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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](http://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	



### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### REFLECTIONS



#### Readings

John 3.1-5,10

1Cor 7:29-31

Mk 1:14-20

Repent! Here we are in Ordinary Time and it sounds like Lent!

The beginning of the ministry of Jesus Christ begins with Jesus calling His followers to repent. Repent in this context means to change the direction of one's life. And we see with clarity where Jesus is pointing us: Believe in the Gospel!

We need to hold this in our hearts: the people repented and God also repented. Both were willing to change the direction of their intentions. We don't normally think of God repenting but surely the repentance of God is part of the Gospel that Jesus is proclaiming. God's only intention is our salvation and our good. Whenever God is presented as angry in the Scriptures, it is because God loves us and the hope is that God's anger will bring us to repentance and then God Himself will repent. This probably is not the way that we think of God but we need to listen to God's Scriptures and discover again God's love for us.

So often we only think of the Gospel as the preaching about Jesus Christ. Even in the Old Testament we find the word "gospel" in the Greek translation and is usually translated as "good news." What is the good news that Jesus preaches? It is this: believe that God loves us and sends His Son for our salvation! As always, if we won't accept this Good News, nevertheless it is true. Our challenge is always to accept the Gospel given to us in Christ Jesus and to be so moved by it that we ourselves draw others to know the love and mercy of God.

*Fr. Terry*

#### FAMILY DINNER DANCE

Thank you to all the parishioners that have bought the tickets to the event. We have completely sold off all the tickets. There will be **NO** tickets sold at the door. Thank you for your understanding.

#### MARRIAGE SUNDAY

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ anniversary in 2024. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage).

#### 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](mailto:confirmation.stdominic@gmail.com)



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



**Sunday, Jan 21<sup>st</sup>**  
9:30AM – Mass  
11:30AM – Deceased members of Aguire family †

**Monday, Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
*Ferial*  
No Mass

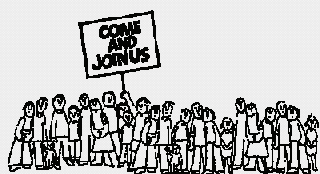
**Tuesday, Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
*Ferial*  
7:00PM – Richard Kaluzny †

**Wednesday, Jan 24<sup>th</sup>**  
*St. Anthony, Abbot*  
9:15am – Nicola Russo †

**Thursday, Jan 25<sup>th</sup>**  
*Ferial*  
7:00PM – All Souls in Purgatory  
–Peace in the World

**Friday, Jan 26<sup>th</sup>**  
*Ferial*  
8:00AM – Lucio Russo †

**Saturday, Jan 27<sup>th</sup>**  
*Ferial*  
9:15AM – Jacinto De Paiva †  
– Gabriela Cabral †  
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!*

## Jan 20<sup>th</sup> – Jan 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS

Since the spring, we have raised \$44,000 for the loan repayment and we have pledges of another \$25,000 to be collected for a total of \$69,000. Our goal for the loan repayment campaign was \$200,000 since the Archdiocese has graciously allowed a matching program for our loan repayment campaign up to \$200,000. This means we are currently at 35% of our goal.



Secondly, we have raised \$31,000 for the capital campaign and have pledges of \$22,000 to be collected for a total of \$51,000 that has been raised so far. Our goal was to try to generate \$100,000 as we estimate that the resurfacing of the parking lot will cost \$150,000 and we have already previously raised \$50,000 through the family of faith campaign. That means we are at 51% of our goal, and again, this encouraging result deserves some congratulations.

We would like to thank those ministries and various parishioners who have been organizing events in support of these two concurrent campaigns. The creativity and support have been tremendous and speak to how dedicated our parishioners are to St. Dominic parish!

For those of us who would like to make a one-time donation, envelopes for the two campaigns 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>).

Once again, thank you for your amazing generosity which has started both campaigns on a great path. Working together we can continue to make these two campaigns a success.

## BIBLE STUDY

We have started Bible Study from January 19<sup>th</sup>, every Friday from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. It will be in the hall.

Bibles will be provided.  
All are welcome.



## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



Thank you to those who have picked up their offertory envelopes of 2024. Your contribution helps with the expenses of the church.

Those who have not picked up their offertory envelopes for 2024, please pick them up at your earliest convenience. They are available at the main entrance of the church. We have reduced the envelopes from 500 to 400. Parishioners using 400 series are assigned new numbers.

If you are not registered with the parish and would like to register and use envelopes please fill the registration card and drop it off at the office or hand them to the ushers.

If you would like to use the pre-authorized option please contact the office.

When using the 2024 envelopes for the first time please write your full name, address and telephone number so we can update the information in our system.

**Please do not use offertory envelopes from any other year other than 2024.**

## VISIT TO THE SICK

If you have a loved one who is homebound or sick and you would like them to receive Communion at home please call the office and we will arrange a team member from our pastoral care team to visit them at home.

## Seniors' Group

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

- Love to play Euchre, and
- Engage in lively conversations,

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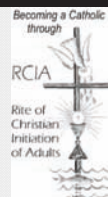


## Tai Chi

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.

## LET US PRAY

### For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.



### For the Deceased:

George Bresolin †  
Maggie Brady †  
Peter Ripley †  
Richard Antonio †

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend Jan 14, 2024

Weekly: \$2123.80  
Cumulative Loan Repayment:  
\$48,268.25  
Cumulative Capital Campaign:  
\$34,7044.70

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

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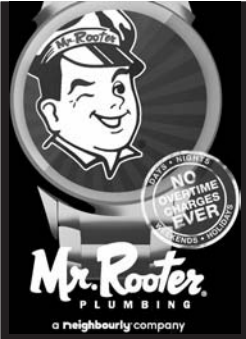
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