## 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 19th

9:30AM - Mass

11:30AM - Vittorio Silvestri ₽

Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph NO MASS

#### Tuesday, March 21st Ferial

7:00PM – Aleksandra Dobranowksi (Special Intention)

### Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> Ferial

9:15AM – Deceased members of Francis Family⊕

### Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> *Ferial*

7:00PM – Alban Rodrigues (Special Intention)

### Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> Ferial

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

### Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> Annunciation of the Lord

- Don De Caire &

9:15AM – Mass 5:00PM – Alexander Costenuck&



> SATB Choir Practice 7:30PM every Monday

➤ Folk Choir Practice 7:30PM every Wednesday

### Fourth Sunday of Lent REFLECTIONS



Readings: 1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

#### "I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, ANYONE WHO FOLLOWS ME WILL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE."

Light and darkness, sight and blindness are the contrasting images in the Scripture Readings of this Sunday. The central message is that Christ heals our spiritual blindness in our Baptism and makes us witnesses of the truth. The verse before the Gospel introduces the central point of our celebration, "I am the light of the world, anyone who follows me will have the light of life." The entire liturgy today therefore, celebrates the mystery of Christ - the light of the world; the light that dispels the darkness of our minds and our hearts; the light that draws us to walk out of the shadow of our sins. In Jesus we are elevated into a new life. As the man born blind received a new capacity, a new way of experiencing the world, so, too, we receive a new capacity for a deeper way of life, to come to experience the familiar world around us in the unfamiliar light of Jesus, who is forever the Light of the World.

So, as we consider the Scripture Readings of today, let us look at what in our lives is darkness, the places where we are blind and try to shed light on them. Are we blind to the sufferings and needs of our neighbour? Do we show prejudice in our daily dealings with people? Do we ignore or put into a dark place the things that we might have influence on to help others? Even though we have become light, we still must choose to put forth that light, to help others, to be a light for others. We must make sure that our community of believers is supported and that we show our love to each other. And this is the Good News makes of today.

# 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

 $\underline{\textit{https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org/}} \text{ under Sacraments at } \\ \textbf{St. Dominic}$ 

Last day for Registration is Thursday, March 30, 2023 For more information, please contact Beverly O'Grady,

#### **LENTEN DAY OF CONFESSION**

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

#### **TAX RECEIPTS 2022**

Tax receipts for 2022 are available for pick up from the office on weekdays or they can be picked on weekends from the Ministers of welcome at the main entrance of the church.

#### **SHARELIFE**



Show your love on the Feast of St. Joseph through ShareLife

Today we celebrate the feast of St. Joseph and reflect on his holy life and the way he loved and cared for Jesus and Mary.

Next week is ShareLife Sunday. May we emulate St. Joseph's example and share our blessings with the least of our brothers and

sisters.

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

#### March 18<sup>th</sup> – March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### **NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS**

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



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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 course.

Working together we can make these two campaigns a success.

#### MASS OF CELEBRATION

Mass of Celebration to Welcome Archbishop Francis (Frank) Leo

The installation of Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo as Archbishop of Toronto will take place on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Given capacity restrictions at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, this will be an invitation-only event. The Mass of Installation will be livestreamed through www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live and broadcast on Salt & Light Catholic TV and through their website: www.slmedia.org.

Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

#### **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. 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross.

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

Food Blessings - 10:30am

Easter Vigil Mass - 8:00pm

Masses 9:30am &11:30am Mass

Easter Monday - April 10th No Mass - Office Closed

Easter Sunday April 9th



#### 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!

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



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 ₽ Adele Canonico ₽ Raul Carvalho 



### OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend March 12, 2023

Weekly: \$ 3721.65 **Cumulative Loan Repayment:** \$10240.75 **Cumulative Capital Campaign:** \$5960.75

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