



Sat. June 1

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

Sun. June 2

8:00am **+Francesco Greco & Pasquale & Elvira Scarcello**

9:15am **+William & Alice D'Silva**

10:30am **+deceased member of the Bertucci & Schiralli families**

12:00 noon **+Giovanni Covre**

Tues. June 4

9:00am **+Marie-Andree Vergis**

Thurs. June 6

7:00pm **+Iolanda & Tony Iannetta**

Fri. June 7

7:00pm **+Antonietta Marchese**

Feast Days This Week

Mon. June 3 – **St. Charles Lwanga & Companions**, martyrs

Wed. June 5 – **St. Boniface**, bishop, martyr

Thurs. June 6th – **St. Norbert**, bishop

Ascension of the Lord - Within the fifty days of Easter, the feast of the Ascension emphasizes Jesus' return to the Father and its consequence: his command to make disciples of the whole world. The letter to the Ephesians tells us that Jesus is head of the Church, his body on earth. We see him asserting this authority both in Acts and the Gospel as he takes leave of his followers. Through preaching, the ministry of the sacraments, and instruction, the church continues Christ's work of making disciples. It is the Spirit of Christ who gives us faith and strength and makes it possible for us to continue Jesus' work in the world. We look forward to the day when the entire human family will recognize God to be God, and Christ will be worshipped as King and Head of humankind.

First Communion – We offer our congratulations to the students of Pope Francis School who are receiving their First Communion this Sunday at 2:00pm. Thank you to the teachers and parents for helping to prepare the children for this sacrament.

ShareLife - Living the Gospel by supporting mental health wellness - Last year, over 3,200 people accessed individual, couple and family counselling at Catholic Family Services of Peel Dufferin, a ShareLife-funded agency. Given that depression has replaced back injury as the number one reason for absenteeism at work, these services are helping clients maintain

employment and stay out of poverty. By supporting ShareLife agencies like CFS Peel-Dufferin, you're helping people find health and happiness.

Today is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

Confirmation – We offer our congratulations to all those who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this week:

Mon. June 3 @ 7pm – St. Stephen School

Wed. June 5 @ 7pm – Pope Francis School & Public & Private Schools. A special thanks to all the teachers and families for their help in preparing for this sacrament. Because of Confirmation, there will not be a daily Mass on Monday or Wednesday of this week.

Knights of Columbus will have their General Meeting this Thursday, June 6th at 7pm at the Passionist Sisters on Clarence.

First Friday – Friday, June 7th, 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.

Pentecost Retreat – On Saturday, June 8th, Deacon Curtis and the Side by Side Grief Support Ministry will be holding a Pentecost Retreat at St. Padre Pio Church from 9:30am to 3:30pm. The cost is \$25 per person and includes lunch and refreshments. This will be a beautiful day of spiritual talks, witness testimony and music. For more information or to register, please contact the Parish Office at 905-893-7879 or Joanne Boone at 905-867-7972 or sidebyside.stpadrepiochurch@gmail.com

Mortgage Fund Collection – due to the ShareLife collection taking place next weekend, our Mortgage Fund collection will be taken up at all Masses on June 8/9.

Pentecost – Following the example of Mary and the apostles (Acts 1:14), the Church prays during the days between Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost for the coming of the Spirit. The following are some suggested prayers that may be used at home:

Opening Prayer: (said each day)

Blessed are you, Lord God, king of the universe: You have forgiven us our sins and have called us to be your holy people. Give us your Spirit to guide us each day so that we may die to sin and live with Jesus for you. Father, we ask this grace through Jesus, our

brother and our Lord, in the communion of your Holy Spirit. Amen

For the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Day 1: Blessed Spirit of **Wisdom**, help me to seek God. Make Him the centre of my life and order my life to Him, so that peace and love may reign in my soul.

Day 2: Blessed Spirit of **Understanding**, enlighten my mind, that I may know and love Your Truth and make it truly my own.

Day 3: Blessed Spirit of **Counsel**, enlighten and guide me in all my ways, that I may always know and do Your holy will. Make me prudent and courageous.

Day 4: Blessed Spirit of **Fortitude**, give me help in overcoming obstacles in my life and the courage to stand up for justice and truth in every situation.

Day 5: Blessed Spirit of **Knowledge**, help me to know good from evil. Teach me to do what is right in the sight of God. Give me clear vision and firmness in decision.

Day 6: Blessed Spirit of **Piety**, possess my heart, lead me to a true faith in You, to a holy love of You, that with my whole soul I may seek You and find You, my best, my highest joy.

Day 7: Blessed Spirit of **Holy Fear**, penetrate my inmost heart that I may be ever mindful of Your presence. Make me flee from sin, and give me intense reverence for God and for my brothers and sisters who are made in God's image.

Closing prayers: One Our Father, One Hail Mary, One Glory Be

Pentecost – The liturgical Colour for Pentecost is red. Why not wear something red next weekend.

St. Padre Pio Annual Picnic, hosted by the

Knights of Columbus – July 14, 2019

Location: Royal Canadian Legion

60 Legion Court Road

Woodbridge, ON L4L 2B4

From 12 to 5pm.

Rain or Shine – games, DJ, good food and fun for all ages.

St. Padre Pio 16th Annual Golf Tournament –

will be held at the Carrying Place Golf & Country Club on Tuesday, July 23. For \$175.00 per person, golfers will receive 18 holes of golf at a pristine course, a cart rental, and Angus steak dinner. Parishioners will have the option to attend the dinner portion only, for a cost of \$50 a person. There are limited seats available, so get your tickets soon! The dinner will include silent auctions, many raffle prizes, and a golfer award ceremony. For more information, or to volunteer with the committee, please contact

Almerigo Borgo at 416-219-3829 or stpadrepiogolf@gmail.com

2019 St. Padre Pio Gala – Please mark your calendars for our annual St. Padre Pio Dinner Dance to be held on Saturday, Nov. 16th at the Royalton in Woodbridge.

R.C.I.A. – Any person who would like to become a Catholic is asked to register now for the 2019-2020 session which will begin in the Fall. We have catechumens registered for the next session. Also, any Catholic who would like to deepen their faith is welcome to attend the program. For more information, please call the parish office at 905-893-7879.

The Fundraising Committee is looking for parishioners to assist with our parish's various fundraising initiatives. We are currently looking for volunteers to help with our annual Golf Tournament and Gala events. We are looking to implement fresh, new ideas into each of these events. If you are interested, please contact Almerigo Borgo at 416-219-3829 or: almerigoborgostpadrepiochurch@rogers.com You will have the choice to sit on the Golf sub-committee, Gala sub-committee, or both. We look forward to meeting you, working together to raise funds.

Gift of Hope- St. Padre Pio Parish Gift of Hope

–In June, we will be helping a family that consists of a mother and father with a 7-year-old daughter. This family is currently living in an unfurnished apartment with very little personal belongings. They are in need of pots, pans, cutlery, bedding, curtains, bus tickets, and No Frills grocery gift cards. The parents and the little girl also need clothing and footwear. Please see the complete list of needs posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. If you can help, please take a tag for one of the listed items of need and return the purchased item by June 30. Thank you for uniting as a Catholic Community to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Christ.

The Indoor Station of the Cross, "Jesus Falls the Third Time" is available. There is one portion left at a cost of \$5,600.00. This is a wonderful way to honour those who are still living or to remember those who have died. For more information, please call the office at 905-893-7879.

Sympathy – We offer our deep sympathy to Angela Daniele on the death of her mother, Maria Ciofani. May God grant her His eternal peace and joy and send comfort to all who mourn her passing.