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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Sat. Apr. 20

5:00pm – +Valdi Kavcic

Sun. Apr. 21

8:00am – +Michael Tersigni

9:15am – +Antonio & Elisabetta Figliomeni

10:30am – +John (Joao) Santos

12:00pm – +Expedito Martinez and Deceased

Members of the Martinez Family

Mon. Apr. 22

7:00pm – Blessed Sacrament

Tues. Apr. 23

9:00am – Birthday Blessings for Vincent Utsalo

Wed. Apr. 24

7:00pm – Monthly Monthly

Thurs. Apr. 25

9:00am – +Silvano Leva

Fri. Apr. 26

9:00am – +

Feast Days This Week

Tues. April 23 – St. George

Wed. April 24 – St. Fildelis of Sigmaringen

Thurs. April 25 – St. Mark

Offertory Collection

Apr. 14, 2024

Weekly Offertory

\$6,400.00

Thank you for your continuous support!

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.

Website Prayer Line – Our parish receives many prayer requests per day from people all over the world who are in need of urgent prayer. These prayer requests are given to our parishioners who volunteer to pray for these requests. If you wish to be added to the prayer line, please visit our website at www.stpp.church to complete the prayer request form or email the parish office at stpadrepio@archtoronto.org

The Housekeepers of the Lord of St. Padre Pio are seeking volunteers who are available to help clean the church. The group of volunteers meet on Tuesdays following the 9:00am. If you feel called to help in this ministry please contact the parish office.

4th Sunday of Easter

World Day of Prayer for Vocations - Invest in our Church's future by giving to ShareLife

Your kindness and devotion enable St. Augustine's Seminary, along with the Office of Vocations and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary, to provide an excellent formation for our seminarians as they pursue a life of service. This past year, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 58 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

This Sunday, we celebrate the 61st World Day of Prayer for Vocations. There has never been a better time to support and pray for our seminarians, wherever they may be on their journey.

Next **Sunday, April 28 is the Second Sharelife Sunday.** Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thus far we have raised **\$24,656.00** toward our goal of **\$87,800.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel through ShareLife!

ShareLife Speaker Series: Sowing Seeds of Hope – Investing in our Future Priests

We stand at a crucial juncture in the future of our Church. It's a time to reflect on God's call to each of us to play a part in His loving plan. In his message for the 61st World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Francis beautifully articulates this call as an invitation to sow seeds of hope and foster peace.

Reflecting on this, we invite you to gain a deeper understanding of the current landscape of vocations within our Archdiocese and the role we each play in supporting our future priests.

Join us in the ShareLife Series event, "Sowing Seeds of Hope: Investing in our Future Priests," on Thursday, April 25 at 7:00pm. Via Zoom, please register using this link <http://bit.ly/sharelife-seeds-of-hope> This special gathering of prayer and conversation will feature Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director of the Office of Vocations at the Archdiocese of Toronto. Fr. Matthew will guide us in exploring the profound significance of vocations and our collective responsibility to nurture them within our faith community.

Vocations

This is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world needs leaders with courage and integrity. The church needs good leaders as well, leaders who will unselfishly care for the needs of God's people and minister to them. If you feel God is calling you to the priesthood, religious life or diaconate, call Fr. Matt McCathy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email at vocations@archtoronto.org



Marriage

We offer **Benito Linardi** and **Stephanie Nuosci** and to **Austin Arjmand** and **Claudia Bruno** who will celebrate the sacrament of marriage this coming week,

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.

Baptism

There will be a baptism preparation class on Thursday, **April 25 at 7:00pm** in the church for parents and Godparents of the children being baptized in May.

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 20th of the month. Thanks to all our parishioners who give so generously.

Start Your Spring Cleaning!

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting used items the weekend of **April 27/28, 2024**. All used items collected will be used to support our Neighbours in Need.

ITEMS WE ACCEPT: All clothing items, any type of footwear, bed linens, and drapery. We will also accept toys however they must be NEW.

ITEMS WE DO NOT ACCEPT: Any Type of used furniture or books, videos, dishes, or baby items such as cribs, or car seats.

Please drop off used items in the Parking lot before and after any masses the weekend of April 27/28. Please DO NOT bring items into the church but look for the large bin marked St. Vincent de Paul in the back parking lot. Volunteers will be available to assist with your donations before and after each mass, should you require assistance.

St. Padre Pio 21st Annual Golf Tournament

Save the date for our 21st Annual St. Padre Pio Parish Golf Tournament. This year's tournament will be held on

Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at Royal Woodbine Golf Club (195 Galaxy Blvd. Toronto, Ontario). Registration information and details about the tournament will be announced soon. If you have any questions, or would like to get involved in this major parish fundraising initiative, please contact stpadrepiogolf@gmail.com.



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, April 24, at 7:00.**

Side by Side Grief Support Ministry presents - "A Grief Retreat and Presentation of Support Fundamentals" at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, 3220 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, ON M2M 3R7 on **Saturday, May 11, 2024** from 9:30 am to 11:30 am - facilitated by Deacon Curtis Boone (St. Padre Pio Parish) and team.

I'm not sick – I'm grieving - Hosted by Father Ed Murphy. Please call the Blessed Trinity church office at 416-226-0262 to register. This retreat is presented at no cost.

CWL Women's Breakfast May 25

The CWL of St. Padre Pio is very happy to announce that we will be hosting our annual Women's Breakfast again. Due to an unforeseen illness last year, we made the decision to cancel, however, we are full steam ahead now. It will take place at Roma's Hospitality Centre in Mississauga on **Saturday May 25, 9:30am to 12:30pm**. Tickets will go on sale next weekend and are \$60 per person or \$50 for youth 12 to 16. We sincerely hope you will join us as we celebrate our sisterhood together in honour of Our Lady of Guadeloupe.

A Prayer for Pardon

Taught by the Angel during the first apparition
My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee!
I ask pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.

Pray three times in a row.

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