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. Matthew McCarthy 416-968-0997 or voactionstoronto.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 First Eucharist and

First Reconciliation Preparation Beverly O'Grady Funeral Ministry Gloria Noronha

General Church Maintenance Michael Spadafora & Sergio Iavicoli

Fr. Terence Dias

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

Ministers of Welcome

Spiritual Direction

Virginia Ittig-Deland

Gary MacDonald

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, Oct 29th 9:30AM – Mass 11:30AM – Patricia Salvador⊕

Monday, Oct 30th
Ferial
NO MASS

Tuesday, Oct 31st Ferial 7:00PM – Mass

Wednesday, Nov 1st
All Saints' Day
7:00PM -Mass

Thursday, Nov 2nd
All Souls' Day
7:00PM – Mass

Friday, Nov 3rd
Ferial
8:00AM – Simon & Mary
D'souza⊕

Saturday, Nov 4th
St. Charles Borromeo
9:15AM – Zelia Soares ⊕
5:00PM – Mass



> SATB Choir Practice
7:30PM every Monday

Folk Choir Practice
 7:30PM every Wednesday
 Sunday Coffee

Every Sunday after 9:30AM Mass

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



REFLECTIONS

Readings: Exodus 22:20-27 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10 Matthew 22:34-40

Christianity is a very concrete and practical religion. It might be easy enough to love God but the simple test of whether we do or not is how do we love, relate to our brothers and sisters. With our blood relatives it might be reasonably easy but what of the widow, orphan and poor person spoken of in the first reading from the Book of Exodus? This Book tells us of the need to be concretely concerned - 'if you take your neighbour's cloak as a pledge you must return it before sunset' etc. The early Church Fathers said that if we have plenty of clothes especially those items we never use and do not share them with the poor we are stealing from them. Strong words indeed. So loving our neighbours as ourselves means loving them as if they are members of our own family, as if they were our own. This is far from easy. How with asylum seekers we deal is case а

The Good News is that Jesus is inviting us to prioritise what our faith, our religion is all about. God gave Moses the 10 commandments. By the time Jesus had appeared there were 613 laws and precepts governing every aspect of human behaviour, even to things like washing one's hands as far as the elbows on returning from market. Most Jews were enslaved by all these. So Jesus gives priority to the two great loves. He is saying the same to us. If we love God and our neighbour as ourselves and what that means concretely, then that's all God asks of us. But it is not easy. Yet God can ask this of us because he knows we have the capacity to do so. Is it by going to war against others that will solve the question of terrorism etc.? Jesus offers us the way of love. He asks us to do this wherever we live and with all we encounter.

Please Note:

All Saints' day Mass at 7pm. (1st November) All Souls' day Mass at 7pm (2nd November) Weekend of 28 October & 4 November No confessions. No Holy Hour & Mass(PM) on First Friday, 3rd November.

Fr. Terry

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2024

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 https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org/ under Sacraments at St. Dominic.

Parents and Candidates must attend an Information Meeting upstairs in the church on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 7:00 pm. The cost of the program is \$65 and there is a Paypal link on the registration form. Please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate to the Information Meeting or to send a

scan to confirmation.stdominic@gmail.com For more information, please contact Beverly O'Grady, Pastoral Associate at 905-278-7762 ext. 4.

OCTOBERFEST

Thank you for all those who participated in making the Octoberfest such a success. It was a lot of hard work and dedication that went into the prepartion of the food stall and organizing the event. It was a team effort that made this possible. We raised **\$2726.00**. This will go equally towards our Loan Repayment and Capital Campaign.

BAKE SALE

Our bake sale is coming up on the weekend of **Nov 25/26,2023**. It is a pre-Christmas bake sale by the Coffee Ministry. Bakers are very welcome!

The sign-up sheets are at all the entrances.



Oct 28th – Nov 4th, 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.

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS – SATURDAY NOV 4TH, 2023

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services – Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the All Souls' Day Mass on Saturday November 4 at 2 p.m.

All Masses will be held indoors at the following locations:

- Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum
- Christ the King Cemetery, Markham Reception Centre
- Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill Holy Family Mausoleum
- Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge St. Anthony's Mausoleum (Liturgy in Italian and English)
- Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum All are welcome!

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

SUNDAY MISSALS

Missals for 2024 have arrived. They are available at the Parish office on weekdays. The cost is \$6.00.

BUNDLE UP FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NOV 11/12

Bundle Up for St. Vincent de Paul at St. Mary Star of the Sea, Nov. 11/12

St. Mary's Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will have a truck in St. Mary's parking lot all day on Saturday, Nov. 11 until Sunday evening, Nov. 12 to accept your donations of gently used items.

The truck will be unlocked all weekend for your"self-serve" donations, or our members will be glad to assist you before and after all weekend Masses. The most needed items are clothing, shoes, bedding, towels, and small household goods. Please NO appliances, books, dishes or video tapes. Thank you for supporting those in need.

Seniors' Group

Our Seniors' Group is starting. If you are a Senior 60+

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- Engage in lively conversations,

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Come and join us on every Tuesday from 1-3pm in the Church Hall

Refreshments are provided.

Fun for Seniors

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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.

LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.



For the Deceased:

Gerald Attard
Louise Dupley
Carmela Attanasio

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend Oct 22nd, 2023

Weekly: \$ 3195.50

Capital Campaign, to date: \$24,387.30. Loan Repayment to date: \$40,617.60

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