

# ST. NICHOLAS OF BARI ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### MESSE DOMENICALI

9:00am : Italiano  
10:30am: Inglese  
12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

### MESSE FERIALI

8:00am: da Martedì a Sabato  
7:30pm: Mercoledì & Venerdì:  
Messe memoriali (prenotare prima)

### BATTESIMI

Chiamate in Ufficio quanto prima

### CONFESSIONI

Tutti i giorni prima o dopo la Messa.  
Altri giorni su appuntamento

### MATRIMONI

Prenotarsi 1 anno prima

### RITI D'INIZIAZIONE

Chiamate in Ufficio

### SACRAMENTI PER GLI AMMALATI & ANZIANI

Chiamate in Ufficio qualunque  
giorno

### SUNDAY MASSES

9:00am : Italian  
10:30am: English (with Children's  
Liturgy)  
12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

### WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00am: Tuesday to Saturday  
7:30pm: Wednesday & Friday Memorial  
mass (upon request)

### BAPTISM

By appointment and after instruction.  
Parents must be registered members of  
our parish community

### CONFESSIONS

Every day before and after Mass and  
upon request

### MARRIAGES

One year notice and marriage course  
mandatory

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Please call the Office

### SACRAMENTS FOR SICK & ELDERLY

Please call Rectory anytime

The Church is open for  
personal prayer and meditation  
from 7:30am to 12:00pm  
(Monday to Friday)

### Gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio

III Mercoledì del mese  
alle 6:45pm

### Adorazione / Adoration

1° Venerdì del Mese  
First Friday of the Month  
8:30am - 9:00am

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The Parish Hall is available for rent – Please call the Office



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy is starting soon. As you know, this is a great opportunity for our children, as it enriches their experience of the Mass while they listen to the Sunday Gospel at their own level. Any young adult wish-

ing to help out in this ministry, please call the office and leave your name and phone number. Fr. Bruno will be in touch with you and you'll be invited to attend some training workshops. **The Children preparing for the First Reconciliation-Communion are highly recommended to attend.**

### FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

#### REGISTRATION PERIOD

Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

*Completed registration forms and other requirements must be handed in.*

OPTION ONE – submit the registration at the Parish Office  
Monday to Friday from 8:00am to 12:00pm

OPTION TWO – submit the registration *after* Sunday Mass  
Please listen to the announcements made at the Mass

OPTION THREE – evening registrations in the Parish Hall  
Tuesdays and Thursdays only from 6:00pm to 7:30pm

### Thanksgiving Food Drive

Please support Good Shepherd's Thanksgiving Food Drive and help those experiencing homelessness by making a food donation. Parishioners and members of the community are encouraged to drop off donated items in the front lobby of St. Nicholas of Bari Parish until **Tuesday, October 15**. Donations will be accepted during the week when the church is open and before/after Sunday Masses. The following items are needed: canned soups & stews, canned legumes (e.g. chickpeas, black beans), pasta sauce & canned tomatoes, canned vegetables, tuna, breakfast cereals, tea bags, packed cookies/granola bars, chocolate bars, rice, and jam. The food will be delivered to Good Shepherd. Thank you all for your kind support.

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY

\$935.75

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<https://stnicholasofbarito.archtoronto.org/About-Us/donate>.

### Homily of His Grace Most Reverend Francis Leo Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto Stewardship Sunday – 22 September 2024

Praised be Jesus Christ.

Brothers and Sisters in the Lord, Today, we celebrate Stewardship Sunday across the Archdiocese of Toronto. I welcome this opportunity to speak with you briefly about a very important aspect of our lives as Christians, about how we express our faith both individually and as a Church and how we live our convictions and serve in a world that does not always understand what it means to be loved by God and to be actively pursuing his purpose in our lives, fulfilling his saving plan. What I am speaking about is Stewardship and I wish to underscore especially how it constitutes the path to authentic Christian living and holiness.

We gather as a community of believers and worshipers, disciples and witnesses of the Risen Christ. We desire to be in right relationship with the Lord, a relationship which is deep and personal, transformative and redemptive. It is a life of faith and trust which colours our daily living. We want to get to know him better, to serve his Kingdom faithfully and to be with him forever when the time comes to leave this earthly dwelling. As pilgrims on a journey, we interact with a myriad of persons and are invited to love and serve with the very love of Christ and to love out of love for Christ – even our enemies. This requires that we make efforts to grow in His love, to grow in virtue, to grow in service. Stewardship is about this growth... in love, virtue and service. It is about fostering an engaging awareness of God who calls us to live, to abide in His presence daily, to witness and to show his face to our wounded humanity.

Stewardship is the crucial process, the inner attitude and multi-faceted approach that leads us to a place of humble recognition of who we are, of who God is and what the Lord desires to accomplish in, through and around us. Perhaps you have never heard stewardship described as a process or a way of living our Catholic faith. In the past we have heard about stewardship almost exclusively with respect to sharing gifts, using our talents and resources in service of God and the community; the main focus was about caring for what is entrusted to us and sharing it with others—making the world a better place. All very true, and essential – but it is not the entire story. When speaking of stewardship more along the lines of a life-giving development of faith and engagement, a dynamic transformation, a way of being Catholic and serving as a follower of the Incarnate God, a living and active commitment that changes life and changes lives, then it is not a one-time act of giving or sacrifice, or even awareness. It is a fundamental, vivifying, compelling disposition of the heart, the mind and the will that strives to uncover, discover and re-discover the riches and mystery of God and serve his greater purpose for our lives. Clarifying the distorted understanding of what true greatness is, Jesus reminds his disciples in today's Gospel reading: "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all". This is the royal way, the way of the King, the road to the Kingdom and it is the life of every authentic believer.

