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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

Ministers of Welcome Gary MacDonald Pastoral Council Fr. Terence Dias

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



MAY IS A MONTH DEVOTED TO BLESSED VIRGIN MARY-ROSARY WILL BE PRAYERD BEFORE MASS

SUNDAY, May 11th

9:30am – Pro Populo I I:30am-Joe Teixeira & Bernandete Pereira합, Jose Rocha합, Anna Kujawski합

Monday, May 12th NO MASS

Tuesday, May 13th 6:30pm - ROSARY 7:00pm - Steve Zorec[⊕]

Wednesday, May 14th 8:45am - ROSARY

9:15am-Forgotten & abandoned souls in purgatory

THURSDAY, May 15th 6:30pm - ROSARY

7:00pm – For the soul of Tony Alves and all the deceased members of the family

FRIDAY, May 16th 7:30am - ROSARY 8:00am - Available

SATURDAY, May 17th 8:45am - ROSARY

9:15am - Gabriela Cabral 합

5:00pm – Cathal Boyd합, Patrick Comac합

Helena & Zygmunt Cybulko⊕

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:





REFLECTIONS



Readings: Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52 Revelation 7:9, 14b-17 John 10:27-30

The first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, shows the early followers of Jesus willing to sacrifice and even suffer for the Lord. These followers feel the need to proclaim the presence of Jesus and His Resurrection. They feel a need to give witness to the power of Jesus at work in their lives. We modern Christian rarely feel that need and urge to give witness. We are a little uneasy about proclaiming that Jesus has risen and we are even more uneasy about giving personal testimony. The second reading, from the Book of Revelation, is on the same theme as the first reading: those who have offered their lives in witness to Jesus, to the Lamb of God. This reading gives witness to the multitude of martyrs in the early Church. These are women and men of every race, nation and people who were willing to give witness to the Resurrection and who paid for that witness with their lives.

The Gospel of John today also focuses on Jesus as Shepherd but also on Jesus being one with the Father. This is a powerful statement of Jesus. We must not water it down in any way. The Father and the Son are one. We must never take the road that so many take today of beginning to think that Jesus is just a good man, who had a special relationship with God and nothing more. No, with the early followers of Jesus we must proclaim: Jesus is Lord, Jesus is God, Jesus is Savior. This witness, even in our modern, accepting age, can bring us to martyrdom.

The promise of the Gospel today is that Jesus is with us and will be with us.

We are not speaking about Jesus as an historical figure, who did nice things and spoke nice words! No, we are speaking about Jesus, who is God, who is Savior and who is Lord of all. Jesus promises to be with us and so His promise in the Gospel today is true for us as it was true for His early followers: I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand.

Let us rejoice as we continue to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord.

He is our Lord and draws us to Himself. May we respond!



Fr. Terry.

NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS

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 (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.

May 11th - May 17th, 2025



WE ARE HONORING OUR BLESSED MOTHER BY PRAYING THE ROSARY

We will be praying the Rosary before the mass – Tuesday & Thursdays from 6:30-7:00pm, Wednesdays & Saturdays from 8:45am-9:15am & Fridays from 7:30am-8am. *All are welcome!*

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

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





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



PLEASE NOTE, NO YOUTH GROUP ON MAY 17TH FOR THE LONG WEEKEND AND ON MAY 24TH FOR THE CONFIRMATION RETREAT



MOVIE NIGHT

COME JOIN US IN THE CHURCH HALL ON FRIDAY MAY 23rd AT 7:30PM

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 info. Space is limited. To register, visit: https://bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat-Register2025.

ARCHDIOCESAN YEAR OF JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ROME WITH CARDINAL FRANK LEO – NOVEMBER 10 – 17, 2025

The Archdiocese of Toronto Jubilee 2025 Committee is organizing a week-long pilgrimage to Rome with Cardinal Frank Leo, taking place on November 10 – 17, 2025. The pilgrimage will include visits to Rome's major basilicas and Holy Door, daily Mass and a day trip to Assisi. Registration will take place online beginning Thursday, April 24 at 10:00 a.m. Space is limited. Details, and info about this prayerful journey to Rome, visit: https://bit.ly/ArchTORome2025.

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

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 (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:

Antonio Mancini먑, Joy Robinson얍, Deadato Vierra얍, Luisa Violo얍, Fabio Tintinaglia얍, Sister Anna Chanむ

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend May 4th, 2025

Weekly: \$3,795.85 Cumulative Loan Repayment: \$82,395.55 Cumulative Capital Campaign: \$102,565.25

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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