

# The Parish Community of St. Padre Pio

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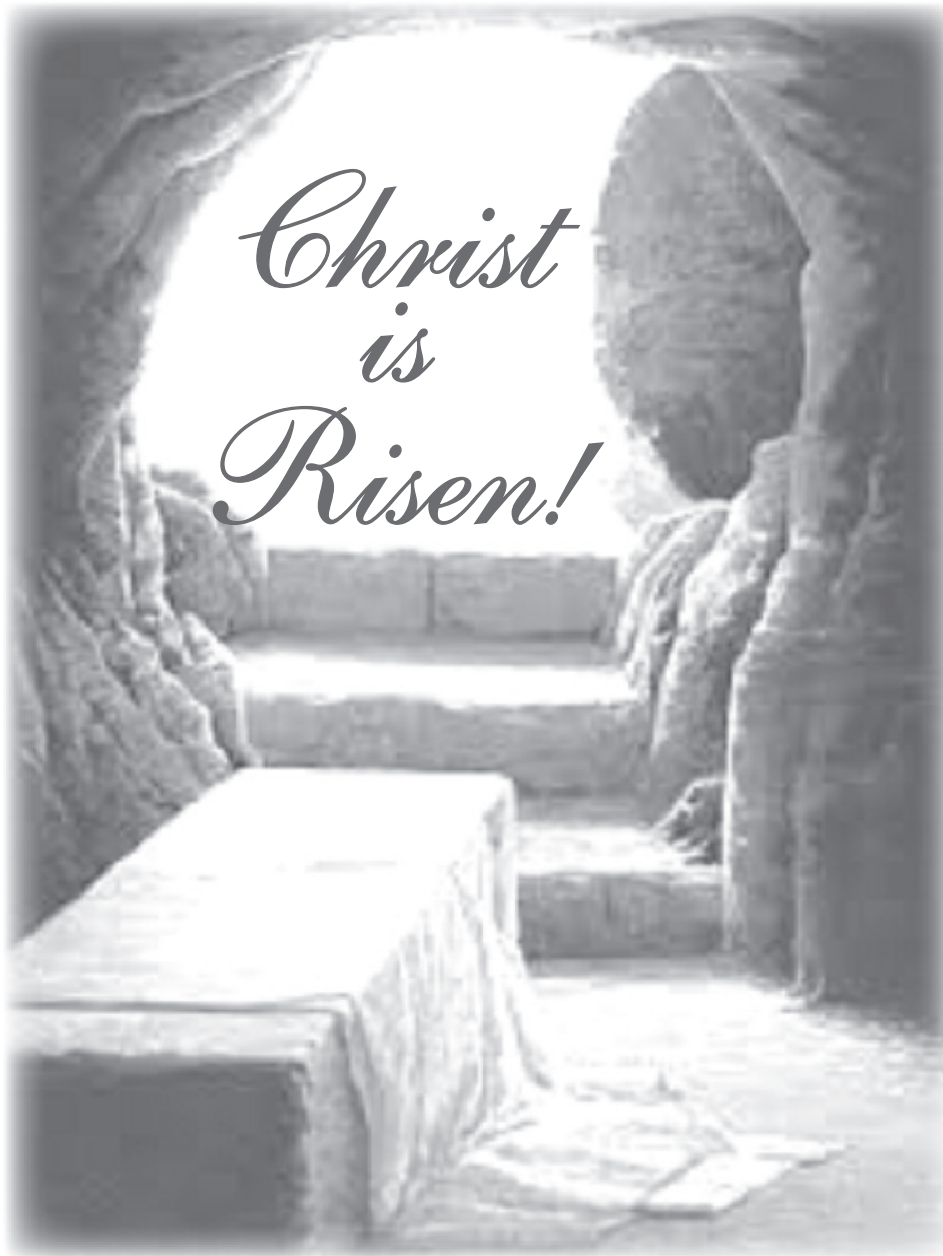
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## PARISH TEAM:

Father George Parayil - Pastor

Deacon Gary Thibodeau - Deacon Assistant

Deacon Curtis Boone - Deacon Assistant



## EASTER SUNDAY



### Sat. April 8

7:30 – Easter Vigil

### Sun. April 9

8:00 am - +Lucia Dippolito

9:15 am – +Venerando De Fina, The People of the Parish

10:30 am – +Giuseppe Miceli

12:00 pm – +Concisa Garcia

### Mon. April 10

9:00am – +Giuseppe Abate, +Domenico Sampogna

### Tues. April 11

9:00 am – +Alberto Pitton

### Wed. April 12

7:00 pm- +Vincenzo Alonzi, +Elena Antoniali,

+Antonio Branco, +Dishan Edirmanasinghe

### Thurs. April 13

7:00 pm – +Modestina D'Agostino, +For the Deceased Members of the Virgilio and Romanelli Families

### Fri. April 14

9:00 am – +Manuel & +Gloria Rolo, +Joao Rolo

### Offertory Collection

April 2, 2023

- Weekly Offertory \$11,210.50

*Thank you for your support!*

### Feast Days This Week

Sat. April 7 – Holy Saturday

Sun. April 8 – The Resurrection of the Lord

### Mass Time Changes

There will be a change to the Weekday Mass Schedule beginning **Mon. April 17, 2023.**

Weekend Mass Times will not be affected.

