

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

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 14th

9:30am – Pro Populo

11:30am – Bernadete Pereira †,
Joe Teixeira †, Andrew Tkaczuk †,
Wieslaw Badzioch †

Monday, Sept 15th NO MASS

Tuesday, Sept 16th

7:00pm – All the deceased members of
the Breznik, Gorse & Jurkovic families

Wednesday, Sept 17th

9:15am – Prayers & blessings for
Mrs. Philomena Carvallo

Thursday, Sept 18th

7pm – Dr. Edward Ryan †
Daphne Lobo †

Friday, Sept 19th

8:00am – Prayers for Michael & Mary
Boyd, Lena Duffy †

Saturday, Sept 20th

9:15am – Gabriela Cabral †
5:00pm – Alice Nowacin †,
Stephen Mus † & all the deceased
family members,
Bernadette Oliveria †,
Humberto Furtado †, David Furtado †



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: Numbers 21.4-9 Philippians 2.6-11 John 3.13-17

Exaltation of the Cross The cross was a form of death penalty, a punishment for criminals, rebels and others. Yes, the cross becomes a failure, a piece of wood, for many Jews a symbol of shame and disgrace, and meaningless but with Christ on it, the cross becomes meaningful and salvation because he saves us from shame and disgrace of sins.

In our daily living, we always identify the Cross with our problems, trials, difficulties and others. Yes, we cannot deny that we have crosses in our lives, but God gives them to us because we can carry them.

Just like this story of a man who complained long and loud to the Lord that the cross he had to carry was too heavy. "Come with me," said the Lord as he took the man to the shop where crosses were made. Here were piled crosses of every shape and size. With an amused smile, the Lord said: "Just you shop around and if you see one you like, take it along." So, the man entered the door, set his cross against the wall and rubbed his hands in glee and chuckled to himself: "This is the chance of a lifetime, something I have been waiting for. If I've got to carry a cross anyway, I might as well get one that's not too much of a burden, one that fits me personally."

So, he tried this one and that and none suited him. One was too long and bumped along on the ground. Another was too short and tripped him. One was too light and swayed in the wind. Another was too heavy and cut into his shoulders. Almost ready to despair, he spied one leaning against the wall. He tried it on for size, walked around with it and then turned to the Lord with a smile and said: "This is it. This is the one I have been looking for. I'll take it."

So out the door they went and the Lord turn to the cross bearer and said with a smile: "I'm glad you like that one; it's the one you brought in."

But one thing is sure about the cross, Jesus embraced the cross for our sake and made it a victory; it is our salvation.



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.**

September 14th – September 20th, 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.

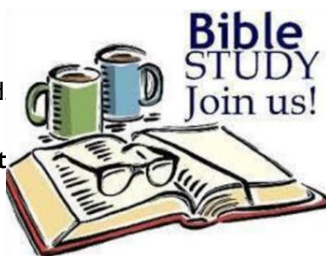


CONFIRMATION

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

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Saturday, September 27th, 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 6th, 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 or 905-278-7762 to sign up

Proceeds will go towards Capital Campaign and Loan Repayment

MEN & WOMEN SILENT RETREAT

Called to love as God Loves

Friday, Sept. 19th at 6:30pm to Sunday, Sept. 21st at 1pm
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre –
Pickering **REGISTER:** Via email at
manresaregistration@outlook.com or
Call 905-839-2864



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HOPE**

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

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 September 7th, 2025

Weekly: \$4,936.07

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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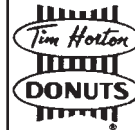
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