## 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

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Kitchen Coordinator Laura Cordovado
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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, April 30<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:30AM - Mass

11:30AM – Deceased members Of Da Silva family ₽

- Vittorio Silvestri⊕
- Patricia Thomas
- Benildes D. Namuag ir. ⊕

# Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> Ferial NO MASS

#### Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Athanasius

6:30PM - Rosary

7:00PM – Gertrude Bumbury⊕

– John Chisholm<sup>‡</sup>

#### Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Philip & St. James

8:45AM – Rosary 9:15AM – All Souls in Purgatory&

## Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup> Ferial

6:30PM – Rosary 7:00PM – Marjolaine Zorec&

## Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> Ferial

7:30AM - Rosary

8:00AM – Giovanna & Raffaele

Lisena (Special Intentions)

6:00PM - Holy Hour

7:00PM – Deceased members of Pinto family ♣

# Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> St. Francois de Laval, Patron of the Bishops of Canada

8:45PM - Rosary

9:15AM - Zelia Soares ₽

5:00PM - Domi Fernandes ₽

Agustino Cerini

> MAY- Rosary Month
Join us everday before Mass.

> SATB Choir Practice

7:30PM every Monday

> Folk Choir Practice 7:30PM every Wednesday

### **Fourth Sunday of Easter**



REFLECTIONS

Readings: Acts of the Apostles 2:14a,36-41 Peter 2:20b-25 John 10:1-10

This fourth Sunday of the Easter season is sometimes called Good Shepherd . Throughout John's Gospel the Pharisees fail to accept Jesus' ministry and teaching. They show themselves to be "robbers and thieves" because they try to lead the sheep without entering through the gate, Jesus. Through these metaphors, Jesus is telling his listeners that those who follow him and his way will find abundant life. He identifies himself both as the shepherd and the gate. The shepherds who are faithful to him are the ones whom the sheep (Jesus' disciples) should follow.

The relationship between the sheep and their shepherd is based on familiarity. Sheep recognize their shepherd and will not follow a stranger. At the end of the day, shepherds lead their sheep from pastures to a common gated area called a sheepfold. There, one shepherd protects all of the sheep until the next day when each shepherd returns to lead his own sheep to pasture. As shepherds move among the sheep, the sheep follow only their shepherd.

Today's Gospel also gives us the opportunity to reflect on Christian leadership. Jesus' words suggest to us that those who will lead the Christian community will be known by their faithfulness to Jesus. The leaders will recognize that Jesus is the gate for all of the sheep and that having a good relationship with Jesus is the primary characteristic of a Christian leader. Jesus' allegory also suggests that faithful Christian leadership requires a good relationship with the community: the shepherd knows his sheep, and they know him. Christian leaders follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, by being faithful to him and by being a good shepherd.

Fr. Terry

#### SUNDAY MASS FOR CHILDREN MAY 7 @ 11:30AM

Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am Mass will be celebrated as a special Children's Mass. We request parents, principals and staff of St. Dominic & Queen of Heaven Elementary Schools to encourage children to attend the Mass.

#### SHARELIFE



#### ShareLife Sunday and the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

When you support ShareLife, you help educate our future priests. This past year, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 58 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

Thus far we have raised total \$7867.00 toward our goal of goal \$42,200. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

#### ST. DOMINIC'S MOTHER'S DAY ROSES

St. Dominic's Altar Servers will be selling Mother's Day roses for \$5 each after all three Masses on *May 13 and 14*. Please support this fundraiser and purchase a rose for your mother or grandmother!

All proceeds will go towards the St. Dominic's Capital Campaign.

#### **BAKE SALE**

Save the Date: May 27 & May 28. Announcement will be in the next bulletin.

#### **COFFEE SUNDAY**

Join us for coffee every Sunday after 9:30am Mass.

All are welcome.



#### April 29<sup>th</sup> – May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 **NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS**

We have two new funding campaigns and we distributed pledge cards for parishioners to complete. Please return the pledge cards to the parish office or place it in the collection basket or in the donation boxes at the front of the church. Also please remember to record your envelope number and your name on the pledge card for better tracking.



The first campaign is the capital campaign for items

such as upgrading the parking lot, the furnace and the parish sound system and lighting. Our parish was built in 1957 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 and pledge cards are available at the entrances of the church and we have the ability to take online donations for each of the the St. Dominic's campaigns if you visit website (https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org).

Working together we can make these two campaigns a success.

#### QUEEN OF HEAVEN SCHOOL SPRING MARKET

#### May 27, 2023 from 9pm to 2pm

Location: Queen of Heaven School, 1198 Alexandra Ave, Mississauga

Queen of Heaven School is having its First Annual Spring Market. We invite family and friends.

Shop from our local vendors. Proceeds from Vendor Table Fees to benefit Grade 8 Graduation. All are welcome!

**Note to Vendors**: Secure a table for \$40. To sign up to be a vendor, please contact the school at queenofheaveninfo@dpcdsb.org as soon as possible. Spots are limited.

#### ARE YOU ABLE TO HOST A UKRAINIAN FAMILY?

When hearing reports of the war in Ukraine, and the millions of Ukrainians that have been forced to flee their homeland, many have asked what they can do to help. Over 200,000 Ukrainians have already arrived in Canada through a special visa program created by Immigration Canada. An additional 800,000 have applied to the program and are expected to arrive in the coming months. Many are arriving to Toronto and are without family here in Canada to help them. Among those will be some who are vulnerable to human trafficking, particularly seniors, single women, and women with children. There is an immediate need for families to host for a period of between one and six months some of those who have arrived.

If you would like to learn more about hosting a Ukrainian family, please go to Archdiocese of Toronto - Ukrainian Crisis (archtoronto.org) and register for a virtual information session.

#### **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.

#### 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.

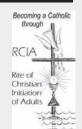
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are starting Tai Chi every Tuesday. From: 11:45 am to 12:30pm.

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 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. 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:

Steven Violath

### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION** Weekend April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

Weekly: \$ 3808.75 **Cumulative Loan Repayment:** \$17.068.55 **Cumulative Capital Campaign:** 

\$10,048.60

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



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