



Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter / Bulletin ASCENSION of the LORD – May 16, 2021



SAINT DOMINIC PARISH LITURGIES

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

Sunday, May 16

ASCENSION of the LORD

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

On weekdays, Fr. Ranjan celebrates private daily Masses.

Intentions for these Masses include:

Tuesday, May 18	+ Dominic Pacciona
Wednesday, May 19	+ Manuel & Maria Pinheiro
Thursday, May 20	+ Sybil O’Leary
Friday, May 21	+ Nicola Valla
Saturday, May 22	+ Alicia Culek
	+ Patrick Jesson
	+ Rosa Kurian
	+ Gerald McGraw
	+ Uvodic family

Sunday, May 23

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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



Congratulations newlyweds - Ashendri Maria Wickremasinghe and Christian Paul Picon were united in the sacrament of marriage at St. Dominic on May 8.

In your prayers, remember those who are facing health challenges...especially Joseph Ziman, Lucas Dias, Gemma Webb and Dan Kelly.



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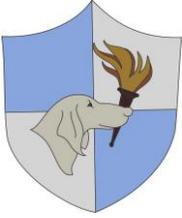
In your prayers, please remember our children who are preparing for First Communion and Confirmation.

Stay-at-Home Order Extended

Premier Ford issued an extension of the province-wide declaration of emergency and a stay-at-home order until **June 2**, Thus all previous directives received by the Diocese will remain in place, these include:

- All churches in the Diocese of Hamilton are closed until further notice.
- Parishes are encouraged to have employees work at home where possible.
- All meeting and event spaces must remain closed except for limit purposes such as child care, mental health and addiction support services or if permission is granted by the Chancery office.

*“Spring comes but once a year
to cheer our way
but He is always there -
day after day”*



Order of Holy Gardeners



*Peter Coffey moves some of the two “mountains” of soil and mulch brought in to renovate our gardens.**To volunteer to help – contact Peter at ohg@saintdominic.ca.***

Master Gardener’s Donation

A total new look is afoot for St. Dominic gardens. This past week, David Marshall (above, left) generously donated over 80 perennial plants of 10 different species from his own garden. David is a Halton Master Gardener, who is mentoring **Connie Booth** (centre) in this group and is helping St. Dominic’s OHG immensely in our project to renovate some previously-neglected garden beds.

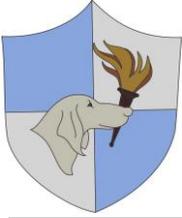


Senra family



Olivia Kim, a charter member of the Holy Gardeners tends the shrubery & beds in front of the rectory. This is Olivia’s third year to maintain this section of our gardens.

A family affair — The Senra family shows that you’re never too young to lend a hand. Our newest Order of Holy Gardeners volunteers, the entire Senra family was on hand last week to help clean up the rectory front yard and garden beds. Shown above: mom **Christine**, dad **Lanny**, and youngsters **Julian**, **Owen** and **Lyla**.



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HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, May 17	Rev. Rafal Tomon
Tuesday, May 18	Rev. David Mowat
Wednesday, May 19	Seminarians
Thursday, May 20	Rev. Florian Stasinski
Friday, May 21	Rev. Harry Reitzel
Saturday, May 22	Rev. Patrick McKelvie



53 weeks and counting . . .

Who knew? A year ago when Covid shuttered churches and bulletin handouts were discontinued, St. Dominic staff introduced a “newsletter.” Its purpose – to keep our parish community united and informed for a few weeks until things returned to normal. Little did we know!!

This is the 53rd edition of the St. Dominic Newsletter/Bulletin – the parish staff’s weekly effort, along with a marvelous website www.saintdominic.ca, to keep parishioners involved in the service of the Lord.

Yes, there have been numerous changes. Seating is distanced, masks are required. Our church is again closed – for the third time – but Sunday Mass continues online. It’s not all bad, however. A revitalized Ministry of Hospitality has acquired so many new volunteers of all ages. In addition to doing contact tracing, they have become our ambassadors to cheerfully welcome all who enter the church. And, by doing so, we’ve all learned to know many new parishioners by name, despite the masks.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Listening may be the most important aspect of any relationship, but it is also the hardest part for us to get right! Listening requires our full attention, not just to the words spoken, but also to the emotions attached. Doing so allows us to understand how our spouse is feeling and, if we listen attentively, to repeat back what we are hearing. When we do this without first making a defensive reply, issues get resolved and our spouse feels supported. Then we can reverse roles, expressing our thoughts and feelings on the issue, as our spouse becomes the listener. Happy couples work on these skills until they become second nature, thus keeping their relationship bond strong. – Family Ministry Office.

VOCATIONS

Ascension of the Lord – The Lord said, “...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth.” Pray for an increase of vocations to the ordained and consecrated life. If you feel God’s call to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Very Reverend Wayne Lobsinger, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Struggling After an Abortion? Either your own, or someone else’s? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. **Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.**

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: Currently closed except for emergencies. Please call. or consult our website for additional information.

Sunday Mass: 10 a.m. Sundays online at www.saintdominic.ca