St. Dominic

Roman Catholic Church

A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

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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 lavicoli

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 NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions Of the Week



Sunday, Oct 19th

9:30am – Pro Populo 11:30am – Clara Ostoma⊕

Monday, Oct 20th NO MASS

Tuesday, Oct 21st

7:00pm – John Catarino ₽

Wednesday, Oct 22nd

9:15am – Forgotten & abandoned souls in Purgatory, Jane Jelinek⊕

Thursday, Oct 23rd

7pm – Aires & Odette Canario¹, Tina & Gus Gelowitz¹

Friday, Oct 24th

8:00am - Birthday blessings & prayers for Bianca & Daniella

Saturday, Oct 25th

9:15am – Zelia Soares む 5:00pm – Carmela Attanasio む



SATB Choir Practice 7:30pm every Monday Folk Choir Practice

7:30pm every Wednesday Sunday Coffee - after 9:30am Mass



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: Exodus 17:8-13 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 Luke 18:1-8

The Book of Exodus has lots of stories of killing others who get in our way. This was fairly accepted manner of getting more territory, or accumulating wealth, of gaining power. We humans, even today, never seem totally comfortable just staying at home and not getting involved with others. As soon as we get involved with others, then the challenge of social ethics confronts us: how to relate to others. As Christians, the questions of relationships to others is guided by the teachings of Christ.

It is a long road from the Book of Exodus to the teachings of Christ. On the other hand, the teaching about prayer remains basically the same: prayer without becoming weary and learn to support one another in prayer. The challenge at times is to choose what to pray for. We are no longer free to choose to pray for harm to our enemies. We can pray that God help us find a way to live in peace and harmony with our enemies. The image of Moses holding his hands up in prayer and then becoming weak is a striking image. Only with the help of two others is he able to continue in prayer. We can recognize that having others pray with us, supporting us in prayer, can make an enormous difference in our praying. Praying aloud in the presence of others and inviting them to pray with us can be a very humbling experience.

The Gospel of Luke gives us the image of a widow insisting with an unjust judge that he must give a just decision for her. Perhaps we also think of an old widow, an old woman, but the image simply refers to a widow. However old she is, she has learned to insist on what is right and just. Most of us give up far too easily when we ask for things from others. We accept a negative answer and believe that we can do nothing more. In prayer, if God does not give us what we are asking for almost immediately, we presume that His answer is "no" or that God simply does not care.

If we look at the history of prayers, the history of saints who pray, we find that many saints prayed for decades before finally being given what they had prayed for. Even though today's Gospel insists that God will be quicker than the unjust judge, we also know that if we continue to ask for something, God continues to listen. Today let us renew our commitment to pray, to pray without getting weary and pray, supporting one another in prayer. We can form wonderful human communities based on prayer and love. Let us pray!





NEW FUNDING CAMPAIGNS

We like to thank the parish for patiently waiting for an update on our campaigns especially the capital campaign for our parking lot resurfacing. There was a lot of work behind the scenes. We had to get approval from the Archdiocese for several steps through the project. The Archdiocese insisted we hire an engineering firm for overseeing the project to make ensure the quality of work being performed. We had to go through a vendor selection process for an engineering firm. Once they were selected and approved the engineering firm had to approve the scope of the project and a budget and go through another vendor selection process for the company to do the paving. The engineering firm recommended that additional masonry work had to be done so that the parking lot asphalt didn't touch the brick of the building which would lead to deterioration of the building brickwork.

The contactor selected to do the paving quoted \$229,000. The masonry work was \$45,000 and the engineering firm was \$15,000 for a total cost of \$289,000. We have raised \$133,000 for the capital campaign. The Parish had previously raised \$56,000 from the Family of Faith campaign for a total of \$189,000. This means that we will have to borrow an additional \$100,000 from the Archdiocese to fund the project.

For the loan repayment we have raised \$127,000 of the \$200,000 goal or 63% of our goal. That means we can raise another \$73,000 that will be matched by the Archdiocese. The focus on the upcoming year is to repay the loan and take advantage of the matching program.

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 as well as the donation boxes. We also 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 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.

YOUTH CORNER:

We're Back! St. Dominic's Youth Kicks Off in October. We hope you all had an awesome summer and that back-to-school has been treating you well so far. We've got some exciting news... St. Dominic's Youth Group is BACK this October 18th at 3:30pm! After the summer break, we can't wait to hang out again, catch up, play games, and dive into some fun + faith together. Our kickoff will be October at St. Dominic's church. Bring a friend, bring your energy, and get ready for a great year ahead.

Stay tuned for more details soon—but for now, mark your calendar and spread the word. We can't wait to see you in October!

-Your St. Dominic's Youth Team

Lay Pastoral Visitors Formation Training

The annual archdiocesan training for Lay Pastoral Visitors will be offered online on Wednesdays October 23, 30, November 6, 20, 27 & Dec 4, 2025 at 7 to 8:30pm. This program will prepare them to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend.

There is no cost to attend but registration is required-Register through https://www.archtoronto.org/en/our-community/programs-workshops/

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!

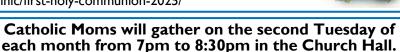
Please NOTE: There is NO Bible Study on First Friday of the month, you are encouraged to join the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION REGISTRATION 2025

Registration Deadline: Sunday October 31, 2025. Registration form & schedule are available online:

https://stdominicsmi.archtoronto.org/en/sacraments-at-st-dominic/first-holy-communion-2025/





November 11th, December 16th, 2025 January 13th, February 17th, March 17th, April 14th, May 12th & June 16th, 2026



BREATHING SPACE – CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is again offering "Breathing Space" an online 6-week support group to learn skills, develop coping strategies, and provide resources in a safe, welcoming, and non-judgmental environment. This workshop is delivered at NO COST. It will take place on Zoom from October 29-December 3, 2025 from 2:00-3:30pm (EST).

Email: csumaway@cfstoronto.com

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.

Tai Chi class Every Tuesday!

FOR all ages from 10:30am -11:30am

Yang Style Tai Chi 11:30pm -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

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:

Margaret Ryan⊕, Jeane Mattiusi⊕,

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend October 12th, 2025

Weekly: \$3,704.65
Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$128,150
Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$134,365

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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