



Saint Dominic Parish Newsletter / Bulletin
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – July 4, 2021



SAINT DOMINIC PARISH LITURGIES

Week of July 4 – 11

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, July 3

5 p.m. Mass – in church

- + Ammini Malayil
- + Ottavio Mastrella
- + Hideko Metz
- + Adrian Smith
- Int. of Madalena Pinheiro*
- + Roque Dourado

7 p.m. Mass – Outdoors behind church

Sunday, July 4

9 a.m. Mass – in church

11 a.m. Mass – in church
(Baptism & First Communion)

Tuesday, July 6

8:30 a.m. +Gabriele Biondo

Wednesday, July 7

8:30 a.m. + Johnny Tovar

Thursday, July 8

8:30 a.m. + Rodi Del Degan

Friday, July 9

8:30 a.m. + Ryan Rogers

9 – 10 a.m. Adoration Hour

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY Time

Saturday, July 10

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5 p.m. Mass – in church

- + Coral Janett Barfoot + Michael Charrette
- + Frank Evans + Maria & Jose Gomes
- + Patty O'Brien + Maria & Manuel Silva
- + Katherine Thompson + John Whiffen

Sunday July 11

9 a.m. Mass – in church

11 a.m. Mass – in church

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In your prayers, remember those who are facing health challenges...especially Lucas Dias, Dan Kelly and Donna O'Donnell.

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Happy Anniversary

Fr. Ranjan D'Sa OCD who celebrates his fifth anniversary as our pastor this weekend.



*Congratulations to **Kevin George Seby** who was Baptized on Sunday June 27. He is pictured here with his family.*

Capacity Increased in Step 2

As of June 30, most of Ontario entered into Step 2 of the reopening. Step 2, allows churches to open at **25% capacity**. However Ontario regulation 82/20 remains in place, i.e. only essential employees are to work on premises. Thus the Parish Office remains open but with restrictions limiting the number of visitors.

The increase in the number of persons allowed in the church for Mass, negates the necessity for an additional 7 p.m. Mass which has been celebrated Saturday evenings since June 13. These special evening Masses, celebrated outdoors behind the church, welcomed a diverse number of parishioners who were not yet ready to return to indoor services. Our thanks to Fr. Ranjan and Deacon Terry for making these celebrations available. Many thanks to the DeCosta family- Dylan, Joan and Jaiden – and Mary Evans for their musical contributions. Thanks to all who helped with the setup and teardown of each service, especially Peter Coffey and Mia Ziman; also to Proclidas Junco who managed the sound system for each event.

The 7 p.m. Saturday Mass, July 3, will be the final outdoor Mass at St. Dominic.



**Thanks; Farewell Paula Durand
 St. Dominic School Vice Principal**

For the past two years, Paula Durand has served as vice principal at St. Dominic School. This fall, she will be moving to Sacred Heart of Jesus School in Burlington as vice principal.



Ms Durand has worked for the Halton Catholic District School Board for the past 27 years. For most of those, she was a classroom teacher but also was a Curriculum Itinerant for three years with the last two years of that assignment spent here at St. Dominic School. In leaving she says, “It has been both a blessing and an honour to serve the St. Dominic community which will always hold a special place in my heart.”

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, July 5	Rev. Robert Sims
Tuesday, July 6	Rev. Goodwin Pinto
Wednesday, July 7	Our Parish Community
Thursday, July 8	Rev. Edward Henhoeffler
Friday July 9	Rev. John Schnurr
Saturday, July 10	Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel



Vocations - Current readings speak of prophets sent by God. Could God be calling you to be His voice in His Church at this time? If so, you could give it a try by responding to that inclination towards priesthood, religious life

or the diaconate. Call Very Reverend Wayne Lobsinger, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

FOOD BANK – There is always a need! Please drop donations off at the Rectory. This summer is going to be a difficult time for people who have few financial resources. We are hoping you will help us stock up our food bank. Thank you on behalf of those who will benefit.

Parish Refugee Committee UPDATE

The St. Dominic Refugee Committee are thrilled to update the Parish on the family we sponsored from Syria. This committee of parishioners was formed more than six years ago to assist in the settlement of refugees fleeing the war in Syria.

