

# 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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## 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

Doris Zammit & Fatima Amaral

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Fr. Terence Dias

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Bridie Boyd, Rea Santaguida &  
Isabel DeFilippis

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Margaret Ramsay

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Bianca & Daniella Almeida,

Ryan Hermetz & Eva Pacheco Petit



# THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



## Mass Intentions Of the Week



### Sunday, Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

9:30am – Pro Populo

11:30am – Franco Pizzimenti†

### Monday, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>

**NO MASS**

### Tuesday, Feb 4<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm – Raffaele Fazio & all deceased family members†, Prayer intentions for all the St. Vincent de Paul members

### Wednesday, Feb 5<sup>th</sup>

9:15am – Prayers for Darren Nigli, Brian Nigli & Chinnery Family

### Thursday, Feb 6<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm – Prayers for Linda Sharma

### Friday, Feb 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00am – Available

6:00pm – Holy Hour

7:00pm – Available

### Saturday, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

9:15am – Jason Anthony Medeiros†

5:00pm – Angelina Onorato†, Pietro Attanasio†, Casimiro Piscione†



### 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:



## Pastor's Corner

## REFLECTIONS

Readings: Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:1-14-18 Lk 2:22-40

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is an ancient celebration in the Church. It is also called Candlemas because, on this day, candles are blessed in many parishes. These candles remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World. The feast is celebrated on February 2, forty days after Christmas. It recalls the day when Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to present Him to God.

The feast celebrates three main ideas. First, Jesus is recognized as the Light of the World, a light for all people. Second, it shows that Jesus came to fulfill the law, not to destroy it. He and His family obeyed the customs of their people. Third, it honors the deep faith of Mary and Joseph, who followed God's will at every step.

In the Gospel of Luke, we read about two holy people, Simeon and Anna, who meet Jesus at the Temple. Both Simeon and Anna see that Jesus is special. They have waited their whole lives for this moment. Simeon praises God and calls Jesus a "light for revelation to the Gentiles." This points to Jesus' mission to save not only Israel but also all nations.

On Candlemas, the Church invites us to remember that Jesus brings light to our lives. Like Simeon and Anna, we are called to recognize Jesus in our world. We also look to Mary and Joseph as examples of faith and obedience.



Thanks for Your Support!

## NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS

*Fr. Terry*

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.**

## February 2<sup>nd</sup> – February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**YOUTH  
CORNER**

**February 8<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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.



**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.**

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

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

Registration deadline February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Celebration of Confirmation:** Tuesday June 3, 2025 at

7:00pm and Thursday, June 5, 2025 at 7pm

### Catholic Mom's Group

Meetings: Tuesdays 7-8:30pm in the parish hall.

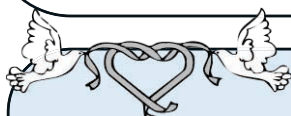
February 18<sup>th</sup>, March 18<sup>th</sup>, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, May 20<sup>th</sup> & June 24<sup>th</sup>

### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING

The annual

archdiocesan training for bereavement ministry training will be offered online on Thursdays, Feb. 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2025 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This training is designed for new and seasoned parish bereavement ministers. It will explore ways to begin a bereavement ministry in your parish or enhance your present bereavement ministry programs. Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions, complete pre-homework and pass final assessment to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but registration is required.

Capacity is limited, please register early. REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/BMT-RegisterFebMar2025> by **February 18, 2025**. CONTACT: Saulina Amaral, 416-934-3400 ext. 518 or [samaral@archtoronto.org](mailto:samaral@archtoronto.org)



### CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

#### MASS WITH BISHOP IVAN CAMILLERI –

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

### 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 Every Tuesday!

FOR all ages from 10:30am - 11:30am

Yang Style Tai Chi 11:30pm - 12:30pm

### 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:

Maria Sherlyn✠ Anastacia Binaday✠,

Fely Robles✠, Phyllis Horbatiuk✠

Giovanna Marangoni✠

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekend January 26, 2025

Weekly: \$4,467.45

Cumulative Loan Repayment:  
\$76,016.13

Cumulative Capital Campaign:  
\$92,415.25

*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](mailto:stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org)

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