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# St. Padre Pio

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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.

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#### **Hours:**

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

#### **OUR SCHOOLS:**

 St. Andrew School
 905-893-1968

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 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. Sept. 25

5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

Sun. Sept. 26

9:15 am +Angelo & Elda Nonis

10:30 am +Dante D'Antonio

12:00 noon +Luciano DeLuca

Mon. Sept. 27

7:00pm + Mario Del Priore

Wed. Sept. 29

7:00pm Healing for Father Neil Fernandes

+Deacon Charles McCarthy

+Tecla Tarantino

Thurs. Sept. 30

7:00pm + Michele & Irene Morabito

Fri. Oct. 1

9:00am + Deceased members of the Pitton and Renzi Family

#### **Feast Days This Week**

Mon. Sept. 27 – St. Vincent de Paul, priest

Tues. Sept. 28 - St. Wenceslaus, martyr,

Wed. Sept. 29 - St. Michael, St. Gabriel,

St. Raphael, Archangels

Thurs. Sept. 30– **St. Jerome**, priest, doctor of the Church

Fri. Oct. 1 – **St. Terese of the Child Jesus**, virgin, doctor of the Church

Sat. Oct. 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels

Feast of St. Padre Pio - Thursday, September 23, 2021. Born Francesco Forgione to poor farmers in Pietrelcina, Italy in 1887, St. Padre Pio was marked by God to receive abundantly rich blessings. He took the habit of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin in 1903 and was ordained a priest in 1910. On September 20, 1918, while praying before the crucifix, Padre Pio received the stigmata, the visible marks of the wounds of Christ's crucifixion. For the next 50 years, these wounds bled daily, reminding him in a most intimate way of the Lord's passion. He died on September 23, 1968. At the Mass of canonization in 2002, Pope John Paull II said; "Throughout his life, (Padre Pio) always sought greater conformity with the Crucified, since he was very conscious of having been called to collaborate in a special way in the work of redemption."

Padre Pio devoted himself to a fervent celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation. It is reported that he would often spend 10-12 hours daily hours daily hearing confessions. Of course, St. Padre Pio's effectiveness came not from himself but from his intimate union with God, which was nurtured by his long hours spent in prayer. The saint repeatedly counseled; "I am a poor Franciscan who prays." Despite the mystical gifts he received from God and miracles that frequently surrounded his ministry, Padre Pio was fundamentally one who prayed. From St. Padre Pio, we should be inspired to meditate on the mystery of Divine Mercy and regularly celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation. Above all, we should recognize our own call to be people who pray.

Prayer to Honour St. Padre Pio – All powerful God, you gave the grace to St. Padre Pio of sharing in the Passion of your Son. Grant us, through his intercession, that we may be conformed to the death of Jesus in order to share in the glory of his resurrection. May we follow the example of St. Padre Pio and honour you by our faithful service and constant charity towards our brothers and sisters. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

Eleventh Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church – Wednesday, September 23, 2021 marks the 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Solemn dedication of the Church of St. Padre Pio. It is also the feast day of St. Padre Pio.

Prayer for the Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church – Father, as we recall the dedication of this church when you filled it with our glory and holiness, may we give ourselves once more to your service. Let our worship always be sincere and help us to find your saving love in the church. Increase the spiritual gifts you have given to your Church, so that your faithful people may continue to grow into the new and eternal Jerusalem. May we become the temple of your presence and the home of your glory. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

**Confirmations:** (for those who missed in May & June of 2021) Confirmation Masses will take place this week as follows:

Mon. Sept. 27 – Public & Private Schools Tues. Sept. 28 – St. Stephen School

Wed. Sept. 29 - St. Stephen School

Fri. Oct. 1 – St. Stephen School and Pope Francis 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 ensue 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 <u>outside</u> the church or come back during the week, when it is safe. Also, the Confirmations will be livestreamed on the church website at <u>www.stpp.church</u>. 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 Masses –** On Monday and Wednesday evening of the week there will be Confirmation Masses at 6pm. The 7pm Masses will continue as usual.

**First Friday** – Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, is the first Friday of the month. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am only, and the Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the Mass. Because of the celebration of Confirmation in the evening, there will NOT be a 7:00pm Mass

**Baptism**: We offer our congratulations to the parents of the children baptized September 19th:

#### Elizabeth Sofia Elena Cutrara Leia Perri Sebastian Simon Tigrero Rappaccioli Naleya Pailyn Sayavong

Baptisms will be held next Sunday, October 3, 2021 Baptism Preparation class will be held on Monday, September 27, 2021 at 7:30pm, at the church, for Baptisms being celebrated on October 17<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Weddings** – will be celebrated on October 2<sup>nd</sup> for Bianca Bartucci and Joseph Gusciglio at 12:00noon and for Anjali Abraham and Nibin Thomas at 2:00pm. 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 second collection for ShareLife will take place on October  $2^{\rm nd}$  &  $3^{\rm rd}$ 

#### Harvest Fest - October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>

The Catholic Women's League will be holding their annual Harvest Fest after all the Masses on Oct 2nd and 3rd. There will be apples for sale in time for those Thanksgiving apple pies or if you're not interested in baking pies, we hope to have some available. We will also be raffling off gift baskets again this year. Please stop by the CWL table to help us support those most in need.

Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> is Life Chain Sunday Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful witness of pro-life beliefs. Stand with us and thousands of pro-lifers throughout North America as we pray against the

destruction of our pre-born brothers and sisters. Did you know that in June of this year the House of Commons voted down a Private Members Bill making sex selection abortion illegal? That means that in Canada a perfectly healthy female child can be aborted through all nine months of pregnancy, simply because she's female. Please stand with us on Oct. 3rd from 2 to 3pm at Major Mackenzie and Islington as we pray peacefully for our precious unborn and the women who believe they have no choice except abortion. We will gather in the St. Padre Pio parking lot at 1:55pm to collect our signs and then walk to the area of Islington and Major Mackenzie to pray from 2 to 3pm for an end to abortion. All social distancing rules will be strongly enforced and

#### Feast Day of St. Michael

This Wednesday is the Feast of St. Michael, the Patron of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

masks must be worn.

#### Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our safeguard against the wickedness
and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray,
and do thou,
O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan,
and all evil spirits,
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

St. Padre Pio Golf Committee is extending a very special THANK YOU to all our Major Sponsors, Generous Donors, Hole Sponsors and Golfers who supported this year's fundraising Golf Tournament on August 31, 2021. Please visit our website at www.stpp.church/golf-html/ for the full list of sponsors and donors. The weather was perfect for golfing and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the delicious food stations along the course. Thank you also to all those who supported our raffle and 50/50 draws. The videos showing the draws of the winning tickets can be viewed on the golf page of the website. The tournament raised over \$35,000 which will be applied towards the church mortgage. The success of this fundraiser is a direct result and reflection of the generosity of this community! Many thanks also to all Committee Members and Volunteers who so generously donated their time to help with the fundraiser. Your contribution is

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