

# St. Dominic

Roman Catholic Church

*A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus*



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## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Terence Dias - Pastor  
Zeena Silvester - Parish Secretary  
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Custodian - Michael Caborubias

## OUR LITURGICAL LIFE

### Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

### Weekday Eucharist

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 7:00 p.m.  
Fridays: 8:00 a.m.  
First Friday of the Month: Holy Hour 6:00 p.m.  
followed by Mass 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesdays: 9:15 a.m.  
Saturdays 8:45 a.m. Rosary. Mass 9:15 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 [vocationstoronto.ca](http://vocationstoronto.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 to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday, Sunday and Holidays (Office): Closed

## 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	
Finance Council	Fr. Terence Dias
First Eucharist and First Reconciliation Preparation	
Funeral Ministry	Zeena Silvester
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) (Folk Choir)	Daniel D'Amario Anastasia Marcella
Ministers of the Word	Virginia Ittig-Deland
Ministers of Welcome	Gary MacDonald
Pastoral Council	Fr. Terence Dias
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	Silvio Fernandes & Bruno Bajic
ShareLife	Fr. Terence Dias
St. Vincent de Paul	Margaret Ramsay
Youth Ministry	Ryle Gonsalves



## TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass  
Intentions  
Of The Week



**Sunday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup>**  
9:30am – Pro Populo  
11:30am – Ivan Miranda †, Antoinetta Del Buona †

**Monday, Sept 9<sup>th</sup>**  
NO MASS

**Tuesday, Sept 10<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00pm – Luis & Deulinda Gomes †

**Wednesday, Sept 11<sup>th</sup>**  
9:15am – Birthday blessing for Beata, - Filomena Bednarczyk †

**Thursday, Sept 12<sup>th</sup>**  
7pm – Oscar & Bernice Nigli †, Anna Yates †

**Friday, Sept 13<sup>th</sup> -St. John Chrysostom**  
8:00am – Maria Grazia Rizzo †, Yves Dareau †

**Saturday, Sept 14<sup>th</sup> Exaltation of the Holy Cross**  
9:15am – Nessie Pwenet †  
5:00pm – Wieslaw, Jan & Joseph Badziack †, Blessings & prayers



- ☆ **SATB Choir Practice**  
7:30pm every Monday
- ☆ **Folk Choir Practice**  
7:30pm every Wednesday
- ☆ **Sunday Coffee**  
Every Sunday after 9:30am Mass

*We welcome all our Ministries as they start after the Summer Break.*



### YOUTH MINISTRY

If you're looking to make new friends, have a lot of fun and grow in your faith, then  
**COME JOIN US!**

## Pastor's Corner

## REFLECTIONS



*Readings: Isaiah 35: 4-7 James 2:1-5 Mark 7:31-37*

The man we hear about in today's Gospel could be me, could be you, in fact it should be. We have to let Christ stick his fingers in our ears. To allow Him to open us to His word, His gift of life. That's our first lesson from today's Gospel. Christ calls us to continue his work, to work as His Church for Him, to help build heaven here on earth.

Our second lesson today, is as followers of Christ, it's about how we go about doing His work. Jesus gives us a wonderful demonstration of this today. Think about the way he approached the man in today's gospel. Most of the time when Jesus cured people, He spoke to them, gave them an instruction or told them their sins had been forgiven. This time he used actions, why? Maybe because the man was deaf, Christ used a sign language to speak to him. He found a way to communicate with the man, before healing him.

Starting the conversation is difficult, Jesus started it today in sign, and finished it in words. He started it in a language the man understood and finished it, once the mans ears were opened, in the language Jesus needed to use. You might need to learn a new language. You might need to learn about sport, or soap opera, or music. You might need to learn to enjoy country walks or computer games. Remember that Jesus started the conversation in the language the man understood, you need to do the same.

Today, tomorrow, until Christ returns, Isaiah's prophesy will continue. At some points you will need your ears unblocked and at others you will be asked to start the conversation so other can have their ears unblocked. today's gospel should be speaking to you, are you ready to listen, to hear, and to act?

*Fr. Terry*

### FIRST COMMUNION & FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION REGISTRATION 2024



Our Sacramental Program is returning to in-person learning!  
**Preparation for First Communion and First Reconciliation will begin in October.** More information will be posted soon.



### FIRST COFIRMATION PREPARATION 2024

**Our Confirmation Program is a six-week on-line program** designed for candidates and parents to attend together.  
More information will be posted soon.



**Bible study every Friday from 7:30pm to 8:30pm.** It will be in the hall. We encourage individuals, youth & families to attend. *All are welcome!*



**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.



**BBQ FUNDRAISER**

We would like to thank the Pastoral Council for the hard work and coordination involved in making the BBQ event such a success and the parishioners that made the event possible. The total expenditure was **\$1,438.75**. Special thanks to our Dunk Tank sponsors - Mississauga Lakeshore Provincial PC Association, Haul-A-Way Construction Ltd., Chaina Family, Pereira Family, Margarita Gelowitz, (Realtor Sutton Group), Iwona Rembacz (Realtor IPRO Realty), Cristian & Sarah Altobelli (Realtor Remax). A big thank you to Iwona Rembacz for organizing the hat sale & the contribution of **\$653** received from Kevin & Linda Brady. We thank the Knights of Columbus - St. David's Parish, Maple and others for their generous donation. We made **\$4,146.25** in tickets sale. The proceeds will go towards the Capital Campaign.

**Lay Pastoral Visitors Training** will be offered online on **Wednesdays October 23, 30, November 6, 13, 20, & 27, 2024 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm**. This program will prepare them to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend. **Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions** and complete pre-homework to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but registration is required.



We thank our former Parish Secretary Gloria Noronha, Pastoral Associate Bev O'Grady, Organist Sean Bator for their services and wish them the best.

**And WE WELCOME our new staff – Zeena Silvester - Parish Secretary & Anastasia Marcella - Organist.**



**Senior's Group**

If you are a Senior 60+ Love to play Euchre, Engage in lively conversations then this is the group for you.

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

Refreshments are provided.

Our Seniors do **Tai Chi** every Tuesday.

From: 11:45 am to 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.

**NEW Altar Server welcome**

We always welcome new Altar Servers. Open to all children who 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.

**Please Pray for the Sick**

We pray for all the sick in our community.



**For the Deceased:**

Maria Dores Amendoeira †

**Offertory Collection  
Weekend Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

**Weekly: \$6,797**

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

**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](mailto:stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org)

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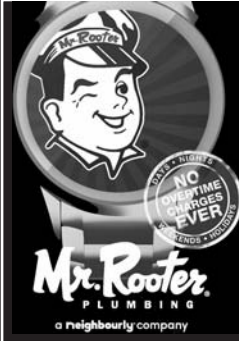
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