



Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter / Bulletin

PENTECOST SUNDAY – May 23, 2021

SAINT DOMINIC PARISH LITURGIES

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

Sunday, May 23

PENECOST SUNDAY

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

Intentions for daily private Masses include:

- Tuesday, May 25** + Samir Rafauli
- Wednesday, May 26** + Geoff Bellamy
- Thursday, May 27** + Pat Doyle
- Friday, May 28** + Ted Rosenberg
- Saturday, May 29** + Guido Bardaro
- + Theresa Clunes
- + Giuseppe D'Ambrosio
- Int. Maria Davies
- + Joseph Downton
- + Adoracion Lecuesta

Sunday, May 30

SOLEMNITY OF HOLY TRINITY

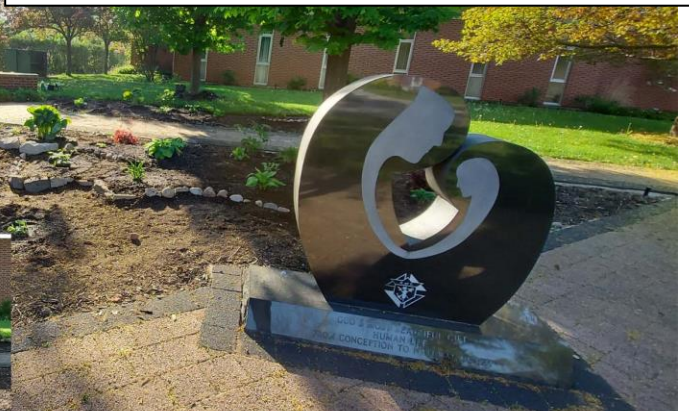
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Our magnificent Pentecost window is a gift from a former parishioner, Joseph S. Aigner, founder of Artistic Glass, a major force in art glass in North America. The window was installed in 2006 when Msgr. Roger Formosi was pastor. Born in Munich, Germany, Mr. Aigner learned the centuries-old skills and traditions of stained glass from his father, a master craftsman, who, in turn, had learned from his father. He studied at the Luiesen School of Art, Munich, the Maische Academy of Art, Munich and received a Masters Degree in Stained Glass at the Meisterschule in Hadamar, Germany.



Using plants from their home and those donated by David Marshall, Peter Coffey and his mother, Moira Coffey, redesigned the Prayer Garden flower beds near the memorial to the unborn. The monument was installed 17 years ago by the Knights of Columbus. The plants will fill out and some more may be added but the basic structure is complete.



In the coming weeks, some of the irises will be moved, as the wall beds in front of the entrance to the church, are also being redesigned



Forgiveness: *What is it?* *How do you* *do it?*



The second in a series of virtual workshops offered by the Mount Carmel Retreat Centre is scheduled for May 29. The workshop will be presented by well-known facilitator and certified spiritual director, Anna Racine.

The May 29 workshop identifies the stumbling blocks to forgiveness and provides practical methods to work through the anger, blame and resentment. Forgiveness is about letting go of the past, and understanding it in order to move on. Forgiveness is one of the greatest gifts you can give yourself.

Register for the workshop at Annaracine.org@gmail.com. Workshop cost is \$40.



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

***“Lord, Send forth your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth”.***

Pentecost Message from Canadian Conference of Bishops

Spiritual realities are usually so sublime that we only understand them not by speaking about them directly, but by using images and allusions. Jesus was a master at this, especially when it came to speaking about the Kingdom of God. In fact, the Kingdom of God was the object of his parables. “To what can I compare it?” He asks (Mark 4:30). It is like a mustard seed, the smallest of seeds; it is like yeast that a woman mixed with measures of flour; it is like a merchant in search of fine pearls. These images challenge the listener to ponder the qualities and characteristics of the image itself, and then to grasp the meaning of the spiritual realities they reflect.

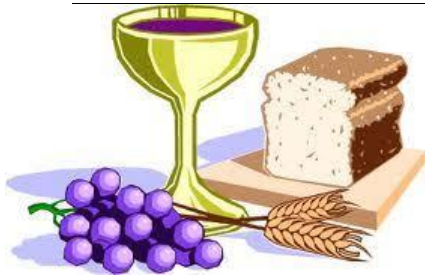
As we celebrate the solemnity of Pentecost 2021, let us linger a while on the action of the Holy Spirit in the Christian community. We speak of Pentecost as “the birthday of the Church”. The earliest disciples, who had encountered Jesus during his time on earth, had sufficient teachings and instructions to continue His mission on earth. But they lacked the Spirit. With the coming of the Holy Spirit, they had the confidence and courage to proclaim Jesus and His message. The Church was indeed born.

The eminent Bishop and theologian St. Irenaeus of Lyons (130-202 AD) uses a fine image in speaking about the formation of the Church: “*Like dry flour, which cannot become one lump of dough, one loaf of bread, without moisture, we who are many could not become one in Christ Jesus without the water that comes down from heaven.*” What water might that be? Irenaeus goes on to say, “*Through the baptism that liberates us from change and decay, we have become one in body; through the Spirit we have become one in soul.*”

Brothers and sisters, let us hold these images close to our heart. Jesus prayed that we may all be One in Him. This unity with the Risen Lord is our source of hope as we continue to face the challenges of the pandemic. We likewise receive hope through the solidarities of our communities. The differences of language and culture that distinguished Christian communities in the early Church did not keep them apart. We see in contemporary society (and sadly, in the Church in some quarters) unsettling cracks that arise from ideologies and alliances. “I’m for Paul.” “I’m for Apollos.” (1 Cor. 3:4) And who is for Christ? Only those who are imbued with the true Spirit of Jesus Himself. ***During these days of Pentecost, let us be of one mind and one heart. There is but one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism. (Ephesians 4:5)***



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Please remember in your prayers, our children who are preparing for First Communion and Confirmation. These sacraments will be celebrated following reopening of our churches.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, May 24	Rev. Peter Pigott
Tuesday, May 25	Late Rev. Chester Chmurzynski
Wednesday, May 26	School Sisters of Notre Dame
Thursday, May 27	Rev. Jim Valk
Friday, May 28	Rev. Raymond Reitzel
Saturday, May 29	Rev, Frederick Scinto



FOOD BANK
There is always a need!
Please drop donations off at the Rectory.

You are invited to bring non-perishable food for the needy. Items required, baby foods, baby formula, canned fish, canned meats, pasta, sauces, soups cereal. Thank you on behalf of those who will benefit.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday offering envelopes for 2021 are available by calling the parish office for all who are currently using envelopes. Necessary arrangements will be made for them to be delivered.

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



Join the Reel Justice Film Festival

From 7 to - 9 p.m., Thursday, May 27 a documentary entitled *“The End of Immigration”* will be screened online as part of the Reel Justice Film Festival. This powerful documentary examines the realities of temporary foreign workers in Canada and reveals an inequity that is having a profound impact on the society in which we live. Following the film, **Sarah Guinta**, Coordinator for the Office of Justice and Peace, and **Rev. Peter Ciallella**, *Pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish, Burford*, will offer a conversation regarding ministry to temporary foreign workers in the Diocese of Hamilton. To view the film RSVP online to: <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/contact-us/> or by email: library@hamiltondiocese.com. Join the discussion! The *Reel Justice Film Festival* is a partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace.

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

Beware False Emails

Please note that a *phishing scam email* has been targeted toward parishioners. The email solicits assistance for our pastor. Please be aware that this email is **false** and *was not in any way sent by our pastor*. All phishing emails should be deleted immediately – not opened or acted upon.