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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Then and Now . . . Think about it!

Fr. Ranjan D'Sa OCD

Immediately after the death of King Solomon, the kingdom of Israel was divided into two separate kingdoms. Only two tribes remained faithful to Rehoboam, the son of Solomon. The other 10 tribes, together formed the northern kingdom and made Samaria its capital. The relationship between the separated kingdoms was never peaceful.

In the beginning, the people from the north came to the Jerusalem Temple for worship and sacrifices. Around 10 BC, Jeroboam I, King of the Northern Kingdom, realized that this practice could unite people of both kingdoms and bring more revenue to Jerusalem, so he built a sanctuary at Bethel and dedicated it as a royal sanctuary. Eventually this place became the pride of Samaria.

The choice of the place for the royal sanctuary was very political. The word 'Bethel' means 'the house of God'. Historically this place is very dear to the people of Israel. This was the place where Abraham first worshiped God when he entered the Promised Land (Gen. 12:8). Later while running away from his brother Esau (Gen 28:18), Jacob offered sacrifices to God and again during the safe return when Jacob made peace with his brother (Gen 35).

Two centuries later, around 8 BC, during the

time of the prophet Amos, the northern kingdom had reached the peak of its political greatness. Externally, everything was glorious: there was territorial expansion, political peace and national prosperity. But internally and spiritually, the northern kingdom was languishing. Religion was namesake Jewish, but dominantly idolatrous; the justice system was hijacked by the elite; oppression of the poor became rampant, and immorality was the way of life.

In this background, God called Amos as a prophet to warn the king and priests of the northern kingdom. Amos was a lay person who was both a farmer and a shepherd. He was burdened by the message of God, who was concerned about His self-destroying people because of their numerous sins. (The word 'Amos' means 'burdened'.) God commissioned Amos to preach repentance from their sins of idolatry, immorality and injustice.

Today's First Reading is a discussion between Amos and Amaziah, the high priest of Bethel. Burdened by God's unfathomable love for His people, Amos risks his life to preach the good news. It was his zeal for *Yahweh* that made him proclaim the message of repentance and return to God. This prophetic message is very relevant to our times too – attachment to prosperity and worldliness will take us far away from God and Salvation.

PARISH LITURGIES

— 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Tuesday, July 16 - *Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

8:30 am + Royston & Teresa Clunies

Wednesday, July 17 - *Carmelite Nuns of Compiègne*

8:30 am + Tom Kingry

Thursday, July 18 - *St. Camillus de Lellis*

8:30 am + Tom Kingry

Friday, July 19 - *St. Arsenius the Great*

8:30 am + Tom Kingry

9:00 am Adoration

—16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Saturday, July 20 - *St. Apollinaris*

4:00 - 4:30 Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:

+ Tom Kingry, Int. Kit & Eddie O'Hara, + Kisoo Kim, + Joseph Kim, + Monica Byun, + Tom Myoung, + Maria Im, + Anna Kim, + Dolores Nixon

Sunday, July 21

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners



OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Our Parish Office Summer Hours are as follows:

Tuesday – Thursday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm &

Friday: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

*Have a Safe
and Happy Summer!*

THANK YOU...



... to all the kind and generous women of our Parish who attended, donated, gave gifts, and volunteered their time and talents to making our Second Annual Baby Shower such a lovely afternoon for the Moms and babies of Shifra Homes! Nancy Romic and her support team do an amazing job educating, guiding and loving these young mothers in raising their children. In a world where human life seems to becoming less valued, we are grateful for the support and compassion you have shown to these young mothers who have chosen life for their little ones...

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FIRST COMMUNION 2024-25 INFORMATION

Preparation for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will begin this Fall for those entering grade 2 and up, who are registered in Saint Dominic Parish. Please note that our information brochure was sent out at the end of June through our schools. If you lost the brochure or attend other schools, you will find copies of the brochure on the wall in the narthex or you can go on our website. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Aguiar, our Pastoral Minister at (905)827-2373 or michael@saintdominic.ca



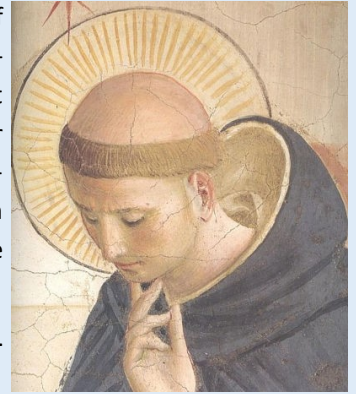
SANCTUARY LAMP

*Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week
in Memory of The Paikeday Family*

FEAST OF SAINT DOMINIC & BBQ

We will be celebrating the Feast of our community's patron, Saint Dominic de Guzmán, on Sunday August 11th, during the 11:00 am Mass. After the Mass, all parishioners are welcome to attend our Annual Parish Barbeque, which will be held in the rectory backyard.

All are welcome to attend the celebration!!!



“In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses”

CONFIRMATION 2024-25 INFORMATION

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin next Fall for those entering grade 7 and up, who are registered in Saint Dominic Parish. Please note that our information brochure was sent out at the end of June through our schools. If you lost the brochure or attend other schools, you will find copies of the brochure on the wall in the narthex, or you can go on our website. The Service Project Record sheet can also be found on our parish website. You are expected to acquire 20 hours of community service prior to receiving the Sacrament as part of the registration process, so it may be helpful to start collecting your service hours over the summer. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Aguiar, our Pastoral Minister at (905) 827-2373 or email him at michael@saintdominic.ca

“Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.”



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Parenting Tip # 160

The first day of July started with a celebration of Canada and all that our country has to offer. It is a wonderful month to celebrate summer with family and friends and a great time to remember to pray for our country, be thankful for our freedom, to celebrate our Catholic faith, and to look at the many riches our country has to offer us. So, speak to your children about their wonderful country, about the beauty God has created here for them and about the many blessings they experience as Canadians. It is easy to dwell on the negative, but teaching our children to have an attitude of gratitude for their blessings makes for a healthier frame of mind! (Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2250).

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, leads seekers through a journey of understanding the Catholic Faith through talks, instructions, prayer and guidance. If you are considering this or know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Father Ranjan D'Sa or Brian Thornton at the Parish Office. Classes begin in the Fall. All are welcome!

FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Office of Youth Ministry will be holding a Catholic leadership program for young people in grade ten (ages 15-16). This program will equip them and encourage them to draw closer to Christ and their respective communities. The goal of this program is that young people will join us for opportunities for formation as Catholic leaders and then go back to their respective communities to turn their learning into practice. Registration for this program closes October 25th and can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/frassati2024>

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

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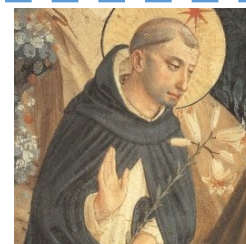
The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2024. Three and five week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about our programs, and how to register, visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

"Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people."

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, July 15	Rev. Gary Schlack
Tuesday, July 16	Re. Bradley Markus
Wednesday, July 17	Institute of Kkottongnae Sisters of Jesus
Thursday, July 18	Rev. Khalid Karomi
Friday, July 19	Rev. Edward Henhoeffer
Saturday, July 20	Rev. Joe Selvanayagam

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