

# St. Dominic

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](http://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

Doris Zammit & Fatima Amaral  
Gia and Gerson D'souza  
Fr. Terence Dias  
Diana Padzik  
Bridie Boyd, Rea Santaguida &  
Isabel DeFilippis  
Michelle Gal-Chalmers  
Fr. Terence Dias  
Wray Carvelas, Ryle Gonsalves,  
Anne Scott, Jennifer Varnam &  
Leandro Gonsalves  
Zeena Silvester  
Michael Spadafora & Sergio Iavicoli  
Gary McDonald  
Christine van Driel  
Fiona Pereira  
Daniel D'Amario  
Anastasia Marcella  
Virginia Ittig-Deland  
Gary MacDonald  
Fr. Terence Dias  
Silvio Fernandes & Bruno Bajic  
  
Fr. Terence Dias  
Margaret Ramsay  
Ryle & Leandro Gonsalves  
Bianca & Daniella Almeida,  
Ryan Hermetz & Eva Pacheco Petit



## TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Mass Intentions Of the Week



#### Sunday, Sept 7<sup>th</sup>

9:30am – Pro Populo

11:30am – Marie Vincent

Helen Darmody ☩, Peter Dito ☩

#### Monday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup>

**NO MASS**

#### Tuesday, Sept 9<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm – For the soul of Tony Alves & intentions of his wife & family

#### Wednesday, Sept 10<sup>th</sup>

9:15am – Pope Francis ☩, Terry Francis ☩

#### Thursday, Sept 11<sup>th</sup>

7pm – Gerard Bradley ☩

#### Friday, Sept 12<sup>th</sup>

8:00am – Prayers for the health of Margaret Grant

#### Saturday, Sept 13<sup>th</sup>

9:15am – Lucinda & John Reis ☩

5:00pm – Forgotten & abandoned Souls in Purgatory

**WELCOME**

To all our Ministries  
As they start  
after the  
Summer Break

#### SATB Choir Practice

7:30pm every Monday

#### Folk Choir Practice

7:30pm every Wednesday

**Sunday Coffee** - 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: Wisdom 9:13-18b Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Luke 14:25-33

With the first reading, perhaps we can pray for the gift of wisdom and the gift of the Holy Spirit to be in our personal lives and in our Christian and Catholic communities. We can never take such gifts for granted. Each day we can ask God to give us these gifts and to guide our lives. The Gospel is also a wisdom teaching today. The Gospel teaches us about our relationships with the material goods of this world. We need to know how to renounce such goods. We need also to renounce our families. And finally, we must learn how to carry our cross each day.

These teachings of Jesus sometimes make us squirm! All of us like to have worldly goods. We want to have homes and possessions. We even believe that we should have enough to pass on to our children or to others. Jesus does not insist that all of a sudden we give away everything that we own. Renouncing something means that we must take a different relationship to it. We must not think of earthly goods as our possessions, but rather as gifts of God for us to use for our benefit and the benefit of others. We are usually quite happy to use earthly goods for our own benefit! We are not always so happy to use our earthly goods for the benefit of others, especially if those others are not family or friends! The Gospel invites us to change our attitudes. We must learn how to love everyone, especially our enemies.

In order to do this, we must also renounce our families. That means that we must take a different relationship to our families. We must still love them—there is no doubt about that. But we must love them objectively and clearly. We are not allowed to have simply a blind relationship of commitment to our families. On the other hand, how foolish it would be if we were loving everyone else and treating our families like enemies! Jesus invites to look at our relationships to money, to earthly goods and to family today. All of this can be seen in the invitation to us to take up our cross and follow Him. This is the most important invitation of today's readings: follow Jesus.

Let us ask that our hearts might become free from all attachments that keep us from following Christ. May God's Holy Spirit give us wisdom in every situation so that we may understand God's holy will and do that will with joy and generosity.

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### NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS

*Fr. Terry*

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.**

September 7<sup>th</sup> – September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION REGISTRATION 2025

Our Sacramental Program is returning to in-person learning!  
**Preparation for First Communion and First Reconciliation**  
will begin in **October**. More information will be posted soon.



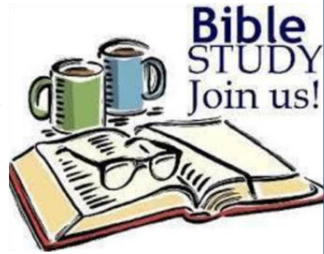
## CONFIRMATION

Our Sacrament of Confirmation Program is a **six-week on-line program** designed for candidates and parents to attend together. More information will be posted soon.

**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.**



**FEAST DAY BBQ** We're so happy to announce that, thanks to your amazing support, we raised a total of **\$9,100** for our parish!

**330 Tickets Sold** – bringing in **\$6,600**      **Raffle Sales: \$1,295**  
**T-Shirt Sales: \$40**      **Rosary Sales: \$60**      **Bake Sale: \$635**  
**Ice Cream Sales: \$100**      **Donations: \$370**

**And here's the most amazing part: Every single item — food, drinks, supplies, and prizes — was lovingly donated!**

The energy, the turnout, and the spirit of giving truly reflected the strength and unity of our St. Dominic's community. What a blessing! and it's all because of YOU. Whether you bought a ticket, baked a cake, volunteered your time, or simply showed up with a smile, **you made this day special**. Thank you for being part of this beautiful community. May St. Dominic continue to intercede for us, and may God bless each of you for your generosity and love.

**Thank you!**

**– St. Dominic's Parish Team**



## Foods of the World

**Dinner & Dance**

**ST. DOMINIC'S CHURCH**  
625 Atwater Avenue, Mississauga

**Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
6:30pm in the Parish Hall

**Buffet Dinner featuring foods from around the world, prepared by your fellow parishioners!**

**Tickets on Sale NOW**

Weekdays at the parish office or after all Masses starting September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025

- Adult: \$35
- Youth 6-13 years old: \$20.00
- Children 5 and under FREE

### Call for Volunteers:

- We need more cooks! Do you have a favourite ethnic dish to share? Contact us!
- Kitchen helpers, dessert bakers, and ticket sellers are also required.

Contact Zeena: [zsilvester@archtoronto.org](mailto:zsilvester@archtoronto.org) or 905-278-7762 to sign up

Proceeds will go towards Capital Campaign and Loan Repayment



## JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

**The Public Rosary Rally is on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 noon**  
The gathering will take place at:  
**THE CELEBRATION SQUARE**  
301 Burnhamthorpe Road West  
Mississauga

## MEN & WOMEN SILENT RETREAT

**Called to love as God Loves**  
Friday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm to Sunday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> at 1pm  
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre –  
Pickering REGISTER: Via email at  
[manresaregistration@outlook.com](mailto:manresaregistration@outlook.com) or  
Call 905-839-2864

## 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 11:30am - 12:30pm**

## RCIA

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:

Virginia Jeannie Ittig†  
Vincent Poon†, Filippo Falcone†  
Michael Rahal†  
Mauro Maoloni†



## OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025

**Weekly: \$3,857.10**

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](mailto:stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org)



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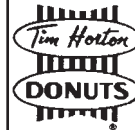
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