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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deacon Terry Murphy

To illustrate the growth of the kingdom of God, Jesus tells two little stories, two parables; one about growing seed, the other about a mustard seed.

The word “parable” literally means “to cast something parallel.” Jesus’ parables describe the nature and activity of the Kingdom of God by comparing them with simple, everyday events from ordinary life. Jesus put the common in direct juxtaposition with the uncommon, the seen with the unseen, the natural with the supernatural and the human with the divine. Jesus is a master at using this parallelism to convey deep spiritual wisdom, especially in the face of hostility to his claims or confrontation to his authority. BUT first a short story:

A small farming village was threatened with drought because the rains had failed to arrive. On a hot and dry Sunday, the elderly priest told his congregation, “There isn’t anything that will save us except to pray for rain. Go home, pray, believe, and come back next Sunday ready to thank God for sending rain.”

The people returned to church the following Sunday. As they sat down the elderly priest gently rebuked them. “We can’t worship today because you do not yet believe,” he said. “But we prayed” they protested, “and we do believe.” “Believe?” he responded. “Then where are your umbrellas?”

Faith is made visible by our actions. So let me ask you this morning “Where are your

umbrellas?” Do you have umbrella faith? Our gospel this morning speaks about developing umbrella faith. Jesus is speaking about the kingdom of God and how that kingdom grows. It grows with an unwavering faith, a faith that we cannot see or understand but a faith demonstrated by results.

The parables Jesus tells today are not about gardening or farming. Jesus is using images from gardening or farming to talk about your life and my life. His parable is a metaphor for the way God works in our lives. It’s meant to be an encouragement and to offer hope.

Our lives are like a garden that has been planted with seeds. And you know how that works. It takes time. And a lot happens underground, hidden within the soil of our lives. There’s a lot of waiting. And then one day something sprouts and begins to grow, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. We are always in process, living into our completion.

What do you wish was growing in the garden of your life? What colors or fragrances are missing? Where have weeds taken over? What needs attention?

I’m well aware that I have asked you more questions than I’ve given you answers. I have no answers, and Jesus offers none in today’s parable. Parables don’t offer answers, they ask us better questions. They give us our work to do.

(Read the rest on our website...)

PARISH LITURGIES

— 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Tuesday, June 18 - St. Marina

8:30 am + Silvino Guilioni

Wednesday, June 19 - St. Romuald

8:30 am + Rita Campomizzi

Thursday, June 20 - Bl. Conor O’Devany

8:30 am + Sharon McCormick

Friday, June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga

8:30 am Int. Kevin Dennehy

9:00 am Adoration

— 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Saturday, June 22 - St. Paulinus of Nola, Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More

4:00 - 4:30 Reconciliation

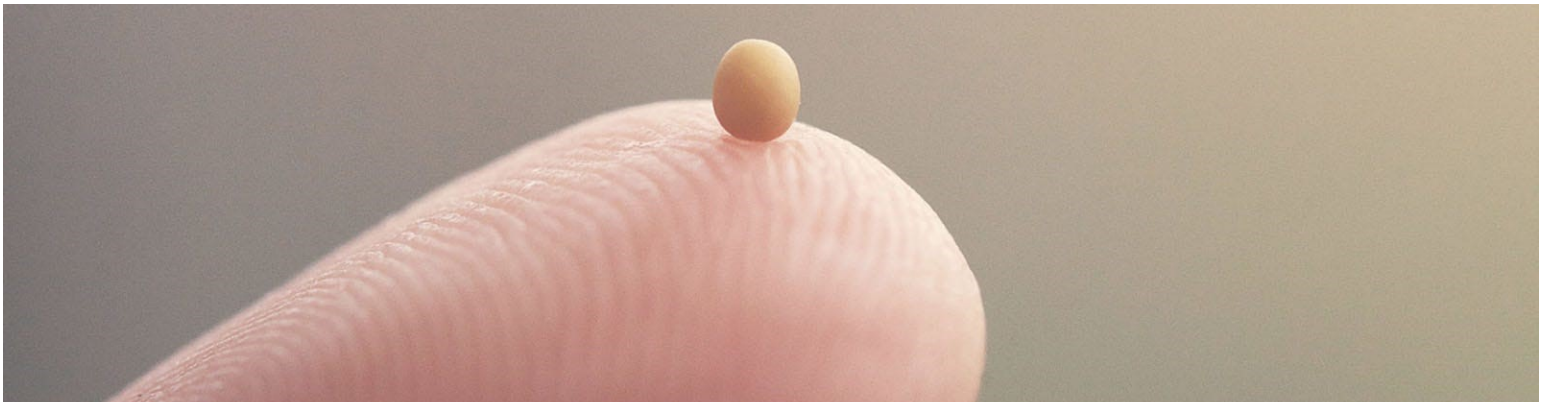
5:00 pm For:

+ Pereira Family, + Silva Family, + Tom Kingry, + Mozart Eduard de Oliveira, + Giuseppe Novelli, + Rita McGill, + Sundeep Khosla, Int. Lacuesta Family

Sunday, June 23

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners



SAINT DOMINIC PARISH SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

Our Summer Garden Party will take place on the 1st official Saturday of Summer 2024, June 22nd in the prayer gardens to the west of the Church front entrance.

