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Parish Secretary: Nina Marino



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
Tuesday to Sunday
7:00am -7:45am
1° Venerdì del Mese
First Friday of the Month
8:30am - 9:00am

MESSE DOMENICALI

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

MESSE FERIALI

8:00am: da Martedì a Sabato
7:30pm: Mercoledì
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
11:00am Tuesday & Thursdays (Ge'ez Rite)
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

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PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

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NEWCOMER



REQUEST ENVELOPE



CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Hall della Parrocchia disponibile per affitto. Chiamate in Ufficio
The Parish Hall is available for rent – Please call the Office

Sunday Gospel

JOHN 9.1-41

Today's Gospel is more than a miracle story; it is a story about **spiritual sight**. The disciples first ask, "Who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus immediately shifts their thinking. Suffering is not always a punishment; rather, in this moment it becomes an opportunity for **God's works to be revealed**. Jesus then heals the man, giving sight to someone who had never seen the world before. The man who was once blind begins to **see more and more clearly**, not only with his eyes but in his faith. At first he calls Jesus "the man called Jesus." Later he calls Him "a prophet," and finally he proclaims his belief and worships Him. His physical healing leads to **spiritual awakening**. Meanwhile, the Pharisees—who physically see—remain spiritually blind. They refuse to recognize the work of God right before them. The miracle exposes a deep truth: **true blindness is not the absence of sight, but the refusal to see the truth when it is revealed**. This Gospel invites us to ask ourselves: Where in our lives might we still be blind? Sometimes we think we see clearly, yet pride, fear, or prejudice can keep our hearts closed. Like the blind man, we are invited to encounter Christ personally and allow Him to open our eyes. Jesus says, "I came into this world so that those who do not see might see." When we approach Him with humility, He gradually gives us a new vision—one that sees **God's presence, truth, and grace** even in unexpected places. **Reflection:**
Lord, open the eyes of my heart. Help me to see You more clearly in my life and give me the courage to witness to the truth, just as the man once blind did. Amen.

FINANCIAL CORNER

Weekly Collection: \$1,465.00

Thank you for your generosity!

For information on how to donate, please see our website (<https://stnicholasofbarito.archtoronto.org/About-Us/donate>).
Grazie!

SHARELIFE COLLECTION – Next Weekend Mar.22/26

God planted the seed of a priestly vocation in Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi's heart as a child. He later entered St. Augustine's Seminary, where God led him through moments of joy, deep reflection, and a faith that continues to grow. Your generous heart lifted the burden of financial worry, allowing Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi to embrace his calling fully and prepare for a life of service to the Church. God-willing, he will be ordained into priesthood this May. Because of your faithful generosity to ShareLife, many more young men will have the opportunity to answer God's call.

The first ShareLife Sunday collection is on March 22. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Friday's during Lent At 6:45pm Bilingual

WAY OF THE CROSS

Before the Stations of the Cross,
Confession will be available
between
6:00pm-6:45pm



Lent with St. Padre Pio

Lent Through the Heart of Padre Pio

Prayer: "Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry"

Padre Pio constantly urged souls to deepen their prayer life. He believed prayer was the soul's oxygen.

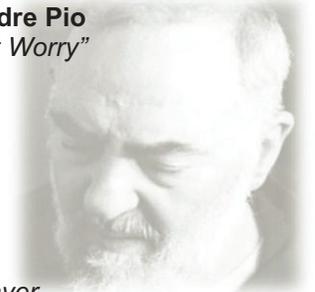
During Lent:

*Spend time in quiet mental prayer.

*Sit before a crucifix and contemplate Christ's suffering.

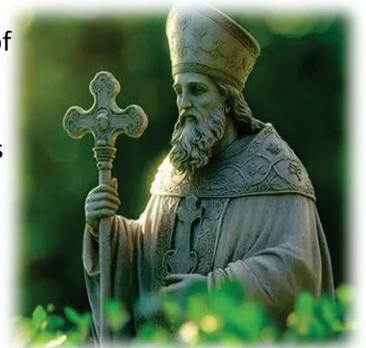
*Pray the Rosary slowly and attentively.

He once said, "In books we seek God; in prayer we find Him." Lent is an invitation to move from reading about God to encountering Him.



Feast of St. Patrick – March 17

On the feast of Saint Patrick, we remember the courage of a missionary who trusted completely in God's providence. His life reminds us that God can transform every hardship into a mission. May the blessing of God fill our hearts with hope, courage, and peace.



The Feast Day of Saint Joseph -March 19

On the feast of Saint Joseph, we honor the quiet strength of



the faithful guardian of the Holy Family. Chosen to care for Jesus Christ and Mary, Mother of Jesus, Joseph teaches us the beauty of humble obedience, trust in God, and faithful service in daily life. May St. Joseph

guide and protect our families, strengthen our vocations and help us always listen to God's will with a generous and trusting heart.

