The Parish Community of

St. Padre Pio

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PARISH TEAM:

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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:

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Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:00am to 4pm 5:30pm to 8:30pm

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. 13

5:00pm +Maria Fisico

Sun. Mar. 14

9:15am +Francesco Cavallo

10:30am +Fiore Luciani

12:00 noon For the People of the Parish

Mon. Mar. 15

7:00pm + Rita Mandarino

Wed. Mar. 17

7:00pm +Patricia St.Amand

Thurs. Mar. 18

7:00pm +Teresa Scorziello, +Antonio Figliomeni, +deceased members of the Virgilio & Romanelli families

Fri. Mar. 19

9:00am +Franca MacBean

Feast Days This Week

Wed. Mar. 17 – **St. Patrick**, bishop Thurs. Mar. 18 – **St. Cyril of Jerusalem** Fri. Mar. 19 – **St. Joseph**, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Principal Patron of Canada, Patron of the Universal Church

Laetare Sunday – This Sunday is Laetare Sunday, the halfway point of Lent. The Latin word 'Laetare' means 'to rejoice,' and the Church calls us to rejoice that Lent is half over. As a sign of rejoicing, the vestments change from the colour of purple to the colour of rose. Flowers may decorate the altar and solo musical instruments may be played.

Next Sunday – crosses and statues are covered with purple cloths as a sign of penance and mourning. The first half of Lent deals with our need for conversion and repentance. The second half of Lent centres on the suffering and death of Jesus.

Knights of Columbus – This year, the Knights of Columbus are selling Easter Colomba in a safe and contactless way. Sales will take place up until Palm Sunday. Parishioners will be able to choose from a catalogue of Easter treats, purchase them in advance, or in person after Mass. The Knights will be situated in the front entrance of the church. As always, your support goes a long way. Please remember that proceeds go to help those in need, and our community needs support now more than ever.

Stations of the Cross in Medjugorje -

www.Marytv.tv has live videos of the Stations of the Cross every Friday going up the Mount of Apparitions.

Life-size Shroud Replica – a 14 1/2 foot full size cloth replica of the Shroud of Turin will be on display in the church from next weekend until Holy Saturday. The original Shroud is believed to be the burial Shroud of Jesus. It shows the front and back of a man who had been scourged and crucified. This replica is produced from high resolution digital scans taken by the Offical Documenting Photographer for the Shroud of Turin Research Project that made a full extensive examination of the Shroud. This is the most accurate rendition of the Shroud and reproduces every detail of the original, including bloodstains, scorches and image areas. A license granting permission for public display has also been given. The Shroud replica is now owned by the Church of St. Padre Pio.

Replicas of the Passion – Along with the replica of the Shroud of Turin, other replicas, relating to the Passion, are also on display at the same time. These include the Crown of Thorns, three iron nails and hammer, a Roman spear, the Flagellum (the whip used for scourging), an alabaster jar with ointment, Roman dice, the sponge on a stick, thirty siver coins, the Titulus Crucis (the sign placed on the Cross, "Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews"), and the Great Chalice of Antioch – The Holy Grail, and other items. These will continue to be on display throughout the Easter season.

Archdiocesan Week of Confessions -

Confessions will be heard in all churches in the Archdiocese this week and next week. Our confession times will be on Wednesday, March 17th from 11:30am to

12:00 pm, 2:30pm to 3:00pm, 5:30pm to 6:00pm, and 7:30pm to 8:00pm

A Reminder that the 10:30am Mass on Sunday is available to watch on our website: www.stpp.church. One half hour after Mass is over; it will be available for playback for one week.

Tax Receipts have been mailed from the Archdiocese this year, due to the pandemic.

Offertory Envelopes for 2021 are available for pick up in the Narthex. Envelopes are sorted alphabetically. Please do not touch all the boxes and please sanitize your hands after picking up our box. PLEASE DO NOT REARRANGE THE BOXES.

Confession Times – Now that we are in the Red Zone, confessions will go back to their normal

hours – Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:30pm and Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:00pm

Church's year of prayer is the Easter Triduum,

The Church During Lent - The highest point in the

celebrating the death and resurrection of Jesus. We

prepare for this three day period by the season of Lent. Lent is a pentitential period and as a sign of that, the Church uses the colour purple in the liturgy. Flowers are not used in the church. The 'Alleluia' is not sung. And musical instruments are used only to support singing, not for solo playing. On the fifth Sunday of Lent, statues and crosses are covered with purple cloths, as a sign of mourning. The Easter Candle is removed from the church, along with the three Sacred Oils in the ambry. On Holy Thursday, at the end of the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the altar is stripped of its cloths; all candles are removed from the sanctuary and the shrines, and the water is removed from the Baptismal Font. On Good Friday, after the celebration of the Lord's Passion, the Blessed Sacrament is removed from the Chapel, and the tabernacle doors remain open. With the church now completely bare, the community is ready to celebrate Easter. At the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday, the greatest Mass of the entire liturgical year, as a sign of the resurrection, everything returns to the church altar cloths, banners, statues and crosses uncovered, the three Sacred Oils, candles, the Easter candle, the 'Alleluia', flowers and the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. With the church fully decorated, and the community renewed in Spirit, we joyfully proclaim, "Christ is Risen!" "He is Risen indeed!"

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.

Parish Donations - you can now make your weekly envelope donation on the church website at 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.

Parish Office will not be open to the public at this time. However, the telephones are answered daily if

you require assistance with booking Mass intentions etc. Please call 905-893-7879.

Virtual Pilgrimage in the Holy Land – Lenten pilgrimage on www.magdala.org.

Items for Completion of the Church

Narthex: Acoustical Ceiling Panels and

Electrical Room to be completed

Back Sacristy: Upper Storage Room with stairs Basement: Meeting Rooms and Kitchenette

Washrooms Hall and Stage

Kitchen Storage

Outside: Outdoor Amphitheatre 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.

Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus pandemic

O Mary,

You always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of your children, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen

Pope Francis' Prayer to St. Joseph

Glorious Patriarch St. Joseph, whose power makes the impossible possible, come to my aid in these times of anguish and difficulty. Take under your protection the serious and troubling situations that I commend to you, that they may have a happy outcome (here make your request). My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power. Amen

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