Start time for this evening is 7:00 pm.

This event is FREE to all members of our parish. We ask each participant/family to bring an appetizer to share with everyone. An appetizer table will be set up for all to snack on the goodies. Tickets will be distributed FREE in the Narthex after all Masses during the weekends of June 8th/9th & 15th/16th. Space is limited, so please pick up your tickets soon.

The Social Committee will be providing a Summer Fruit Punch, Assorted Chips and an Ice Cream Station. Outdoor Lawn Games will be available for those who wish to play along with music, dancing, and perhaps even Karaoke.

We have some plastic outdoor garden seating available but do encourage those with folding lawn chairs to bring them along.

Come on out and enjoy fellowship and a night under the stars in our beautiful Parish prayer garden. If the weather does not cooperate, we will move the event into the Parish Hall.

6th ANNUAL YOUTH MINISTRY BBQ

On Tuesday June 18th, we will be having our 6th 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 5:00 pm outside the Parish Rectory. We encourage all youth and young families to attend! To RSVP, please contact our Michael at Michael@saintdominic.ca or use the QR code on the posters located at the entrances of the parish.

REVEREND FATHER SILVESTRE D'SOUZA O.C.D PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR OF THE CARMELITE ORDER

On Sunday, June 23, Reverend Father Silvestre D'Souza OCD will be celebrating the 9:00 am Mass at Saint Dominic Parish. Father D'Souza is the Provincial Superior of the Carmelite Order in the Karnataka & Goa Provinces in India. He is on a Pastoral visitation of the Carmelite Friars in Canada.



SANCTUARY LAMP

Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week in Memory of Fernando Angeloni and for the Intentions of the Paikeday Family

PILGRIMAGE TO THE USA

St James Parish is organizing a pilgrimage to the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, MA, including visits to Our Lady of Victory and Rosa Mystica House of Prayer, July 19 to 21. All are welcome to join us. More information and the registration forms are available by contacting the parish office at (905) 845-3603 or by email to : stjamesoakville@hamiltondiocese.com

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Mission is to live the gospel by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a unique organization committed to being "present" to those who call for assistance. Two of our members visit each person who calls. We provide material support, normally a food voucher. A few times a year, we provide used furniture. Most are single mothers with young children. June 22/23 is the first of our two annual collections. These collections are our primary source of funds. Please give generously so that we may continue to help those who are in need. Thank you!

CANADA DAY CELEBRATION – PARKING

On July 1st, Canada Day, St. Dominic Parish will offer \$10.00 parking beginning at 5:00 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 of the Knights of Columbus, we will be working the St. Dominic parish and school parking lots from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. All proceeds go to support St. Dominic Youth Ministry Programs.

If you have questions or are interested in volunteering, please contacting our Pastoral Minister, Michael Aguiar at Michael@saintdominic.ca

Happy Father's Day

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, his foster father. Bless all fathers and grandfathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience, give them the ability to love in a way that reflects your love. Amen.

An invitation from the CWL to the Ladies of the Parish



Please join us on Sunday July 7th at 12 noon, as we host a Baby Shower for the young moms and babies of Shifra Homes. A complimentary luncheon will be provided and the 'price' of admission is an unwrapped gift.

We decided to host a second Shower as we understand last year's event

was the first time these moms had a Baby Shower to celebrate their child's birth and they were very grateful to have been given this joyful experience.

In order to track numbers and prepare the luncheon, complimentary tickets may be picked up in the Narthex after each Mass on the weekends of June 22/23 and 29/30. If you are unable to attend and still wish to help with a gift or donation, you may leave these items at the display table that will be in the Narthex starting next weekend.

The most needed items are: baby onesies, sleepers and outfits (sizes 3-12 mos); baby hair brushes, nail clippers, and teething toys; receiving blankets, socks and hats; baby lotions, soaps and creams; diaper genie & refills, diaper sizes 4,5,6.



A Father's Day BLESSING

Blessed is the Father
Who lets the *Lord*
be his guiding hand,
Whose *faith* brings his
family *courage*,
Whose *wisdom* comes
from *God*,
and whose *children*
still stand and *honor* him.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, June 17	Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I.
Tuesday, June 18	Rev. Deaha (John) Kim
Wednesday, June 19	Disalced Carmelite Fathers (O.C.D.)
Thursday, June 20	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.
Friday, June 21	Rev. Lajos Angyal
Saturday, June 22	Married Couples

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
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“Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.”

MARIAN DAYS

The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June through October. Format: 9:00 am—Holy Hour & Confessions; 10:30—Mass & Reflection on the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary; 11:30—Rosary Procession; 12:00 pm—Tea & Coffee available in the Parish Hall. You are welcome to bring your own lunch. The gift shop will be open and tours are available.

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