

# 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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Bianca & Daniella Almeida,

Ryan Hermetz & Eva Pacheco Petit



# SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions Of the Week



### Sunday, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

9:30am – Pro Populo  
11:30am – Birthday prayer intentions of Shania, Francis, Wolstan Nigli & Phil Chinnery

### Monday, Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

**NO MASS**

### Tuesday, Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm-Wedding anniversary intentions of Trevor & Brenda Pereira  
Intentions of Chinnery families

### Wednesday, Feb 26<sup>th</sup>

9:15am – Raymond Pereira†

### Thursday, Feb 27<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm – Antonuzza Cirillo†  
John Oluyemi Shitan†

### Friday, Feb 28<sup>th</sup>

8:00am – Oscar & Bernice Nigli†,  
Mary Olive Starodub†

### Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

9:15am – Zelia Soares†  
5:00pm – Ann Pinto†,  
Laura Krajewski†



### SATB Choir Practice

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: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23  
1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Luke 6:27-38

Love your enemy! We Christians have become so used to hearing these words that it is truly difficult to live them. We don't want to love our enemies. We humans have spent centuries killing one another and this present century will be no different. It is almost impossible to imagine David sparing the life of Saul. He knew that Saul was out to kill him, that Saul wanted to destroy him, that Saul would do everything in his power to make life impossible. Yet, David respects the anointing of Saul as king.

We Christians say that we believe that God is present in every person. We say that the Holy Trinity dwells in each person by their being created. Yet our history is one of destruction and of making life impossible for others. So often those who are not Christians look at us and decide that Jesus cannot be God because those who say they follow Him are so awful and have caused such hatred in the earth.

All of this should not discourage us Christians. Rather, we can recognize that the Gospel and the readings today are calling us to repent, to change our lives and to learn how to live the incredible love that has been given to us. We must regain the courage to live as Christ lived and to love every other person. We must have courage and perseverance in living lives that are truly divine love present on this earth.

The Gospel today shows us a whole way of life. We must be merciful, not judging, forgiving and giving to others. That sounds so easy, but it costs us our whole life. It sounds as if we could not live very well if we really lived that way. Yet the truth is that the more we can live that way, the more truly human we become and the more divinity can shine forth through us.

Let us ask God today to help us have this courage and strength to live the divine life that Jesus has given us by His death and resurrection. May this world be transformed by the divine love given to us.

*Fr. Jerry.*



## 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.**

February 23<sup>rd</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025



**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**

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

**VISIT TO THE SICK**

If you have a loved one who is homebound or sick and you would like them to receive Communion at home please call the office and we will arrange a team member from our pastoral care team to visit them at home.

**Catholic Mom's Group**

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



**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.

**Ash Wednesday is on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

9:15am Mass & Distribution of Ashes  
7:00pm Mass & Distribution of Ashes



**The Stations of the Cross is every Friday at 6:30pm** followed by Mass at 7:00pm. Participating in the Stations of the Cross is a profound way to accompany Christ during these sacred days.

**Lenten Retreat**

Led by Bishop Emeritus: John Corriveau  
**Wed. April 9<sup>th</sup> Thu. April 10<sup>th</sup> Fri. April 11<sup>th</sup> (7:30-8:30pm)**  
**Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> – Lenten Confessions from 6:30-8:30pm**

**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 be at the office. If you would like your receipt to be emailed, please call us at: 905-278-7762, Or email us at [stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org](mailto:stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org) and provide us your email address.

**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:**

Emanuel Wilson†, Patrick O'Keeffe†,  
Sister Anna Chan†, Raymond Pereira†

**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 [stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org](mailto:stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org)

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