

Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter / Bulletin FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – January 31, 2021

SAINT DOMINIC PARISH LITURGIES

During the current Ontario Lockdown, St. Dominic Church is closed. There are no public Masses celebrated. The office is open for emergencies; leave a phone message for a call back.

Fr. Ranjan celebrates **private daily Masses**. Intentions for these Masses include:

Sunday, January 31

Fourth Sunday in OrdinaryTime 10 a.m. online http://saintdominic.ca

Intentions of Parishioners

Tuesday, February 2 + Denny Casey
 Wednesday, February 3 + Bruno Sergas
 Thursday, February 4 + Martha Pegado
 Friday, February 5 Int. Vivian Lobo
 Saturday, February 6 + Gabriela Biondo

+ Serafim Garcia

+ Maria & Jose Gomes + Monte Meldazey

+ Maria & Manuel Silva

Sunday, February 7

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 0 a.m. online http://saintdominic.ca

Intentions of Parishioners

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, February 1	Very Rev. Msgr.
	Murray Kroetsch
Tuesday, February 2	Rev. Francisco Cruz
Wednesday, February 3	Hospitaller Order of
	St. John of God
Thursday, February 4	Rev. Adam Wroblewicz
Friday, February 5	Rev. Melvin Pinto, OCD
Saturday, February 6	Rev. Venil D'Souza, OCD

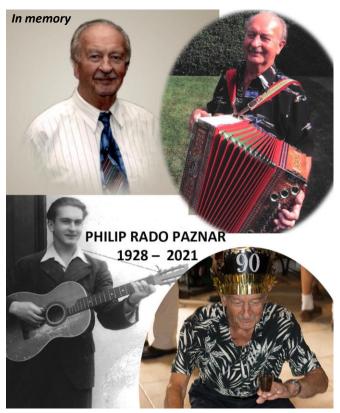
FOOD BANK

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.



O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord.
Do not harden your hearts!



"Life must keep on living..."

... one of Phil Paznar's favorite quotes. It also describes Phil's life - that of a dedicated St. Dominic parishioner who died January 15. His graveside liturgy was celebrated last week.

Prelockdown, Phil was a faithful, long-time minister of hospitality at St. Dominic. His cheerful greetings and hospitality will be missed at 11 a.m. Sunday Masses. A survivor of World War II, Phil was born in Yugoslavia and immigrated to Canada in 1948. He and his wife Rosemary were married for 67 years – a time during which his family says he excelled in his roles as father, grand- and great grandfather and friend to many. A hard worker, he started a business building garage doors.

From a very young age, Phil was also was musically talented playing guitars, accordions and other instruments. Those who knew him say Phil was an entertainer not only the best in music, but an entertainer in life (a charmer, comedian, who loved to have a good time).



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Sharing God's Love with Youth

Some people slip quietly into our midst bearing gifts of international experience and ideas to pass along to their young charges. Meet one such individual – **Alejandra Arguelles**, adult facilitator for the St. Dominic Challenge group for girls for the past two years.



Born and raised in México City, Alejandra Briones – fondly known as Ale - is the eldest of three siblings.

She says her call to youth ministry is based on her belief in the importance to share God's love especially with youth, so they can become disciples of Christ in the world and take an important role in the future of the Church and our society.

Ale's venture into youth ministry began in the summers of 1996 and 1997 which she spent in Venezuela working as a youth minister. She returned to Mexico City to study at Anahuac University where she earned a bachelor degree in International Business, followed by a master's degree in Social Responsibility.

Upon completion of her university education, she spent 2004 as a youth minister in Atlanta, Georgia, where her tasks were dedicated to helping vulnerable persons. From 2007 to 2009 Ale worked in Mexico city as the director of a nonprofit organization called **FIDES**, which helped poor communities socially, humanly and spiritually.

In 2009, Ale married Oscar Briones in Mexico City. She and Oscar now have three beautiful children, Lucia, 9, and Oscar, 7, born in Mexico City: plus Maria, 5, who was born in Chile.

The Briones family moved to Santiago, Chile, in 2013, where Ale continued working in a missionary group. In 2017, her husband's work brought the family to Canada. She considers it a huge blessing to work in St. Dominic youth ministry for almost two years now. In addition to her church work and maternal duties, Ale currently runs a Ale Briones Photography for family and children. Photography is an interest she developed when her children were born. She says, she loves to capture all the beauty she sees in the world and that it reminds her and others there is something to fight for despite all the bad things going on.

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.



Although furloughed during the current Ontario shutdown, the Challenge and Conquest programs at St. Dominic is for girls and boys in K-12th grade. Challenge runs in tandem with

Conquest for boys. The objective is to form adolescents as Christian leaders to transform culture through a unique method: virtue-based curriculum, teen led, gender specific, team based, service driven, and through responding to the needs of the adolescent.

Challenge & Conquest are proven to be a successful youth ministry option for the past 15 years in the US and Canada. They are currently present in over 250 parishes & schools with over 6,500 youth every week, led by 300 adult leaders and 700 teen leaders. Offering over 45 summer camps with 2,000 campers every year.

VOCATIONS

Jesus created much excitement in His day through His preaching, teaching and healing. Today, the Church communicates that same wonder and grace by those active in priesthood, religious life and lay ministries. 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

Music during Live-Stream Masses

Have you been wondering why more traditional songs are being sung during St. Dominic's live-streamed masses? To ensure we fulfill all copyright obligations, we have been using songs that are in the public domain in our live-stream Masses. This allows us to display the words and broadcast the words and music without having to pay copyright license fees. Typical license fees for our parish would be about \$600.00 annually, regardless of how much or how little music we use. Using public domain music is cost-effective in these challenging times when donations are lower than normal. Paul Benoit, composer of the acclamations that we sing (Holy, Holy, Amen, etc), has kindly given us permission to use his music free of charge during the live-streamed Masses. We acknowledge this in each Mass description on YouTube.

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

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