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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. Matthew McCarthy
416-968-0997 or voactiontoronto.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	



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Oct 8th

9:30AM – Mass
11:30AM – Alfonso Cotoia †
– Rebecca Layugan †
– Anna Wagner †

Monday, Oct 9th

Ferial
NO MASS

Tuesday, Oct 10th

Ferial
7:00PM – Elizabeth Berger †

Wednesday, Oct 11th

Ferial
9:15AM – Mass

Thursday, Oct 12th

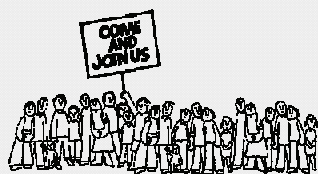
Ferial
7:00PM – Cathal Boyd †

Friday, Oct 13th

Ferial
8:00AM – Simon D'Souza

Saturday, Oct 14th

Ferial
9:15AM – Zelia Soares †
5:00PM – Jane Jelinek †



- **SATB Choir Practice**
7:30PM every Monday
- **Folk Choir Practice**
7:30PM every Wednesday
- **Sunday Coffee**
Every Sunday after 9:30AM Mass

Pastor's Corner

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

REFLECTIONS

Readings:
Isaiah 5:1-7
Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 21:33-43

The images that are used in Scripture sometimes leave us with a sense that God is just waiting to judge us and throw us in Hell. But that is because we misunderstand the words and images of Scripture. We take them as an accurate image of God. Instead, the words of Scripture are the words of men, reflecting in some Divine Way, the reality of God. We also have to recognize that bad actions on our own part will bring bad results in our lives—not because of God wanting to do something bad to us but because our life will reflect the way that we live. It is our own actions that actually end up condemning us and making our lives to be a mess—not God

The images today in the first reading and the Gospel are about what we humans do with our lives, both personally and as a people or as a community. We mess things up and we reject God and His ways. The image used to show that God sees what is happening is that of God's anger—but we must remember that it is God who is upset with us for choosing against Him. God always loves us unconditionally and even accepts our rejection of Him. God cannot change us unless we choose to let God change us. Sometimes when our lives are a mess, all we can do is ask God: "Help me." That is enough. But when we blame the mess on God and reject God, then God cannot help us unless we have some openness to Him.

So the message of the readings today is very clear: choose God and pray to God with a complete confidence. If we reject God, he cannot go against our own free will which He gave us. God's choice is always love! Our choice is up to us.

Fr. Terry



OCTOBERFEST



Octoberfest Market Festival coming up on **Oct 21, 2023** from 9am to 3pm.

Experience the tea room, local vendors for gift ideas, shop fresh produce, explore kids corner and stop for beer and snacks.

Fun for the family!

Vendors are welcome!

Call: 905-278-7762 or email: stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org for more information.

Proceeds will go towards Capital Campaign and Loan Repayment.

First Communion & First Reconciliation Preparation Registration 2023

Our Sacramental Program is returning to in-person learning! Preparation for First Communion and First Reconciliation will begin in October. Please register on-line through our Parish Website <https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org/> under **Sacraments at St. Dominic**.

This program is for parents and children to attend together (except for 3 Parent only meetings). The cost of the program is \$70 and there is a link to Paypal on the registration form. **Parents must attend** an Information Meeting upstairs in the church on **Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 7:00 pm**. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate or send a scanned copy to catechist.stdominic@gmail.com

For more information, please contact Beverly O'Grady, Pastoral Associate at 905-278-7762 ext. 4.

Oct 7th – Oct 14th, 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.

FOODS OF THE WORLD

We thank everyone who participated in our event, "Foods of the World". Lot of hard work and planning was involved in making this event such a success and bringing the community together. All our cooks, our decorators, our DJ, our bartenders and all our volunteers made this happen.

We sold tickets worth \$3394 and after expense of \$678 we made **\$2716**. The proceeds will go equally towards Capital Campaign and Loan Repayment.

RENEW TORONTO YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE

Renew Toronto is a conference for all young adults ages 19-39 taking place on *Saturday, November 4, 2023* at Canada Christian College. The day includes keynotes by Jackie & Bobby Angel, worship lead by Steadfast Worship, various workshop speakers, Confessions, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and fellowship.

This conference offers unique opportunities for students, young adult professionals, and young couples. Renew your heart. Renew your call. Renew our community. Registration ends October 13, 2023.

For more information and to register, visit: www.renewtoronto.org.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY OCT 22

Since 1922, the Pontifical Missions Societies through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith has supported the temporal needs of missions as well as created awareness of the work of the missions throughout the world. Some examples of projects include: building churches, pastoral centres, cathedrals damaged by tsunamis and earthquakes, religious houses of formation, homes for the clergy, formation programs for lay missionaries, radio and television production, audio-visual materials for remote mission areas as well as support of pastoral work in various rural dioceses.

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

If you would like to volunteer for the Liturgy of the Word with children, please call the office at 905-278-7762 or email stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org

Seniors' Group

Our Seniors' Group is starting. 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.



Tai Chi every

Tuesday 11:00AM for everyone

Tuesday 12:00PM for seniors.

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.

Altar Servers Training coming up,
Thursday, Oct 19, 5:00PM to 6:45PM

LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.



For the Deceased:

Rose Perry †
Dr. Edward Ryan †
Gerald Attard †

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Weekend Oct 1st, 2023

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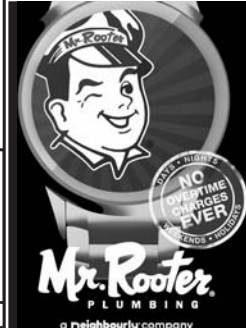
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