A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

CATHOLIC

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PARISH STAFF

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OUR LITURGICAL LIFE Sunday Eucharist

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

Weekday Eucharist

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 7:00 p.m. Fridays: 8:00 a.m. Every First Friday of the Month: 8:00 a.m. Mass 6:15 p.m. Holy Hour 7:15 p.m. Mass 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

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:00 p.m - 6:30 p.m. & Sunday: 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 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.

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PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Guild Altar Servers

Baptism Ministry Children's Liturgy of the Word Coffee Ministry **Collection Counters** Confirmation Preparation **Finance Council** First Eucharist and First Reconciliation Preparation **Funeral Ministry** General Church Maintenance Kitchen Coordinator Knights of Columbus Marriage Rehearsal Ministers of Eucharist Ministry of Music (SATB Choir) (Folk Choir) Ministers of the Word Ministers of Welcome Social Justice Education Spiritual Direction Pastoral Council RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Resettlement ShareLife St. Vincent de Paul Youth Ministry



Monica Parlette Francesca Racco Camillus Hyginus Fr. Terence Dias Silvana Altomare Joyce Varriano Michelle Gal-Chalmers Marie Jansa Fr. Terence Dias

Beverly O'Grady Gloria Noronha Paul Cantlon Laura Cordovado Paul Horbatiuk Marian Yuill Marie Jansa Brian Bonnici Sean Bator Virginia Ittig-Deland Gary MacDonald Carlos Diaz Beverly O'Grady Erica Miceli Barbara-Anne Krampert **Bev** Carpenter

Fr. Terence Dias Margaret Ramsay Meredith Erochko Natalye Mete Maureen Pangan



7:30PM every Monday ➤ Folk Choir Practice 7:30PM every Wednesday ➤ Sunday Coffee Every Sunday after 9:30AM Mass

First Sunday of Advent REFLECTION FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

First Sunday of Advent is the beginning of the new Liturgical year of the church. The next four weeks are filled with anticipation. What are we anticipating? For many the answer could be a party, Christmas bonus or vacation leave and a gift. All these anticipations are not bad but good. Christ was already born two thousand years ago and had put at our disposal all that we need to save ourselves. What is needed now is our personal response. We have to do our part. One of our responses could be a good preparation of ourselves by which the next four weeks are about preparing a place in our hearts for the one who will prepare a place for us with the Father in heaven. The best preparation that we should do with our lives during this season and the days to come throughout the year is what Mother Theresa of Calcutta had said, "Give until it hurts". We are good people. We do give. Sometimes we give a lot to show that we are generous and charitable. We even announce it and publish it but we rarely give until it hurts. If we want to be really good, we have to learn to really give. We cannot just give what is extra. We have to give up something we think is important to us and yet others need it all the more.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

<u>Christmas Mass Schedule:</u> Christmas Eve – 5, 7, 9:30 and midnight Christmas Day – 9:30 and 11:30 AM

New Year's Mass Schedule:

New Year's Eve - 5PM New Year's Day – 9:30 and 11:30 AM

Christmas Schedule

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Invite the **Spirit of Christmas** into our parish, our homes, and into our hearts. Once again, the St. Dominic's Garden Club wants to provide you with an opportunity to purchase a spectacular array of holiday poinsettias, etc. in time for the Christmas season. Pre-order your poinsettias, wreaths, outdoor arrangements, and table toppers in a variety of colors and sizes ranging from \$8 to \$80. Instead of buying from a nursery, consider buying locally from us, and you'll be helping to raise funds to offset the increasing costs of maintenance. You can even donate an arrangement or the equivalent in cash! Come speak to one of the Garden Club members after mass. **Sale dates:** <u>Nov 30/Dec 1 and Dec 7/8.</u> **Payment:** <u>Cash</u> <u>/cheque at time of order</u>. **Pickup dates:** <u>Dec 14/15 after all Masses</u>. Parishioners can notify St. Dominic's Garden Club at <u>gardeningatstdominc@bell.net</u> to arrange for pick up if they plan not to be at Mass that weekend.

PANETTONE SALE

Knights of Columbus will be selling Panettone (Lemon, Pistachio Chocolate) and Torrone bars "direct from Italy", after all weekend Masses in the Church Hall from Nov 30th onwards.



THANK YOU



I sincerely thank all of our parishioners of St. Dominic for your wholehearted support for my installation ceremony that was well attended by 18 priests, 3 deacons, 12 nuns and large number of lay faithful from St. Joseph church Mississauga, Merciful Redeemer Parish Mississauga, St. David's Parish Maple, Vaughan, along with St. Dominic Parish community. Our parish community's contribution

towards this event was amazing. There was tons of food to cater such a large congregation. The general compliment received was, "**It was well organized and beautiful.**" My sincere thanks to all of you. Our staff, our SATB & Folk choir, Altar servers (20 of them) – Camilus and Franca. Sanctuary cleaning and decoration: Germaine, Helene, Michael, Larissa, Freddy Gonsalves, Sergio. Parking arrangements: Spud Ramsay and Steve. Knights of Columbus both St. Dominic and St. David's Parish. Clergy vestments: Bev Carpenter. Hall setting and food arrangement committee: Rose & Mike Spadafora, Fatima Amaral, Teresa, Edmund Soares, Patrick Albuquerque, Iwona Rembacz and all the ministries their involvement and cooperation. Thanks for hosting such a big crowd and giving a good impression of our parish, May God bless us all.

