

St. Dominic

Roman Catholic Church

A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Terence Dias - **Pastor**
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OUR LITURGICAL LIFE

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:30am, 11:30am

Weekday Eucharist

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 7:00pm
Fridays: 8:00am
First Friday of the Month: Holy Hour 6:00pm
followed by Mass 7:00 p.m.
Wednesdays: 9:15am
Saturdays 8:45am Rosary. Mass 9:15am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:00pm
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

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 9:00am to 12noon and 1:00pm to 5:00pm
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

Altar Servers

Baptism Ministry

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Coffee Ministry

Collection Counters

Finance Council

First Holy Communion and
Confirmation Preparation

Funeral Ministry

General Church Maintenance

Knights of Columbus

Marriage Rehearsal

Ministers of Eucharist

Ministry of Music (SATB Choir)
(Folk Choir)

Ministers of the Word

Ministers of Welcome

Pastoral Council

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation
of Adults)

ShareLife

St. Vincent de Paul

Youth Ministry

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Gia and Gerson D'souza

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Isabel DeFilippis

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



REFLECTIONS

Readings: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10; First Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke: 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Pastor's Corner

Today, Jesus presents his mission. This is, the fulfillment of the prophecy of Isaiah 61: *“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, to proclaim the Lord’s year of favor...”* This prophecy was made when the Israelites lived in slavery and misery in exile. So, by using these same words as the basis of his ministry and mission, Christ announced His reign of peace, justice, freedom and love to all those suffering from all kinds of oppressions and injustice. Like Nehemiah in our first reading, Christ proclaims the good news of the new era to all of us. It is important to note that this good news is not directed only to the materially poor, but to all: *“the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of God” (Mt 5:3).* The good news liberates us from two types of slavery. The first is self-imposed slavery. This results from personal sins and mistakes in life. This makes us, spiritually blind and weak. It cripples our spiritual life, and hardens our hearts against God and all that is good. This is the worst form of slavery, because it affects us both spiritually and physically. Only Christ can liberate us from this slavery. We can achieve this liberation by accepting the good news, and by seeking reconciliation with Christ and ourselves. The other type of slavery is that which is imposed on us by others or society. These include structural, economic, and social injustices that do not allow us to live a fulfilled life in this world, even when we make all the necessary efforts. Both of these are great sources of pains and burden to us. However, it is important to note that Christ strengthens to overcome all. So, with the psalmist today, let us exalt the Lord: *“Your words are spirit, Lord; they give life.”*

Fr. Jerry

Mass Intentions Of the Week



Sunday, Jan 26th
 9:30am – Pro Populo
 11:30am – Vittorio Silvestri & deceased family members✠

Monday, Jan 27th
NO MASS

Tuesday, Jan 28th
 7:00pm – Joe Farace✠,
 Antonuzza Cirillo✠, Forgotten & abandoned Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, Jan 29th
 9:15am – Prayer intentions of Tina Antao

Thursday, Jan 30th
 7:00pm – Antonio Caruso✠

Friday, Jan 31st
 8:00am – Available

Saturday, Feb 1st
 9:15am – Zelia Soares✠,
 Angelo Celeste✠
 5:00pm – Rosario, Flory & Blandina Furtado✠, Forgotten & abandoned Souls in Purgatory, For all uncles, aunts & in-laws of the Piscione family & all Grandparents of the Piscione children

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

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:



Thanks for Your Support!

NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS

We have two ongoing campaigns – the loan repayment campaign and the capital campaign primarily to repave the parking lot. As of November 2024, we have raised \$93,000 for the loan repayment campaign. 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 47% of our goal. With the additional matching from the Archdiocese, we have been able to repay \$186,000 of the debt owed to the Archdiocese since the campaign began. Our loan to the Archdiocese has been significantly reduced from \$600,000 at the end of 2022 to \$454,000 at the end of 2023, and down to \$368,000 at the end of November. This is significant progress, and is something we should be proud of as a parish. Also, at the end of November 2024, we have raised \$77,000 for the capital campaign. The Parish had previously raised \$56,000 from the Family of Faith campaign for a total of \$133,000. Our goal was to try to generate \$150,000 for the resurfacing of the parking lot. That means we are at 89% of our goal through all of the generous gifts and events which have been organized by parishioners. We were able to generate the additional \$30,000 that we discussed in June so we can start the parking lot repaving project this spring. We would like to again thank the many ministries and various parishioners who have been organizing events in support of these two concurrent campaigns through bake sales, dinner/dances, BBQs, rose sales, and many other social events. The creativity and support have been tremendous and speak to how dedicated our parishioners are to St. Dominic's parish! We hope this update further encourages everyone to continue the great momentum - 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>). Those little cards that are in the pews and at the back of the church have a QR code which will take you right to the website to set up a donation. **Working together we can continue to make these two campaigns a success.**

January 26th – February 1st, 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 at 6pm.**

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 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

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.**

YOUTH CORNER

February 8th 4-5 PM

How to Talk About Jesus Without Feeling Awkward
Share ideas on how to talk to friends about Jesus and live in a way that shows His love.

February 15th 4-5 PM

Why Mary is Important to Our Faith
Learn about Mary's special role in God's plan and how we can look up to her in our own lives.

Catholic Mom's Group

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



St. Dominic's Saint Vincent de Paul Society

would like to thank you all parishioners for your generous contributions to the Christmas Giving Tree. We raised approximately \$8000 and were able to help 58 families and 62 children in this community.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2025

Those who have not picked up their offertory envelopes for 2025, please pick them up at your earliest convenience.

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 January 19, 2025

Weekly: \$4,097.60

Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$75,701.13

Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$92,190.25

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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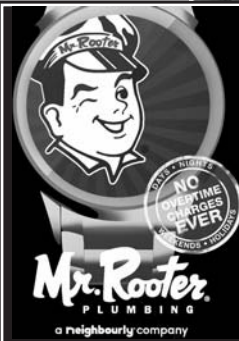
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