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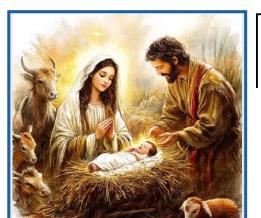
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### **PARISH STAFF**

Fr. Terence Dias - Pastor

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### Mass Intentions Of the Week

Sunday, Dec 21st

9:30am – Pro Populo I I:30am – Raffaella & Evaristo Bernardi학, Lazaro Gerawa Jr학

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

Tuesday, Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>

7:00pm - Esther Barrientos 합

Wednesday, Dec 24th

5:00pm - Children's Mass 7:00, 9:30pm & Midnight-12am

Thursday, Dec 25th CHRISTMAS

9:30am & 11:30am

FRIDAY, Dec 26<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, Dec 27th

9:15am – Available

5:00pm - Available

- ★ SATB Choir Practice
  7:30pm every Monday
- ★ Folk Choir Practice 7:30pm every Wednesday
- ★ Sunday Coffee
  Sunday after 9:30am Mass

### YOUTH MINISTRY

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#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Pastor's Corner

### **REFLECTIONS**



Readings: Is 7:10-14 Rom 1:1-7 Mt 1:18-24

The sign God revealed to us on this Sunday of Advent is highly significant. God's choice of the messiah was from the house of David. However, Mary's child belongs to all nations. So, we all form part of the nations. This is through God's love and invitation to share in Christ's heritage. Hence, Christ is coming for the sake of all of us.

In the first reading of this Sunday, God gave us the most significant and definitive signs about the Messiah: "A maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son whom she will call Emmanuel, which means God is with us!" It is important to note that this sign was given to king Ahaz only after he humbled himself by refusing to put God to the test.

Hence the lessons here include that we must allow God to be God without trying to preempt him. Second, we must learn to trust God's judgment and goodwill for us. Third, we need not run after signs anymore because God has given us the fullness of revelation in Jesus Christ. The fourth is that if we humble ourselves, God will reveal "the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ" (Eph 1:9).In the first reading of this Sunday, God gave us the most significant and definitive signs about the Messiah: "A maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son whom she will call Emmanuel, which means God is with us!" It is important to note that this sign was given to king Ahaz only after he humbled himself by refusing to put God to the test.

Finally, as we expect the coming of the Messiah, each of us must make himself available as a worthy instrument. We must be ready to cooperate with God as Mary and Joseph did so that the promises of God might be fulfilled through us. Also, we must allow ourselves to be instruments through which God could save humanity. So, in whatever capacity God calls us to participate in the economy of salvation, let us cooperate with him as Mary and Joseph did today.

ry Christmas Fr. Teny.



### CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Wednesday, Dec 24th
5, 7, 9:30pm & Midnight (12am) (5pm mass – Geared to Children)
Christmas Day Thursday, Dec 25th Mass: 9:30 & 11:30am
Boxing Day Friday, Dec 26th - NO MASS

New Year's Eve Mass Wednesday, Dec 31st - 5:00pm New Year Day Mass Thursday, Jan 1st 9:30am & 11:30am

Please NOTE: FIRST FRIDAY January 2<sup>nd</sup> – Holy Hour at 6pm & followed by Mass at 7pm (NO MORNING MASS)



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St Dominic's Parish wishes you all A Merry Christmas and A blessed grace filled New Year 2026. Thank you for all that you do for your parish to make it vibrant Faith community alive in Christ Jesus!

Thank you! Thank you!

## FRIARS STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2026 (NOVEMBER 3, 2025, TO JANUARY 12, 2026)

**Theme:** "The gifts he gave were for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." (cf. Eph 4:13)

High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to submit a 450–500-word essay and should consult the resources of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026 at <a href="https://bit.ly/WPCU2026">https://bit.ly/WPCU2026</a>. Entries can be submitted at:

https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward. For further information, please contact:ecumenicalandinterfaith@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 x. 527.

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### 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.



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



January 13th, February 17th, March 17th, April 14th, May 12th & June 16th, 2026

### 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:

Joanne O'Gorman McCaffrey v, Mary Okeeffe v, Jeane Mattiussi v, Ginette Lamontagne v, Thelma Dunn v, Leonie Attard v, Viola Manella v

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION Weekend December 14

Weekly: \$5,316.50
Cumulative Loan Repayment:
\$131,694.97
Cumulative Capital Campaign:
\$135,600

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 <a href="mailto:stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org">stdominicsmi@archtoronto.org</a>



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