Nov 30th – Dec 7th, 2019

FOODS OF THE WORLD DINNER



Join us for St Dominic's Foods of the World Dinner & Silent Auction

Date: Saturday 8th February 2020

Time: 6:30 PM (after Mass)

Tickets: Adult \$20.00 (at the door \$25.00) Children \$10.00 (5 and under free) Event to benefit St Dominic's Parish.

Tickets go on Sale 4th January 2020 after every Mass and in the office.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREES DON'T FORGET



There are still lots of gift cards on the trees. We support about 89 families at Christmas, so your gift is important. Please return the cards to the Parish Hall **Sat Dec. 14** between 4 and 5 pm or **Dec. 15** between 10:30 - 11:30 am or drop at the office. Income tax receipts are available. If you wish a receipt put the cards in an envelope with your name and address and the gift card receipt.

We hope to donate about \$200 to \$250 in food cards to feed a family of 4 or 5 people for Christmas dinner. We would also like to be able to give a \$50. gift card for each child. Thank you for your generosity.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We are happy to announce that we are starting children's choir with the Christmas eve. Parents please encourage your children if they are interested in singing. Children from grades 3 and older can sign up the sign-up sheets placed at the entrances of the church or contact the office. The rehearsal date will be notified to you shortly. We are thankful to our dedicated choir masters: Sean Bator and Brian Bonnici for their goodwill and cooperation.





FIRST FRIDAY WITH JESUS

December 6th is the First Friday of the month. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for adoration. Join us with your family and friends. Spend the time in prayer with our Eucharistic Lord to receive the blessings and healing.

ADVENT PARISH CONFESSION

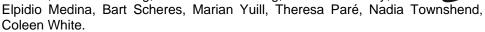
We will be having our Advent parish confession on Tuesday, **December 17** from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. There will be 8 - 10 priests available. This is a beautiful opportunity to reconcile with God and our fellow men in order to prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ. Please join in and invite others as well.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

We remember our parishioners for their recovery to health especially: Barbara Ptashinski, Peter Banken, Sean Seepaul, Denise Lamontagne, Maureen Timms, Louise Paquette, Anita Cottereau, Eric Holgan, Marilza Alvarez, Flavia Silva, Colleen & Walter Popovic, Ann-Marie Cameron, Angelica Cagetano, Asia Tkacz, Michael Plante, Larry Elmer, Arlene Ceccetto, Edith Ardito, Mary Melnik, Eva Lill, Paul Von Zuben, Phyllis Horbatiuk, Erna Go, Aline Vandewaeter,

Philippe Paquette, Christopher Faion, Jeff Gollob, Geraldine Jeanes, Henry Kaluzny, Carmilia Attanasio, Kayla Farrell, Denis Price, Paulette Kennan, Cristina Salvo, Germain de Backer, Joseph DiBiasi, Grace Roberto, Eamonn & Alice Browner, Alain Paquette, Bill & Diane Cranor, Perfecto Raymundo, Margaret Reynolds, Victoria Thomas, Daphne Lobo, Loretta Milligan, Rita Nicoll, Matthew Whiteley, Eugene & Heather Munro, Pat and Mel Melnike, Aiden Thurlow, Loren Giles Forrest, Marie Orna Arayata, Ian Masson, Alda & Joao Aguiar, Charlene Paculaba, Paul Cantlon, Nicholas Wong, Catatino Tumaneng, Corazon Samoy,



MISSALS 2020

Sunday Missals for 2020 are available at the office. The cost is \$5. Please come and pick up a copy.



Seniors' Group

Our Seniors Group has started its 15th Season this year.



- If you are a Senior 60+
- Love to play Euchre, and
- Engage in lively conversations,

This is the group for you. Come and join us on every Tuesday from 1-3pm in the Church Hall Refreshments are provided. All are welcome!



If you, or anyone you know who wish to convert to the Catholic Faith, or need to complete your reception of the Sacraments please let us know by calling the parish office and giving us your name and contact number/email to enroll into the RCIA program 2019-2020. The meeting will be held on Wednesdays at 7:00PM in the RCIA room.

LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.



For the Deceased:

Michele D'Aurizio Arthur Molasy Nicola Di Franco Rosina Cordovado ଫ

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend Nov 24, 2019

\$5483.40 We thank you for your ongoing generosity and support of the parish.

