# A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

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#### PARISH STAFF

Fr. Terence Dias - Pastor Beverly O'Grady, Pastoral Associate Gloria Noronha, Parish Secretary

#### **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 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour 7:00 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.

#### **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) Brian Bonnici Sean Bator (Folk Choir) Ministers of the Word Ministers of Welcome Social Justice Education Carlos Diaz Spiritual Direction Pastoral Council RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation Barbara-Anne Krampert for Adults) ShareLife Fr. Terence Dias St. Vincent de Paul Youth Ministry

Doris Zammit & Fatima Amaral Gia D'souza & Francesca Racco Fr. Terence Dias Silvana Altomare Joyce Varriano Michelle Gal-Chalmers Beverly O'Grady Fr. Terence Dias

Beverly O'Grady Gloria Noronha Michael Spadafora & Sergio Iavicoli Laura Cordovado Paul Horbatiuk Marian Yuill Fiona Pereira Virginia Ittig-Deland Gary MacDonald Beverly O'Grady

Margaret Ramsay





Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> *Ferial* 9:30AM – Mass 11:30AM – Mass

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Monday, Oct 31<sup>st</sup> *Ferial* NO MASS

Tuesday, Nov 1<sup>st</sup> *All Saints' Day* 7:00PM –Mass

Wednesday, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> *All Souls' Day* 9:15AM – Mass 7:00PM – Mass

Thursday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> *Ferial* 7:00PM – Maria Teresa Barillari⊕

Friday, Nov 4<sup>th</sup> St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop 8:00AM – Theresa Kostoff⊕ 6:00PM – Holy Hour 7:00PM – Enedino Maciel⊕

Saturday, Nov 5<sup>th</sup> *Ferial* 9:15AM – Adamo Conte 5:00PM – Mass



SATB Choir Practice
7:00PM every Monday
Folk Choir Practice
7:30PM every Wednesday



## Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time REFLECTIONS

Readings: Wisdom 11:22-12:2 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 Luke 19:1-10

The Book of Wisdom is pretty blunt about our human condition: we want God but we often don't want God enough to seek only God and not seek out only our own pleasure, joy and satisfaction. It is important to pay attention here, because there is nothing totally wrong with pleasure, joy and satisfaction! Jesus does not come to teach us that human life is basically bad! Instead, Jesus comes to tell us that we are loved.

We see this same message repeated in the Gospel. Zacchaeus wants to see Jesus and then wants to follow Jesus. Are we so interested in Jesus Christ that we are willing to be a bit foolish in our following of him? Can we really trust Jesus that much? And are we willing to risk being misunderstood by others and perhaps even being judged harshly by them?

Sometimes, perhaps, we are like the grumblers in the Gospel and doubt that some others really are serving the Lord. Or we have fairly fixed ideas about what makes a person a sinner. Always, Jesus invites us to love every other person and never to judge them. Even when the other person may do something that is clearly wrong and even evil, we never know what is making that person do such an act. Instead, we are invited always to presume the best.

Jesus' invitation to follow His way of living is an invitation to change the way that we live. In order to follow Jesus, we must begin by changing our own vision of what real life is about. We must recognize that real life is about loving others and not about getting our own personal pleasure, joy and happiness.

Let us take a few moments today and look honestly at our own lives. Let us renew our commitment to Jesus and to following what he taught us. Let us rejoice in God's love and forgiveness and learn how to love and forgive one another. Blessed be God for ever.

Fr. Terry

#### LASAGNA NIGHT

Come join us for a Lasagna Night on Sat, **November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6pm.** Tickets will be sold after each Mass and at the parish office.

Adults: \$ 35.00 & Kids age 5-12yrs S15.00

Please buy your tickets early to avoid disappointment. No tickets will be sold at the door. *There is cash bar available.* 

## JOIN OUR CHOIR

The Folk Choir will be resuming choir practices, which will be held every <u>Wednesday at 7:30pm</u>.

We will spend a few weeks rehearsing, prior to returning to singing at the 11:30am Mass on Sundays.

