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## Roman Catholic Church

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#### **PARISH STAFF**

Fr. Terence Dias - Pastor

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#### **OUR LITURGICAL LIFE**

**Sunday Eucharist** 

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:30am, I I: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

(Folk Choir) Anastasia Marcella
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

of Adults)

ShareLife Fr. Terence Dias
St. Vincent de Paul Margaret Ramsay

Youth Ministry Ryle & Leandro Gonsalves
Bianca & Daniella Almeida,

Ryan Hermetz & Eva Pacheco Petit





#### TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions Of the Week



Sunday, Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 9:30am – Pro Populo 11:30am – Judith (Susy) Pelaez⊕

Monday, Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> NO MASS

#### Tuesday, Sept 23rd

7:00pm – Birthday blessings for MaryAnn Nigli, Wedding anniversary blessings for Clifford & Judithanne, Prayers for healing of Josie D'Souza

#### Wednesday, Sept 24th

9:15am - Franca Metcalfe 中

#### Thursday, Sept 25th

7pm – For the soul of Tony Alves & all deceased members of the Family Jean Paul Bourgon⊕

Friday, Sept 26th

8:00am - Vincent Poon 한

#### Saturday, Sept 27th

9:15am – Prayers & intention of Maria DePaiva & her family 5:00pm – Alex Farrell &, Errol O'Brien &, Evangeline Adbul-Karim & Anthony Woods &



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: Amos 8.4-7 | Timothy 2.1-7 | Luke | 16.1-13

The first reading, from the Prophet Amos, describes those who actively plot to defraud others. Probably if we are listening to this homily, we are not people who actively work to defraud others. If we are, we are invited to change our ways! If we are not, then we need to look more deeply at our attitudes towards others.

The second reading is rarely related to the theme that is put before us in the first reading and the Gospel. Today, however, we can recognize that only in prayer will I come to live fully this mystery of Christ present in every other person. In prayer I must ask for the Holy Spirit to illumine my mind and my heart so that I can live these deepest mysteries of faith with fidelity.

The Gospel gives us the story of the steward who was cheating. When his master fires him from his job, he gets together with others who are also willing to cheat his master and they all take advantage of the master. Then the steward is able to go and work with these other cheaters. Of course, we know that they could never trust one another, but they now have a bond because they have conspired together in their cheating.

This illustrates what we often experience: if I tell one lie, then I have to begin to tell a whole string of lies because of the first one that I told. Cheating is the same kind of reality. It begins to create its own way of living and it is not good for anyone. Yet it brings a momentary gain.

So often we are invited by our Lord Jesus to have wisdom in the way we live. Wisdom is about recognizing the effects of the choices that we make and the actions that we perform each day. Jesus can see in the steward of today's Gospel story a cunning about living. That cunning will help the steward in the short run. Jesus wants us to have that same cunning with regard to spiritual reality: we need to recognize what will truly help us live and then have the courage to do it.

Let us pray today for this gift of spiritual wisdom. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to show us the way to life!



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 (<a href="https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org">https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org</a>). 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.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION REGISTRATION 2025

First Holy communion Info session for parents is on Monday September 29 at 7pm. All the parents must attend. Registration forms will be provided on the same day.



**Our Confirmation Program is** an 8-week interactive program for candidates and parents

to grow in faith as they prepare to receive the Holy Spirit. 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.



#### PARKING LOT PROJECT UPDATE

Dear Parishioners, we would like to inform you that as you are aware and see that in the church parking lot area some Masonry work is in progress this is in preparation for the upcoming repaving of the parking lot project. We seek your cooperation and support until we complete the project.

Thank you and appreciate all your help and patience. **INSTALLATION OF NEW PARKING LOT POLE LIGHTS** 

Please note that we have installed new parking lot lights on September 12, 2025. Since the old ones had dimmed out. Thank you for your support.



## FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. Learn: How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of

Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection, How to create your own legacy & About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals. Scan the red QR code or send an email to: <a href="Development@ArchToronto.org">Development@ArchToronto.org</a> and write "webinar September 27" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message or with the QR link: <a href="qrco.de/WebSept27">qrco.de/WebSept27</a>



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

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

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

Proceeds will go towards Capital Campaign and Loan Repayment

In preparation for the **Rosary** Rally, we are inviting the faithful who are interested in being the part of the organizing committee to please join us at the planning committee meeting on Tuesday September 30th, 2025 at 7.30pm in the St. Dominic's Parish Hall



**IUBILEE** YEAR OF **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 I-3pm in the Church Hall Refreshments are provided.

FOR all ages from 10:30am -11:30am Yang Style Tai Chi 11:30pm -12:30pm

Tai Chi class Every Tuesday!

#### **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: Willem Langelaan<sup>†</sup>

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** Weekend September 14th, 2025

Weekly: \$3,979.45 **Cumulative Loan Repayment:** \$87,780.10 **Cumulative Capital Campaign:** \$110,899.25

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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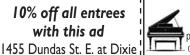
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