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SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

—Corpus Christi—
Fr. Ranjan D'Sa OCD

The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ is contemplated in this Sunday's liturgy through the discourse which follows the miracle of the multiplication of loaves in John's Gospel. The famous Johannine statement about Jesus — "I am the living bread" — is presented for our reflection.

What did Jesus mean when He invited his followers to eat His Flesh and drink His Blood? Jesus said "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in them."

In every age and in all cultures, people have tried to experience God in their lives. Those who have experienced God felt that God has become one with them. This understanding of union with God is different from person to person. Even the expression of this encounter is totally different between two mystics. But, one thing that is common in all these experiences is that our hearts are always longing to unite ourselves to God.

In the ancient world, during the time when John wrote his Gospel, people expressed their longing to God through their rituals. Animal sacrifice, for example, was the most common ritual. When the animal was sacrificed to God, only a small portion of the animal was burnt on the altar. The remainder was consumed by the worshiper along with his family and friends within the temple precinct. They believed that God had become part of their offering and thus, as they consumed it, had come into their own bodies.

When Jesus, in St. John's Gospel, invites His followers to eat His Body and drink His Blood, he is offering them the best means of uniting with God. For the Jews, blood represents life and life belongs to God. So, Jesus is inviting us, his disciples, to take His life as the source and center of our life, which comes from God. And by offering his Body, Jesus is telling us to strengthen ourselves with His whole person.

The Body and Blood of Christ also means a sacrifice. By offering ourselves to God as Jesus did, we will be able to unite ourselves with God. —

PARISH LITURGIES

—SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST—

June 11 – June 17

Tuesday, June 13 - St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:30 am Mason Evans-Dicks

Wednesday, June 14 - St. Methodius I

8:30 am + Departed Souls of the D'Souza Family

Thursday, June 15 - St. Germaine Cousin

8:30 am + Departed Souls of the Fernandes Family

Friday, June 16 - Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:30 am + Hideko A. Metz

—ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Saturday, June 17 - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 – 4:30 pm **Reconciliation**

5:00 pm **For:**
+ Roque Dourado, + Gerald McGraw,
+ David Black, Int. Marg Humphrey

Sunday, June 18

9:00 am For our
11:00 am Parish

June is the month of the Sacred heart of Jesus





THE ROSARY EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING

There is a public recitation of the Rosary in front of Saint Dominic Church every **Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm.**

The origin of Our Lady of the Rosary (Our Lady of Victory) stems from "The Battle of Lepanto." Though outnumbered by the Ottoman Forces, the so called "Holy League" possessed of superior firepower would win the day through prayer and petition for the intercessions of the Blessed Virgin Mary through the recitation of the rosary. October 7th, would henceforth, be the Feast of Our Lady of Victory.

Please join us to pray for peace, through the intercession of Our Lady of Victory.

ANNUAL YOUTH MINISTRY BBQ



On Wednesday, June 21st, we will be having our Annual Youth Ministry BBQ! As we conclude our Conquest and Challenge Clubs for this year, we are grateful for all the support and dedication

from our parent volunteers, and participants in our programs. The BBQ will begin at 6:30pm outside the Parish Rectory. We encourage all youth and young families to attend! To RSVP, please contact our Youth Minister, Michael at michael@saintdominic.ca

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS AT GATE OF HEAVEN CEMETERY

The Spring Memorial Mass at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Saturday, June 17, at 11:00 am. Light refreshments will be served following the Mass. All are welcome!

HEALING MASS AT ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH OAKVILLE

There is a healing Mass on Thursday, June 22nd at 7:30 pm at St. Michael's Church. 181 Sewell Drive, Oakville. All are welcome.

SANCTUARY LAMP



Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week for the Intentions of Marcel Aubin

We pray for the repose of the soul of our dearly departed, especially, **Daniel McNeil and David Black** –may they, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

CANADA DAY PARKING FUNDRAISER FOR SAINT DOMINIC YOUTH MINISTRY

On July 01, Canada Day, Saint Dominic Parish will offer \$5.00 parking beginning at 6:00 pm for the Bronte Harbour Canada Day Celebrations. We are seeking volunteers who can expect to collect cash and guide cars to appropriate parking spaces at the Parish. Volunteers are welcome to work for as many hours as they like. With the guidance to the Knights of Columbus, we will be working the St. Dominic Parish and school parking lot from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. All proceeds go to support Saint Dominic Youth Ministry Programs. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering, please contact our Pastoral Minister, Michael Aguiar at michael@saintdominic.ca

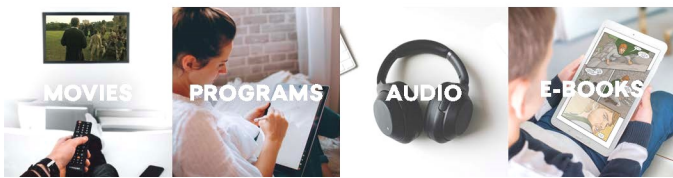
MEDITATION CLASSES

Meditation classes have started up again on Saturday mornings from 10:30 am – 11:30 am. The classes will be held in room 4 of the parish centre. If you would like to sign up for these classes, please contact the parish office.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through life, which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.

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ST VINCENT DE PAUL COMMUNITY IMPACT JANUARY - APRIL 2023

The St. Vincent de Paul Society has provided an update report of their Community Impact from January – April 2023. This report includes their various programs such as, their **Home Visits, Easter Program, Fresh Food Box Program, A Listening Ear, and the Twinning Program—St Catherine, Jamaica**. Throughout the year they provide additional support to neighbours in need by receiving bags of non-perishable food, toiletries, and gift cards donated by our parishioners, community schools, CWL, Knights of Columbus and other donors. The entire report update is available on our parish website: saintdominic.ca

St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank all our donors for their generous gifts which make our work possible. Your support is greatly appreciated.

"My flesh is true food and my blood is true drink."

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, June 12	Rev. Bernard Carroll, S.J.
Tuesday, June 13	Rev. William Clarke, S.J.
Wednesday, June 14	Disalced Carmelite Fathers (O.C.D.)
Thursday, June 15	Rev. Eric Jensen, S.J.
Friday, June 16	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus World Day of Prayer for Priests
Saturday, June 17	Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Membership and Insurance Information Evening



Learn how the Knights of Columbus helps protect Catholic families, proclaims the faith, and helps those most in need in local communities and across the world. With the Knights you can address your family's insurance needs while supporting an organization that contributes to charities that align with

our shared Catholic faith. Everyone is invited to join us for a Membership and Insurance Information Evening with refreshments on June 28th at 7:00 pm, at the Knights of Columbus Marian Council Hall, 635 Fourth Line, Unit 50, Oakville, ON, L6L 5W4. Please email henrythissen@gmail.com to register.

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
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