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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, May 14th Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:30AM - Mass

11:30AM - Deceased members

- Jose Rocha[⊕]
- Lillian Fitzsimons
- Marguerite Gauvreau

Monday, May 15th Ferial NO MASS

Tuesday, May 16th **Ferial**

6:30PM - Rosary

7:00PM - Cathal Boyd ₽

- Patrick Comac[⊕]

Wednesday, May 17th Ferial

8:45AM - Rosarv 9:15AM - Mass

Thursday, May 18th **Ferial**

6:30PM - Rosarv 7:00PM - Berta Cabral ₽

Friday, May 19th Ferial

7:30AM - Rosary

8:00AM - Giovanna & Raffaele

Lisena (Special Intentions)

Saturday, May 20th **Ferial**

8:45PM - Rosary

9:15AM - Dave Marchiori ₽

5:00PM - Mass



> SATB Choir Practice

7:30PM every Monday

Folk Choir Practice

7:30PM every Wednesday

COFFEE SUNDAY

Join us for coffee every Sunday after 9:30am Mass. All are welcome!

Sixth Sunday of Easter **REFLECTIONS**



Readings: Acts 8.5-8,14-17 1Peter 3.15-18 John 14.15-21

In this Sunday's episode, we have a sense of the seriousness of this crisis and the politics of the early Church. On the one hand, there were those who wanted to protect the traditions concerning what it meant to be a believer. To them, the law of food and circumcision was fundamental to being in covenant with God. They had the majority on their side since the movement was still a Jewish affair.

Then on the other hand, there were others led by Paul who pushed the boundaries of Christianity. They challenged their fellow believers to a new understanding of what it meant to be in covenant with God. In the end, it was the collective and purposeful discernment through the Council of Jerusalem that catalysed the Church into a new era. The Christian movement would have been an irrelevant Jewish sect if it had responded to changes with fear and timidity.

In the Gospel, Jesus speaks to the disciples in anticipation of his departure. He reassures them that this should not be cause for anxiety. Instead, they should be glad because the Father will send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit to guide them and lead them into the fullness of life, truth and love. Jesus calls us as he did his disciples to break loose from our comfort and security, from self-interested and enclosed living to a life open to the kingdom vision of integrity, solidarity and justice

In him, we meet the God who pushes the boundaries of acceptance and love. In him, we are challenged to let go of our certitudes and securities, the habits, the routines, the patterns of behavior that are no longer relevant and life-affirming. It was this call to deeper truth and justice that guided the early Church to grow beyond its Jewish confines. We must be likewise guided to respond to our own needs and changes today.

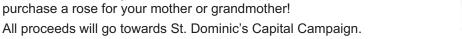
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A Blessing For Mothers

May the God of our mother Sarah be your fountain of life to bless + you and give you health and happiness, so that you may be a blessing to your family and to all who are in your care. May Jesus, the Son of Mary, be your Protector to give you strength and health and peace, so that you may be a refuge and haven for your family. May the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, shield you from all the powers of darkness and give you joy in being a mother to your children. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

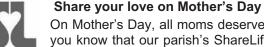
ST. DOMINIC'S MOTHER'S DAY ROSES

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





SHARELIFE



On Mother's Day, all moms deserve to be celebrated and supported. Did you know that our parish's ShareLife campaign is helping young women ShareLife with an unexpected pregnancy? One such mother is Nikki, who was able to continue her education and receive practice assistance through a ShareLifefunded agency called Rose of Sharon.

"If it wasn't for you and for ShareLife, I don't know where we would be today," says Nikki. "We will always and forever be grateful for your support!"

May 13th – May 20th, 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 campaigns if you visit the St. Dominic's 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.

BAKE SALE

Calling all Bakers - May 27 & May 28 is our bake sale.

If you love to bake, call us at the office – 905-278-7762 or leave your contact information on the sign up sheet around all the entrances and we will get back to you.

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.

Fun for Seniors

Our Seniors

do **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 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.

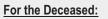
ALTAR SERVERS: WELCOME

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. Volunteer screening and consent forms are mandatory.

LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.



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OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend May 7th, 2023

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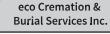
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