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OUR LITURGICAL LIFE Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. Baptisms: 1:30 p.m.

Weekday Eucharist

Mondays & Fridays: 8:00 a.m. Tuesdays & Thursday: 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays & Saturdays: 9:15 a.m. Rosary Saturdays at 8:45 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. and anytime by request.

Baptisms

Contact the parish office even before the birth for preparation and arrangements.

Marriages

By appointment with at least one year notice to permit adequate preparation.

Ministry to the Sick and Shut-Ins

Please notify the office if a family member is in hospital or confined to the home.

Holy Orders

For information contact Fr. Chris Lemieux 416-968-0997 or www.vocations.ca

Parish Schools

905-278-9821 St. Dominic's Elementary Queen of Heaven Elementary 905-278-9771 St. Paul's Secondary 905-278-3994 Archbishop Romero School 416-393-5555

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m - 6:30 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please introduce yourself to the pastoral staff and others and complete a registration form located in the vestibule of the Church.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Guild Altar Servers

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First Reconciliation Preparation

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(Folk Choir)

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Monday, Dec 4th
Ferial

8:00AM - Mass

Tuesday, Dec 5th Ferial

7:00PM - Mass - John O'Reilly骨

Wednesday, Dec 6th Ferial

9:15AM - Mass

Thursday, Dec 7th St. Ambrose

7:00PM - Mass - Maria Fillippa Farace⊕

Friday, Dec 8th
Immaculate Conception of
the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00AM - Mass

Saturday, Dec 9th
Ferial

9:15AM - Mass

New Missal

Missal for the new Liturgical Year is available at the office. The cost is \$ 5.



From the desk of Fr. Phil

Advent calls us as Christians to ponder again the mystery of our salvation, our hope that there is an answer to the riddle of earthy life with its passing joys, disappointments, sorrows, and frustrations, and its apparently dark end in the oblivion of death. Does life go anywhere? Does it have any meaning? Advent calls every one of us to stop in the struggle of life and to look up, to recall the answer to the questions of life. We are on a journey to our Father's house. The door has been opened to us by the Son of God, and the way marked out. Advent invites us to look back over the long centuries, during which the human race struggled on in shadows. Of course, there was always some light. It



began with the promise of a Redeemer who would crush the head of the destroying Serpent, the Son of a woman at bitter enmity with evil. The experience of human beings during those thousands of years of waiting is not so different from the lives of those around us who live without the consolation of faith and hope. They can accomplish much, but to what purpose? They can struggle to live as well and as long as possible, but then they will sorrow as those who have no hope.

The Christian should look at and listen to this darkness and confusion. Human existence for the believer is always an advent, a waiting, a journey toward a destination, toward the light. Begin Advent by recalling the long darkness endured by the human race. Many are still in it. As believers, we have the faith to know that God came to us through no merit of our own, and that He comes to us still by His grace. He calls to us by His birth, His life, His terrible death, and His glorious Resurrection. Advent reminds us that He will come again. So many mysteries, so many questions, and so many answers. For the one with faith, Advent should be a time of mystery, discovery, new insights, blessings, many graces and a deeper joy as we celebrate this great season.

Let us pray: O Lord, speak to my heart during this season of grace, as you spoke to your prophets and saints. Remind me again of the journey you call me to make and the work you would have me do. I am your servant, O Lord. Speak to me in this holy season and turn my eyes to watch for your coming.

O Emmanuel, Jesus Christ,

Desire of every nation, Savior of all peoples, come and dwell among us.

Dates to Remember

December 8th

Christmas Concert in the church – 7:30 pm – Christmas carols/songs, audience sing-a-long. Adults \$25,00 12 and under \$15.00 U5 and under free.



December 11th 7pm

Family of School - St. Dominic, Queen of heaven, St. Paul Family Advent Mass

December 12th

Archdiocesan Day of Confessions - 10:30 - 12noon, 2pm - 4pm, 7pm - 9pm after Mass

December 13th 9:15 am

Advent Mass - St. Paul Catholic Secondary School

December 17th -

Decorating Sunday –after 11:30am Mass - Please come and help me decorate the church for Christmas.

I hope you enjoy this beautiful time in the church year.

Advent Retreat - St. Dominic Parish



Advent: Waiting in Anticipation.

Dec 14 and Dec 15 - 7:30pm - 9:00pm

In the rush of the holiday season, take some time to yourself, to sit quietly wrapped in God's presence and reflect on the soon-to-be birth of the Christ Child in your life.

Jim Dunn is offering a 2-night twilight

retreat during Advent in preparation for the gift of the Christmas Saviour. Come reflect upon how we can find "more Bethlehem" in our lives.

Refreshments following in the parish hall.

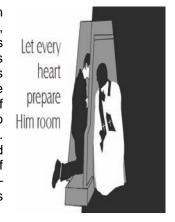
Christmas Cake Sale – Campaign Life Coalition



Campaign Life Coalition traditional Christmas cakes will be sold after all the Masses and it will continue into December on weekends after the Masses. The cakes are made by the Monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey in Quebec. The cakes are rich and exquisitely delicious. They make wonderful gifts. This year we have bar cake for \$18, round cake (1kg), for \$25. New this year is the gift basket for \$30.

Day of Confession

"So often, our own sins and failings seem to be an obstacle in encountering the love of our Lord, preventing us from taking the steps towards authentic and renewed conversion. Yet Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost, the physician who comes to heal the sick. And one of his first acts after the Resurrection was to entrust to the Church the power to forgive sins in his name. Thus, in order to undergo an authentic and renewed conversion, and to encounter the Love of God, a focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation – this most powerful encounter with divine mercy – is essential." - Thomas Cardinal Collins.



From **December 10 to 16, 2017**, each parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a **Day of Confessions**.

Confessions at our parish will be available on Dec 12. 10:30am – 12noon, 2pm – 4pm, 7pm - 9pm after Mass.

Prayers for the Sick



We remember our parishioners for their recovery to health especially: Barbara Ptashinski, Denise Lamontagne, Peter Banken, Sean Seepaul, Ronie Scholfiled, Stefania Pieke, Maureen Timms, Tony Fares, Reginaldo Emmerich, Louise Paquette, Anita Cottereau, Renford James, Casimiro Piscione, baby Aaron James, Eric Holgan, Marilza Alvarez, Gary Baldassi, Flavia Silva, Renee Beauregard, Colleen & Walter Popovic, Anne-Marie Cameron, Angelica Cagetano, Asia Tkacz, Michael Plante, Devon Hill, Larry Elmer, Antonio Tolentino, Andrew Calder, Elizabeth Toy, Arlene Ceccetto, Arthur McKenna, Edith Ardito, Mary Melnik, Eva Lil, Paul Von Zuben, Rusty Von Zuben, Phyllis Horbatiuk, Jim Clough, Michelle Moldenhauer, Robert Beatty, Joey Fares.

Vocation Seeds



The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Could God's "particular task" for you be a call to a Church vocation? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, Contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

St. Dominic's Seniors

Fun for Seniors

Our Seniors Group has started its 14th Season.



- o If you are a Senior 60+
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- Engage in lively conversations,

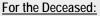
This is the group for you.

Come & join us on Tuesdays from 1 – 3pm in the Church Hall. All are welcome!

LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.



We pray for all the deceased in our community.



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