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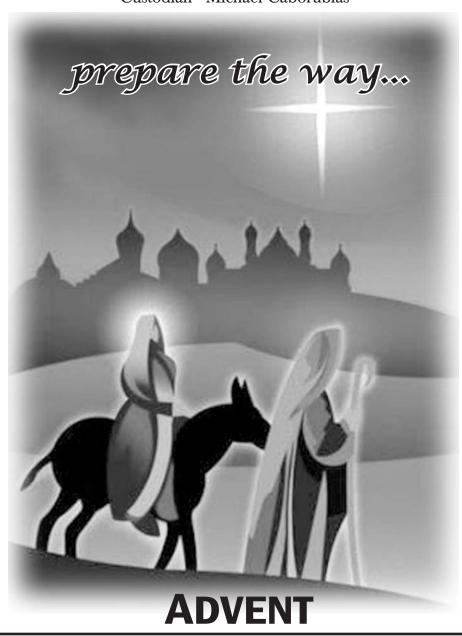
A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions S Of the Week



Sunday, Dec 22nd
9:30am – Pro Populo
11:30am – Joe Teixeira¹,
Filomena Vieira¹, Flora Aballa¹
Bernadette Pereira¹

Monday, Dec 23rd
NO MASS

Tuesday, Dec 24th CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00pm - Children's Mass 7pm, 9:30pm & I2am(Midnight)

Wednesday, Dec 25th CHRISTMAS DAY



Thursday, Dec 26th

7:00pm – Phyllis Horbatiuk&

Friday, Dec 27th

8:00am - Available

Saturday, Dec 28th

9:15am – Available

5:00pm - David Price & Victor

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For healing of Tim Dickinson

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

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



Pastor's Corner

REFLECTIONS



Readings: Micah 5.2-5a Hebrews 10.5-10 Luke 1.39-45

On this the last Sunday before Christmas, our Gospel reading prepares us to witness Christ's birth by showing us how Jesus was recognized as Israel's long-awaited Messiah even before his birth. Our Gospel reading Mary's actions after announcement of Jesus' birth by the angel Gabriel. Mary goes to visit Elizabeth, her cousin, who is also with child. Elizabeth greets Mary with full recognition of the roles that they and their unborn children will play in God's plan for salvation. If we were to continue to read the verses that follow in Luke's Gospel, we would hear Mary respond to Elizabeth's greeting with her song of praise, the Magnificat. Both women recall and echo God's history of showing favor upon the people of Israel.



In Luke's Gospel the Holy Spirit helps reveal Jesus' identity as God to those who believe. Elizabeth is filled with the Holy Spirit and sings Mary's praise because she bears the Lord. We sing these words of praise to Mary in the Hail Mary. Even John the Baptist, the unborn child in Elizabeth's womb, is said to recognize the presence of the Lord and leaps for joy.

It is appropriate in this season of Advent that we consider the role of Mary in God's plan of salvation. Elizabeth describes Mary as the first disciple, as the one who believed that God's word to her would be fulfilled. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to everyone. Because of this, Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan for salvation.

Wishing you all a MERRY Christmas!



Fr. Terry.

ST. DOMINIC'S FAMILY DINNER DANCE

We are Happy to announce our Second annual St. Dominic's Family Dinner Dance Just in time for Valentines Day, on Saturday February 1st.

We will Serve a full course meal Family Style, it includes Pasta, Chicken Cutlet, Vegetables, Roasted Potatoes, Salad, Wine, Sweet Table, Coffee/Tea. There will be a large raffle Draw with lots of great prizes to be won, also we will have some Spot Light Dance Prizes.

Tickets are \$50.00 each, Children 12yrs and under \$25.00

and Children 3yrs and under are Free.

Come Sing and Dance the night away, Music will be provided by DJ.

Last year's Dinner was a great success and sold Out quickly.

Don't be disappointed, TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AFTER THE WEEKEND MASSES AND DURING THE WEEK AT THE PARISH OFFICE.

May God Bless you all and thank you for supporting St. Dominic's Driveway Paving Fundraiser.

December 22nd - December 28th, 2024



Parish office will remain closed on Dec 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th and Jan Ist, 2nd & 3rd, 2025.

NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve Mass - Tuesday, Dec 31 5:00pm New Year Day Mass - Wednesday, Jan 1st 9:30am, 11:30am

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Information and Registration session for parent and candidate in person will be held on Saturday, January 25, 2025 at 2pm, in the parish hall. Parents are expected to be in the room with their child because they are under 18 years.

Celebration of Confirmation: Tuesday June 3, 2025 at 7:00pm and Thursday, June 5,2025 at 7:pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

1st Communion Retreat: January 25th at 10am or 12pm at the Church Hall 1st Reconciliation: February 1st at 10am-12pm(Appointment Only) 1st Communion Retreat: April 5th at 10am or 12pm at the Church Hall 1st Communion: April 27th or May 4th at 2pm

BIBLE STUDY every Friday from 7:30pm-8:30pm. It will be in the hall. We encourage individuals, youth & families to attend. All are welcome! Please NOTE: There is NO Bible Study on First Friday of the month, you are encouraged to join the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

YOUTH UPCOMING SESSIONS:

January I I th 4-5 PM Dealing with Anxiety: How God Can Help Us Stay Calm Talk about ways to handle stress and fear by leaning on God through prayer and support from others.

Exam Season OFF [Jan. 13-25]

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2025

Thank you for your generous donation in supporting our parish through your contributions. OFFERTORY ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH.

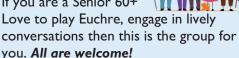
Ushers will be around to help you. Please do not use these envelopes till 2025. If you are not registered with the parish and would like to register and use envelopes please fill the registration card and drop it off at the office or hand them to the ushers. If you would like to use the pre-authorised option please contact the office.

Catholic Mom's Group

Meetings: Tuesdays 7-8:30pm in the parish hall. January 21st, February 18th, March 18th, April 22nd, May 20th & June 24th

Senior's Group

If you are a Senior 60+



Come and join us on every Tuesday from I-3pm in the Church Hall Refreshments are provided.

Tai Chi class will be cancelled from December 18th through January 2025. We will resume on Feb. 4, 2025.

RCIA session has resumed

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.

We pray for all the sick in our community

For the Deceased:

lose Botelho む、Maria Sherlyn む Anastacia Binaday 中, John Mangof 中, Fely Robles 中, Giovanna Marangoni 中, Phyllis Horbatiuk[†]

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend December 15, 2024

Weekly: \$5,934.50 **Cumulative Loan Repayment:** \$71,023.48 **Cumulative Capital Campaign:** \$84,550.25

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



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