



Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter / Bulletin

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – OCTOBER 3, 2021

SAINT DOMINIC PARISH LITURGIES

Week of October 3 – October 9

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, Oct. 2

5 p.m. Mass
 + Ron Epping + Gerald McGraw
 + Glenn Lovelace
 + Brenda Downey + Tony Sacdaladn
 + Darryl Ward + Giuseppe D'Ambrosio
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Sunday, Oct 3

9 a.m. Mass
11 a.m. Mass
Sunday Masses - Intentions of Parishioners

Tuesday, Oct. 5

8:30 a.m. + Gabriele Biondo

Wednesday, Oct. 6

8:30 a.m. + Matilde Lacuesta

Thursday, Oct. 7

8:30 a.m. + Dan Kelly

Friday, Oct. 8

8:30 a.m. Heidi Stewart
9 – 10 a.m. Adoration Hour

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, Oct 9

4 - 4:30 p.m. Reconciliation*
Reconciliation also available most weekday mornings 8-8:20 a.m. before daily Mass.

5 p.m. Mass
 + Ernest Aubut + Leo Delima
 + Marcella Cuiffreda + Jose Silveira
 + Christine McManamon

Sunday Oct 10

9 a.m. Mass – *Intentions of Parishioners*
11 a.m. Mass – *Intentions of Parishioners*

In your prayers, remember those who are facing health challenges...especially Lucas Dias, Donna O'Donnell, Rita McCall, and Monica Jaworski



“May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.”

Sunday Reflection 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In his 2018 sermon on marriage, Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald explained the beauty of marriage commitment and its sacredness by narrating a true story from the early life of his friend Ed, who is a priest now.

When this incident took place Fr. Ed was 12 years old. He was standing at the foot of the stairs in his house. His father was busy doing something upstairs and his mom was in the kitchen. Mom shouted out, “Ed, come and take out the garbage.” Ed, thinking he could flex the muscles of his make-believe manhood, shouted back, “No! Take it out yourself.” Ed’s father heard it and in no time was standing right in front of young Ed. He grabbed Ed by the shirt and said, “Never talk to your mother like that again.” Then he thought for a second and added, “Never mind that, no one talks to my wife like that.” Ed quickly learned that there was a special bond between mom and dad and that while he might be the product of that love, he could never disrupt that life-long commitment of husband and wife (LifeSiteNews).

To emphasize this sacred commitment between a man and a woman, Jesus said “So they are no longer two, but one flesh” (Mk 10: 8). This thought is largely influenced by the second creation story in Genesis chapter two. Jesus brushing aside all popular cultures and traditions, goes directly back to the original intention of God. Jesus always wanted to fulfill the purity of God’s plans and taught us how to do it.

When God presents Eve to Adam, Adam exclaims with excitement, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh” (Gn. 2:23). This Jewish expression has many connotations. It means husband and wife are of the same nature and therefore, man and woman are equal in dignity and in all respects. Any form of disrespect and abuse to either of them is a disrespect and abuse to God, their creator.

‘One Flesh’ is a lifelong process in marriage. It means husband and wife become one person so that gradually, as the days pass, they will become one mind and one heart. Canon law, while defining marriage as a covenant, tells us that it is a “partnership of the whole of life and which is ordered by its nature to the good of the spouses...” (1055 #1). Without the mutual wellbeing of the spouses, a marriage covenant is empty and will not become ‘One Flesh’.

To become ‘One Flesh’ is an invitation to share in the sacredness of the Triune God. In marriage, a man and a woman help each other to walk always in communion with God and reach Heaven.

– Fr. Ranjan D’Sa



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NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

COVID-19

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available Covid vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a Covid rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within the Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

Statement from the Canadian Catholic Bishops on Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of Canada

The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally.

Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners.

Furthermore, they invited the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. They further committed to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

A delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous Peoples, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. The Bishops of Canada have pledged to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We are committed to continue the journey with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit www.cccb.ca.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in exploring the Catholic Christian Faith through the journey of the R.C.I.A. process at Saint Dominic Parish? R.C.I.A. stands for Rite of the Christian Initiation of Adults and through talks, instructions, prayer and guidance committed adults are led through a journey of understanding and accepting the Catholic Christian Faith. If you are considering this or know someone who might be interested, please contact Father Ranjan D'Sa or Brian Thornton at the parish office.

