



## Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter / Bulletin Solemnity of the MOST HOLY TRINITY – June 7, 2020

### PARISH LITURGIES

**June 8 - 14**

Father Ranjan continues to offer daily (private) Masses for individuals as requested of the parish office.

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| <b>Tuesday, June 9</b>    | +Felica Aranha   |
| <b>Wednesday, June 10</b> | +Patrick Smith   |
| <b>Thursday, June 11</b>  | +Theresa Clunies |
| <b>Friday, June 12</b>    | +John Delaney    |

### SOLEMNITY of the MOST HOLY BODY and BLOOD OF CHRIST CORPUS CHRISTI

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| <b>Saturday, June 13</b> | + Ron O'Donnell<br>+ Sandra Faire<br>+ Robert Gothreau<br>+ Daniel English |
| <b>Sunday, June 7</b>    | Intentions. of Parishioners  |

### When Will St Dominic Church Reopen?

Many faithful members of our parish have been asking me about the reopening of our Church for Masses. I know that many of us are tired of being isolated at home and not able to go for Mass and have communion in communion with the community. Since the Ontario government is planning to extend the lockdown until the end of June, right now, we will not be able to return to the church for public worship.

As Catholics, we are more than a small/individual community of St. Dominic. We are part of a larger church. Communion of smaller communities (parishes) make a diocese and communion of all the dioceses form a Universal Church community. We have access to the spiritual depths of a great church handed over to us for 2000 years. Millions of great saints, spiritual guru's, and holy people have left behind for us the abundance of information and tried methods of experiencing God in our daily lives.

Let us be part of this One, Holy, Apostolic and Catholic Church and make full use of some of its treasures for our spiritual wellbeing.

Rev. Ranjan D'Sa OCD, pastor



### **DID YOUR CHILDREN SAY SCIENCE CAN PUT AN END TO DEATH?**

A new book propounds a theory on the most profound question man has been confronted with: "Where have we come from and where are we going?" A prominent physicist, was sometime ago pushing his theory that this universe could have come about from nothing. And now a historian asserts in a very sanguine way, that science will put an end to death.

Would you be surprised if your son said to you: Science can put an end to death?

A new book, **Science and the God Elusion**, has sought to address these notions and challenge the modern atheist at the altar of science.

Robin Arthur, author of **SCIENCE AND THE GOD ELUSION** will host a series of four online discussions starting 13 June. Admission is free and you will receive a backgrounder document of the book's excerpts when you register.

**Contact: Robin Arthur at [robinarthur@hotmail.com](mailto:robinarthur@hotmail.com)  
Register online at Eventbrite**

The book can be purchased from Amazon.com, Barnes & Noble, Indigo and Lulu.com.  
Paperback: \$13.00 | Kindle \$2.12

### **Do you turn to science for proof of God?**

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**SCIENCE AND THE GOD ELUSION**  
will present four online discussions  
on the subject

**Saturdays, Starting 13 June, 11:00-11:45 (EST)  
Register for FREE on [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)**

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### A MINISTRY OF SERVICE



*"I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy:4-7*

I was too young to remember much about my birth. I do remember having strong Catholic parents who, despite my efforts to the contrary, tried to keep me on the right path. I was an altar server until I was

16 because of the example of some good priests. Well not really! I stayed because the "young priest" played hockey with us, and took the "older" servers to St. Augustine Seminary on Sunday afternoons. I loved those afternoons mostly because of the pool tables and the roast beef dinners! To this day I worship rare prime rib!

I attended Michael Power High School. Actually, "attended" is an exaggeration --- but I did play football and hockey. My education took a downturn when one of my teachers told my parents that I... "would never be fit to shovel snow". Probably...to his great surprise...I now own a snow blower!

To my surprise, and evidence of God's sense of humour I became a teacher! I hope that I was able to create an exciting learning experience for those students entrusted to me. Naturally I found my calling working with students identified as "Behavioural". I fit right in! I completed two Master's degrees at the University of Toronto; and enjoyed 34 years climbing the ladder with Toronto Catholic School Board. To my great pleasure I went back to teach in Toronto for an extra six years after my formal retirement --- 40 years total!

Thanks to three remarkable pastors at St. Matthews Parish in Oakville I found myself in the Permanent Diaconate Program --- and I was back enjoying prime rib at St. Augustine's for four years. There is a "final retreat" at the end of those four years, and that was when I had time to think about really being ordained --- in two weeks! Fr. Joe McCardle SJ convinced me to give it a shot. Thanks Fr Joe.

I was ordained June 10, 2006; and Joanne and I became a deacon couple. Joanne's degree in Social Work and her historical knowledge of Canada's Indigenous/white relations complemented my pastoral and educational background. At Saint Dominic, Joanne stepped in as Baptismal Preparation Coordinator after Jennie Trycz retired.



As a deacon couple, we served for 10 years at St. Matthews Parish in Oakville. During that period we spent four winters (Sept – May) in northern Saskatchewan, serving the Catholic Cree communities. Our pride was the eventual formation of the "Saint Kateri Faith Community" in Prince Albert.

