



Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter / Bulletin
THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – January 24, 2021

SAINT DOMINIC PARISH LITURGIES

During the current Ontario Lockdown, there are no public Masses celebrated at Saint Dominic Church.

However, Fr. Ranjan celebrates private daily Masses.

Intentions for these Masses include:

Sunday, January 24

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10 a.m. online <http://saintdominic.ca>

Intentions of Parishioners

- Tuesday, January 26** + Maria Sardinha
- Wednesday, January 27** + Martha Wouters
- Thursday, January 28** + Dora DeSouza
- Friday, January 29** + Edmond Kubesheski
- Saturday, January 30** + Guido Bardaro
+ Riek & Piet Schuurmans
+ Jo & Nely Ypelaar

Sunday, January 31

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

10 a.m. online <http://saintdominic.ca>

Intentions of Parishioners

Virtual ‘Sunday School’ Helps Families Celebrate Weekly Children’s Liturgy

While St. Dominic parish can’t host in-person children’s liturgy, we offer a effective way to help your children learn about each Sunday’s readings and Gospel passages. It’s simple. Download a weekly Virtual Sunday School. This approach allows families to learn together at a time convenient to them. The program includes a short video plus activities geared to children up to grade 5.

Created and posted each week by a resourceful and talented youth coordinator – Heather Lyn from Saint Patrick Parish in Caledonia – the video uses stories and song to guide children through each Sunday’s readings and gospel. In addition to the 8-10 minute video, the link also provides age-appropriate, fun activities.

A link to the weekly Sunday School video and booklet of activities is posted Saturday afternoons on the Youth page of our website <https://saintdominic.ca/youth/>. (You must be signed in to Google to access the video.)



Zoom Provides Platform for Weekly R.C.I.A. Meetings

The RCIA group continues to meet online. It is not as smooth as meeting face to face, but the subject and the process are too important to ignore.

Our current focus is the sacraments. All seven of them have at least one element in common. They are our personal encounters with Jesus Christ. We say they are encounters rather than meetings because the word “encounter” expresses a meaning which is richer and deeper than a meeting.

These occasional reports about the RCIA are intended to keep the parish informed about our progress.

Parishioners are the welcoming element of the RCIA because those who join the Church through the RCIA will become members of our parish and the universal church.



Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

A member of St. Dominic Parish since 1957, **Philip (Phil) Paznar** passed away Friday, January 15 in hospital. He was the husband of Rosemary. For many years, Phil was a faithful usher at our 11a.m Sunday Masses. A private committal liturgy will be celebrated with the Paznar family, January 25.

FOOD BANK

There is always a need!

Please drop off food donations at the rectory or go online to make monetary donations directly to <https://oakvillefoodbank.com/needed-items/> Donations of will be gratefully appreciated by the Oakville Food Bank.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, January 25	Rev. Lawrence Parent
Tuesday, January 26	Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz
Wednesday, January 27	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate
Thursday, January 28	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Friday, January 29	Rev. Michael Abib Aibu
Saturday, January 30	Rev. Miro Grubisic



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VOCATIONS

The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete – **they leave everything and follow Jesus**. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Contributions 2021

Please consider your individual and collective responsibility for the upkeep of our parish facilities, the support of our parish staff and the promotion of God's reign through the many education outreach activities of our parish.

Sunday offering envelopes for 2021 are available at the Parish Office for all who are currently using envelopes. Call the office 905 827 2373 to arrange pickup.



Easy giving.

Many parishioners use an alternate method of contributing to our parish. You choose how much you want to give each week or each month and sign an authorization form. You can also choose how much you want to give to special collections during the year. That's it! The parish then deals with its bank to withdraw the designated funds from your bank account. You can change the amounts at any time by emailing accountant@saintdominic.ca.

The system is known as Pre-Authorised Giving (PAG) and has been in operation in our parish for the last 10 years. The forms are available in the office and on the parish website www.saintdominic.ca (click "New Parishioners", then go to "Forms").

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Income tax receipts will be issued to all parishioners who were envelope users and those who participated in our PAG program during 2020. Receipts will be mailed at the end of February 2021 and will be issued for donations received between January 2, 2020 and December 31, 2020.

"For the Common Good"

on our pandemic sacrifices

In a pastoral letter to parishioners in this diocese, Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, OMI, bishop of Hamilton, discusses our church closures and suspension of public Masses as he explains "why this sacrifice is being made and whose example we follow in doing so."

To read the bishop's letter, click on this link: <http://saintdominic.ca/>

Church Currently Closed

Saint Dominic Church, along with all parishes in the Hamilton Diocese, remains closed for the duration of the current Ontario lockdown.

- The Parish Office is closed but will be open for emergencies. Queries? Leave a telephone message.
- Conquest and Challenge and other regular meetings are cancelled until further notice.
- **No public Masses will be celebrated at St. Dominic Church during the lockdown.**

However, a St. Dominic Mass will be broadcast live at 10 a.m. each Sunday. To participate online at this Mass, go to our website <https://saintdominic.ca/>

You may also view previous St. Dominic Masses which have been broadcast online. List and links: <https://www.youtube.com/saintdominicparishoakville>

The newsletter is posted weekly on our website. Please email submissions, requests and/or suggestions to: office@saintdominic.ca

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Sacrament of Baptism The sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated once monthly after the 11 a.m. Mass. Preparation is provided. Kindly contact the Parish Office at least two months before the desired date.

Sacrament of Marriage Please contact the parish office **one year** before the desired date.