

# The Parish Community of St. Padre Pio

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***Thank God for this year and the years to come!  
May the spirit of thanksgiving  
fill your heart with gladness,  
your home with happiness and peace!***



Sat. Oct. 9  
 5:00 pm + **Bernie Pasquantonio**  
 Sun. Oct. 10  
 9:15 am + **Isabella Virgilio**  
 10:30 am + **Venerando DeFina**  
 12:00noon + **For the People of the Parish**  
 Mon. Oct. 11  
 10:00 am + **Marie Andree Vergis & Cliff Mayo**  
 Wed. Oct. 13  
 7:00 pm + **Mary Bodrucky & Mary Kupcho & Anna Natsch**  
 Fri. Oct. 15 **In thanksgiving to St. Anthony for prayers answered**

**Feast Days This Week**

Mon. Oct. 11 – **St. John XXIII**, pope  
**Thanksgiving Day**  
 Thurs. Oct. 14– **St. Callistus I**, pope, martyr  
 Fri. Oct. 15 – **St. Teresa of Jesus**, virgin, doctor of the Church  
 Sat. Oct. 16 – **St. Marguerite D'Youville**, religious

**Mass Schedule** – because of the Thanksgiving holiday, there will not be an evening Mass on Monday, Oct. 11 and the parish office remains closed. However, there will be a 10am morning Mass on Monday to celebrate Thanksgiving.

**Thanksgiving Day - Monday, October 11**

Today it is fitting for God's people to offer public thanks for all the gifts we have received. The bountiful produce of the earth is a visible sign of the many blessings God wants to shower on us through Jesus. Our God also wants us to share the goods of the earth with all people.

*"Blessed are you, lord our God, creator of heaven and earth and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: We praise you for your glory and thank you for your goodness to us. We praise you for your generous gifts and for bringing fruitful results to our labours. As we rejoice in your kindness, we pray also for those who are in need. Open our hearts to them, and teach us to be as generous to others as you are to us. Heavenly Father, help us all to follow Jesus our Lord, and so bear eternal fruit for you. Blessed are you, Lord our God, for ever and ever," Amen*

**Thanksgiving** – Celebrate Thanksgiving by helping the Vaughan Food Bank in the fight against hunger. Please bring non-perishable food items to Mass. Donations will be accepted up until Monday, Oct. 11.

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

**Confirmations:** (for those who missed in May & June of 2021) Confirmation Masses will take place this week as follows; all beginning at 6:00pm  
 Tues. Oct. 12 – St. Andrew School  
 Wed. Oct. 3 – St. Andrew School  
 Churches are now allowed 30% capacity. For the Confirmations, each student may have 9 guests, including sponsor and parents. Everyone should be wearing masks. Please arrive a half hour before the ceremony, as it takes time to seat the families safely. Please ensure that the Confirmation Card is brought to the ceremony. The Mass itself is very simple, no singing (as per the Archdiocese), no robes (as the company cannot distribute and take back the robes safely), and no group photos (as per the Archdiocese). The Mass will last about 40 minutes. At the end of the Mass, the pews need to be vacated immediately so the church can be cleaned. You may take pictures outside the church or come back during the week, when it is safe. Also, the Confirmations will be livestreamed on the church website at [www.stpp.church](http://www.stpp.church). This is a very difficult time and we are trying to do our best to serve the needs of our students and their families.

**Weekday Mass** – Wednesday evening of this week there will be Confirmation Mass at 6pm. The 7pm Mass will continue as usual.

**Baptisms** – Baptisms will take place next Sunday, Oct. 17 at 1pm and family and friends should be here by 12:45pm.

We offer our congratulations to the parents of the children baptized on October 3rd:

**Natalie Francesca Cipollone**  
**Adam Lou Francesco DeMichino**  
**Madelyn Jade De Santis**  
**Sophia Lily Marchione**

**Wedding** – will be celebrated on October 16th for Jessica Vomiero and Bruce Laregina. We offer them our best wishes and ask God to bless them and grant them happiness, peace, and joy and strength in trials, all the days of their lives together.

**ShareLife** – The next collection for ShareLife will take place on October 23/24.

**Harvest Fest Fundraiser** – was a great success and we would like to gratefully acknowledge Longo's on Rutherford Rd. for

their donation of apples. Many thanks to our parishioners for supporting us and to all the CWL members who gave so generously of their time. We are beautifully blessed in this parish.

**RCIA** – Any person who would like to become a Catholic is asked to register now for the 2020-2021 session which will begin shortly. We have catechumens registered for the next session. We are also looking for Catholics that would like to sponsor our candidates. If you would like more information, please contact the office. Also, any Catholic who would like to deepen their faith is welcome to attend the program. For more information, please call the parish office at 905-893-7879.

**Parish Donations** - 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. Thank you for your generosity.

**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 of our parishioners who give so generously

### **Vaccinations – From the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops**

- Choosing to be vaccinated, particularly amid the current pandemic, can be an act of charity which recognizes the need to care for others.
- Catholics are invited to be vaccinated, both in keeping with the dictates of their conscience and in contributing to the common good by promoting the health and safety of others.
- All COVID-19 vaccines that are medically approved by the relevant health authorities, may be licitly received by the Catholics

**Life Chain** - A special thank you to everyone who was able to attend Life Chain and all of those who prayed with us from their homes. We are convinced that through your prayers a child was saved. God bless you.

**Longo gift cards** are available for purchase in denominations of \$25, \$50 and \$100. For each purchase, Longo's will donate back to the Mortgage Fund. These make excellent gifts for your family, friends or employees. Please contact Maria at 905-893-7879 ext. 201 to make arrangements to pick up the cards.

**New Parishioners** – If you are new to our parish and would like to register, please pick up a box of Offertory envelopes from one of the Ushers. There is a registration envelope (yellow) at the front of the box. Simply complete the family contact information and place in the receptacle in the Narthex. If you use envelopes this year, the same number will be assigned to your family in 2021. Registration is required before any reference letters are given. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 905-893-7879.

### **Items for Completion of the Church**

Narthex: Acoustical Ceiling Panels  
Back Sacristy: Upper storage room with stairs  
Basement: Meeting Rooms and Kitchenette  
Washrooms  
Hall & Stage  
Kitchen  
Storage  
Outside: Outdoor Amphitheater at rear of church  
Topcoat for paving  
Two wells at sides of church – rocks  
Landscaping (trees, shrubs, plants, flowers)

If you or someone you know would like to assist in any way with these projects, please contact the Parish Office at 905-893-7879.

**St. Michael's College School** – Is now considering applications for September 2022. St. Michael's Collee School is Ontario's only independent Catholic School for young men from Grade 7 to Grade 12. Virtual Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Tuesday, October 26 and Thursday, October 28 beginning at 7:30pm. We invite you to register at [ApplySMCS.com](http://ApplySMCS.com). St. Michaels College School offers a generous bursary program that provides financial aid to qualifying students.

**Sympathy** – We offer our deep sympathy to Ben Virgilio and his family on the death of his daughter Isabella Virgilio and to Antonina Sili and her family on the death of her husband Pio Sili. May God grant them His eternal peace and joy and send comfort to all who mourn their passing.

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