

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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Ryan Hermetz & Eva Pacheco Petit



EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions Of the Week



Sunday, March 2nd

9:30am – Pro Populo

11:30am – Natalina Bonora†,

Monday, March 3rd

NO MASS

Tuesday, March 4th

7:00pm-Wiktoria, Phillip Makuchowski

and their grand parents†,

Edward Kaluzny†,

Denise Lamontagne†

Wednesday, March 5th

9:15am – Available

Thursday, March 6th

7:00pm – Sofie Mlinaric†,

Vlado Bofnar†, Anton Prockiw†

Friday, March 7th

8:00am – Available

5:30pm – Holy Hour

6:30pm - Stations of the Cross

7:00pm – Danny Hennessy†

Saturday, March 8th

9:15am – Available

5:00pm – Available



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: Sir 27:5-8 | 1Cor 15, 54-58 | Lk 6:39-45

Christ says: These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me” (Mt 15:8. Sometimes, they also tell us what we want to hear to make us happy for a moment and sad afterward. Not only our words but our actions as Christian must edify, improve and encourage, others. So, today we must ask ourselves, do my words edify or make any positive difference on others? Does it build or destroy the community?

In today's gospel, Jesus also teaches us that the quality of our heart determines the quality of our words and actions. He says, “A good person, out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, while an evil person, out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks.”

As Christians, if we live according to the good news, our actions and words would be guided by it. Consequently, it will affect others positively. On the contrary, if we fill our hearts with flirt, our words and actions would be filled with nothingness. Also, Christ warns us today to be careful in judging others. Instead, we should be humble enough to look inwards before criticizing others. Hence, Paul reminds us: “If you think you are standing strong, be careful not to fall” (1Cor10:12).

In the second reading, Paul reminds us that God has given us victory through Christ. For this reason, we must be of good cheer and never relent in doing good. Christ's victory must not be in vain. Instead, it must sustain us in good actions as Paul tells us today: “Keep laboring at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be struggling in vain. This is a call to perfection in all we say and do.

Finally, today, may our hearts be filled with joy for what God has done for us through Christ. Through Him, we are filled with goodness so that we can praise and thank God with a cheerful and sincere heart. Indeed, it is good to give thanks to the Lord for what he has done for us.

Fr. Jerry.



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.**

March 2nd – March 8th, 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 24th, 2025-10am-6pm
Celebration of Confirmation: June 3, or June 5, 2025 at 7:pm

Save the Date

The Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new archdiocesan event called **“A Day With Mary”** will be taking place on Saturday May 31st at Villanova College in King City.

Catholic Mom’s Group

Meetings: Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30pm in the parish hall.
March 18th, April 22nd, May 20th & June 24th

Dominican Friars Youth Interfaith Video Contest 2025 Feb. 5, 2025, to April 15, 2025

THEME: Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity.
High school students (aged 13 to 19 years) are encouraged to create a three-minute video that captures this year’s theme. Submit your entries via the submission form at <https://bit.ly/DFVCSUBMISSION>

YOUTH CORNER

LENT TOPICS

March 1st – **“PRAYER”** Building a closer relationship with God.
March 8th - **“FASTING”** Renewing our choices for God
March 15th - **“ALMSGIVING”** Giving back to God.

Ash Wednesday is on March 5th, 2025



Ashes will be distributed at 9:15am Mass & 7:00pm Mass
Holy Hour at 5:30pm on **First Friday March 7th**
followed by **The Stations of the Cross** at 6:30pm
Mass at 7:00pm.

Lenten Retreat

Led by Bishop Emeritus: John Corriveau
Wed. April 9th Thu. April 10th Fri. April 11th (7:30-8:30pm)
Friday, April 11th – 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 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 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:

Eiphne Kinsella†, Stanley Noronha†,
Patrick O’Keeffe†, Sister Anna Chan†,
Raymond Pereira†

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Weekend February 23, 2025**

Weekly: \$5,082.05

**Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$77,383.83**

**Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$96,947.25**

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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