If you are a soprano, an alto, a tenor, or a bass, you are welcome to join. Also, if you are a musician (guitar, piano, bass, etc.) please come and speak to the choir director.

**High School Students** - If you are looking for community service hours, singing and/or playing with the choir will count towards your total hours, and I will gladly sign your documents.

As we will be singing without masks, it is requested that all members be fully vaccinated for COVID-19.

Please contact the choir director, Séan, at <a href="mailto:sean.bator@alumni.utoronto.ca">sean.bator@alumni.utoronto.ca</a> for more information.

Our first meeting with the children and parents together is taking place in the Church Hall on:

#### Sunday, November 6 at 1:30 pm or Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00 pm.

Please work on the first two chapters of "We Prepare for Reconciliation" at home with your child (the purple book). Please bring along any outstanding payments or baptismal certificate to the meeting. Or

send a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate to: catechist.stdominic@gmail.com

# **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2023**

Our Confirmation Program is a six-week on-line program designed for candidates and parents to attend together. Please register on-line through our Parish Website <u>https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org/</u> under **Sacraments at St. Dominic.** 

Parents and Candidates must attend an Information Meeting upstairs in the church on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

The cost of the program is \$65 and there is a Paypal link on the registration form. Please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate to the Information Meeting or to send a scan to <u>confirmation.stdominic@gmail.com</u> For more information, please contact Beverly O'Grady, Pastoral Associate at 905-278-7762 ext. 4.

## HELP FOR THE LESS FORTUNE FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society has continued to be active and serve our neighbours in need throughout the pandemic. We continued to respond to phone calls for help and mailed out vouchers for the grocery store each month. Our expenditures totaled about \$1300.00 each month. We serve about 30 single or family groupings per month. But, to practice social distancing and keep everyone safe, we stopped our home visits.

Since October we have resumed in person visits to the homes of our Neighbours in Need. It is through your donations that we are able to help people. The Government supports in place such as Ontario Works (approx. \$700 per month) and Ontario Disability Pension (\$1200) are amounts that are woefully inadequate to support people. The average rent in this area is about \$1200 for a onebedroom apartment so that there is no money left for food, clothing or bus tickets. Most people on social assistance are forced to use a food bank and we are lucky to have Compass in our neighbourhood where people can go weekly to get food support.

St. Vincent de Paul's assistance is limited to an amount we would classify as emergency funds, perhaps enough for 2 days of food and 2 bus tickets. In addition, we offer an extra \$50.00 every 3 months for people to buy clothing. We calculate the amounts we are able to distribute based on the donations received. Our annual collection is coming up on December 3rd and 4<sup>th</sup>. We hope to raise about \$17,000.00. The last few years donations have been down, but we hope people can continue to support this worthy cause.

The Neighbours in Need are also beginning to call for help for Christmas and we will be reaching out to you at the start of Advent.

If you would like to make a donation to the St. Dominic's St. Vincent de Paul Society before the annual collection to help us with our work, you may drop it in the collection basket on Sunday or go online to <a href="https://www.imakeanonlinedonation.org/ssvp-national/DONATION/">https://www.imakeanonlinedonation.org/ssvp-national/DONATION/</a>

You are able to select the conference where you wish to donation. Ours is St. Dominic Mississauga. Thank you for your support.

If you would like to join St. Vincent de Paul, please leave your name at the office.

#### Seniors' Group

Our Seniors' Group has started. 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!

RCIA

If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or wish to complete your Sacrament, please contact St. Dominic's church office, and leave your name and telephone



number. Our Catechist will be in touch and let you know about the program.

# ALTAR SERVERS: WELCOME

New altar servers are always welcome. Open to all children that have completed their First Holy Communion. No experience required. Contact the parish office if you are interested and the coordinators will get in touch.

## SUNDAY MISSALS 2023

Sunday Missasl for 2023 are available at the office for \$5.

# LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

For the Deceased:

Bernice Ethier

We pray for all the sick in our community.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend Oct 23, 2022

# \$2335.00

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

