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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. 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	Bridie Boyd, Rea Santaguida & Isabel DeFilippis
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
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	Silvio Fernandes & Bruno Bajic
for Adults)	
ShareLife	Fr. Terence Dias
St. Vincent de Paul	Margaret Ramsay
Youth Ministry	



Second Sunday of Easter



REFLECTIONS

Readings

Acts 4:32-35;

1 John 5:1-6;

John 20:19-31.

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday and the readings make reference to God's mercy, the necessity for trusting Faith, and our need for the forgiveness of our sins. The opening prayer addresses the Father as "God of everlasting Mercy." In the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 118), we repeat several times, "His mercy endures forever!" God revealed His mercy, first and foremost, in sending His only-begotten Son to become our Savior and Lord through His suffering, death and Resurrection. Divine Mercy is given to us also in each celebration of the Sacraments, instituted to sanctify us.

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday! The emphasis is on God's loving Mercy on humanity through His son Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is for us a perfect example of how to show mercy. God's mercy is all-encompassing. It is capable of unity humanity into a community of love. The unity that humanity seeks in contemporary "globalism" is achievable through forgiveness. Jesus Christ insists that, 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' This is a picture of God's intention to give mercy the divine character of Jesus Christ.

The character of mercy is to be found in the life and ministry of Christ. The self-donation on the cross is a show of mercy beyond 'right or wrong'. The intention of Christ is to give humanity a new beginning that is devoid of violence. The Kingdom of God is a kingdom of nonviolence. The ministry of Jesus Christ is to present and open this kingdom to humanity. Self-donation is a sacrifice of nonviolence. To forgive is to withdraw from violence. It is the renunciation of the will to violence. forgiveness breaks the vicious circle of violence – vengeance, rivalry etc. The ability to give up the natural impulse to retaliation is what the self-donation in forgiveness achieves.

On this day, let us promote the mercy that flows from the cross. The centrality of the cross in God's mercy cannot be over emphasized. The unity and understanding that forgiveness achieves is beyond comparison and comprehension.

WISHING YOU ALL HAPPY FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY!

Fr. Terry

SHARELIFE

Your ShareLife gift is a lifeline to families in need

Many individuals and families silently suffer from depression, anxiety, grief and trauma. ShareLife-supported Catholic Family Services agencies provide a lifeline to those dealing with mental health challenges.

"Your generosity allows us to assist some of the most vulnerable and marginalized members of our community. Without access to free support, they would be left alone and unable to get the help they need. Each donation impacts a life for the better. Thank you." – Elizabeth Pierce, Catholic Family Services of Durham

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.



Sunday, April 7th Second Sunday of Easter

9:30AM – Mass

11:30AM – Joe Teixeira †

– Deceased members of

Da Silva family †

– Matusalem Valencia †

Monday, April 8th Annunciation of the Lord No Mass

Tuesday, April 9th Ferial

7:00PM – Belmira Fumo †

Wednesday, April 10th Ferial

9:15am – Queen of Heaven

School Mass

Thursday, April 11th St. Stanislaus

7:00PM – Stephen Evans †

Friday, April 12th Ferial

8:00AM – Mass

Saturday, April 13th Ferial

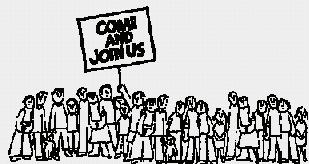
9:15 AM – Mass

5:00PM – Juan Badziok †

– Evaristo Bernardi †

– Phillip & Wiktoria

Makuchowski †



➤ 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!

April 6th – Apr 13th, 2024
NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS

Since the spring, we have raised \$48,000 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 \$36,000 for the capital campaign and have pledges of \$15,000 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.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

The Knights of Columbus have made a donation towards a bus service to all our parishioners to attend the National March for Life in Ottawa, on Thursday May 9th. The bus will leave at 6.30am and will be leaving Ottawa at 3.30pm. Cost is \$60.00 per person or a donation. This is a silent, peaceful march through the streets of Ottawa.

If you would like to attend this journey to support life, please contact Gerry Sciarra at 647 501-1173 to reserve your seat. Space is limited.

TAX RECEIPTS 2023

Thank you for your donations to support the church. Tax receipts for 2023 are ready for pick up. Tax receipts are available with the ushers on the weekends and at the parish office on the weekdays.

If you would like your receipt to be emailed, please call us at: 905-278-7762. Or email us at stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org.

LIFE-GIVING WOUNDS RETREAT

This healing retreat is offered for adult children of separated and divorced parents. The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love.

The retreat begins on Friday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. and ends on Sunday, April 28 at 3:30 p.m. and will be held at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Road, Scarborough).

Must be 18 or older to attend. Cost: \$290 per person (\$190 for students), which includes meals, lodging, and retreat material. If cost is of concern, please contact lgwtoronto@proton.me; limited subsidies are available.

For university/college students, contact your campus minister for more information. Space is limited.

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 – 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:

We pray for all the deceased in our community.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Weekend March 31, 2024

Weekly: \$12,189.00
Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$54,676.63
Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$41,261.02

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