



Our Lady of the Airways

Padre Pio Prayer Group

During a speech made to the Capuchin Friars in 1971, Blessed Paul VI identified Padre Pio as the "One marked with the Stigmata of the Our Lord" [stigmata: bodily marks, pain, and bleeding in locations corresponding to the crucifixion wounds of Jesus Christ].

This year marks the **100th anniversary when Padre Pio first received the Stigmata** (on 20 September 1918) and the fiftieth anniversary of his death (23 September 1968). The San Padre Pio Prayer Group in our parish will be recounting various events within his life during this coming year. Please join us as we celebrate and remember the incredible life of this simple, humble Capuchin friar.

The prayer group will meet this Tuesday, February 20th. The evening schedule begins with Holy Hour at 6:00pm, the recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:20pm and the Eucharist at 7pm. **All parishioners are welcome to join us on these evening.**

Gruppo di Preghiera di Padre Pio

Durante un discorso fatto ai frati cappuccini nel 1971, il beato Paolo VI identificò San Padre Pio come "Un uomo segnato con le Stimmate di nostro Signore" [stimmate: segni fisici, con dolore e sanguinamento nei punti del corpo corrispondenti alle ferite della crocifissione di Gesù Cristo].

Quest'anno ricorre il **centesimo anniversario di quando San Padre Pio ricevette (per la prima volta) le Stimmate** (il 20 settembre 1918) e il cinquantesimo anniversario della sua morte (il 23 settembre 1968). Nella nostra parrocchia, durante quest'anno il gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio ricorderà vari eventi della sua vita. Per favore, unitevi a noi per celebrare il ricordo dell'incredibile vita di questo semplice, umile frate cappuccino.

Il nostro gruppo di preghiera si riunisce questo martedì 20, febbraio. L'orario serale inizia con un'ora sacra alle 18:00, la recita del Santo Rosario alle 18:20 e l'Eucaristia alle 19:00. **Tutti i parrocchiani sono benvenuti a unirsi a noi in queste sere.**



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The Call for Conscience 2018 Campaign

We Need Your Help!

The Call for Conscience 2018 Campaign is underway.

Cardinal Collins and bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address from every Catholic family in their community, with a goal of 100,000 email addresses collected by the end of February 2018.

This information will be used locally by Cardinal Collins and trusted faith partners to communicate periodically (approximately 6-8 times each year) on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community.

The first campaign of 2018 is the Call for Conscience, inviting our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faith-based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide.

Please visit <http://bit.ly/SignUpSundayRegistration> to register yourself for this initiative. Thank you for living a faith that acts!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday: February 19th

8:30am - †Pietro Di Donato
7:00pm - NO MASS (Family Day)

Tuesday: February 20th

8:00am - †Angelino Tavares
7:00pm - For the Grace of Healing -
Intercession of St. Padre Pio

Wednesday: February 21st

8:00am - †Lazarus Philip & Benvinda
Mascarenhas
7:00pm - †Maureen Abulu
†Maria Falletta
†Nellie Sequeira

Thursday: February 22nd

8:00am - †Maria Do Ceu Camara
7:00pm - †Maria Antonia Paduano

Friday: February 23rd

8:00am - †Vincenzo & Vittorio Fragola
7:00pm - †Luigi Gabriele

Saturday: February 24th

8:30am - †T.C. Anthony & Margarita
5:00pm - †Antao Carrasco

Sunday: February 25th

9:00am - †Peter Ha Van Chap
10:30am - †Laura Greco
12:00pm - For the People of Our Parish



Eucharistic Adoration

Our parish has Eucharistic Adoration in the church every Friday from 8:30am-7pm. Can you spare a few moments from your busy schedule to come and spend some time before Jesus in prayer and adoration?

Stations of the Cross

During Lent, please come and journey with us as we pray the *Stations of the Cross* (Bilingual) on Friday evenings at 6:30pm.



WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Last Week's Collection \$5,537.00
Building Fund \$ 389.00

Thank You For Your Generosity

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



The more pain and sacrifice you experience on your journey, the more satisfying your arrival at your destination.

Athletes who train excessively will say that the victory, the medal is well worth the extra work. Students who hit the books instead of going to a movie or to a party

will always have as their reward the satisfaction of knowing that they have achieved the best grade possible.

