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## SUNDAY 28 AUGUST 2022

## TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## YEAR C

### ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm  
Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

### WEEKLY TIMETABLE

#### SUNDAY

8:00am Mass  
10:00am Mass

#### MONDAY

No Mass and Office closed

#### TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

#### SATURDAY

9:00am Mass  
Novena to St Padre Pio  
9:30am Sacrament of Penance  
5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

#### BAPTISMS

11:30am 1st, 2nd, and 3rd  
Sundays. Please contact the  
Parish Office. Presentation and  
Baptism Information morning  
are held every 4th Sunday

#### FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT

#### ADORATION

8:00pm – 9:00am Saturday Mass  
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

#### FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years  
Bethany Catholic Primary School  
Hall Contact Joanne D'Agostino,  
via the Parish Office.

#### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

Dear Friends,

Jesus was watched very closely by the Pharisees, Sadducees and others constantly. It must have been very uncomfortable to Jesus by being watched in order to find fault with His words and actions. But nothing deters Him from speaking the truth and helping people even on sabbath. He knew what He was doing and convinced of His mission. He too noticed the people trying to take the places of honor and best of seats. Pride is one of the worst sins that people can commit. Where there is pride there is no humility. People put one another down in order to make their presence felt. Jesus condemns such attitude and behavior.

The devils committed the sin of pride from the beginning. And the devil encourages the people to commit the same so that he can keep the people away from God. When we have humility, we are always drawn towards God by acknowledging His might and presence. We are merely His children, and we need to cherish this very calling and not priding ourselves on our titles and honors.

Jesus wants of us to invite those who are less fortunate to our celebrations. We all make the mistake of inviting those who are close to us and those from our families. Jesus' teaching is focused towards obtaining rewards from heaven not merely human recognition. "Whatever you did it to the least of my brothers and sisters, you did to me" (Matthew 25:40). Jesus takes both honor and dishonor of the simple people upon Himself. He considers those humiliations and persecution of His children as if His own humiliation and persecution.

I would like to share what the first reading says on being proud:

**My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,  
and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.  
The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly,  
and then you will find favour with the Lord;  
for great though the power of the Lord is,  
he accepts the homage of the humble.  
There is no cure for the proud man's malady,  
since an evil growth has taken root in him.**  
(Book of Sirach 3:17...)

God Bless..

Fr. Suresh Kumar  
Parish Priest



Picture from: <http://www.causesanti.va/it/santi-e-beati/pier-giorgio-frassati.html>

### **Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati**

*The below is from:*

<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/saints/pier-giorgio-frassati-410>

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati is a saint for the modern world, and especially for the young people of our time. Born in 1901 in Turin, Italy, his time on earth was short—only 24 years—but he filled it passionately with holy living. Pier Giorgio was a model of virtue, a "man of the beatitudes," as Pope John Paul II called him at the saint's beatification ceremony in Rome on May 20, 1990. He was described by friends as "an explosion of joy." As Pier Giorgio's sister, Luciana, says of her brother in her biography of him, "He represented the finest in Christian youth: pure, happy, enthusiastic about everything that is good and beautiful."

To our modern world which is often burdened by cynicism and angst, Pier Giorgio's life offers a brilliant contrast, a life rich in meaning, purpose, and peace derived from faith in God. From the earliest age, and despite two unreligious parents who misunderstood and disapproved of his piety and intense interest in Catholicism, Pier Giorgio placed Christ first in all that he did. These parental misunderstandings, which were very painful to him, persisted until the day of his sudden death of polio. However, he bore this treatment patiently, silently, and with great love.

Pier Giorgio prayed daily, offering, among other prayers, a daily rosary on his knees by his bedside. Often his agnostic father would find him asleep in this position. "He gave his whole self, both in prayer and in action, in service to Christ," Luciana Frassati writes. After Pier Giorgio began to attend Jesuit school as a boy, he received a rare permission in those days to take communion daily. "Sometimes he passed whole nights in Eucharistic adoration." For Pier Giorgio, Christ was the answer. Therefore, all of his action was oriented toward Christ and began first in contemplation of Him.

With this interest in the balance of contemplation and action, it is no wonder why Pier Giorgio was drawn in 1922 at the age of 21 to the Fraternities of St. Dominic. In becoming a tertiary, Pier Giorgio chose the name "Girolamo" (Jerome) after his personal hero, Girolamo Savonarola, the fiery Dominican preacher and reformer during the Renaissance in Florence. Pier Giorgio once wrote to a friend, "I am a fervent admirer of this friar (Savonarola), who died as a saint at the stake."

