFICE:**

Telephone - 905-893-7879

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Parish email: info@stpp.church

#### **Hours:**

Monday – Friday - 8:30am – 7:30pm

#### **OUR SCHOOLS:**

 St. Andrew School
 905-893-1968

 St. Padre Pio School
 905-893-7082

 Pope Francis School
 905-893-8782

 St. Stephen School
 905-893-7557

#### **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.



Sat. Mar. 12

5:00 pm - +Carlo & Anthony Liut

Sun. Mar. 13

8:00 am - +Fiore Luciani, +Rosina Luciani

9:15 am - For the People of the Parish

10:30 am - +Candido Abatecola

12:00 noon - + Guido Cianfarani

Mon. Mar. 14

7:00 pm - +Grazia Rigano

Tues. Mar. 15

9:00 am - +Joe D'Costa

Wed. Mar. 16

7:00 pm – For the Intentions of Keith Burtles, +Preziosa Immacolata Belfiore, +Nazareno Belfiore, +Francesco Cavallo, +Ida Cavallo Thurs. Mar. 17

7:00 pm - +Deceased members of the Virgilio & Romanelli Families, +Maria Vomiero & the deceased members of the Vomiero Family

#### **Feast Days This Week**

Thurs. Mar. 17 – St. Patrick, bishop

Fri. Mar. 18 – **St. Cyril of Jerusalem,** bishop, doctor of the Church

Sat. Mar. 19 – **St. Joseph**, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Principal Patron of Canada, Patron of the Universal Church

#### **Ukrainian Relief**

The Archdiocese of Toronto has launched a relief appeal to support the Ukrainian people, who are suffering from widespread violence and a humanitarian crisis. Your gift will fund relief projects through the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and refugee resettlement efforts through the Office for Refugees, Archdioscese of Toronto (ORAT). The link for the Archdiocese can be found on our parish website, <a href="https://www.stpp.church">www.stpp.church</a>, or you can make a cheque out to St. Padre Pio Parish – Ukrainian Relief. Let us continue to pray for an end to the hostilities there, and for peace and justice to be established.

**Baptisms** will be held on Sunday, March 20, at 1:00pm. Family and friends should be here 15 minutes prior to the ceremony

Knights of Columbus will be selling Easter Colomba and chocolate in the Narthex after all up to and including Palm Sunday. Profits in the past have contributed in supporting parish projects and initiatives. Please support the Knights.

Canadian Food for Children - The CWL are hosting their next food drive for Canadian Food for Children continuing until March 26/27. The food items requested by CFFC are: Rice, Oatmeal, Flour, Bagged Dry Beans, Lentils and Chickpeas. We thank all parishioners who contributed in the past and hope that you continue to support this mission to help feed our brothers and sisters in need. In addition to the food items, we will be collecting eyeglasses. If you have any used eyeglasses that you have no use for, please bring them to the church. We will have a collection box available throughout the food drive and throughout the year. Let's help our brothers and sisters to see and put a smile on their faces.

#### **ShareLife**

**Live the Gospel by supporting ShareLife** ShareLife Sunday is March 27th. Our parish goal for

this year's campaign is \$85,400.00.

This year, we are encouraging you to make your donation online via the parish website or at sharelife.org.

Monthly Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) is a convenient way to spread your ShareLife contribution throughout the year. Simply fill out the form on a ShareLife pew envelope, include a void cheque, and then give it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket at any time. Contact ShareLife at slife@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving.

#### Fasting and Feasting

Lent is more than a time of fasting; it can also be a joyous season of feasting. Lent is a time to fast from certain things, and to feast on others.

**Fast** from judging others. **Feast** on the Christ dwelling in them.

**Fast** from the emphasis on differences. **Feast** on the unity of life.

**Fast** from apparent darkness. **Feast** on the reality of light.

**Fast** from thoughts of illness. **Feast** on the healing power of God.

**Fast** from words that pollute. **Feast** on words that purify.

**Fast** from discontent. **Feast** on gratitude.

Fast from anger. Feast on patience.

Fast from pessimism. Feast on optimism.

Fast from worry. Feast on Divine Providence.

Fast from complaining. Feast on appreciation.

Fast from negatives. Feast on affirmatives.

**Fast** from unrelenting pleasures. **Feast** on unceasing prayer.

Fast from hostility. Feast on peace.

Fast from bitterness. Feast on forgiveness.

**Fast** from self-concern. **Feast** on compassion for others.

Fast from personal anxiety. Feast on trust.

Fast from discouragement. Feast on hope.

**Fast** from acts that tear down. **Feast** on acts which build up.

**Fast** from thoughts that weaken. **Feast** on promises that inspire.

**Fast** from idle gossip. **Feast** on purposeful silence. **Fast** from problems which overwhelm. **Feast** on prayer that undergirds.

Come and See - Day Retreat - Saturday, March 19 (9:00am - 3:30pm) at St. Augustine's

**Seminary**: Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at

www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee

For more information, please contact (your Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations via email: <a href="mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a>.

The Gift Store has reopened.

Longo gift cards are available for purchase in denominations of \$25, \$50, \$100, and \$500. Longo's supports our parish by donating a percentage of the cards purchased to our mortgage fund. If you shop at Longo's why not purchase a gift card from the store and in doing so, help your parish. If you require large purchases for your company event, etc., please call the Parish Office at 905-893-7879.

A reminder that the 10:30am Mass on Sunday will continue to be livestreamed on our parish website, www.stpp.church

**Stations of the Cross –** will be celebrated this coming Friday evening at 7pm in the church.

Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) – Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG). It is a convenient, easy and automatic way to support your parish. This allows the parish to meet its monthly obligations, such as hydro, heat, payroll etc. All donations are tax deductible and can be stopped at any time. Donations can be directed to your weekly or building fund offering, or both and will be

deducted from your bank account on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Thanks to all our parishioners who give so generously.

**Parish Donations -** you can now make your weekly envelope donation on the church website at www.stpp.church by using *Donate Box*. Please indicate your envelope number on the form. A receipt will automatically be e-mailed back to you. Thank you for your generosity.

#### <u>Virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter</u> <u>Experience – March 25-27, 2022</u>

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Project Rachel at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge – is offering a weekend retreat, April 1-3, 2022, for women who have been hurt by abortion. You can speak with someone who understands and cares and have a chance to begin the healing from loss and grief. (We will follow health policy guidelines in effect then.) Phone 289-691-6840, or email <a href="mailto:ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org">Project Rachel — private and confidential.</a>

call the Vocation Director at 416-968-0997 or email: <a href="mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a>

**Rosary Group** – we invite all parishioners to come together as a group to recite the Holy Rosary every Friday after the 9:00am Mass.

Altar Servers – we would like to extend an invitation to all students within our community who are considering becoming an Altar Server at our parish. By becoming an altar server, young people will have the opportunity to be involved in service to God and His Church. All are welcome to be Altar Servers, they must be in the fourth grade or higher and must have received their First Holy Communion. All those who are interested please contact the Parish Office at 905-893-7879.



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