Jesus was thrust into the wilderness for 40 long days and was constantly tempted by Satan. We know, of course that he did not succumb to any temptation and he was provided divine, angelic support in his struggle.

The athlete and the student who choose to sacrifice have a specific goal in mind. Their self-oblation is driven by the long-range reward of achieving a medal or a diploma. When they see their friends or classmates enjoying the things that they deny themselves, they are sustained by thoughts of the final victory.

Like Jesus, we are expected to endure our 40 day fast as an unconditional offering to God, not because of the promise of reward when the summit is finally reached. Still, when the time of our sacrifice and commitment is fulfilled, the inherent bounty is that the kingdom of God is nearer.
(Frank Campbell, Living with Christ)

Il Vangelo di Marco comincia con una semplice affermazione: "Inizio del Vangelo di Gesù Cristo, Figlio di Dio". Giovanni Battista, che aveva annunciato la sua venuta come imminente, battezzò Gesù nel Giordano e in quell'occasione lo Spirito diede testimonianza di Gesù. Marco accenna soltanto al periodo nel deserto e alla tentazione. È il preludio all'inizio del ministero pubblico di nostro Signore. Il suo primo richiamo, che ci viene ripetuto questa domenica, è: "Convertitevi e credete al vangelo". Egli comincia proprio da quello che era stato il punto centrale dell'insegnamento di Giovanni Battista.

La Quaresima è soprattutto un periodo di riflessione sui misteri della nostra redenzione, al cui centro sono l'insegnamento e la persona di Gesù Cristo. Il Salvatore ha assunto forma umana, cioè quella che è la nostra condizione, e non è nemmeno stato risparmiato dall'esperienza della tentazione. Nella sua natura umana, Gesù ha vissuto in prima persona cosa significhi respingere Satana e porre al primo posto le cose divine. Il nostro Signore e il nostro Dio è in tutto nostra guida e modello.

Cercare di conoscere Cristo significa anche prendere coscienza di quel nostro bisogno di cambiamento di vita che chiamiamo "pentimento". In particolare è mediante la liturgia della Chiesa che ci avviciniamo a Cristo e facciamo esperienza della sua presenza in mezzo a noi.

Nella liturgia, diventiamo "uno" con Cristo nel mistero grazie al quale egli ha riscattato il mondo.

Vocations Corner...

Lent: the springtime of the soul... is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you.

If you think God could be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux**,

Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca



Adult Faith Formation **at Our Lady of the Airways** **Thursday, February 22nd at 7:45pm**

A LOVE THAT LASTS: God's Plan for Sexuality

Speaker: Fr. Thomas Lim

THIS SESSION WILL COVER:

- Why sex is meant to be an expression of total, self-giving love, a love in which couples give themselves to each other physically, emotionally, and spiritually
- How marital sex must be both unitive and procreative
- How the marital embrace fits into the total, free, faithful, and fruitful aspects of marriage
- What the Church teaches about contraception
- Why the separation of pleasure from self-giving love is so destructive
- The challenge - and joy - of life long love

All are welcome to attend.



Young Adults of OLA **Saturday, February 24th at 7:30pm**

Are you between the ages of 19 and 39?

Do you want to meet other young adults in your community?

In today's world, it's hard to practice and talk about our experiences of faith. We would like to start a group to do just that.

Please join us for a social on Saturday, February 24th, for an evening of friendship, fun, food, and community building as the Young Adults of OLA!

We will be gathering at 7:30 pm in the chapel, and we ask that you bring some food to share ~ snacks, appetizers, etc.. Whatever you can provide will be appreciated.

We need ministry, too!

OLA Youth



EDGE *Are you in grade 6, 7, or 8?*

All students in **grade 6 - 8** are welcome to our next **EDGE Night**

on **Friday, February 23rd**, from 7pm - 9pm.

All grades 9 - 12 are invited! **LIFE TEEN**

All Teens in grade 9 - 12 are welcome to our next **Life Night** on **Saturday, March 3rd.**

'Life Teen' begins with the **5:00pm Mass**

6:00pm: Dinner (in the parish hall)

6:30pm - 8:30pm: Life Night

Follow us on Instagram: [ourladyairwaysyouth](https://www.instagram.com/ourladyairwaysyouth)

For youth ministry info, please contact 905-677-4615 or email: OLAYouthministry@hotmail.com