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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 18th

9:30am - Pro Populo

11:30am-Repose of the souls of Eugene & Melinda Weiler☆

Monday, May 19th **NO MASS**

Tuesday, May 20th 6:30pm - ROSARY

7:00pm – For the soul of Rosa & Luis Geronimo and all deceased member of the family

Wednesday, May 21st 8:45am - ROSARY

9:15am-Available

THURSDAY, May 22nd 6:30pm - ROSARY

7:00pm - Berta Cabral ₽

FRIDAY, May 23rd 7:30am - ROSARY

8:00am - Available

SATURDAY, May 24th 8:45am - ROSARY

9:15am - Available

5:00pm – Jadwiga & Stanislaw Swierzewski 中, Manuel De Barros 中

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 14:21-27 Revelation 21:1-5; John 13:31-35

An essential part of being a follower of Jesus Christ is a willingness to love. How many times have we heard with our ears and our hearts the words in today's Gospel passage, "I give you a new commandment: love one another. Such as my love has been for you, so must your love be for each other.'

The call to each of us is to imitate Christ day by day. It is not always easy to know just what to do in given circumstances of life, let alone have the courage and strength to put into practice what we sense we are called to do. But we are promised the abiding presence of God's Holy Spirit, alive and active in the Church, in her Sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist, and in our lives, assisting us in our struggle to do good.

Looking more closely at the scripture readings assigned to the fifth Sunday in Eastertide, we first of all see the realism of Saints Paul and Barnabas in their missionary activity, taking to heart the words of the Lord, "anyone who wishes to come after me must take up his cross." As Christ had to die and so enter into his glory, so also every follower of Christ.

Suffering, in all its unattractiveness, is part and parcel of the Christian vocation. Tribulation leads to the kingdom and by our suffering we also become partakers in the glory which Christ won for us by the shedding of his blood. This was the experience of Paul and Barnabas as well and meant to be ours too.

The reading from the Book of Revelation, the second lesson for this Sunday's Mass, speaks of Christ as Lord of the universe ordaining the course of history toward the final victory of, "a new heaven and a new earth." This means a new creation which will last for ever, a life of endless fellowship with God, an end to all sorrow and finding unbounded joy in God's presence. This takes place with the fellowship of believers, in communion with all the angels and saints of God.

In the meantime, we disciples are to carry on Christ's messianic love. We must show to those entrusted to us by God, that is, everyone with whom we live and meet, a love extended to the sacrifice of our own good and life. As disciples in the service of Christ, we are called to never give up doing good, for the spread of God's Kingdom on earth. This is the consequence of the Sacrament of Baptism that we have received as infants or at some other stage in our life, that invisible but indelible belonging to God and God to us. May the Lord enlighten our minds and hearts to be on fire for the things of God, today and always.



Fr. Terry.

NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGN

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 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 18th - May 24th, 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 27th & June 24th





PLEASE NOTE, NO YOUTH GROUP ON MAY 24TH FOR THE CONFIRMATION RETREAT



MOVIE NIGHT

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

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

Enjoy fellowship with families from across the Archdiocese of Toronto at this outdoor gathering on **Saturday May 31, 2025** from 10am to 4pm at Villanova College in King City. Join for a Mass with Frank Cardinal Leo, grow deeper in devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address with Dr. Josephine Lombardi. Draw closer to Mother Mary in praying the rosary together.

For registration and bus details contact: Angela-647-998-5183 or Charmaine at 647-226-3046. Transportation cost - \$25 per person.

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.

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 Mancini[†], Joy Robinson[†], Deadato Vierra[‡], Luisa Violo[‡], Fabio Tintinaglia[‡], Sister Anna Chan[‡]

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend May 11th, 2025

Weekly: \$4,158.53
Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$83,147.95
Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$103,260.25

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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