



Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter / Bulletin FOURTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – July 5, 2020

SAINT DOMINIC PARISH LITURGIES

July 6 – July 12

Tuesday, July 7	+ Frank Evans
8:30 a.m.	
Wednesday, July 8	Int. Patricia DiCiommo
8:30 a.m.	
Thursday, July 9	+ Denise Carney
8:30 a.m.	
Friday, July 10	+ Savio Brittle
8:30 a.m.	

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Saturday, July 11	
4 – 4:30 p.m.	Reconciliation
5 p.m.	+ Manuel & Maria Silva + Jose & Maria Gomes Int. Maureen Barrett
Sunday, July 12	
9 a.m.	Intentions
11 a.m.	of Parishioners

Unable to come to the church? You are invited to participate in televised Masses on Salt and Light (each day at 6:30 am, 11:00 am, 3:00 pm, and 10:30 pm EST). Mass also online: <https://saltandlighttv.org/mass>. Vision TV broadcasts Mass on Sunday at 8:00 am.” Or, EWTN: <https://www.ewtn.com/tv>. (Sunday 8:00 am; Monday – Friday 8:00 am & 12:00 pm; Saturday 8:00 am & 9:30 am.)

Those who are elderly or whose immune system is compromised, and those who are hesitant to return to church at this time, please know that the obligation to participate at Sunday Mass is suspended until further notice.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, July 6	Rev. Venil D’Sousa
Tuesday, July 7	Rev. Melvin Pinto
Wednesday, July 8	Sisters of Social Service
Thursday, July 9	Rev. Naveed Arif
Friday, July 10	Rev. Lawrence Parent
Saturday, July 11	Rev. Francisco Cruz

Music Volunteers Needed

St. Dominic's needs volunteer cantors and accompanists to support our music ministry at the Saturday 5 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. Masses this summer. Please provide your name and contact details to the Parish Office and Pat Hood will contact you to discuss this opportunity.



St Dominic pandemic safety tips:

- Use hand sanitizer *before* entering the church.
- **Wear a face mask or face shield** to protect yourself and fellow parishioners. Masks are required in an increasing number of public, indoor stores. Health studies have demonstrated their effectiveness in curbing the spread of Covid-19. Yes, we know masks may feel confining, but wearing one shows “**you care**” about the safety and comfort of your fellow parishioners.
- Follow ushers’ seating directives – *fill Centre Sections first.*
- **Communion:** After the prayer “*Lord, I am not worthy*”, the Priest will say “*The Body of Christ.*” All respond *Amen.*
- Communion is distributed at the **Centre Front** and **Centre Back** aisles – one side of each half of the centre section at a time. Side sections are served separately. Follow usher directions, please.
- Communion is given in the hand only. Extend your hands out in front of your body. Place one hand open upon the other to receive the Body of Christ. Communion from the chalice will not take place.
- **After Mass dismissal, PLEASE remain in your pew.** Ushers will direct you to exit via the side aisles only: a) by section, b) by pew row through the East or Parish Centre doors.
- Please refrain from socializing in the church. If you wish to greet friends, do so outdoors with proper physical distancing.
- Parish Centre washrooms are closed.
- Collection baskets are available as you exit the church.

VOCATIONS

“You are in the spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you.” Is the Spirit leading you or someone you know to ministerial service? If God is calling you to the priesthood, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



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R.C.I.A.

As you know, Christian initiation of candidates usually celebrated during the Easter Vigil did not take place this year due to the coronavirus pandemic. Since last September, Saint Dominic parish has been blessed with a number of candidates

who met weekly with our R.C.I.A. team to prepare for initiation into the Roman Catholic faith community. Last Saturday during the 5 p.m. Mass, the first of these candidates was formally received into our faith, with a celebration of her Confirmation and First Communion. The remaining R.C.I.A. candidates will be received into the faith at a special, private Mass later this month.



Katie Schindell - confirmation and reception into the Catholic Faith, June 27. Below, Katie shares the story of her journey.

By Katie Schindell

I am happily married to Jeff (30 years) and live in Oakville. Together we have three daughters, Serena, Kaelyn and Marin. Currently I am working as a Psychiatric Nurse at the Mississauga Hospital. I've previously worked at some parachurch organizations such as Kerr Street Ministries and Yonge Street Mission.

Growing up, on Vancouver Island in a town called Comox I was baptized in the United Church of Canada. Later in my teens I explored a non-denominational Church and then moved to Vancouver to attend Nursing School. I guess you could say I was always searching for truth, and continuity asking questions and studying. After nursing school the Lord provided me with some beautiful Catholic friends and I began attending Mass with them. I was very drawn to the beauty, the reverence and mystery of the Catholic faith. I was about to enter RCIA at that time, but alas, I met my future husband and we became engaged and upon

our marriage I joined in the Baptist tradition to which he belonged. For the past 30 years we have both been involved with Baptist/Anabaptist Traditions.

