

stpadrepioparish

🕤 St. Padre Pio Parish

# PARISH TEAM:

Father George Parayil - Pastor Deacon Gary Thibodeau - Deacon Assistant Deacon Curtis Boone - Deacon Assistant

# WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

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

# WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - 7:00 p.m. (preceded by the Divine Mercy Chaplet @ 6:45 p.m.)

Tuesday - 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. (preceded by the recitation of the Rosary @ 6:45 p.m.)

Thursday - 7:00 p.m. (Italian)

Friday - 9:00 a.m. (followed by the recitation of the Rosary)

## **OFFICE:**

Parish Secretary: Liza De Sousa Telephone - 905-893-7879 Fax - 905-893-7885 Parish email: stpadrepio@archtoronto.org

## **Office Hours:**

Monday – Friday - 8:30am – 7:30pm Saturday - 10:00am – 6:00pm

# 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. March 25 5:00 pm - For the People of the Parish Sun. March 26 8:00 am -9:15 am - +Vittorio Conti 10:30 am - +Giuseppe Miceli 12:00 pm - +Nick Bertucci Mon. March 27 7:00 ppm - Thanksgiving Blessing for Renato Ramos Tues. March 28 9:00 am -Wed. March 29 7:00 pm- Parish Memorial Mass Thurs. March 30 7:00 pm - +Alfredo Paura Fri. March 31 9:00 am - +Giovanna Venditti

Feast Days This Week

Sat. March 25 – The Annunciation of the Lord

#### **Offertory Collection**

March 19, 2023

Weekly Offertory \$6,878.10
 Thank you for your support!

**Knights of Columbus** are selling Easter Colomba and chocolate in the Narthex after all Masses. Profits in the past have contributed in supporting parish projects and initiatives. Please support the Knights.

#### **Canadian Food for Children**

The CWL would like to thank parishioners for their continued support and generosity of the CWL CFFC food drive. Your food donations have helped many people who are in need of this basic necessity. To continue with doing our part in helping the poor, we are having a Lenten CWL CFFC Food Drive which will begin on March 4/5 and continuing the weeks of March 11/12; 18/19; 25/26. Food being collected is: **Rice**, **Dry Bagged Legumes (beans, chick peas, lentils), Flour and Bars of Soap,** 

**Toothpaste/Toothbrushes.** Also, prescription eyeglasses are very much needed. If you have any old pairs, please donate it to this cause. A raffle will also take place, consisting of a wheel of Montasio Cheese, wine and much more. Tickets are 1 for \$10. and 3 for \$20.

Let's fulfil our Lenten obligation of "almsgiving" by helping to feed our brothers and sisters in need. God Bless! **Project Rachel at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge –** is offering a weekend retreat, April 28-30, 2023, -"Come away" for women who have suffered the loss of a child from abortion. The hiddenness, the aloneness, and the grief are met by volunteers and God's healing power. You can speak with someone who understands and cares and have a chance to begin the healing from loss and grief. For more information about Project Rachel, visit stmarysrefuge.org/Rachel, and call 289-691-6840 or email <u>projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org</u>. "Cease your cries of mourning, wipe the tears from your eyes. The sorrow you have shown shall have its reward... There is hope for your future." (Jeremiah 31:16-17).

#### Power of The Cross A Musically Immersed Passion Play!

Join us on Palm Sunday, April 2nd at 7:30 pm, as St. Padre Pio Parish and daMar Distribution presents The Power of The Cross - A Musically Immersed Passion Play! This community event and fundraiser is a wonderful way to bring in Holy Week. Over 600 tickets have already been sold. Tickets are \$20 each and are on sale before and after all the masses. Seating is assigned. Don't miss your chance to see this spectacular event! For those who cannot attend the Passion Play, there is another way for you to support our fundraising initiative. We are selling raffle tickets in the narthex before and after every mass. Prizes include Blue Jay tickets and Toronto FC tickets. As well, we have a wheel of Montasio Cheese, a \$500 videography gift certificate and two personal care baskets, one with skin care and one with hair products - both valued at over \$500 each. Raffle Tickets are 1 for \$10, 3 for \$20 and 7 for \$50. Winners will be announced at the end of the Passion Play on the evening of April 2<sup>nd</sup> or notified by phone or email.

#### **Mass Time Changes**

There will be a change to the Weekday Mass Schedule beginning **Mon. April 17, 2023**. Weekend Mass Times will not be affected. Please note the time changes below: **Monday - 7:00PM (Italian)** Tuesday – 9:00AM (English) Wednesday – 7:00PM (English) **Thursday – 9:00AM (English)** Friday – 9:00AM (English)

### Youth Stations of the Cross Volunteer

**Opportunity -** The Youth of St. Padre Pio Parish will be presenting the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at 7:00 PM. This is a wonderful way to get involved in the community, and also receive

volunteer community service hours. Students who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation are encouraged to participate. There will be one mandatory rehearsal which will be determined at a later date. If you are interested, please contact Arianna Comella at: stpadrepio.sacraments@gmail.com.

### Mass of Celebration to Welcome Archbishop

Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome taking place in the Northern Region – Monday, April 17, 2023 - St. Mary's Parish, Barrie – 7 p.m. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

#### In appreciation of His Eminence, Cardinal Collins

"We receive so many good things from God: He is so good to us that it is fitting, indeed necessary, to say thank you." – Pope Benedict XVI As he prepares to enter retirement, we would like to take this opportunity to give thanks to God for blessing us with so many years of faithful service from His Eminence, Cardinal Thomas Collins. We have all benefitted from his thoughtful leadership and steady hand, especially during the turbulent times of the health crisis these past few years. We wish him abundant blessings and continued good health in his retirement. Thank you, Cardinal Collins!

**Monthly Memorial Mass –** Families are invited to our monthly memorial mass in commemoration of the loss of a loved one. The memorial mass will be celebrated on the last Wednesday of each month. A family member will be invited to light a candle and gather around the altar in honor of a loved one when the names are called. Anniversary Mass Donation envelopes are available in the narthex. Our next mass will be held on **Wednesday**, **March 29 at 7:00pm** 

#### ShareLife

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. In the words of Cardinal Collins: "Vulnerable members of our community are relying on

you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it's crucial we meet our parish campaign goal. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part." Our parish goal this year is \$94, 500.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

**Sympathy** – We offer our deep sympathy to the family of Vito Cristello. May God grant them His eternal peace and joy and send comfort to all who mourn their passing.



# **EASTER SCHEDULE**

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday during the Season of Lent at **7:00pm** 

# **HOLY WEEK**

Wednesday, April 5 7:00pm - Mass 7:45pm - Tenebrae Service

# EASTER TRIDUUM

## Holy Thursday – April 6

7:30pm - Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper Private Adoration and Prayer Time to Follow Until Midnight

## Good Friday – April 7

9:00am - Church is opened 11:30am - Chaplet of Devine Mercy **3:00pm Good Friday Service** 4:30pm - Stations of the Cross (procession outside in the parking lot weather permitting.) 7:00pm - Stations of the Cross Presented by the Youth and the Statue of the Dead Saviour.

## Holy Saturday – April 8

9:00am – Church is opened 10:00am – Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy 11:00am – Blessing of Easter Basket 7:30pm – Easter Vigil

## Easter Sunday – April 9 8:00am – Italian Mass 9:15am – English Mass 10:30am – English Mass 12:00 noon – English Mass

