

## **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

Bantisms.

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)

Parish Priest - Fr. Andy Nyga SAC & Deacon Rev. Stephen Foster



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# St. Dominic's Roman Catholic Church National Shrine of Divine Mercy



Barbados

24th Sunday in OT September 17, 2023 # 743 Year A



# Metanoia

1st Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27:33-28:9

**Psalm:** 102(103):1-4,9-12 **2nd Reading:** Romans 14:7-9

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.

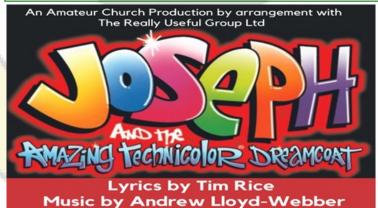
Alleluia!



## Gospel

## Matthew 18:21-35

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times. 'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'



In celebration of the



Friday
November 3rd & 10th
7:00 pm
Saturday
November 4th & 11th
8:00 pm

Tickets - \$50.00

## **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



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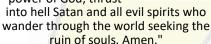
We are a Catholic community committed to welcoming our brothers and sisters, celebrating the Eucharist, receiving the Sacraments, spreading the Good News, passing on our Catholic faith and Traditions, promoting devotion to Divine Mercy and assisting the poor and less privileged in our community. As the 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



#### 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.

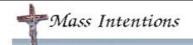
May Your Church sustain seminarians and priests in their vocations so that they may faithfully fulfil their mission at the service of the Gospel.

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## September 17 - 23

Vigil: Sat 6.30 pm: Richard Gordon—RIP Sun 7.00 am: Richard Franklin—blessings

10.30 am: George Goodwin & Russell Cunah—RIP 6.00 pm: Lisa Duckhouse & Lisel Hilson—Birthdays

Tue 6.30 am: Eddie Gloumeau—RIP Wed 6.30 am: Gertrude Gumbs—healing

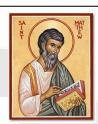
Thu 6.30 am: Zoe Brooker

Fri 6.30 am: for parishioners & visitors

Sat 7.00 am:



AUTHOR OF THE FIRST BOOK IN THE NEW TESTAMENT



Saint Matthew, the first-century tax collector turned apostle who chronicled the life and ministry of Christ in his Gospel, is celebrated by the Church today, September 21. Although relatively little is known about the life of St. Matthew, the account he wrote of Christ's ministry — traditionally considered to be the first of the four Gospels - is of inestimable value to the Church, particularly in its verification of Jesus as the Messiah...

The Gospel accounts of Mark and Luke, like Matthew's own, describe the encounter between Jesus and Matthew under the surprising circumstances of Matthew's tax-collecting duties. Jewish publicans, who collected taxes on behalf of the Roman rulers of first-century Judea, were objects

publicans, who collected taxes on behalf of the Roman rulers of first-century Judea, were objects of scorn and even hatred among their own communities, since they worked on behalf of the occupying power and often earned their living by collecting more than the state's due. Jesus most likely first encountered Matthew near the house of Peter, in Capernaum near the Sea of Galilee. The meeting of the two was dramatic, as Matthew's third-person account in his Gospel captured: "As Jesus passed on," the ninth chapter recounts, "he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the customs post. He said to him, 'Follow me'. And he got up and followed him." Matthew's calling into Jesus' inner circle was a dramatic gesture of the Messiah's universal message and mission, causing some religious authorities of the Jewish community to wonder: "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" Jesus' significant response indicated a central purpose of his ministry: "I did not come to call the righteous but sinners." A witness to Christ's resurrection after death, as well as his ascension into heaven and the events of Pentecost, Matthew also recorded Jesus' instruction for the apostles to "go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you."
Like 11 of the 12 apostles, St. Matthew is traditionally thought to have died as a martyr while preaching the Gospel. The Roman Martyrology describes his death as occurring in a territory near present-day Egypt.

Reflecting on St. Matthew's calling, from the pursuit of dishonest financial gain to the heights of holiness and divine inspiration, Pope Benedict said in 2006 that "in the figure of Matthew, the Gospels present to us a true and proper paradox: those who seem to be the farthest from holiness can even become a model of the acceptance of God's mercy and offer a glimpse of its marvelous effects in their own lives."

(https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/saint/st-matthew-apostle-601)

#### PERPETUAL MASS LEAGUE OF THE PALLOTTINE FATHERS

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- 3 special holy masses offered on each day in Pallottine communities
- Daily Pallottine prayers (morning, noon and evening)
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday in the Pallottine Seminary in Oltarzew (Poland)
- Remembrance at holy mass in the Pallottine Seminary on the First Friday of every month
- Devotions and good works performed by the Pallottine community
- Blessing of the Holy Father

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DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAYS 6.00 PM



#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Mass on Sunday 24th September 7am, will be in honour of the Society of the St. Vincent de Paul, in celebration of it's members and the families we served. Diana Sylvester

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