Anwar and **Nour Baradei** arrived in 2016 during the Syrian crisis. We quickly got them settled into a home and into language classes. Through a St. Dominic Parish contact, Anwar soon found work. He has been a model employee ever since. He and Nour had a baby boy, **Ahmed** (now 3) followed by a baby girl, **Huda**. And now they are expecting a third little one! They are applying for citizenship in June.

Radwan, Anwar’s brother also was sponsored in September 2018. He was approved for travel in 2020 but COVID delayed his arrival. However, he arrived in October 2020 and quarantined the required two weeks. When the quarantine ended, we all had tears in our eyes as the brothers reunited. Radwan attends on-line schooling each day to learn English. He was able to get work in May, at the same company as his brother. He keeps up his language classes and works full time. He is especially thankful to his generous employer who gives him an extended lunch hour to do this! Radwan is now engaged to marry a young woman in Syria. However, it will be years before he is able to marry and sponsor her to come to Canada. However, youth and love and energy will find a way. The committee has put him in touch with experts in immigration to map out a plan.

Committee members note that it has been a blessing to accompany the **Baradei** family on their journey to Canada and watch them grow. They inspire the team and remind them of the stories of their own families when they came to Canada from Italy, Ireland, Egypt and Holland among others.

The parish team will continue to sponsor Radwan until November 2021. They say they will always be friends and are heartened when Anwar refers to team members as *“their Canadian family.”*

The team wishes to again thank all St. Dominic parishioners who answered our appeal for money, household items and connections back in 2016. Every effort has been appreciated by this delightful young family.



2021 “Year of Saint Joseph”

In solidarity with the Holy Father’s proclamation of 2021 as the “Year of Saint Joseph”, the Canadian Conference of Bishops invited parishes to celebrate an **Act of Entrustment to Saint Joseph**, on Thursday, **July 1** (Canada Day).



This act of entrustment took place at St. Dominic after Mass on July 1 but is also most appropriate for family prayer.

Act of Entrustment

O loving and humble Saint Joseph,
 Protector of the Holy Family
 and Patron of the Universal Church and of Canada,
 we honour you as the model of Christian virtues
 and entrust ourselves to you
 as our inspiration and guide in living an authentic Christian life.
 Modelled after you, whom the Scriptures call the Just man,
 draw us closer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to the Immaculate
 Heart of Mary,
 that we may easily turn to the Lord in every circumstance of our
 lives
 and, consecrated to Him, we may know, in our vocation,
 the peace and joy of a holy life.
 A man of listening and of action,
 you who have always been so attentive to the voice of the Lord
 and to the fulfilling of His will,
 help us to discern the signs of the times
 and to engage in the transformation of our world.
 Husband, father and worker,
 in solidarity with the human condition,
 teach us how to be faithful to our baptismal promises
 and sensitive to the sufferings and needs of our sisters and
 brothers.
 A man of great faith, unshakeable hope
 and a heart burning with charity,
 come to the aid of the Church and our country,
 watch over the elderly, the weak and the infirm,
 protect our children and families,
 and sustain those who give of themselves selflessly
 in pastoral and health care.
 Merciful and compassionate companion on our journey,
 you who know the burdens weighing heavily on our hearts,
 intercede for our many needs, so that, by your powerful prayer,
 we may be delivered from the many dangers that surround us
 so as to experience safety and solace in the Lord
 and, at the hour of our death,
 come at last to the glory of our eternal home. Amen.

Gifts of Long-Lasting Marriages

Marriages that have lasted over many years give gifts to future generations since it allows them to both look back and grow forward. Long- lasting marriages are a living example of what it means to have enduring love; they give hope. Marriage is at the heart of family, so celebrate your marriage milestones – tell stories of the good times, the times you persevered and the joy of older love. These are important legacies to leave your children and grandchildren!

Marriage Support

If your marriage is experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries - the solution may be **Retrouvaille** – a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose – to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. It is a practical program in which sharing is not required except between the couple themselves. Retrouvaille is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. Retrouvaille is currently offering weekend sessions by zoom. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

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Parish Office Hours: Parish office open Tuesday – Friday but with access restricted in number of visitors. Consult our website for additional information.

Sunday Mass: listed on page one