Recently, however one of my daughters was interested in exploring Catholic faith, and so I began attending with her. I was quickly struck once again by the reverence, beauty and mystery of the Church, so much so that I enrolled in the RCIA last fall. Through the loving and wise guidance of the RCIA leaders (Brian, Martha, Lorna, Ewert, Lori, Bibiana & Fr. Ranjan) and community with other group members (Sheila, Tracy, Nicole, Doug, Henry, Clark) I became convinced that Christ left us with a deposit of sacraments and tradition that is all there for us: in the Catholic Church.



Katie Shares "7 Reasons" She Sought Confirmation

If I may, I'd like to share with you the seven reasons that I shared with my daughters, family and friends, as to why I seek confirmation in the Catholic Church, at my age!

1. Historically, by way of reading the Church Fathers, I believe the Catholic faith was given by our Lord, to the early Apostles. The early Church, the first Church, was Catholic! Who knew?!
 2. The Eucharist is celebrated at every Mass, and is at the center of our Christian faith. Christ gave Himself up for us, and we too are to offer ourselves sacrificially to Him. We are then to go out and live the Eucharistic life of love and sacrifice for others.
 3. The Mass is a beautiful expression of the past, present and future of God's Kingdom. All of this is found in and read from sacred scripture.
 4. The sacred music is timeless and for all generations.
 5. I love that the Mass is being said by millions of other Catholics, all over the world. I feel part of the One universal family, which is what I believe our Lord prayed for us in John 17.
 6. I love that I can engage my physical body in worship during Mass, (Romans 12:1) by genuflecting, kneeling, crossing myself. Worship is to involve our whole selves — body, mind and soul (Matthew 22:37).
 7. The prayers are ancient and beautiful and there is an aspect of mystery in which I believe I am joining in worshipping the Lamb on the throne, along with all of the Apostles, Saints, and brothers and sisters who have gone before me— including my beloved parents. We are invited to join in with this heavenly orchestra!
- What more beautiful picture, and what a comfort for our souls!



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I am so grateful to God for His patience with me along this journey. I believe with all my heart that He never leaves us or forsakes us. My favorite verse of scripture is Luke 11:9-13 “Ask and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For EVERYONE who asks receives, and EVERYONE who searches finds, and for EVERYONE who knocks, the door will be opened”. There is so much more our loving Heavenly Father wants to give to each one of us. If you are reading this, and you are searching, please, reach out to St Dominics perhaps, and given this a try!



Update – Order of the Holy Gardeners

Have you noticed Saint Dominic Church’s grounds lately? Weed removal, gardening and general beautification of Saint Dominic Church grounds are thanks to the hard work of volunteers of the Order of Holy Gardeners.

We are most grateful for their continued efforts as the season progresses. However, more help is always welcome! So, we hope you’ll take a sunshine break and lend a hand to the courageous volunteers – weeds never take a holiday.

To volunteer please contact office@saintdominic.ca We’re especially looking for help trimming the hedge along the West driveway. Gardening is done at your own schedule. You will be contacted with suggested areas in which to work.

FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

The Oakville Food Bank is especially in need of food donations to assist clients effected by recent lockdowns. Food inventories are running low. Items most needed are posted on Food Share’s website at <https://oakvillefoodbank.com/needed-items/> These include dry cereals, chunky soup/stew, canned meat, fish & fruit, nutritious kids snacks, baby formula, foods & cereals, laundry detergent. Donations of non-perishable foods may be left in the Food Box in the Parish Centre. These items are delivered weekly to the Food Bank.

In lieu of our weekly printed bulletins, the Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter/Bulletin is an online update on parish and diocesan activities, ministries and parishioners. The newsletter is posted weekly on our website. Please email submissions, requests and/or suggestions to: office@saintdominic.ca

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m. to noon; 1 to 4 p.m.

Mass schedule: Tuesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 5 p.m.
Sunday 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4-4:30 p.m.

Weddings and Funerals

Restrictions on weddings and funerals have been eased. The number of people allowed to attend indoor weddings and funerals is restricted to 30% of the church capacity – at Saint Dominic that’s a maximum of 120.

However, wedding and funeral receptions are still limited to 10 persons. These events pose more opportunities for socialization and activities that may reduce proper social distancing.

Baptisms are celebrated on prearranged dates. Preparation is provided. Kindly contact the Parish office at least two months before a desired date.