A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

St. Dominic ROMAN 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 Diana Padzik 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) Daniel D'Amario

(Folk Choir) Sean Bator

Ministers of the Word Virginia Ittig-Deland
Ministers of Welcome Gary MacDonald
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









Sunday, March 12th

9:30AM - Mass

11:30AM - Jose Rocha ₽

- Angelo & John Celeste ₽
- Angelica Cassia

Monday, March 13th *Ferial*NO MASS

Tuesday, March 14th *Ferial*

7:00PM - Mass

Wednesday, March 15th Ferial

9:15AM - Mass

Thursday, March 16th *Ferial*

7:00PM - Giuseppe Renato⊕

Friday, March 17th *Ferial*

8:00AM – Giovanna & Raffaele Lisena (Special Intention) 6:30PM – Stations of the Cross 7:00PM – Pat & Mel Melnike ₽

Saturday, March 18th Ferial

9:15AM – Mass 5:00PM – Mass



- > SATB Choir Practice 7:30PM every Monday
- ➤ Folk Choir Practice 7:30PM every Wednesday

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Third Sunday of Lent

REFLECTIONS

Readings: Exodus 17.3-7 Romans 5.1-2,5-8 John 4.5-42

Today, like the Samaritan woman, we encounter Christ as the living water. God reveals his mysteries to us by means of things we can understand. We need water and we know what it feels like to thirst. But we also need God. Just as we cannot exist without water, we cannot exist without God, and we thirst for him. We go to a well to find water, but where do we go to satisfy our thirst for God? We go to the Church, where God has transformed the ordinary water of Baptism into the means by which we first drink from the living water that is Christ.

Where do we come to quench our thirst for God? We come to the Church. We come to the Sacraments, which God established for the very purpose of giving himself to us. They are like oases in the desert; places of refuge where we find spiritual nourishment. It is true, God can satisfy our thirst anywhere because he himself is not bound by the Sacraments, just as he brought forth water from the rock to satisfy the thirst of the Hebrew people during the Exodus. God's grace will always be given to those who ask in faith.

But God does not want to be hidden from us. He thirsts for us. He thirsts for our thirst. He wants us to be able to come to him and that's the very reason why he established a Church, and why he has linked his grace to the Sacraments; so we will know where to find him; so we will know where to come to quench our thirst. Let us pray that by our Lenten prayers we may have our own well-side encounter with Christ, remembering that it is he who first seeks us and asks for a drink. "He thirst, that we may thirst for him" (St. Augustine).

Fr. Terry

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2023 - REGISTRATION CLOSES MAR 30



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

Last day for Registration is Thursday, March 30, 2023

Pastoral Associate at 905-278-7762 ext. 4.

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LENTEN DAY OF CONFESSION

Our parish day of Confession is **Friday March 31**st from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

THANK YOU! IN FROM THE COLD REPORT

Thank you so much to the Parishioners who donated to the breakfast Program for In From the Cold. It is running until the end of March and we hope into April. (There are more storms forecast.) There are now 25 people housed every night at the shelter with some people turned away almost every night.

The Region of Peel gave more funding when they asked us to house 5 more people, so we now have the funding for breakfast. However Compass Food Bank always needs food donations.

SHARELIFE

Live the Gospel by helping our vulnerable brothers and sisters

ShareLife Sunday is **March 26** and we once again ask you to give generously to support Catholic agencies, who in turn care for the most vulnerable in our communities. As a parish, this is our opporunity to live the Gospel!

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

March 11th - March 18th, 2023

NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS

The finance committee presented two new funding campaigns that have been approved by the Archdiocese.

A capital campaign for items such as upgrading the parking lot, the furnace and the parish sound and lighting. Our parish was built in 1955 and some of the items are way overdue for upgrades as the church is almost 70 years old. The parking lot has been cited by the Archdiocese as a potential safety hazard.



The second campaign is a loan repayment initiative. As presented in the 2021 financial statements there are outstanding loans payable to the Archdiocese of \$581,000. The Archdiocese has graciously allowed a matching program for our loan repayment campaign and a dollar for dollar match up to \$200,000. That means if we raise \$200,000, the Archdiocese will match that \$200,000 for a total repayment of \$400,000.

The proceeds of these two campaigns will go directly to supporting St. Dominic's. With the Family of Faith campaign that was started in 2015, only 25% of the amounts went towards St. Dominic's and the remainder went to the Archdiocese. We are hoping parishioners would contribute to these campaigns in the same capacity as they donated to the Family of Faith campaign.

Envelopes for the two campaigns are available at the entrances of the church and we have the ability to take online donations for each of the campaigns if you visit the St. Dominic's website (https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org). We are also working on pledge sheets for parishioners that will be distributed in due

Working together we can make these two campaigns a success.

LENT

Do You Want To Fast This Lent? (In the Words of Pope Francis...)

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words. 0
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude. 0
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope. 0
- Fast from worries and have trust in God. 0
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity. 0
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful. 0
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy. 0
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled. \circ
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday April 1st/ 2nd

Blessing & Distribution of Palms at all Masses

Masses: Saturday - 5:00pm & Sunday - 9:30am & 11:30am

Holy Thursday April 6th

Commemoration of the Lord's Supper & Washing of the Feet. Mass at 7:30pm and church open for adoration at midnight.

Good Friday April 7th

Celebration of the Lord's Passion – Children's Service at 1pm

Service at 3:00pm Liturgy of the Word, Adoration of the Cross, Holy Communion. 7 pm Stations of the Cross with our Folk choir – music by Taizé

Holy Saturday April 8th : Please note - NO 9:15am or 5pm Mass

Food Blessings - 10:30am

Easter Vigil Mass - 8:00pm

Easter Sunday April 9th

Masses 9:30am &11:30am Mass

Easter Monday - April 10th

No Mass - Office Closed

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

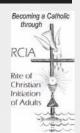
Refreshments are provided.

All are welcome!



RCIA

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



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. Volunteer screening and consent forms are mandatory.

LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.

For the Deceased:

Angelica Cassia ₽ Beverly Carty ₽ Raul Carvalho⊕ Frank Bresolin &



OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend March 5, 2023

Weekly: \$ 3861.65

Cumulative Loan Repayment:

\$9525.00

Cumulative Capital Campaign:

\$5225.00

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



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