Please note the time changes below:

**Monday - 7:00PM (Italian)**

Tuesday – 9:00AM (English)

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**Thursday – 9:00AM (English)**

Friday – 9:00AM (English)

### Office Hours

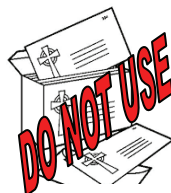
The office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 10.

### Easter Monday

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am on Monday, April 10, there will be no evening mass. The church will be closed following mass.

### Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 16 is the Second Sunday of Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday. We will have a Divine Mercy Celebration beginning at 2:30 with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy followed by Mass at 3:00 PM.



**PLEASE DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS** as we have been re-assigning envelopes that have not been picked up.

### Canadian Food for Children

To all parishioners who contributed to the CWL CFFC Food Drive, a very sincere thank you for your support for this much needed cause. Thank you also to the parishioners who contributed items for the raffle, who purchased raffle tickets and made cash donations. All monies collected was used to buy extra food. To parishioners who donated prescription eyeglasses also a sincere thank you. You have helped many people in need to see better. The total crates of food came to 184, eyeglasses 585. The food and eyeglasses were delivered to the CFFC warehouse on Wednesday, March 29th and shipped to Angola, Sierra Leone and El Salvador. Congratulations to the winner of the raffle, "Ivaneka Nevil".

**"Charity is the queen of virtues. Charity no matter where it begins is always the daughter of providence" -- St. Padre Pio.**

### St. Vincent de Paul

There will be a St. Vincent de Paul meeting on Wednesday, April 12 at 7:30pm. If you or someone you know is interested in joining, please come to the meeting.

**New Eucharistic Ministers** – We offer our congratulations to the New Eucharistic Ministers who were installed Holy Thursday:

**Geraldine Love  
Norma Paras  
Marizabeth Manhunay  
Brenda Ryan  
Ilva Riccelli  
Mary Schiralli  
Rose Nebiolo**

**ShareLife - Welcoming Jesus into our hearts by sharing our blessings**

Jesus' love for us invites us to give to others, especially those most in need. ShareLife agencies continue to support the most vulnerable in our community through services that are only possible through your kind and generous donations.

Thank you for supporting our parish's ShareLife Campaign. and for living the Gospel by providing for those in need. Thus far we have raised **\$13,253.25** towards our goal of **\$94,500.00**

**Mass of Celebration to Welcome Archbishop**

Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome taking place in the Northern Region – Monday, April 17, 2023 - St. Mary's Parish, Barrie – 7:00p m. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

**Gift Store**

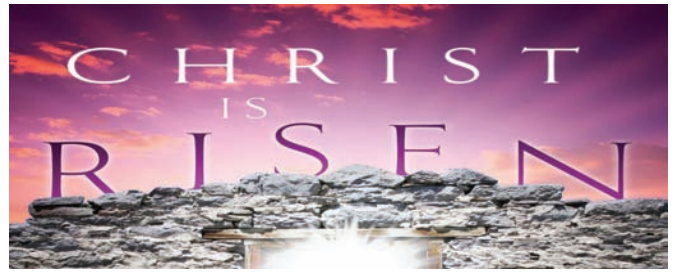
The First Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Divine Mercy. As we place our complete Trust in God, we honour his Mercy. Photo Frames and Plaques are available in our Gift Store. They make a wonderful gift for a loved one and a perfect image for your own home.

**Donating Securities to the Archdiocese of Toronto**

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**A Special Thank You** to all those who helped make our Holy Week celebrations so beautiful – Our Choirs, Soloists, Musicians, Liturgical Dancers, Lectors, Ministers of Communion, Ushers, Altar Servers, the RCIA team, Banner Bearers, Knights of Columbus, CWL, The Youth of our parish, all those who helped in any way. Also, a very special thank you to Longo's for their very generous donations of all the Easter flowers.



Easter is a time of renewal, of rebirth, and of hope. It is a time to celebrate the victory of light over darkness, of life over death.

The story of Easter begins with the crucifixion of Jesus, a man who lived a life of love, compassion, and service to others. His death was a moment of great sadness and despair for his followers, who thought that all hope was lost. But then, something miraculous happened. Jesus rose from the dead, showing that life is stronger than death, and that hope can triumph over even the darkest of moments.

This message of hope and renewal is more important now than ever before. We have all faced challenges and struggles over the past years, from the COVID-19 pandemic to social unrest. It can be easy to feel overwhelmed and hopeless in the face of such adversity. But just as Jesus' resurrection brought hope to his followers, we too can find hope and inspiration in the story of Easter.

Easter is a reminder that even in the darkest of moments, there is always a spark of light.

It is a reminder that we are never alone, that there is always someone there to guide us and support us through difficult times. And it is a reminder that we are all capable of making a positive difference in the world, just as Jesus did.

As we celebrate Easter, let us remember the importance of kindness, compassion, and love. Let us reach out to those in need, offer a helping hand to those who are struggling, and show kindness to those we meet. Let us also take a moment to reflect on our own lives and the changes we can make to become better people.

I wish you all a happy and blessed Easter. May this feast bring you hope, joy, and the promise of new beginnings.

Fr. George Parayil  
Pastor



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