A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus



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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.

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CHURCH

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Guild Altar Servers Baptism Ministry Children's Liturgy of the Word Coffee Ministry

Collection Counters Confirmation Preparation Finance Council First Eucharist and First Reconciliation Preparation **Funeral Ministry** General Church Maintenance Knights of Columbus Marriage Rehearsal Ministers of Eucharist Ministry of Music (SATB Choir) Daniel D'Amario (Folk Choir) Ministers of the Word Ministers of Welcome Spiritual Direction Pastoral Council for Adults) ShareLife St. Vincent de Paul Youth Ministry

Doris Zammit & Fatima Amaral Gia and Gerson D'souza Fr. Terence Dias Diana Padzik Bridie Boyd, Rea Santaguida & Isabel DeFilippis Michelle Gal-Chalmers Beverly O'Grady Fr. Terence Dias

Beverly O'Grady Gloria Noronha Michael Spadafora & Sergio Iavicoli Paul Horbatiuk Marian Yuill Fiona Pereira Sean Bator Virginia Ittig-Deland Gary MacDonald Beverly O'Grady RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation Silvio Fernandes & Bruno Bajic Fr. Terence Dias



Margaret Ramsay



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Wednesday, April 17th St. Kateri Tekakwitha 9:15am – Mass

Thursday, April 18th *Ferial* 7:00PM – Teresa Aguirre de Galeano ଫ

Friday, April 19th *Ferial* 8:00AM – Mass

Saturday, April 20th *Ferial* 9:15 AM – Arlene & Norton Etches (Special Intentions) 5:00PM – Michael Mammele₽



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!

Third Sunday of Easter



REFLECTIONS

Readings Acts 3:13-15,17-19 1 John 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48.

The central message of today's readings is the connection between peace and forgiveness in the Holy Eucharist. The Risen Lord appeared to the disciples in a human form, bearing the marks of the crucifixion. The disciples were in a state of alarm and fright on seeing him. They thought they were seeing a ghost. But the Lord greeted them, 'Peace be with you!'. The Lord noticed their agitation and the doubt rising in their hearts. These were as a result of the fear of the Jews and their betrayal of the master by deserting him during his passion. Appearing to them while bearing the mark of the crucifixion is a sign of his peace that comes through forgiveness. It is a graceful moment when the one offended extends the hand of reconciliation. The disciples' joy were so great that they could not believe it. He dined with them in order to show that the daily Eucharist is a repetition of the same process of peace and forgiveness.

Peter's sermon in the first reading is both a reminder and an awareness of our involvement in the passion and death of the Lord. Through our ignorance we demanded the reprieve of a murderer and the killing of the Prince of Life. Since it is the will of God that his Christ should suffer, we have been forgiven through the resurrection of the Lord. The second reading urges us to appreciate the sacrifice of our redemption through obedience to God's command. Our fidelity to the daily Eucharist is the prescribed appreciation.

In the Eucharist, we recall Christ's death and resurrection. In the Eucharist, the significance of what was written about the Lord in the scriptures becomes clear to us.

Thank you!

We sincerely thank you for all the help given to Shitan's family to transport the body of our deceased brother John Olyumei Shitan to Nigeria. The body reached safely to Nigeria. The Shitan family is very grateful. Thank you for all your generosity and support.

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VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK: EVERY MOMENT MATTERS

Every Moment Matters April 14-20, 2024

This year's theme, "Every Moment Matters" recognizes and celebrates every volunteer and each of the contributions they make at any moment. Parishioners generously give their time and talent to nurture and strengthen the community and share the Gospel. We recognize that each of our parish volunteers are at the heart of the Archdiocesan call to stewardship and are instrumental in all that we do. We thank each one of you, for the tireless work that you do.

This is reflected in Galatians 6:10: "So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith."

SHARELIFE

You bring love and hope to young mothers through ShareLife

Many young women who are unexpectedly pregnant don't know where to turn for help. Through your support for ShareLife, our agencies ensure they have the resources they need to keep their education on track, provide their babies a healthy start, and create a bright future.

"I have no words to describe what it means to be a recipient of your generosity," shares Arielle, a grateful young mother you support through Vita Centre. "I have a better mental state now. I know that my baby is healthy because of it, too."

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.

April 13th – Apr 20th, 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 Sciara 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 April 7, 2024

Weekly: \$2,182.00 Cumulative Loan Repayment: \$55,111.53 Cumulative Capital Campaign: \$41,606.02

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