40 Days for Life

**May the King of the Universe, who entered
this world as a helpless infant, give us
the humility to be healed**



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CWL General Meeting

You are cordially invited to attend the general meeting of the Saint Dominic CWL at 7:00pm October 5th in the Chapel. National CWL requests that each CWL group have a general meeting to vote on two pressing motions.

- One motion is on the increase of national fees and
- The other is on a change of name of our CWL patron saint, Our Lady of Good Counsel to Our Lady of Guadalupe

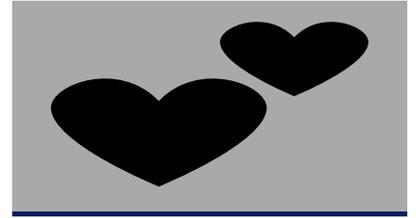
Your input and vote is important. The meeting will follow safety protocols with masks and social distancing. After such a long hiatus caused by the pandemic, the CWL executive, Wendy, Pauline, Ester, Mary and Genevieve – are eagerly looking to seeing you in person again. May our Lady of Good Counsel bless you and your families.

CONQUEST & CHALLENGE

St. Dominic Youth Ministry's Conquest and Challenge program began last week with an Open House! The next meeting will be this Tuesday, October 5th from 6:30 – 8 pm at Saint Dominic School. We are very happy to welcome the new members and leaders to our clubs and excited to continue fostering a relationship with Christ. If you wish to register your children, please visit www.saintdominic.ca/youth or contact our Youth Minister at the parish office.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, October 4	Rev Bernard (Mike) Francis
Tuesday, October 5	Rev. Donald Wilhelm
Wednesday, October 6	Felician Franciscan Sisters (C.S.S.F.)
Thursday, October 7	Rev Vincent Kim Van Toan
Friday October 8	Rev. Valentine Onwunjiogu
Saturday, October 9	Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean-Pierre

“For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father.”



Life Chain

Please join us for our 33rd Annual Life Chain on Sunday, October 3rd, 2021. This is a peaceful, prayerful, silent pro-life, hour-long witness for the unborn in our community. We will meet at Fairview and Maple Street in Burlington from 2:30pm – 3:30pm. For more information, please contact Rachelle at rachelle4lifechain@gmail.com

JUST A REMINDER
Thanksgiving Day Mass
Monday, October 11 @10:00 am
Intentions for Saint Dominic Parishioners



Catechetical Correspondence Courses

Do your children attend public or private school or do you home-school? If you are wondering how to support their ongoing formation in religious education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers Catechetical Correspondence Programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. [Click here for more information](#) or contact Sybil at 905-528-7988 x2339 or email: catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.



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HOMEMADE PIES FOR THANKSGIVING

The Sisters of Poor Jesus are selling pumpkin pies to support their mission in Hamilton. If you are interested in ordering these delicious treats and helping the community, place your orders using the contact information below or you may contact Ale Briones at: (905) 580-0737



Part-time Lunchtime Supervisor Position

Saint Nicholas School is looking for a Lunchtime Supervisor. If you are interested and would like more information, please Contact, Christine Spotswood, Vice Principal, at 905-827-4231, or spotswoodc@hcdsb.org.

Prayer for Protection

The Light of God surrounds me.
 The Love of God enfolds me.
 The Power of God protects me.
 The Presence of God watches over me.
 The Mind of God guides me.
 The Life of God flows through me.
 The Laws of God direct me.
 The Power of God abides within me.
 The Joy of God uplifts me.
 The Strength of God renews me.
 The Beauty of God inspires me.
 Wherever I am, God is!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Parenting Tip 133: October brings cooler air and the final harvests of the season. It is a time when we see the beauty of nature and the creative mind of God in providing this world for each of us. Children spend a lot of time wishing for things they don't have, instead of focussing on what they do have, including love from family members, their faith community and friends and neighbours who care for them. During this month of thanksgiving, help your children focus on giving thanks for all they have by writing a daily gratitude journal. Each day they can write about the goodness's of their day and at the end of the month they will have documentation about how much they have to be grateful for - both to God and everyone else who contributes to their lives.

The world's greatest need is not more Christians, but more Christians who practice their Christianity.

- The newsletter is posted weekly on our website
- It also can be delivered directly to your personal email – please sign up for this service at <https://saintdominic.ca/newsletter>
- Please email submissions, requests and/or suggestions to: office@saintdominic.ca

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

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.