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Fr. Terence Dias - Pastor
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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.

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

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Beverly O'Grady

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Carlos Diaz

Beverly O'Grady

Erica Miceli

Barbara-Anne Krampert

Bev Carpenter

Fr. Terence Dias

Margaret Ramsay

Meredith Erochko

Natalye Mete

Maureen Pangan





Sunday, Dec 15th

9:30AM – Mass
11:30AM – Mass Available

Monday, Dec 16th

Ferial
NO MASS

Tuesday, Dec 17th

Ferial
7:00PM – Jose Canario†

Wednesday, Dec 18th

Ferial
9:15AM – School Mass
- St. Dominic School
- Queen of Heaven School

Thursday, Dec 19th

Ferial
7:00PM – Evaristo & Raffaella
Bernandi†

Friday, Dec 20th

Ferial
8:00AM – Mass Available

Saturday, Dec 21st

Ferial
9:15AM – Caterina Pappano†
5:00PM – Mass Available



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

Third Sunday of Advent

REFLECTION FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Advent marks the four-week celebration before Christmas. It is traditionally a season of penance and preparation before Christmas. The official church Liturgical color is purple, a symbol of penitence. In today's gospel, John the Baptist sends emissaries to Jesus Christ in order to make it sure if He is really the One that they are waiting, the Messiah. Jesus answers the messengers, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead raised and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them." In other words, the greatest message of Jesus is that of healing. He healed the sick and the dying without medicine and takes no charge for His service – no doctor's fee. He never studied psychiatry and yet he has healed more broken hearts than the doctors far and near. The healing would be seen also as signs of an inner spiritual blessings. Long ago, a rabbi was said to have knocked at heaven's door and confronted the Messiah. Why are you taking so long? Don't you know humankind is waiting for you? "It is not for me they are expecting," answered the Messiah. "Some are waiting for wealth and riches; others for power to lord over others or for a kingdom of their own fantasies. No, they are waiting for the realization of their own foolish dreams, not the dreams of the Messiah for them." The rabbi came back to earth, gathered his disciples and forbade them to despair: "Let us begin to dream God's dream for us – Our true waiting begins."

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Mass Schedule:

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



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.



CALLING ALL CHILDREN

Rehearsal for Christmas Pageant will be held on **Sat. Dec 21st at 10:30am**. If you wish to be in the play during the 5pm Dec 24th Mass, please attend this rehearsal. It is the only rehearsal date.

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 dates are Dec 14th & Dec 21st. For more details contact Sean or Brian.

PANETONNE SALE & CAR DRAW

Knights of Columbus will be selling Panettone (Lemon, Pistachio Chocolate) and Torrone bars "direct from Italy", after all weekend Masses in the Church Hall. CAR-DRAW lottery tickets will be on sale as well.



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) 13yrs and up \$20.00
6yrs -12yrs \$10.00 – 5yrs and under free.

Event to benefit St Dominic's Parish.

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

Dec 14th – Dec 21st, 2019

FIRST – EVER SUMMER CAMP!



St. Dominic's church is hosting it's first-ever summer day camp, July 6-10, 2020.

Children from JK-Grade 6 will come together in age-specific groups, to explore the Catholic faith, form new friendships, and engage in a caring community. We hope to teach children more about the Catholic faith and deepen their relationship with God.

Program planning will take place in the next few weeks. Please keep your eyes on the bulletin for registration details in the new year.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



Your Offertory Envelopes for 2020 are in the vestibule. They are arranged numerically. Please collect them at your earliest convenience. If you have moved and not informed the office please let us know, so we can update the information in our system.

ST. DOMINIC'S GARDEN CLUB

The St. Dominic's Garden Club would like to thank the parishioners who participated in their first Christmas fundraiser. It was a great success!

Poinsettia orders can be picked up after all masses this weekend. Parishioners who are away this weekend, kindly email the Garden Club at gardeningatstdominic@bell.net to coordinate pick up. Thank you again for your support. See you next spring!



FIND THE TIME FOR PRAYERS THIS ADVENT

If you're looking for a way to fit prayer into your daily routine, the *Pray As You Go* app may be the solution for you. Using a combination of music, Scripture and reflection questions, it aims to help you grow in your relationship with God.

DANCING FOR THE COMPASS

Dancing for The Compass returns for a 13th year to the Port Credit Legion (upstairs), 35 Front St. N. on Saturday January 25, 2020. Doors upstairs open at 7:00 pm and dancing from 8:00 pm to 12:00 am. The ticket price for this fundraiser is \$25/person and \$30 at the door. Please contact the church office or phone Peter Toller at 905-274-6131 to order your tickets. It will be a fun night of 50s and 60s music with the local 8-piece band, **Little Peter and the Elegants**. A light buffet will be served. Fabulous raffle prizes, too!

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 Cottureau, 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, 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, Elpidio Medina, Bart Scheres, Marian Yuill, , Nadia Townshend, Coleen White, Steve & Marie Murray.



Christmas – Church Decoration



We expect your helping hand in putting up the Christmas decorations in the church and its surroundings on Third

Sunday of Advent December 22nd after 11.30 am Mass Thanks for your support and cooperation. Please do not forget to bring bells to ring during Christmas Eve and day Masses.

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!



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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:

- Nicola Di Franco †
- Rosina Cordovado †
- Denis Price †
- Jose Teixeira †
- Theresa Paré †

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekend Dec 8, 2019

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