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PARISH TEAM:

Monsignor Gregory Ace, C.H.H. - Pastor
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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:

Telephone - 905-893-7879
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Parish email: info@stpp.church

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Sat. Mar. 5

5:00 pm – **For the People of the Parish**

Sun. Mar. 6

8:00 am - **+Michelina Battaglini, +Vera Battaglini, +Pasqualito Battaglini**

9:15 am - **+Alfonso Tullio**

10:30 am - **+Giuseppe Miceli**

12:00 noon - **+Roman Pazder**

Mon. Mar. 7

7:00 pm – **+Angelo & Julia Riccobene**

Tues. Mar. 8

9:00 am - **+Vito Malfara**

Wed. Mar. 9

7:00 pm - **For the Intention of the Parish Prayer Line, +Tony Di Zin, +Peter Stancati, +Marie-Andre Vergis, +Cliff Mayo, +Nabil Zereik**

Feast Days This Week

Mon. Mar. 7 – **St. Perpetua & St. Felicity**, martyrs

Tues. Mar. 8 – **St. John of God**, religious

Wed. Mar. 9 – **St. Frances of Rome**, religious

Change In Time – The clocks move ahead one hour next weekend.

RCIA

The Rite of Election of Catechumens takes place this Sunday at the 10:30am Mass. After months of preparation, the Catechumens (those preparing for baptism) are elected or chosen by the Church to receive the Sacraments of Initiation, (Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil. During the season of Lent they will begin their period of purification and preparation for this great event. The Catechumens are:

**Stephan Graham
Lilian Msigwa
Sarah Tullio**

Canadian Food for Children - The CWL will be hosting their next food drive for Canadian Food for Children beginning the weekend of March 5/6 and continuing for 4 weeks, ending March 26/27. The food items requested by CFFC are: **Rice, Oatmeal, Flour, Bagged Dry Beans, Lentils and Chickpeas**. We thank all parishioners who contributed in the past and hope that you continue to support this mission to help feed our brothers and sisters in need.

In addition to the food items, we will be collecting eyeglasses. If you have any used eyeglasses that you have no use for, please bring them to the church. We will have a collection box available throughout the food drive and throughout the year. Let's help our brothers and sisters to see and put a smile on their faces.

The Catholic Women's League (CWL) -will be meeting on Monday, March 7 after the 7pm Mass.

Baptisms will be held on Sunday, March 13, at 1:00pm. Family and friends should be here 15 minutes prior to the ceremony

Come and See - Day Retreat – Saturday, March 19 (9:00am – 3:30pm) at St.

Augustine's Seminary: Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee For more information, please contact (your Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations via email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

The Gift Store has reopened.

Longo Cards are available for purchase in the gift store. Longo's supports our parish by donating a percentage of the cards purchased to our mortgage fund. Call the office at 905-893-7879 for large purchases.

Income Tax Receipts – to be mailed out by the Archdiocese of Toronto

ShareLife

Living the Gospel by sharing our blessings – "The needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ are greater than ever before. In order for ShareLife agencies to continue their vital work, it is crucial we meet our campaign goal of **\$13.6M**. Our goal can be met, but only with your help. AS you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability." – *Cardinal Thomas Collins*

Our parish goals is \$85,400.00

March 27 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

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. Project Rachel – private and confidential.

Children and Lent - One way to help children celebrate Lent is to help them make up a Lenten calendar. This can either be made in the standard calendar format, with squares for each day of the week, or it can be more like a poster, with a path of stepping stones to Easter. On each of these squares or stones, they can choose one sacrifice or offering. We offer some suggestions, but you could think of applying many more to your family. It's important that children chose their own, and arrange them according to their own preference. Some can be repeated several times:

Read a story from the bible about Jesus.
Do a secret good deed for someone.
Make the Stations of the Cross.
Don't say anything unkind about anyone.
Pray for each person in your family.
Share something with someone.
Don't eat between meals.
Tell someone that you love them.
Don't lose your temper.
Give something nice away.
Pray for persecuted and suffering Christians.
Put away your clothes.
Eat no sweets.
Pay a visit to the Blessed Sacrament in Church.
Don't complain about anything.
Try to listen to others more.
Write a letter to someone who is lonely.
Do something nice for an elderly neighbour.
Try to put others first all day today.
Say sorry to someone.
Smile today – watch everyone light up.
Read the Sunday Gospel.
Pray for those in purgatory.
Pray for priests and religious (nuns and bothers)
Ask Mary to help you love Jesus and lead you to Jesus.
Draw one of the Stations of the Cross – write your own prayer to Jesus about this station.
Use one of the gifts God gave you to do something nice for someone.
Pray a decade of the Rosary for this special intention.
Write a letter to Jesus thanking him for dying for us.
Do something nice for someone to whom you aren't always nice.
Draw a picture of Jesus on the Cross – do your very best, and give it to someone.

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.

Website Prayer Line – Our parish receives on average 10 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 are interested in becoming a part of this valuable ministry, please contact Anna Catallo through the parish office at 905-893-7879 or info@stpp.church and complete the prayer form.

Vocations – A good vocation prayer to say every day – from the time we are young until we are in our golden years – is found in Scripture, "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening." Just to try it with sincerity, starting today and, if you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call the Vocation Director at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org

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