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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 - 8:30am – 7:30pm

**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. Feb. 19

5:00 pm – +**Elias Kharouba**

Sun. Feb. 20

9:15 am - +**For the People of the Parish**

10:30 am - +**Franco Coniglio**

12:00 noon - +**Benedetta & Giovanni Del Mastro**

Mon. Feb. 21

10:00am – **For the Intentions of Enrico**

**Capocci**

Wed. Feb. 23

7:00 pm – +**Amedeo Ciampa**

Thurs. Feb. 24

7:00 pm - +**For the Deceased Members of the Virgilio & Romanelli Families**

### Feast Days This Week

Mon. Feb. 21 – **St. Peter Damian**, bishop, doctor of the Church

Tues. Feb. 22 – **Chair of St. Peter**, apostle

### Family Day

Monday, February 21, 2022 is Family Day. There will not be an evening Mass. However, there will be a morning Mass at 10:00am. The Church will be closed after the Mass.

### Prayer for Families

We bless your name, O Lord,  
for sending your own incarnate Son,  
to become part of a family,  
so that, as he lived its life,  
he would experience its worries and its joys.  
We ask you, Lord,  
to protect and watch over this family,  
so that in the strength of your grace  
its members may enjoy prosperity,  
possess the priceless gift of your peace,  
and, as the Church alive in the home,  
bear witness in this world to your glory.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen

**Anniversary of First Mass** – Exactly 16 years ago, on Feb. 17, 2002, we celebrated the first Mass at St. Andrew School. Over 400 people attended. Right from the very beginning many people helped with the various ministries, from setting up chairs to helping with the liturgy itself. A number of people commented that although the Mass was being celebrated in a school gym, it really felt like a church. At the end of Mass everyone received a small packet with one mustard seed in it – a symbol of new

beginnings and the expected growth to take place in the future.

That mustard seed began to sprout and grow rapidly. As Jesus said, 'the mustard seed is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'

One tiny mustard seed now lies in the ground under the church.

**Lenten Penance** – Lent begins this week. It's time for penance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God. We do penance during Lent for a variety of reasons. We are freely taking on suffering with Jesus for the salvation of the world in order to build up the Body of Christ. (see Col. 1:24) We express our sorrow for our own sins and offer prayer for others by the penance we undertake. By our penances God purifies our hearts and helps us to control our desires and so serve him in love. As we do our penitential actions during Lent, we are praising God and proclaiming that we are indeed God's people, brothers and sisters of the Suffering Servant. The following penances are found in scripture or in the traditional practices of Christians.

<b>Giving Up Sin</b>	<b>Praying</b>
<b>Fasting</b>	<b>Doing good works</b>
<b>Giving Alms</b>	<b>Meditative</b>
<b>reading</b>	
<b>Carrying out our duties of state</b>	
<b>Controlling our desires for possessions</b>	
<b>Abstaining from meat and other foods</b>	
<b>Controlling our desire for entertainment</b>	

### Baptisms

We offer our congratulations to the parents of the children baptized on Saturday and Sunday of last weekend.

**Isabelle Rose Fernandes**  
**Violet Giampaolo**  
**Aidan Alexander O'Reilly**  
**Sebastian Martin Poliakov**

**Wedding** – Next Saturday, February 26, we will be celebrating the wedding of Ashley Pezzutti and Gabriel Barone. 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.

### CWL 2022 Membership Drive

The Catholic Women's League is having their annual membership drive after all the Masses, this weekend. The Catholic Women's League of

Canada (CWL) is a national organization rooted in Gospel values calling its members to holiness through service to the people of God. A CWL member will be available after each Mass to collect the dues. For present members, if you are leaving an envelope, please put your name on the envelope.

**The York Catholic District School Board** – provides a faith-filled, innovative Catholic Education rooted in Gospel values to approximately 51,000 students in its 101 schools across York Region. Children born in 2018 can now register for Junior Kindergarten. Visit [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca) to register for classes starting in September.

**York Catholic District School Board** – Nominations are open for the York Catholic District School Board 2022 Distinguished Alumni Awards. Help celebrate the achievements of a talented York Catholic alumni by nominating them today. Visit [www.ycdsb.ca/about/distinguishedalumni](http://www.ycdsb.ca/about/distinguishedalumni) for more information and a link to the nomination form. The deadline is February 28, 2022.

**Project Rachel at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge** – is offering a weekend retreat, April 1-3, 2022, for women who have been hurt by abortion. You can speak with someone who understands and cares and have a chance to begin the healing from loss and grief. (We will follow health policy guidelines in effect then.) Phone 289-691-6840, or email [ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org). Project Rachel – private and confidential.

**Lenten Retreat** – Saturday March 5 or Tuesday, March 15. Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm. Cost: \$40 lunch included. Where: Queen of Apostles, 1617 Blyth Rd., Mississauga, 905-278-5229 or [office@goa.ca](mailto:office@goa.ca)

**Father Ron Rolheiser Lenten Retreat**  
Time: Friday, April 1 - 7:00pm – Sunday, April 3, 2:00pm. Cost: \$450.00 per person or \$700 per couple. Where: Queen of Apostles, 1617 Blyth Rd., Mississauga, 905-278-5229 or [office@goa.ca](mailto:office@goa.ca)

**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 our parishioners who give so generously.

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

### **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

### **A Prayer Amid an Epidemic**

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbours from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders. Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us.

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