Pier Giorgio was handsome, vibrant, and natural. These attractive characteristics drew people to him. He had many good friends and he shared his faith with them with ease and openness. He engaged himself in many different apostolates. Pier Giorgio also loved sports. He was an avid outdoorsman and loved hiking, riding horses, skiing, and mountain climbing. He was never one to pass on playing a practical joke, either. He relished laughter and good humor. As Luciana points out, "Catholic social teaching could never remain simply a theory with [Pier Giorgio]." He set his faith concretely into action through spirited political activism during the Fascist period in World War I Italy. He lived his faith, too, through discipline with his school work, which was a tremendous cross for him as he was a poor student. Most notably, however, Pier Giorgio (like the Dominican St. Martin de Porres) lived his faith through his constant, humble, mostly hidden service to the poorest of Turin. Although Pier Giorgio grew up in a privileged environment, he never lorded over anyone the wealth and prestige of his family. Instead, he lived simply and gave away food, money, or anything that anyone asked of him. It is suspected that he contracted from the very people to whom he was ministering in the slums the polio that would kill him. Even as Pier Giorgio lay dying, his final week of rapid physical deterioration was an exercise in heroic virtue. His attention was turned outward toward the needs of others and he never drew attention to his anguish, especially since his own grandmother was dying at the same time he was. Pier Giorgio's heart was surrendered completely to God's will for him. His last concern was for the poor. On the eve of his death, with a paralyzed hand, he scribbled a message to a friend, reminding the friend not to forget the injections for Converso, a poor man Pier Giorgio had been assisting. When news of Pier Giorgio's death on July 4, 1925 reached the neighborhood and city, the Frassati parents, who had no idea about the generous self-donation of their young son, were astonished by the sight of thousands of people crowded outside their mansion on the day of their son's funeral Mass and burial. The poor, the lonely, and those who had been touched by Pier Giorgio's love and faithful example had come to pay homage to this luminous model of Christian living.

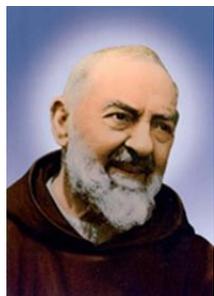
Pier Giorgio's mortal remains were found incorrupt in 1981 and were transferred from the family tomb in the cemetery of Pollone to the Cathedral of Turin.

*(Taken from the Third Order of St. Dominic)*

## ST PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

### WORKING BEE IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST DAY OF ST. PADRE PIO

The Working Bee will be for the inside and the outside of the Church on Saturday 10 September, after 9:00am Mass. **There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Table, please put your names down to help with the Working Bee.**



### ST PADRE PIO FEAST DAY 2022

#### Three Day Triduum:

Thursday 22 September, 7:00pm

Friday 23 September, 7:00pm

Saturday 24 September, 5.30pm

#### Feast Day Mass

Sunday 25 September, 10:00am

(no 8:00am Mass)

Everyone is invited to bring a plate of

food for the Feast Day. Please add your contact details & food to the sheet on the Welcome Table.

### PARISH RAFFLE

Funds raised from the raffle will be used to obtain a new Statue of Our Lady, since the current one is damaged and needs to be replaced. Everyone is encouraged to support this cause. Further, if you are interested in selling tickets, please see the Mass coordinator at the Welcome Table or contact the Parish office.

**1st Prize:** A3 Charcoal hand-drawn drawing of St Padre Pio

**2nd Prize:** Diamond Dot Art of St Padre Pio

**3rd Prize:** Statue of St Padre Pio

**Cost:** \$2 a ticket or 3 tickets for \$5

### PARISH KEY AUDIT

The parish is doing key audit next week. We request the parishioners who hold the church keys and not involved in any ministry to return the keys to the parish office asap.

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

#### AUGUST

**SUNDAY 28:** Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

**Monday 29:** The Passion of St John the Baptist

#### SEPTEMBER

**Saturday 03:** St Gregory the Great

### NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

#### LEGION OF MARY ROSARY MEETING

**Date:** Every Thursday, 7:00pm

**Place:** Parish meeting room. All welcome to attend.

#### FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION 02 SEPTEMBER

*Would you come and spend  
an hour with me?*



**8:00pm** All-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins.

**3:00am:** The Divine Mercy Chaplet

**9:00am:** Adoration concludes on Saturday with 9:00am Mass & Novena to St. Padre Pio.

We encourage all parishioners to add their name to the sign-up sheet on the Welcome table.

#### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Children in Year 4 and above are invited to become altar servers and serve in the Mass. Those interested need to attend the training on: Saturday, 03 September at 11am in the Church. For any enquiries: please contact Fr Suresh.

#### NATIVITY OF OUR LADY 08 SEPTEMBER

Join us for 9am Mass to celebrate this special feast of the birth of Our Lady.

**FATHER'S DAY:** *There will be a Blessing next weekend for all fathers and grandfathers. Please bring them along.*

### BISHOP'S FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR RETIRED AND SICK PRIESTS: 03 & 04 SEPTEMBER

This is traditionally held on Father's Day. This annual appeal raises much needed funds for our Diocese Clergy Support Foundation to continue its work of supporting retired clergy and those in ill-health. We currently care for 21 retired clergy in our Diocese: 1 bishop, 18 priests and 2 deacons. With your enthusiastic support to this Appeal, our Clergy Support Foundation can better care for our retired priests and those clergy who are unwell, giving them comfort, professional health care, and guidance. Thank you for your generosity.

### MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS

**Recently Deceased:** John Bender **For the Deceased:** Avelino Bhundoo, Mark Young & all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**Birthday:** Jeanette Zara Joe **Prayers for the Sick:** Trudi Weber, Maureen Klingner, Georgina Rastegorac, Waled Hana, John Bender, Maryrose Vella, John Vella, Catherine Vella & Lolyn Velayo. *Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered for Recently Deceased, Death Anniversary, Prayers for the Sick, Thanksgiving or Birthdays.*

### ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS - FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH - 03/04 SEPTEMBER 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Regina Rossetto
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Khalid Younan	Chris Hersey Manny Medel
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana		
READER	1. Freeda Fernandez 2. Phil Walsh	1. Trish Warda 2. Denise Robens	1. Zon Lupisan 2. Regina Rossetto
MUSIC	Mitchell's Group		Children's Choir
HOSPITALITY	help needed	Vera Daher	Deepa Cijo & Cijo Mathew
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