MASS INTENTIONS

March 14-Saturday/Sabato

8:00am: Repose of the soul of Margarita Escobar, Alberto Aldana Zapata, Gabriela Crego

11:30am – Memorial Mass – Maria Isabella

12:30pm: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

March 15-Sunday/Domenica

9:00am: Angela Carbone, Peter Albanese e Filomena Pallotta; Calamia Rocco, Sodano Giuseppe, Monteleone Girolama, Sodano Vita; Di Barsantin Giacinto, Maria, Deonisia, Giacintino, Annita, Abramo, Rolando, Jack, Loren, e Per Anime Sante Del Puragatorio

10:30am: Francesco Martino; Yu Sa Uy

12:00pm: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

March 16-Monday /Lunedì

NO MASS – NON C'È MESSA

March 17-Tuesday/Martedì

8:00am: Celeste e Francesco Bianco; Repose of the soul of Pauline Annette Dixon, Rosa Esposito Recio

11:00am: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

March 18-Wednesday/Mercoledì

8:00am: Repose of the soul of Joaquin Guzman, Ana Miriam Fuente Elsy Callejas

6:45pm – Gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio

March 19-Thursday/Giovedì

8:00am: Giuseppe e Prudenzia, Michele e Antonio Liscio; Repose of the soul of Ana Miriam de Ramirez, Arturo Villanueva;- Birthday blessings upon Maritza Rodas de Lopez

11 :00am: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

March 20-Friday/Venerdì

8:00am: Repose of the soul of Gabriel Lazcano, Mauricio Vasquez

March 21-Saturday/Sabato

8:00am: Antonio Palladino; Repose of the soul of Mary Wahba, Maria Elizabeth Arguello, Lorena Barahona

March 22-Sunday/Domenica

9:00am: Raphael Saccucci e defunti famiglia; Biocchi Giovanni e Giovanna; Pasquale Vecchiarelli e defunti Vecchiarelli, Paolo e Rosa Pallotta e defunti Pallotta; Vincenzo Speranza, Iolanda LoBianco Silvana Ricchio

10:30am: Grace Suarez, Anthony Merchan; Rosetta Conforti, Nicola & Rosa Cece; Rosa & Tedoro Mellace

10:30am – Baptism of Gift

12:00pm: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

Vangelo della Domenica

GIOVANNI 9.1-41

Il Vangelo di oggi è più di una storia di miracoli; è una storia sulla vista spirituale. I discepoli chiedono innanzitutto: "Chi ha peccato, lui o i suoi genitori, perché sia nato cieco?". Gesù cambia immediatamente il loro pensiero. La sofferenza non è sempre una punizione; piuttosto, in questo momento diventa un'opportunità perché le opere di Dio si rivelino. Gesù guarisce quindi l'uomo, donando la vista a qualcuno che non aveva mai visto il mondo prima. L'uomo che un tempo era cieco inizia a vedere sempre più chiaramente, non solo con gli occhi ma nella sua fede. Inizialmente chiama Gesù "l'uomo chiamato Gesù". In seguito lo chiama "un profeta" e infine proclama la sua fede e lo adora. La sua guarigione fisica porta al risveglio spirituale. Nel frattempo, i farisei, che vedono fisicamente, rimangono spiritualmente ciechi. Si rifiutano di riconoscere l'opera di Dio che è proprio davanti a loro. Il miracolo rivela una verità profonda: la vera cecità non è l'assenza di vista, ma il rifiuto di vedere la verità quando viene rivelata. Questo Vangelo ci invita a chiederci: in quale parte della nostra vita potremmo essere ancora ciechi? A volte pensiamo di vedere chiaramente, eppure l'orgoglio, la paura o il pregiudizio possono tenere i nostri cuori chiusi. Come il cieco, siamo invitati a incontrare Cristo personalmente e a permettergli di aprire i nostri occhi. Gesù dice: "Sono venuto in questo mondo perché coloro che non vedono vedano". Quando ci avviciniamo a Lui con umiltà, Egli ci dona gradualmente una nuova visione, una visione che vede la presenza di Dio, la verità e la grazia anche in luoghi inaspettati. Riflessione: Signore, apri gli occhi del mio cuore. Aiutami a vederti più chiaramente nella mia vita e dammi il coraggio di testimoniare la verità, proprio come fece quell'uomo che un tempo era cieco. Amen.

Il prossimo fine settimana ci sarà la **prima raccolta di ShareLife**. Il vostro sostegno è molto importante e vi siamo grati per la vostra generosità e per tutto ciò che fate per aiutare ShareLife a servire coloro che sono nel bisogno.





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