# 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 Alden Wilson - Bookkeeper Michael Caborubias - Custodian

#### **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 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

Finance Council Fr. Terence Dias First Holy Communion and Wray Carvelas, Ryle Gonsalves, Confirmation Preparation Anne Scott, Jennifer Varnam &

Leandro Gonsalves Funeral Ministry Zeena Silvester

General Church Maintenance Michael Spadafora & Sergio Iavicoli Knights of Columbus Gary McDonald Marriage Rehearsal Christine van Driel Ministers of Eucharist Fiona Pereira

Ministry of Music (SATB Choir) Daniel D'Amario Anastasia Marcella (Folk Choir) Ministers of the Word Virginia Ittig-Deland

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RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation Silvio Fernandes & Bruno Bajic

ShareLife St. Vincent de Paul

of Adults)

Margaret Ramsay Ryle & Leandro Gonsalves Youth Ministry Bianca & Daniella Almeida, Ryan Hermetz & Eva Pacheco Petit





Fr. Terence Dias

#### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass
Intentions



#### Sunday, Feb 16th

9:30am – Pro Populo I I:30am – Carmela Attanasioで& Antonio Muzzoで、

## Monday, Feb 17th NO MASS

Tuesday, Feb 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm – Neuza Moita⊕

#### Wednesday, Feb 19th

9:15am — Martinho family មិ, Tina Antao មិ

#### Thursday, Feb 20th

7:00pm – Forgotten & abandoned Souls in Purgatory, Eufemia Salazar Pradol∜

#### Friday, Feb 21st

8:00am - Sean Kelly<sup>⊕</sup>

#### Saturday, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:15am – Dr.Edward Ryan합 5:00pm – Giuseppe Attansio합, Carmela Fiore합, Antonio Muzzo합 Humberto & David Furtado합

St. Dominic



"I am not capable of doing big things, but I want to do everything, even the smallest things, for the greater glory of God."

7:30pm every Monday
Folk Choir Practice
7:30pm every Wednesday

Sunday Coffee 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: Jeremiah 17:5-8; First Corinthians 15:12,16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26

The word beatitude literally means happiness. The way of happiness that Jesus outlines calls for a transformation from within, a conversion of life. That means dying to self, though, and living for God and neighbor without counting the cost. This is unlike what the world describes as happiness, often considered to be found in health, wealth, youth and beauty, which in fact are very fleeting things. Poverty of spirit means possessing God above all other things. God is the greatest possible treasure, not a fatter bank account, a faster car or eternal youth. All those things pass quickly in this life and can't be taken to the next. Only by finding our nourishment and strength in God is our deepest hunger satisfied. Sorrow and mourning over sin and any wasted time leads to a joyful freedom from the burden of guilt and eternal death, defined as separation from God.

God is ready to give to the humble of heart, all those who know they need God, real life and genuine happiness. Jesus promises his hearers, including us, that the joys of heaven will more than make up for the troubles and hardships that are a part of every life.

May we know the joy and happiness of belonging to God alone, through Christ our Lord and in the Holy Spirit. May our hunger and thirst not be for material things but for the kingdom of peace and righteousness which God is offering us all. May we find perfect joy in doing the will of God, who lives and reigns forever and ever.



#### **NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS**

Fr. Terry.

We have two ongoing campaigns – the loan repayment campaign and the capital campaign primarily to repaye 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 repaying 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 (<a href="https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org">https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org</a>). 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 16<sup>th</sup> – February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

YOUTH

Please note: February 15th session is pushed to February 22 as this weekend is a long weekend.

### February 22<sup>nd</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

Ist Communion Retreat: April 5th at 10am or 12pm at the Church Hall Ist Communion: April 27th or May 4th at 2pm

#### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Retreat-Saturday May 24th, 2025-10am-6pm Celebration of Confirmation: June 3, or June 5,2025 at 7:pm

#### Catholic Mom's Group

Meetings: Tuesdays 7-8:30pm in the parish hall. February 25th, March 18th, April 22nd, May 20th & June 24th

#### Thank you TO OUR DONORS for making the

"Family Dinner Dance" event a huge success

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#### **TAX RECEIPTS 2024**

Thank you for your donations to support the church.

Tax receipts for 2024 are ready for pick up.

On the weekends the tax receipts will be available with the ushers and on weekdays they will at the office.

If you would like your receipt to be emailed, please call us at: 905-278-7762, Or email us at <a href="mailto:stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org">stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org</a> and provide us your email address.

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The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the Annual Pre-Lent Pancake Breakfast on Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.

We will be serving pancakes with real maple syrup, breakfast sausage, and fruit cup,

with tea and coffee after the 9:30 and 11:30 masses.

Cost is \$12.00 per person, \$6.00 for children 5-12, and children under 5 years old are free.

There will be no advance ticket sales. Please pay at the event.

We look forward to seeing everyone

#### **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 I-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:

Emanuel Wilson ₽

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend February 9, 2025

Weekly: \$2,491.02 Cumulative Loan Repayment: \$76,658.63

Cumulative Capital Campaign: \$96,372.25

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 <a href="mailto:stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org">stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org</a>



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