

St. Dominic

Roman Catholic Church

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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



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions Of the Week



SUNDAY, April 27th

9:30am – Pro Populo

11:30am – In memory of John & Genoveva Martins, Jose Rocha & Carolina Lopes†, For the healing of Ann Stevenson

Monday, April 28th

NO MASS

Tuesday, April 29th

7:00pm – Luisa Violo†,

Fernanda & Virgilio Marinho†

Wednesday, April 30th

9:15am – Patricia Anne Thomas†, Dominico Donato†

THURSDAY, May 1st

7:00pm – Edmund Chinnery†

Tony Alves†, Oscar & Bernice Nigli†

FRIDAY, May 2nd

8:00am – Trevor Rodericks†, Beryl†

6:00pm – HOLY HOUR

7:00pm – Tony Schmid†

SATURDAY, May 3rd

9:15am – Zelia Soares†

5:00pm – In memory of Pope Francis†



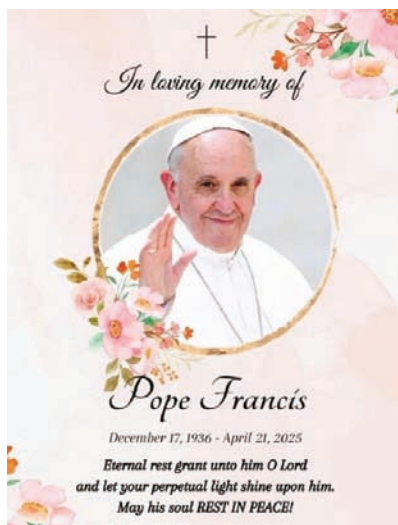
SATB Choir Practice

7:30pm every Monday

Folk Choir Practice

7:30pm every Wednesday

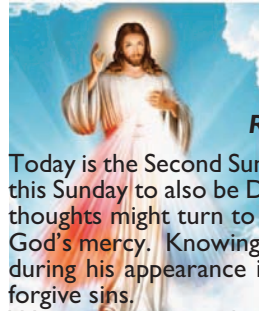
Sunday Coffee - after 9:30am Mass



REFLECTIONS

Readings: Acts 5:12-16

Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 John 20:9-13



Today is the Second Sunday of Easter. In the year 2000, Pope John Paul II designated this Sunday to also be Divine Mercy Sunday. When we hear the word “mercy”, our thoughts might turn to the forgiveness of sins. Forgiveness is an important part of God’s mercy. Knowing our need for forgiveness, Jesus first died for our sins. Then, during his appearance in the locked room, Jesus gave the Apostles the power to forgive sins.

We need mercy in the world today. Pope John Paul II knew this when he named this Sunday as Divine Mercy Sunday. Likewise, Pope Francis also understood the need for mercy today when he proclaimed a Jubilee Year of Mercy and Now Year of Hope. However, God’s mercy is not only about God’s forgiveness. At the core of the message of Divine Mercy that came through St. Faustina is that God loves us. Jesus died because God loves us. Jesus appeared to his disciples in the locked room out of mercy because He knew they were confused and did not understand what had happened. A week later, Jesus appeared again when Thomas was in the room. Jesus knew Thomas did not believe what the other disciples told him about Jesus’ appearance. Jesus appeared to Thomas not to condemn him but to help him believe. Jesus appeared to Thomas because of God’s Divine Mercy.

Jesus greeted his disciples with “Peace be with you.” This “peace” is what we seek. It is not simply the absence of war and violence. No, the peace that Jesus offers is a deep peace. As part of his message of Divine Mercy to St. Faustina, Jesus told her, “Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy.”

We give thanks that “his mercy endures forever” whether it be his forgiveness, his compassion for our physical needs, or his help spiritually, we “give thanks to the Lord for he is good.” God is always merciful. Our experience of Divine Mercy begins in Baptism. It continues always. Knowing of God’s Divine Mercy, we can pray the words found on the image of Divine Mercy, “Jesus, I trust in you.”

We, Entrust Our beloved Pope Francis into the hands of Merciful Father and pray for his noble soul. May the Good Lord grant him eternal reward.

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 27th – May 3rd, 2025

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION

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



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

Join thousands of pro lifers from across the nation on Parliament Hill to defend life in all its stages, from conception until natural death. Details to follow.

SAVE THE DATE!



Meetings: Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30pm
in the Church hall.
May 20th & June 24th

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



A Day With Mary

Online registration is now open for A Day With Mary taking place May 31 at Villanova College in King City.

During this Jubilee Holy Year, spend a day with our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Hope and deepen your devotion to her through a keynote address by Dr. Josephine Lombardi, a number of inspiring witnesses and Holy Mass presided over by His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo. This family-friendly event will have music, food, fellowship, children's catechesis and activities – something for everyone. For more information and to register, visit archtoronto.org/mary

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:



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.

LIFE-GIVING WOUNDS

A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated Parents.

The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love. The next retreat will be from Friday, May 16 at 6 p.m. to Sunday, May 18 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough). Must be 18 or older to attend. Cost: \$340 per person (\$200 for students), which includes meals, lodging and retreat material. Limited subsidies are available if cost is a concern. Please contact lgwtoronto@proton.me. For university/college students, contact your campus minister for more information. Space is limited. To register, visit: <https://bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat-Register2025>.

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.

NO Tai Chi on April 29th 2025 (EVERY TUESDAY) IN MAY

10:30am-11:30am for all ages

NO YANG Style 88 classes until June 3rd, 2025

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 Robinson†, Deadato Vierra†
Luisa Violo†, Fabio Tintinaglia†
Sister Anna Chan†

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekend April 20th, 2025

Weekly: \$11,007.90

Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$81,683.25

Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$101,909.25

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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