The complete version of the homily will be read at mass.



**September 22 Sunday/Domenica**

**9:00am** – Vito Battaglia, Domenico Battaglia e Antonietta Battaglia

**10:30am** –

**12:00pm** – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

**September 23 Monday/Lunedì**

*No mass today ----- Nessuna messa oggi*

**September 24 Tuesday/Martedì**

**8:00am** - Repose of the soul, of Antonella Fava, Adriana Sanabria Albenia Alfaro; For the generosity of St. Nicholas's parishioners; Holy Spirit's guidance for the families who have difficulties with separation, divorce, court hearings, custody of children, housing; Birthday blessings upon Rev. Priest Gerardo Lagartilla

**11:00am** – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

**September 25 Wednesday/Mercoledì**

**8:00am** – Michele e Carmela De Carlo; Repose of the soul of Lucie & Ernest Vanderlinden, Albenia Alfaro; St. Joseph help upon Colette and Alistair, Sylvia Lorenzo, Dinora, Irena, Ania, Renaldo, Carlos Tejada, Julian & Tabatha, Luba, Bryan, Martin; Healing of Patricia, Gloria, Toty Calle, Joe, Karla, Lucia, Carmen Lezcano

**7:30pm** – *Memorial Mass* – Nicola Vecchiarelli 🎵

**September 26 Thursday/Giovedì**

**8:00am** – Michele e Carmela De Carlo; Repose of the soul of Cecilia Cha, Manuela Coton de Ixcaragua; End of abortion & euthanasia; For all Priest living and deceased; Healing of Jacob Lee McEwen, Otto, Walter, Irena, Ania, Carmen Aguirre, Mary Wahba, Martha Lucia Hernandez, Pinargote Castro Family

**11:00am** – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

**September 27 Friday/Venerdì**

**8:00am** – Repose of the soul of Juana Irene Ramos, Albenia Alfaro, Tadeuz; For the Priests of Holy Cross of Marylake; Repentance, conversion, peace in the world; Healing of Francisco Vargas, Emma Sophia Greco, Han Ycaza, Karla; Birthday blessings upon Nelly Yamileth Aguilar

**September 28 Saturday/Sabato**

**8:00am** – Repose of the soul of Adriana Sanabria, Albenia Alfaro; For the Priests of Holy Cross of Marylake; For the unborn, orphan & unbaptized children; All souls in Purgatory, for all migrants, refugees, prisoners, dying, sick, lonely, unemployed, poor; Thanksgiving to Heavenly Father for all Sacraments

**11:00am – 1:00pm** – St. Estefanos

**September 29 Sunday/Domenica**

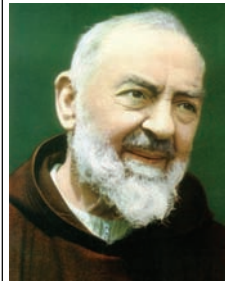
**9:00am** – In onore di San Michele Arcangelo e Michele Liscio; Vito Barbarito; Rosa e Paolo e defunti famiglia Pallotta; Vecchiarelli Pasquale e defunti famiglia Vecchiarelli; Maria Concetta e Vincenzo Luciano

**10:30am** – Maria Luisa Pimentel

**12:00pm** – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

**San Pio da Pietrelcina (Francesco Forgione)**

Festa: [23 settembre](#)



Francesco Forgione nasce a Pietrelcina, in provincia e diocesi di Benevento, il 25 maggio 1887, figlio dei contadini Grazio Forgione e Giuseppa De Nunzio. Il 22 gennaio 1903, a sedici anni, entra nell'Ordine dei Frati Minori Cappuccini, presso il convento di Morcone: il 22 gennaio, ricevendo il saio, prende il nome di fra Pio da Pietrelcina. Diventa sacerdote sette anni dopo, il 10 agosto 1910. Nel 1916, dopo che ha trascorso in famiglia i sei anni precedenti per via della salute precaria, viene trasferito a San Giovanni Rotondo, nel convento di Santa Maria delle Grazie. Qui, per oltre cinquant'anni, riceve numerose persone, accordando loro il perdono di Dio nel sacramento della Confessione. Le autorità ecclesiastiche dispongono numerose ispezioni nei suoi riguardi e gli impongono, tra l'altro, di non celebrare Messa in pubblico per un periodo terminato il 16 luglio 1933. Padre Pio accoglie queste disposizioni in totale obbedienza, sopportando anche i dolori causati dai segni della Passione, comparsi su di lui in modo visibile dal 20 settembre 1918. Muore il 23 settembre 1968, a 81 anni. La sua eredità vive nell'ospedale Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza, da lui stesso voluto a San Giovanni Rotondo, e nei Gruppi di Preghiera avviati durante la seconda guerra mondiale e diffusi poi in tutto il mondo. Beatificato domenica 2 maggio 1999 in piazza San Pietro a Roma da san Giovanni Paolo II, è stato canonizzato dal medesimo pontefice il 16 giugno 2002, sempre in piazza San Pietro. I suoi resti mortali sono venerati a San Giovanni Rotondo, nel santuario a lui dedicato.

Etimologia: Pio = devoto, religioso, pietoso (signif. Intuitivo)

Martirologio Romano: San Pio da Pietrelcina (Francesco) Forgione, sacerdote dell'Ordine dei Frati Minori Cappuccini, che nel convento di San Giovanni Rotondo in Puglia si impegnò molto nella direzione spirituale dei fedeli e nella riconciliazione dei penitenti ed ebbe tanta provvidente cura verso i bisognosi e i poveri da concludere in questo giorno il suo pellegrinaggio terreno pienamente configurato a Cristo crocifisso.

**COMMUNIONE & CONFESIONE PER GLI AMALATI**

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