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**He is Risen!**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia**

# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



## Mass Intentions Of the Week



### EASTER SUNDAY, April 20<sup>th</sup>

9:30am – Pro Populo

11:30am – MASS

### Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

**NO MASS**

### Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

7:00pm – Ian Macedo†, Mike Kearns†, Mary Burton†, Trevor Rodericks†

### Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

9:15am – Francis Vincent†, Raymond Pereira†

### THURSDAY, April 24<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm – Giuseppe Cirillo†  
Steve Zorec† Birthday blessings for Ben Chinnery & Clifford Nigli

### FRIDAY, April 25<sup>th</sup>

8:00am – Ronnie Fernandes†

### SATURDAY, April 26<sup>th</sup>

9:15am – Clarissa Pinto†, Frank Policelli†  
5:00pm – Manuel Estrella Alves†



### SATB Choir Practice

7:30pm every Monday

### Folk Choir Practice

7:30pm every Wednesday

**Sunday Coffee** - after 9:30am Mass

**Bible study every Friday from 7:30pm-8:30pm.** It will be in the church 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 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: Acts 10: 34. 37-43;

Col 3:1-4; Mk 16:1-7

Easter means that God is on a collision course with injustice, with violence, with exploitation. God is against the betrayal of Judas, the denial of Peter and the complicity and corruption of power in Pilate and Herod. He is against Jesus being beaten in jail. He is against the politically correct judgment of Pilate who initially judged Jesus innocent of a capital offense.

The Easter story is basically a story of where God stands and that stand is clear in the resurrection. He raises up Jesus who told us to turn the other cheek. To go the extra mile, if someone asks for your shirt, give them your coat. He told us one should go first and be reconciled with your brother or sister.

Then come and offer your gifts at the altar. He told us do not return evil for evil but cry out with Him on the cross. "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do." He said feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty and always remember it profits you nothing to gain the whole world then lose your soul. This Jesus way of life the Father raises up.

In other words, Easter is beyond its tremendous mystery; is a statement. A divine statement of divine values. Well, I did not preach about Easter bunnies and butterflies. They are nice and safe, more comfortable, more Disney. But the truth is that Easter Christianity is about deeper stuff. It is about life and death, right and wrong.

Easter is the day God announced His choice. By raising His Son from the dead and all that He stood for. Easter is the day God announced His choice, what is left is yours.

**Wishing you all A 'Joyous Easter'**

*Fr. Terry.*



## 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.**



April 20<sup>th</sup> – April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION

April 27<sup>th</sup> or May 4<sup>th</sup> 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



## 9-DAY DIVINE MERCY NOVENA & CHAPLET

### IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY 2025

Divine Mercy Prayer Group invites all to join in: 9 Day Divine Mercy Novena & Chaplet at 6:30pm. **April 18<sup>th</sup> (Good Friday) to April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

The Chaplet can be said anytime, but the Lord specifically asked that it be recited as a novena (St. Faustina Diary 1209).

*"My daughter, encourage souls to say the Chaplet which I have given to you. ... When hardened sinners say it, I will fill their souls with peace. And the hour of their death will be a happy one..."* (St. Faustina Diary 1541).

### NOVENA SCHEDULE

**DAY 1 – GOOD FRIDAY** April 18 - After 3pm Service

**DAY 2 – HOLY SATURDAY** April 19 – After 7:30pm Mass

**DAY 3 – EASTER SUNDAY** April 20 – After 11:30am Mass

**DAY 4 – MONDAY** April 21 – PERSONAL

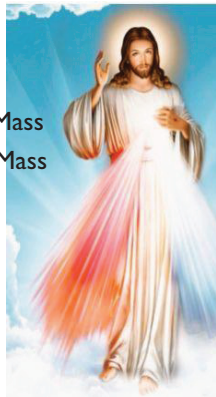
**DAY 5 – TUESDAY** April 22 – After 7pm Mass

**DAY 6 – WEDNESDAY** April 23 – After 9:15am Mass

**DAY 7 – THURSDAY** April 24 – After 7pm Mass

**DAY 8 – FRIDAY** April 25 – After 8am Mass

**DAY 9 – SATURDAY** April 26 – After 9:15am Mass



### FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY Sunday, April 27, 2025 at

**11.30am** Following Feast Mass, there will be a Reception in the Parish hall.

Finger Food will be appreciated. **THANK YOU. ALL ARE WELCOME!**



### UPCOMING SESSIONS AND SCHEDULE:

This Lenten series helps us imagine that what Jesus puts after "I AM" in the Gospel of John shapes our reality.

**April 26<sup>th</sup>** - I am the resurrection and the life



**Meetings: Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30pm**  
**in the Church hall.**

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

## 2025 ACTS SPRING RETREATS

"Come and renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and to apply it to your daily life." The retreat focuses on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service.

**Women's Retreat – May 22 – 25, 2025**

**Men's Retreat – June 19 - 22, 2025**

The retreat will take place at the Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre -  
1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga, ON



**NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE 2025** takes place  
in Ottawa on Thursday, May 8th.

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on Parliament Hill to defend life in all its stages, from  
conception until natural death. Details to follow.

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DATE!

## 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:**

Joy Mary Grace Robinson†,  
Katie Jurkovic†, Stephenie Breznik†,  
Kim Brown† Sister Anna Chan†,  
Luisa Violo†, Fabio Tintinaglia†

### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION** **Weekend April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Weekly: \$6,099.95**

**Cumulative Loan Repayment:**  
**\$81,503.25**

**Cumulative Capital Campaign:**  
**\$101,534.25**

*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  
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