Since then we have served one year in a Hamilton parish; and are now in our third year of service at St. Dominic Parish. My current ministries include serving the pastoral needs of residents living in Amica Seniors Residence. I am also "on call" at Oakville hospital. And finally, I volunteer with the John Howard Society where I support people with family members in the Penitentiary system. I offer support and counselling to people incarcerated in the Kingston area penitentiaries. Joanne and I currently reside in Mary Mother of God Parish. We have three grown children that we are incredibly proud of, and two amazing grandsons. We enjoy travel, time at our cottage, and cruising in our 67 Dodge convertible with our puppy, Tigger. – **Peace.**



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### PLEASE

### UPDATE YOUR BOOKMARKS

Our Saint Dominic parish website has moved to [saintdominic.ca](http://saintdominic.ca)

Please update your bookmarks.

Also note the new, correct office email address is [office@saintdominic.ca](mailto:office@saintdominic.ca)"

### FOOD DONATION BOX

Especially during this time of coronavirus lockdown, you are invited to bring non-perishable food for the needy. Because the church and office remain closed, please place your food donations on the steps inside the door of the Rectory Office.

Items required, baby foods, baby formula, canned fish, canned meats, pasta, sauces, soups, cereal. Thank you on behalf of those who will benefit.

## UPDATE – Order of the Holy Gardeners

Three parishioners have volunteered to adopt sections of the parish gardens. Thank you!  
**However, we still need MORE volunteers!**

Section 2 is vastly improved thanks to Helen Danko’s amazing weeding, trimming and beautification work. Check out the beautiful new floral urns at the church doors.

Olivia Kim and Helen Kosterman started on sections 1 and 3 Saturday. These are huge sections, additional helpers would be appreciated.

Sections 4 and 5 are still waiting for adoption. Please consider adopting a section or subsection of any of the above mentioned sections.

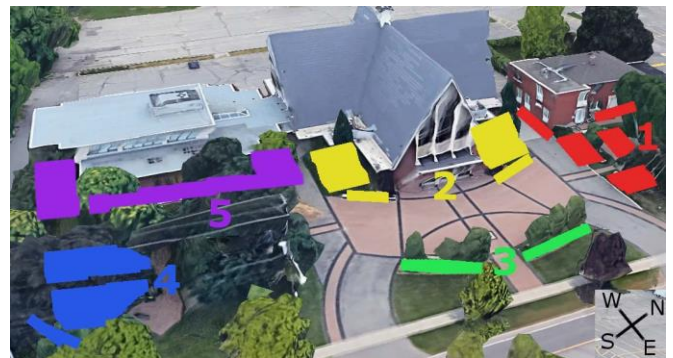


### VOCATIONS

“God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son...” How can you best serve God in a response to that love? If you think God may be calling you to the priesthood, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, June 8	Rev. Jiri Macenauer
Tuesday, June 9	Rev. Aurimas Rudinskas
Wednesday, June 10	School Sisters of Notre Dame
Thursday, June 11	Rev. Wallace Metcalf
Friday, June 12	Rev. Msgr. Theodore Slaman
Saturday, June 13	Rev. Bradley Markus



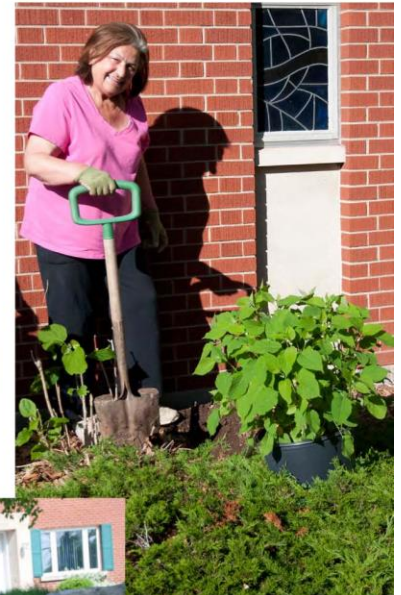
Parish Garden Sections.....for adoption:

1. **RED** – Rectory – front of church
2. **YELLOW** – Centre Front of church near doors – section has been adopted/completed
3. **GREEN** – Front of church near St. Dominic statue
4. **BLUE** – South Corner of property
5. **PURPLE** – Alongside Parish Centre

Section details and photos, see following page.



## Order of the Holy Gardeners – Beautifying Church Properties



More volunteers still needed. Enjoy the great outdoors, no social distancing worries – ***garden your section on your own schedule when it's cool.*** Please call or email the [office@saintdominic.ca](mailto:office@saintdominic.ca) with your preferred section and we will get back to you! Thank you for your help!

### 1. Rectory

- Rocky area alongside office + flower pot.
- Front of Rectory, South of steps & walkway, Fr. Roger memorial
- Front of Rectory, North of walkway, St. Francis statue
- Front of Rectory, South east of walkway, with grass, boulders.
- Front of Rectory, along house, near garage

### 3. Front of church, near Rebecca Street sidewalk

- South of St. Dominic statue; Both sides of low wall: apple trees, boxwood hedge
- East of St. Dominic statue; Both sides of low wall: apple trees, boxwood hedge

### 4. South corner of property, near monument to the Unborn

- South-east daylily bed, adjacent to the monument, in front of low wall, hedge
- North-west daylily bed, other side of walkway

### 5. Alongside Parish Centre, entrance driveway

- South-west bed near emergency exit in the corner
- South-east bed along parish hall, Rebecca Street side to magnolia tree/emergency double exit