



Sat. Sept. 29

5:00pm + **Maria Ceccato**

Sun. Sept. 30

8:00am + **Deceased members of the Di Cosmo family**

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

10:30am + **Filomena Longo**

12:00 noon + **Pino Salituro**

Mon. Oct. 1

7:00pm + **Ersilia Bottoni**

Tues. Oct. 2

9:00am + **John Muzzatti**

Wed. Oct. 3

7:00pm + **Tecla Tarantino, +Elia Castro, Intentions of Elke Temporada**

Fri. Oct. 5

9:00am + **Patricia, Antonio & Isabella Virgilio**

7:00pm + **Rodolfo Garcia Sr.**

Feast Days This Week

Mon. Oct. 1 – **St. Therese of the Child Jesus**, virgin, doctor of the Church

Tues. Oct. 2 – **The Holy Guardian Angels**

Thurs. Oct. 4 – **St. Francis of Assisi**

Sat. Oct. 6 – **Bl. Marie-Rose Durocher**, virgin

Life Chain

Could you not watch one hour with me?

Sunday, Sept. 30

Life Chain is a peaceful way to stand and pray against abortion and show our support for those who have no voices. There is currently no law against abortion in Canada making it legal through all nine months of pregnancy. There are approximately 100,000 abortion performed in Canada each year. Please join us on Sept. 30th as we pray for our precious pre-born and those who have been wounded by abortion. Parking is available in the church parking lot. **The time is 2-3pm at the corner of Major Mackenzie Drive and Islington Ave.**

Marian Procession – We are having a procession in honour of the Blessed Virgin on Monday, Oct. 1 after the 7pm Mass. The candlelight procession, led by the Knights of Columbus, will go around the outside of the church and then return inside. Those who are attending the 7:00pm Mass will be invited to follow behind in the procession. This is a wonderful way to publicly express our devotion to the Blessed Virgin in October, the month of the Rosary.

Mortgage Fund Collection – will be taken up at all Masses next weekend.

The Knights of Columbus will hold their General Meeting after the procession on Monday, Oct. 1 at St. Andrew School

Prayer Meeting – will resume on Wed. Oct. 3 at 7:30pm in the Chapel. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy this praise-filled weekend.

First Friday – Friday, is the first Friday of the month. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am and 7:00pm. Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the 9am Mass.

Weddings- Next Saturday, Oct. 6, we will be celebrating the wedding of Stefano Panza and Erica Andriano. 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.

Thanksgiving – celebrate Thanksgiving by helping the Vaughan Food Bank in the fight against hunger. Please bring non-perishable food items to Mass. Donations will be accepted up until Monday, Oct. 8.

Rosary – Month of October – the pro-life Rosary will be prayed before the 12 noon Masses during the month of October. Please come 20 minutes before Mass to join in this powerful prayer.

Blessing of Animals – In honour of St. Francis of Assisi, a blessing of animals will take place on the front steps of the church between 10:30am and 11:00am on Saturday, Oct. 6. Please bring your pets (no exotic pets such as snakes, lizards, spiders etc. Please!) during that time for blessing.

2018 St. Padre Pio Gala- Please mark your calendars for our annual St. Padre Pio Dinner Dance to be held on Saturday, November 3rd at Roma's Hospitality Centre. Tickets will go on sale the weekend of Sept. 22/23/18 and are \$100 per adult, \$75 for children 12 and under. Start organizing your tables now for a wonderful evening filled with great entertainment, food and fellowship. For sponsorship opportunities or to donate a prize for the silent auction or raffle please contact: stpadrepiogala@gmail.com

School Masses – Thanksgiving Masses will be celebrated at the schools this week:

Mon. Oct. 1 – St. Stephen School at 10:30am
Tues. Oct. 2 – St. Padre Pio School at 10:30am
Wed. Oct. 3 – St. Andrew School at 10:30am
Wed. Oct. 3 – Pope Francis School at 1:30pm

Separated, Divorced? – St. Clare of Assisi Support Group is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have suffered a loss through separation and divorce. Together we explore our grief, experience healing and renew our faith. Start date is Oct. 2/18 from 7-9pm. For more information or to register, please contact: Arcangelo Limanni at 416-921-1163 ext. 2225 alimmani@cfstoronto.com

Children's Liturgy – has begun. Children aged 4-9 are invited to attend and learn about the WORD OF GOD at a level that they can understand. If anyone would be interested in volunteering, please contact Anna Guida at anna.guida@rogers.com

Catechism Teachers Needed – If you are a member of the parish and interested in teaching the Word of God to public and private school students preparing for their sacraments, please consider volunteering for the St. Padre Pio Catechism Program. We are looking for parishioners willing and able to teach catechism to candidates preparing for the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. If you are interested, please contact the parish at 905-893-7879.

Ministry vs. Job? – Some people have a job in the church. Others invite themselves into a ministry. What's the difference you ask?
If you are doing it just because no one else will, it's a job.
If you are doing it to serve the Lord, it's a ministry.
If you quit because someone criticized you, it's a job.
If you keep on serving, it's a ministry.
If you'll do it as long as it does not interfere with your other activities, it's a job.
If you are committed to staying even if it means letting go of other things, it's a ministry.
If you quit because no one thanked you or praised you, it's a job.
If you stick with it even though no one recognized your efforts, it's a ministry.
If your concern is success, it's a job.
If your concern is faithfulness and service, it's a ministry.
If God calls you to a ministry, don't treat it like a job!

Lord, strengthen your servants and move us to a true sense of ministry and service, through your grace and mercy. Amen

R.C.I.A. – Any person who would like to become a Catholic is asked to register now for the 2018-2019 session which will begin Tuesday, Oct. 2. We have several catechumens registered so far. Also, any Catholic who would like to deepen their faith is welcome to attend the program. For more information, please call the office at 905-893-7879.

Longo Gift Cards – are available for purchase from the gift store. You can purchase the cards in denominations of \$100, \$50, and \$25. For each purchase, Longo's will donate back to our Mortgage Fund. These make excellent gifts for your family, friends or employees. Please contact Maria at 905-893-7979 ext. 201.

Stained Glass Windows

There are now only two large windows available, based on the life of Christ. They are:

Teaching the Multitudes -3 portions available
Feeding the 5,000 – 6 portions available
Each window will be sold in 10 portions at a cost of \$6,500 per portion. The entire window is \$65,000. A plaque will be placed below the window, once your portion has been paid in full. This is a wonderful way to honour those who are still living or to remember those who have died. For more information, please contact the office at 905-893-7879. There are still 2 portions of the **Powers and Principalities** window available for purchase in the Chapel. Each portion is \$5,000 and can be paid over a five year period.

Items for Completion of the Church

Narthex: Acoustical Ceiling Panels
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
Top coat 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.