



HOLY MASSES

Sundays:
(Saturday evening) Vigil 6.30pm,
7.00, 10.30am & 6 pm

Tuesday – Friday: 6.30 am
Saturdays & Holidays: 7am

Confessions: before and after Masses
if possible and by appointment

Baptisms:
Call to make an appointment

Online Masses
St Dominic Barbados



Office hours

Monday: 7.30 – 12

Tuesday: 7.30 – 2 pm

Wednesday: 7.30 – 12

Thursday: 7.30 – 12, 3-5

Friday: 7.30 – 12

*Priests are available during office
hours or by appointment*

Office is closed:

on bank holidays & weekends, and
sometimes we may be out of the
office. (Please call before coming)

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Barbados

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 23, 2023 # 739 Year A



Metanoia

1st Reading: Wisdom 12:13,16-19

Psalms: 85(86):5-6,9-10,15-16

2nd Reading: Romans 8:26-27

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our mind,
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!



Gospel

Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus put another parable before the crowds: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn.'"

He put another parable before them: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfil the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables

and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

&

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAYS 6.00 PM



We are a Catholic community committed to welcoming our brothers and sisters, celebrating the Eucharist, receiving the Sacraments, spreading the Good News, passing on our Catholic faith and Traditions, promoting devotion to Divine Mercy and assisting the poor and less privileged in our community. As the National Shrine of Divine Mercy we encourage fuller participation in the Divine Mercy devotions in order to strengthen our Catholic faith, to experience the healing grace and mercy of God and to be merciful to others as Jesus.



Our prayers:

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRAYER



"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen."

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

"O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life." Amen.

Prayer for vocations

Heavenly Father raise up holy vocations to the priesthood, to keep the faith alive and guard the memory of your Son Jesus, through the preaching of His word and the celebration of His Sacraments.

May Your Church sustain seminarians and priests in their vocations so that they may faithfully fulfil their mission at the service of the Gospel.

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SCAN ME

July 23 - 29

Vigil: Sat 6.30 pm: Special intention & Lecia Jhagroo—RIP
Sun 7.00 am: for parishioners & visitors
10.30 am: Special intention
6.00 pm: Alison Burke—RIP
Tue 6.30 am: Velda Bishop—RIP
Fr. Stanislaw—RIP
Wed 6.30 am: Randall Godard—RIP
Thu 6.30 am: Paige Brooker
Clairvair Squires—Blessings
Fri 6.30 am: Antonio & Richard Figueira—RIP
Gemma Figueira—B'day
Sat 7.00 am: Roma Gangar—Birthday

July 30 - August 5

Vigil: Sat 6.30 pm: Joe Brooker—Birthday
Sun 7.00 am: Cherie-Lyn & Andre Zanol—Anniv
10.30 am: Jane Marson—RIP
6.00 pm: Gordon Worme—RIP
Tue 7.00 am: All souls—RIP
Wed 6.30 am: Roma Gangar
Thu 6.30 am: for parishioners & visitors
Fri 6.30 am:
Sat 7.00 am: Neville Browne—RIP



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION
AFTER 7 AM MASS
UNTIL 9 AM
Saturday 5th July

Gospel reflection for the 16th. Sunday in Ordinary Time—The small but mighty mustard seed

Last Sunday through our readings, we heard the message that the word of God is a seed that is sown in us. With God's help, we are to nurture and nourish this seed so that it produces fruit and fruit that with last. This Sunday's Gospel continues this theme and message.

For us today who live in cities, housing estates and tower blocks, it can be difficult to understand and appreciate the farming language that Jesus uses when he speaks. He was speaking to a rural and farming people. When he spoke of weather, seeds, shepherds and farming, they would have understood exactly what he was talking about.

In the gospel, Jesus compares faith to a mustard seed. The mustard seed is the smallest seed there is. It is smaller than the head of a pin. But when it is sown and nourished, it grows into one of the biggest trees in the Middle East. It would have been a common sight on the landscape. People would have seen it every day and would have been very familiar with it. It was so big that birds of the air could take shelter in it.

What are we to make of this image today for ourselves? Faith is a gift from God. It is given to us as a very small seed. God cannot make it grow, develop and mature without our help and contribution. Like any gift we receive, unless we open it and use it, it will die. If we don't use this gift it will become a wasted gift. However with prayer, perseverance and patient this small seed will grow and mature. The great gift is that as we nourish and nurture this small seed, it in return will help us to grow and mature as followers disciples of Jesus. We will grow and mature just as the seed grows into the large tree.

Faith is not magic. It requires our attention, commitment and dedication. In his letter St. James reminds us that faith without good works is dead. The challenge is that that faith we believe with our hearts, proclaim through our prayers and liturgies will be seen through the quality of our daily lives. St. Francis once said that we are to make every effort to proclaim the good news of the gospel and if we have to, we will have to use words. Our actions speak louder than any of our words. The test of our faith will be seen through the quality of daily lives. Our faith will be visible through how speak to others, how we treat others and how we reach out to comfort and support those who need our help.

We thank God for the gift of our faith. We also ask God to give us the courage of our convictions. May we have the strength to be followers of Jesus and put our faith in practise whenever and wherever we can.
(Michael Moore OMI)

50th Anniversary Book

Do you have any photos of Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation, Weddings or any special events over the last 50 years at St. Dominic's? If you do and they are good quality resolution, we are looking for memorabilia for our 50th Anniversary book of St. Dominic's Church. We ask that you send them to the email below. We do not guarantee that all will be printed, but will try our best to include as many as we can. Or maybe you have a special memory that you would like to share, you can send a short paragraph. send to: stdomsis50@gmail.com



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