SAINT DOMINIC PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday	9:00 am to Noon
	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am and 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday	7:00 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am
Thursday	8:30 am
Friday	8:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday	6:00 to 6:30 pm
Saturday	4:00 to 4:30 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday	6:00 to 6:45 pm
Friday	9:00 am to Noon

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated once a month on Sunday at 12:30 pm. Preparation is provided. Kindly contact the parish office at least 2 months before the desired date.

The blessing of expectant parents takes place after each Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The sacrament of Marriage is usually celebrated on Saturday afternoon. Preparation is provided. Please contact the parish office 1 year before the desired date.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Dominic	905-827-4401
St. Nicholas	905-827-4231
St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary	905-842-9494

PRIESTHOOD AND CONSECRATED LIFE

For assistance in discerning God's call to Priesthood or Consecrated Life, please contact Reverend Michael King, Vocations Director at 905-528-7988 or Reverend Ranjan D'Sa at the Parish Office or email rdsa@hamiltondiocese.com

PLANNED GIVING

Continue to help your Parish and the mission of your Church. For more details, please go to www.saintdominic.ca/support-us

PARISH LITURGIES THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

LITURGIES December 17 – December 23

Tuesday,	December 18
6:00 pm	Adoration
	Reconciliation
7:00 pm	+Felcia Aranha

Wednesday, December 19 8:30 am + Marco Simonetti

Thursday, December 208:30 am+Nestor Papasin

Friday, December 218:30 am+Marie Dale9:00 amAdoration

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Saturday, December 22

4:00 pm Reconciliation 5:00 pm +Bernice Casey +Chuck & Daryl Ward +VanNuland family +Mary McKenna & family +Joseph Tessy Int. Natividad Romans

Sunday, December 23

9:00 am 11:00 am



For our

Parish

Tues. Dec. 18	2:00 pm	Saint Dominic	Church
		School -Kindergarten	
Wed. Dec. 19	7:00 pm	Youth Choir	Church
Thurs. Dec. 20	7:30pm	Choir	Church
Fri. Dec. 21	9:00 am	Mens' Group	RMR
Sun. Dec.23	12:15pm	R.C.I.A.	RMR

MEETINGS and WORKSHOPS THIS WEEK

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Representatives of various Saint Dominic groups will light our Advent Wreath at the beginning of each Sunday Liturgy. Lighters for the Third Sunday of Advent: 5 p.m. CWL (Catholic Women's League); 9 a.m. Funeral Luncheon Committee; 11 a.m. Senior Choir

CHRISTMAS LITURGIES

As you make your plans to celebrate the great Feast of the Birth of Christ, please note the date and time for celebrations in our parish

Monday December 24–5:00; 7:00; 11:30 pm Tuesday: December 25- 9:00 11:00 am

The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Monday, December 31 – 5:00 pm Tuesday, January 1 – 10:00 am

PILGRIMAGE - HOLY LAND

October 21 – 30, 2019 10 days Holy Land Pilgrimage from Toronto Under Spiritual Leadership of Father Ranjan For information please contact abirpilgrimage2019@gmail.com or Candy 1-800-275-9199

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday offering envelopes for 2019 are available in the Parish Centre for all who are currently using envelopes. As we approach a new fiscal in January we ought to consider our individual and collective responsibility for the upkeep in our parish facilities, the support of our parish staff and the promotion of God's reign through the many educational and outreach activities of our parish.

FAMILY PRAYER APOSTOLATE

Families today are under stress by the assumed priorities of modern society. Yet the Holy Family: Jesus, Mary and Joseph, remain the model for us and are more worthy than ever of emulation. Designed to promote prayer in parishioners' homes, this apostolate provides families a focal point – a beautiful Holy Family statue – for a special week of family prayer at home. Sign up sheet available in narthex.

FOOD BANK

As usual you are invited to bring non-perishable food for the needy and place that food in our bin in the Parish Centre narthex throughout the holy season of Advent. <u>Items required</u>: Baby food and baby formula, canned fish, canned meats, pasta sauces, soups, peanut butter, jam, cookies, juice, sugar, tea, coffee, cereal, powdered milk. Thank you on behalf of those who will benefit. This will be distributed to the Good Shepherd.

HAMILTON DIOCESE NEWS HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, Dec. 17	Rev. Sam Restivo
Tuesday, Dec. 18	Rev. Tim Uniac
Wed. Dec. 19	Missionaries
Thurs, Dec. 20	Rev. Stephen Murrin
Friday, Dec. 21	RevTimothy Higgins
Saturday, Dec. 22	Rev. Romelito Guillen



The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every Parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Answers to a set of Frequently Asked Questions appear in Parish bulletin regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at onehartonesoul.ca. Who will actually conduct the campaign at each Parish? The diocese, with the help of the Steier Group, will manage the overall campaign effort, including the preparation of materials. At each Parish, the Pastor will identify campaign leaders who will work with the Steier Group. Those Parish leaders will help recruit other volunteers to form a campaign team that will conduct the personal visits and other elements that are the key to the success of the campaign. How much help with the campaign can our Parish expect to get from the Diocese and the consulting firm? The Diocese will pay the financial costs of the campaign. Parishes will not be responsible for any campaign expenses such as postage, printing or diocesan events held at the parish. If a Parish hosts an event to promote the campaign to its parishioners, the Parish will bear that cost. In addition, several Steier Group campaign managers will guide the Parishes through the campaign process. Each Parish will be assigned to one of four "waves." The Parish will be responsible for forming a team of volunteers that implements the necessary elements of the process. How long will this take? On diocesan level, the entire campaign will run through early 2021. On a Parish level, there will be four campaign "waves." A Parish's particular wave will run for six to seven months.

That includes preparation, solicitation and follow-up phases. The active solicitation period will last three to four months. **What happens if our Parish doesn't hit its financial goal?** A clergy committee will implement policies that all parishes will follow on such questions. There will be incentives for Parishes to reach their goals. Parishes not

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THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION (CWLF)

Accepting applications for 2019 Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa. For more information about CWLF, the Leadership Program and to complete an application form visit <u>www.cwlfcanada.ca</u>

FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPORT GROUP FOR PERSONS SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

This group meets the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month and they can help! No need to register just come and join us at the Chancery Office at 700 King Street West, Hamilton from 7-9 pm. For more information call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249. NO COST.

HEALING AFTER AN ABORTION: It is Possible

At Project Rachel we offer a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Contact us at (905) 526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

Let us prepare our hearts To receive God's son. As we light the third candle, we pray:

"Lord thank you for the gift of hope in faith. We give you all our struggles this day. May we always find hope and help in your son, Jesus. Amen"



"Shout aloud and sing for joy: great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel "



