

A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

St. Dominic

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CHURCH



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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Terence Dias - Pastor
Beverly O'Grady, Pastoral Associate
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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
Youth Ministry	




Sunday, May 21st
Ascension of the Lord

9:30AM – Mass
 11:30AM – Deceased members
 Of Aguiar family †
 – Nolletti Family
 (Special Intention)

Monday, May 22nd
Ferial
NO MASS
Tuesday, May 23rd
Ferial

6:30PM – Rosary
 7:00PM – For the souls of Tina's
 parents & the all deceased
 members †

Wednesday, May 24th
Ferial

8:45AM – Rosary
 9:15AM – Tina Antao & Louise
 Baretto (Special Intentions)

Thursday, May 25th
Ferial

6:30PM – Rosary
 7:00PM – Deceased members of
 Gentles family †

Friday, May 26th
St. Philip Neri

7:30AM – Rosary
 8:00AM – Giovanna & Raffaele
 Lisena (Special Intentions)

Saturday, May 27th
Ferial

8:45PM – Rosary
 9:15AM – Guadalupe Sevilla †
 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!


The Ascension of the Lord
REFLECTIONS
Readings:

Acts 1.1-11

Ephesians 1.17-23

Mathew 28.16-20

After the Lord's Ascension, humanity has had a place – the place of honour – at the right hand of God for all eternity. Jesus wasn't abandoning his people, but rather, he was going before them, manifesting the gloriously beautiful fruits of his resurrection from the dead. Paradoxically, in his Ascension, Jesus didn't become more distant from his people, but instead was making it possible for us to have a closer and more intimate connection with the life of heaven. As the second reading described it, he opened a 'new and living way ... for us through the curtain'. And where Jesus, the Head, has gone before in glory, we, the Body are called to follow in hope...

This joyful and hopeful Good News comes with implications too. In both the first reading and the Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples that they are to be witnesses. They are to carry on his mission in the world. Like students reaching the end of their time at school, they must now step up and take responsibility. There's something almost comic about the two angels appearing as the disciples watched Jesus ascend into heaven. 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven?' It's as if they're saying that the party is over now and it's time to get on with the work of being his witnesses. He promised the Holy Spirit, to equip them for that task, and of course he would continue to be present when they gathered for the Breaking of Bread. We are called to continue his mission.

'Christ has no body but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on this world, Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good, Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, Yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now but yours.' [St Teresa of Avila]

Fr. Terry.

ST. DOMINIC'S MOTHER'S DAY ROSES

Our Mother's Day Rose Campaign was an outstanding success. We sold all 36 dozen roses and raised \$1538.72 for the parish! Thank you for your support. And congratulations to our altar servers and their families for doing such a terrific job!


SHARELIFE

ShareLife and World Communications Day

On this World Communications Day, your support of ShareLife is improving the lives of Deaf people in our community.

More than 60% of families with a Deaf child do not know or use a signing language. Silent Voice, a ShareLife agency, is able to provide an array of accessible programs and services, responding to the needs of Deaf adults, youth, children, infants, and their families in American Sign Language (ASL). This is because of you. The help and support you give brings hope and changes many lives. Thank you for your generosity.

PLANT SALE

Are you dividing your plants? Or reorganising your garden? We would love to take your plants!

St. Dominic's is having a plant sale on **June 10th** from 9am to 1pm.

You can drop off your plants in containers and duly labeled at the Atwater side garden gate. All proceeds from the sale will go towards maintaining the Altar arrangements and maintaining the church garden.

Come and make our plant sale a success!

May 20th – May 27th, 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.



- 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.



For the Deceased:

Janet Date Bernard †
Arnel Naval †

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Weekend May 14th, 2023

Weekly: \$ 3109.35
Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$24,288.55
Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$16,818.60

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

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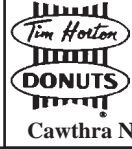
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