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St. Dominic

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CATHOLIC
CHURCH



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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.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Guild	Doris Zammit & Fatima Amaral
Altar Servers	Gia and Gerson D'souza
Baptism Ministry	Fr. Terence Dias
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Silvana Altomare
Coffee Ministry	Joyce Varriano
Collection Counters	Michelle Gal-Chalmers
Confirmation Preparation	Beverly O'Grady
Finance Council	Fr. Terence Dias
First Eucharist and	
First Reconciliation Preparation	Beverly O'Grady
Funeral Ministry	Gloria Noronha
General Church Maintenance	Michael Spadafora & Sergio Iavicoli
Kitchen Coordinator	Laura Cordovado
Knights of Columbus	Paul Horbatiuk
Marriage Rehearsal	Marian Yuill
Ministers of Eucharist	Fiona Pereira
Ministry of Music (SATB Choir)	Brian Bonnici
(Folk Choir)	Sean Bator
Ministers of the Word	Virginia Ittig-Deland
Ministers of Welcome	Gary MacDonald
Social Justice Education	Carlos Diaz
Spiritual Direction	Beverly O'Grady
Pastoral Council	
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation	Barbara-Anne Krampert
for Adults)	
ShareLife	Fr. Terence Dias
St. Vincent de Paul	Margaret Ramsay
Youth Ministry	





Sunday, Nov 27th
First Sunday of Advent

9:30AM – Mass
11:30AM – Hermano Pereira✠
– Adele Jankowski✠
– Bojumila Pokarowski✠

Monday, Nov 28th
Ferial
NO MASS

Tuesday, Nov 29th
Ferial
7:00PM – Charlie Zammit✠

Wednesday, Nov 30th
St. Andrew, Apottle
9:15AM – Benjamin Ronald
(Special Intention)
– Norma & Basil Crooks
(Special Intention)

Thursday, Dec 1st
Ferial
7:00PM – Marie Ramsay✠

Friday, Dec 2nd
Ferial
8:00AM – Theresa Kostoff✠
6:00PM – Holy Hour
7:00PM – Vic Mattiussi✠

Saturday, Dec 3rd
St. Francis Xavier
9:15AM – Joseph Civelli✠
– Minoru & Haruko Fujimato✠
5:00PM – Domenika Bednarczyk
(Special Intention)



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

First Sunday of Advent



REFLECTIONS

Isaiah 2.1-5
Romans 13.11-14
Mathew 24.37-44

Today the Church begins Advent, a special time. It's a special time because today we begin a new liturgical year. Advent was chosen to begin the year as a reminder of the time in history when Christ was not known to us. With His birth the beginning of our faith was founded. Advent is a time of expectation and preparation for the birth of the Lord. A new time, a new opportunity and a new challenge. One of the characteristics of Advent is that it is a time of waiting. Today we have to ask ourselves: what am I waiting for in my life? Or maybe I can discover that in my life I am not waiting for something anymore. I have my life, I have a plan for my life. This situation can be a problem because if I do not expect anything new in my life I need nothing from other people and finally I need nothing from God. And especially if sometimes we are tired and we don't want to change anything in our life. God gives us every year this special time we call Advent.

If I want to make this Advent a special time for increasing my faith, the Church suggests several things to do. The first one we just spoke about: listen carefully to the voice of God. The second suggestion, during Advent we can dedicate more time for personal and community prayer. Maybe during Advent this can be a good practice for us. And of special importance during Advent go to the sacrament of penance or conversion. The time of Advent is a time when we are called to do these things I have mentioned, listen carefully to the voice of God, penance and dedicate time for prayer, because we are waiting for our master Jesus Christ. **"So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your Master is coming".**

Fr. Terry

LASAGNA NIGHT RESULT

Raised : \$ 3850
Expense : \$ 800

Net: \$3050

JOIN OUR CHOIR

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 sean.bator@alumni.utoronto.ca for more information.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes



In the coming year 2023, we will be reducing our offertory envelopes from 500 to 400.

Parishioners using envelopes in the **500** series this year are requested to come to the office at your earliest convenience and take a new number. Please do not use the new numbers till 2023.

When using a new number for the first time please ensure you write your full name and address so we can verify and update the information in our system.

If you would like to be on Pre-Authorized Giving Plan, please let us know at the office.

November 27th – December 3rd, 2022

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANATONE SALE

Knights of Columbus will be selling Panettoni after each of the Masses on the Advent Weekends- November 26-27, December 3-4, December 10-11, and December 17-18. The cost is \$20.00.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREES – COMMUNITY OUTREACH AT ST. DOMINIC

Christmas is a special time to think of other people, and St. Dominic's has a long tradition of giving and giving generously. Social Ministry outreach at St. Dominic's continues with the tradition of *The Giving Trees*. In the past, we have collected gift cards from you, the Parishioners, and distributed them to about 80 families at Christmas and once again we will be doing it this year.

Please purchase a gift card from one of the stores indicated in the amount you choose. The gift cards are for people in this community who are not able to provide Christmas for their families. The families are very grateful for the gift cards which allow them the dignity of providing gifts for their family.

Please purchase the gift card listed on the tag from *Dollarama, Shopper's Drug Mart, Loblaws, Metro, Walmart, Tim Horton's*. We use these stores because they are easy for our Neighbours-in-need to get to without a car. We try to provide about \$150 - 250 in food cards to feed a typical family of 4 for a generous Christmas dinner. Income tax receipts will be provided if you include your name and address.

Your contribution can make this Christmas, which is such a difficult time for families who struggle to make ends meet, a more joyous occasion.

Return the cards to the Parish by Saturday Dec. 10 or at Sunday Mass or drop them at the office.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will make sure the cards are distributed to families in our community before Christmas. Thank you for your generosity.

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 <https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org/> 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 confirmation.stdominic@gmail.com For more information, please contact Beverly O'Grady, Pastoral Associate at 905-278-7762 ext. 4.

ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Advent Day of Confessions for St. Dominic Parish will be on **Dec 13, 2022**, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve – No Morning Mass

- 5:00PM
- 7:00Pm
- 9:30PM
- 12:00AM

Christmas Day

- 9:30AM
- 11:30 AM

New Year's Mass Schedule:

New Year's Eve –

- 5:00PM

New Year's Day –

- 9:30AM and 11:30 AM



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

St. Joseph's Sunday Missals for 2023 are available at the parish office for \$5.

LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.



For the Deceased:

Juliana Dias †
Anita Pepper †
Maria Grace Vasile †

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Weekend Nov 20, 2022**

\$3250.00

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