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# St. Dominic

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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](http://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, Dec 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

9:30AM – Mass  
 11:30AM – Romeo Chosa†  
 – Sidalia Pereira†  
 – Joanna Raposo†

**Monday, Dec 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Ferial**  
**NO MASS**
**Tuesday, Dec 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**Ferial**

9:15AM – Advent Mass  
 St. Dominic & Queen of Heaven  
 Schools  
 7:00PM – Daphne Lobo†

**Wednesday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**St. Ambrose**

9:15AM – Aloysius & Denis  
 Noronha†  
 – Phillipa Lawrence†

**Thursday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**The Immaculate Conception**

9:00AM – Advent Mass  
 St. Paul's School  
 7:00PM – Joseph Civelli†  
 – Minoru & Haruko Fujimato†

**Friday, Dec 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**Ferial**

8:00AM – Private Intentions

**Saturday, Dec 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**Ferial**

9:15AM – Flora Noriel†  
 5:00PM – Daphne Lobo†  
 – Helma & Hubert Krampert†  
 – Mercedes Cruz†



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


**Second Sunday of Advent**
**REFLECTIONS**

*Isaiah 11:1-10*  
*Romans 15:4-9*  
*Mathew 3:1-12*

Today the Church chooses John the Baptist as the personification of the Advent theme as he preaches repentance, the transformation of the heart and reform of our lives and invites us to reflect on his prophecy as a preparation for the celebration of the birth of the Savior. Christmas is a worldwide feast that many people prepare for in different ways. For many it is a time for family reunions, for others, it is a time of increased business when people travel more and shop more. We too join the world to prepare to celebrate Christmas as a social event. But the best preparation for the event is the spiritual preparation. We prepare ourselves to celebrate the event when God assumed our nature to take our sins away and to enable us to share in his divine nature. There is no better preparation than that of conversion, of repentance.

The core message of this second Sunday of Advent, therefore, is that we must rid ourselves of everything that will present a stumbling block to being with Christ when he comes. Hence, we are encouraged to retrace our steps and make amend for the wrongs we have done. In this season we must expressly take advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the purification of our souls.

Let us, therefore, ask God this season of Advent to open our hearts in welcome, and so remove everything that will hinder us from receiving our Lord with joy, so that we may share in his wisdom and thus become one with him when he finally comes in his glory.

*Fr. Terry*

**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](mailto: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.

**ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS**

Advent Day of Confessions for St. Dominic Parish will be on  
**Dec 13, 2022**

- 6:00pm to 8:00pm.


**Day of Confessions**


**December 4<sup>th</sup> – December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANATONE SALE**

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

**THE GIVING TREE CHRISTMAS OUTREACH**



St. Dominic's Parish again is sponsoring the Giving Tree this year. Please purchase a gift card from *Loblaws, Metro, Shoppers, Walmart, Dollarama or Tim Horton's* to support members of our community through our social ministry outreach at Christmas. The deadline for the card donation is **Dec. 10/11**. After that date monetary donations may be given to St. Vincent de Paul and will be used to support Neighbours-in-Need all year.

Gift cards allow people to buy what they want and need, and to have the joy and dignity of purchasing things for their families. This increases the excitement of Christmas for the family. Please give generously within your means.

Remember how expensive it is to provide a Christmas dinner for a family of 4 or five. If you can help, it will be appreciated. This year is especially difficult. Basic food prices and gas have risen in price and the people we help are on a fixed income. They have even less at the end of the month to provide food for their family.

Pass on the information to your neighbours and friends so that we can continue to support families in need. In past years we have supported about 80 families at Christmas.

Please return the cards by **Saturday Dec. 10**. You can turn them into the office or put them in the collection baskets. Thank you for your generosity!

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Eucharistic Ministry sign up sheets for Christmas and New Years duties are posted in the Sacristy. Please take a moment to sign up for one of the Masses.

**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](mailto:confirmation.stdominic@gmail.com) For more information, please contact Beverly O'Grady, Pastoral Associate at 905-278-7762 ext. 4.

**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
- 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:**

- George Sliwa †
- Joao Anacleto †
- Juliana Dias †
- Anita Pepper †

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