## 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, Jan 28th

9:30AM - Mass

11:30AM – Vittorio SIlvestri设 –Filomena Aguireむ

Monday, Jan 29<sup>th</sup> *Ferial*No Mass

#### Tuesday, Jan 30<sup>th</sup> *Ferial*

7:00PM - Pietro Attanasio ₽

- Angelina Onorato
- Casimiro Piscione ₽

#### Wednesday, Jan 31<sup>st</sup> St. John Bosco

9:15am – Deceased members of Moita family ♣

#### Thursday, Feb 1<sup>st</sup> Ferial

7:00PM – Panfilo & Gandida D'Angelo⊕

## Friday, Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> Presentation of the Lord

8:00AM – Deceased members of Martinho family ⊕

6:00PM – Holy Hour

7:00PM – Ronnie Noronha & family (Special Intentions)

## Saturday, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> *Ferial*

9:15AM – Zelia Soares ₽

5:00PM - Carmel Zammit⊕

- Jan Badzioch⊕



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!

### **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**REFLECTIONS** 

Readings Deuteronomy 18:15-20 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28

God's authority in our daily lives is important. Who speaks for God? Do we want to listen to God? Are we interested at all in finding the meaning of life outside of ourselves? The challenges of the readings today keep pointing us outside of ourselves and toward a divine authority who wants to communicate with us but who will never force Himself upon us.

We may think that there is something odd in not wanting to hear God, but so often we ourselves do not want to hear God in His Word, in His Scriptures and in His Church. Yet at times, if a really strong and charismatic personality comes and is able to preach the Word of God, there are times when we listen. We are no different from the people of the time of Moses! We need prophets when we don't listen to God. We need also to listen to God's words about false prophets—for they will die!

The Gospel brings us back again to this them of listening to the Lord. The people in the Gospel are totally amazed at Jesus and his power over unclean spirits. They could see that Jesus spoke as a person having authority on His own. But did the people of the Gospel follow the Lord? Not always! Even when the Word of God is right in front of us, we are still able to resist. God has given us this freedom to choose and so often we choose against God and thus also against ourselves.

Let us pay attention today to the many ways that God comes into our lives. Let us seek to be faithful to the voice of the Lord as it comes to us in Scripture and in the Church. Let us pay attention to the things of God and rejoice when God sends us the strength to be faithful.





#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Bible study every Friday from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. It will be in the hall.

Bibles will be provided. All are welcome.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

Liturgy of the Word with Children will be starting this Sunday, January 28th at the 11:30 mass. For now, Liturgy of the Word with Children will run only at the 11:30 mass on Sundays. We invite all children ages 4 to 9 to participate in a child centered program which mirrors what is happening in the main Mass upstairs. Children will learn responses and learn about the Gospel message in child friendly terms.

We are still looking for volunteers to help us lead our Liturgy of the Word with children. If you enjoy working with children and would like to learn more please contact Diana Padzik.

#### **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2024**

Our Confirmation Program is a six-week on-line program designed for candidates and parents to attend together. Please register online through our Parish Website

<u>https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org/</u> 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 <a href="mailto:confirmation.stdominic@gmail.com">confirmation.stdominic@gmail.com</a>

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

#### Jan 27<sup>th</sup> – Feb 3<sup>rd</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.

#### **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-authorised 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.

#### 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 <a href="https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage">www.archtoronto.org/marriage</a>.

#### 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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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.



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

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