

St. Dominic

Roman Catholic Church

A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

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May the
Spirit of God
Lead You Through
the New Year



EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions Of the Week



Sunday, Jan 5th

Epiphany of the Lord

9:30am – Pro Populo

11:30am – Prayers for Fr. Terry Dias for all the Blessed Pastoral services Forgotten & abandoned Souls in Purgatory, Prayers for Tyson Family-Lisa & Gianna

Monday, Jan 6th

NO MASS

Tuesday, Jan 7th

7:00pm – Phyllis Horbatiuk †

Wednesday, Jan 8th

9:15am – Guerino & Antonio Salvadore †, Prayers for Antonietta Giancola, Rita & Amadeo Noletti

Thursday, Jan 9th

7:00pm – Prayers for Assunta Celeste, Antonia Caruso

Friday, Jan 10th

8:00am – Prayers for health & blessing of Fr. Christopher Gillen

Saturday, Jan 11th

9:15am – Zelia Soares †, Charlie Zammit †

5:00pm – Antonio & Gilda Arruda †

☆ **SATB Choir Practice**

7:30pm every Monday

☆ **Folk Choir Practice**

7:30pm every Wednesday

☆ **Sunday Coffee**

Every Sunday after 9:30am Mass

YOUTH UPCOMING SESSIONS:

January 11th 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.

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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

Readings: *Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3a.5-6 Matthew 2:1-12*

On the Solemnity of Epiphany, the Church calls us to contemplate and to celebrate the mystery and significance of the birth of Jesus the Saviour. Like the wise men, each of us has a journey to make to Jesus because none of us is yet fully converted and each of us has corners in our hearts and lives in need of Jesus' healing and redemption. But are we like the wise men relying on the grace of God to lead us to the light of Jesus our Saviour?



If Christmas is all about God coming to us to seek us out, then Epiphany is all about our seeking out the God who has come among us. The Wise Men offer us great wisdom. They give us a gift that is priceless. After finding Christ they went home by another route. We too should go by another route this year, different from the path we followed last year.

As the Magi never went back to Herod who asked them to return, we must also, never go back to those sins asking us to return. Let us make New Year resolutions that are realistic. Let us identify the Herod in our lives and never return to it. It could be a life of immorality; it could be hatred and jealousy, anger, irresponsibility, etc. What is your resolve? How have you decided to meet Christ?

Therefore, as we begin this New Year, let us turn a new leaf and let men know that we really encountered Christ at Christmas. So that as the Magi went home rejoicing, the joy of Christ's birth may always abide with us. And we too shall become stars for others, because there are so many people looking for direction to Christ in our worlds today and we are called to be that light that would lead them, a reflection of that light which Christ caused to shine upon us. Amen.

Fr. Terry



Thanks for Your Support!

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 please visit our website at (<https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org>).

Working together we can make these two campaigns a success.

January 5th – January 11th, 2025



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.

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

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



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.**

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-authorized 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+ Love to play Euchre, engage in lively conversations then this is the group for you. **All are welcome!**

Come and join us on every Tuesday from 1-3pm 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:

Jose Botelho†, Maria Sherlyn†
Anastacia Binaday†, John Mangof†,
Fely Robles†, Phyllis Horbatiuk†
Giovanna Marangoni†

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend December 25, 2024

Weekly: \$13,062.00

**Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$71,093.48**

**Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$85,720.25**

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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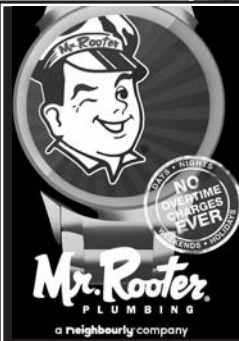
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