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







Sunday, Oct 26th

Monday, Oct 27th NO MASS

Tuesday, Oct 28th

7:00pm - Andrew Langlois ₽

Wednesday, Oct 29th

9:15am – Michael Anthony Wellman∜ Jane Jelinek∜

Thursday, Oct 30th

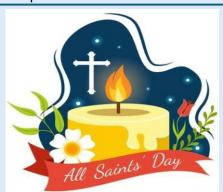
7pm – Prayers & blessings for Mary Guerin

Friday, Oct 31st

8:00am - Available

Saturday, Nov Ist

9:15am - ALL SAINTS DAY 5:00pm -



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: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

Jesus wants to teach us more about prayer today. The first reading, from Sirach, is very clear that the Lord is not partial to the weak. We need to hear that today when there is such an emphasis on the preferential option for the poor. Sirach is not against this preferential option that is surely present in much of the Scriptures but also wants us to be sure that we understand that God listens to everyone, rich and poor alike. The real challenge is to be among the lowly—those who know their reality in the face of God. We are all paupers when it comes to our relationship with God! The only important reality in life is to relate to God, to continue to speak with God Day and night, to insist that God be present in our lives and transform us as He wants to do.

Yes, we have to admit that often the poor of this world cry out to God with intensity more than those who are wealthy and find no need of God. We have to admit that our western, so-called "developed" nations, have by and large lost any interest in God. God has really become, in the western countries, a useless concept for most people. It looks indeed, for many, as if God is only a need of the poor and oppressed. The rest of us have money and power and food. Our Scriptures tells us over and over again that this way of thinking is an illusion. Yet the number of people who attend Church in the western "developed" countries continues to drop. We just don't need God.

We are not called to come to Church on Sunday and look down on those who no longer have faith. That would make us exactly like the Pharisee in today's Gospel from Luke! Instead, we should be asking the Lord to have mercy on us, to change our lives, to make us fully alive in Him so that others can see the presence of God once more active in our world.

It is not easy to live as a Christian today. It is not easy to tell others that we do believe in Jesus Christ and that He is our Savior when they ask us. Our first challenge is simply to deepen our own faith so that we do live every moment of every day aware of God's love, mercy and compassion. If we do that, then our faith soon becomes apparent to others, not in any offensive way, but simply as the whole energy of our lives.

We do not come to Church to be better than others. We come to Church because we believe and we are called to express our belief. Let us ask today that God will strengthen this faith within us and show us His way in our daily lives. To God be glory for every. Amen.



Fr. Terry.

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:

Youth Group is Back This November!
We're excited to keep the fun and faith going with Youth Group this month! Join us on November 1, 15, and 29 for games, friendship, and growing together in faith. © Grades 4–6: 3:00 PM © Grades 7–8: 4:00 PM. Bring a friend — everyone's welcome!

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.



SUNDAY MISSALS for 2026 have arrived. They are available at the Parish office on weekdays. The cost is \$6.00.

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/



Lay Pastoral Visitors Formation Training

The annual archdiocesan training for Lay Pastoral Visitors will be offered online on Wednesdays October 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/

Catholic Moms will gather on the second Tuesday of each month from 7pm to 8:30pm in the Church Hall.



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





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.

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 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 19th, 2025

Weekly: \$4,094.05
Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$128,930
Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$134,710

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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