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PARISH TEAM:

Father George Parayil - Pastor
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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:

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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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Sat. December 10

5:00 pm – +Giovanna Venditti

Sun. December 11

8:00 am - +Vittoria & Domenico Congiusti

9:15 am – For the People of the Parish

10:30 am – +Maria Vomiero and the

Deceased Members of the Vomiero Family

12:00 pm – +Tony Di Zio

Mon. December 12

7:00 pm – +Elena Atoniali

Tues. December 13

9:00 am – For Spiritual and Physical Healing
for Marco & Natalie Jakubicki

Wed. December 14

7:00 pm – +Fr. Joseph Occhio, +Olga
Palumbo

Thurs. December 15

7:00 pm – +Renato Ieriti

Fri. December 16

9:00 am – +Elena & Lidio Iacobelli

Feast Days This Week

Mon. December 12 – **Our Lady of Guadalupe**

Tues. December 13 – **St. Lucy**

Wed. December 14 – **St. John of the Cross**

Offertory Envelopes for 2023 – Please remember to pick up your offertory box as soon as possible. Thank you for your generosity.

Offertory Collection for Dec. 4th

Weekly Offertory: \$5,299.80

PAG (Pre-Authorize Giving): \$2,850.00

\$8,149.80

Monthly Mortgage Collection: \$5,222.05

PAG (Pre-Authorize Giving) \$6,801.17

\$12,023.22

Thank you for your support!

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.

Children's Nativity Story Play

This year, the children of St. Padre Pio Parish will be putting on a Nativity Story Play at the 5:00pm mass on Christmas Eve. We are looking for children and adult volunteers to participate in the telling of the

story of the birth of our Lord Jesus. Please sign up in the Narthex after all masses this weekend.

Baptism

We offer our congratulations to the parents of the children baptized December:

**Avaya Nina Grace Cestra, Danilo Oliveira,
Giovanni Claudi Paone, Jack Petrella, Pio
Yousif Gaddi Mendoza**

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 week. 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.

Missals for 2023 – are available for purchase in the Narthex for \$7.

Season of Advent

Memorial Christmas Tree – In the Narthex, you will find a tree standing near the offices. This is a Memorial Christmas Tree. You are invited to place an ornament on the tree in memory of a loved one who has passed away. In this way, we can remember them during the Advent and Christmas seasons. After the Christmas season, you are asked to remove the ornament for safekeeping until next year. A suggested ornament would be one which has a small photo frame, or something that is symbolic of that person.

Jesse Tree – It is a depiction in art of the ancestors of Jesus, shown in a tree which rises from Jesse of Bethlehem, the father of King David. It is found in stained glass, manuscripts, paintings and architectural carvings. In recent times, it has been adapted to be used during the season of Advent to prepare the way for the coming of the Messiah. Symbols are placed on the tree each day during Advent. By Christmas, the Jesse Tree is fully decorated and represents the Family Tree of Jesus. You will find our Jesse Tree, a metal tree, on the right side of the sanctuary.

Nativity Scenes – St. Padre Pio presents its Annual Display of Nativity Scenes, entitled 'Joy to the World'. You will find displays, representing 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. 8, 2023 the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, and the end of the Christmas season.

Christmas Angel Drive – In partnership with Family Services of York Region (FSYR), we will be holding a Christmas Angel Drive again this year. This charity drive will consist of **monetary and gift card donations** which will be delivered to families living in poverty. No Frills, Walmart, Canadian Superstore, and ToysRus Gift Cards preferred. The gift cards not only help to provide the families with basic necessities but also help parents bring joy to their children at Christmas. Please come visit us in the Narthex after weekend masses from November 19 – December 11. 100% of all donations will be given to families identified by FSYR who are struggling financially. These past years have been especially difficult for those living in poverty. As the Angel who proclaimed the good news of great joy to the shepherds, let us work together as a community of faith to bring hope and blessings to those in most need!

CWL and Knights of Columbus Potluck

The CWL and Knights of Columbus will be able to come together again for our Annual Potluck evening. It will take place on Monday, December 12 at 7:30pm, following the 7:00pm Mass. If you are considering joining the CWL or Knights of Columbus Councils, at St. Padre Pio, you are welcome to join us. Come out and have a wonderful evening of hospitality, good fun and great food.

Nativity Scene Raffle – Tickets for a beautiful Nativity Set that is valued at \$400 is being raffled to help raise funds for the church. Tickets are being sold at 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$25. Please visit the ladies in the Narthex following Mass.

Wedding - will be celebrated on Saturday, Dec. 17 for Antony Benkovic and Nadia Yousif. 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

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, December 28, at 7:00pm**



Advent Schedule

Advent Day of Confessions

Wed. December 14 at 7:30pm – Advent Confessions. Following the 7:00pm mass, many priests will be available to hear confessions.

Fr. Siro will be available throughout the season of Advent every Saturday from 3:00pm – 5:00pm. Confessions will be heard both in English and Italian.



Christmas Schedule

Sat. December 24

5:00 pm – Families and Children
9:00 pm
12:00 midnight

Sun. December 25

8:00 am (Italian)
9:15 am
10:30 am
12:00 pm



Christmas & New Years Office Hours

Sat. December 24: 10:00am – 12:00noon
Mon. December 26: Closed
Tues. December 27: Closed

Sat. December 31: 10:00am – 12:00noon
Mon. January 2: Closed

Sympathy – We offer our deep sympathy to John Giancola and his family on the death of his wife Iria Giancola. May God grant her eternal peace and joy and send comfort to all who mourn her passing.

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