



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

27th Sunday in OT
October 8, 2023 # 746 Year A



Metanoia

1st Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalms: 79(80):9,12-16,19-20
2nd Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!



Gospel

MATTHEW 21: 33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?' 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

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

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COME PRAY THE ROSARY

Every Tuesday, 5:00 pm in the grotto.

Do you know the origin of the Hail Mary?

The first half of the Hail Mary is taken from scripture. Those are the words of the Angel Gabriel to Mary "Rejoice, full of grace, the Lord is with you" Luke 1:28 and Elizabeth when she was visited by Mary cried out "You are most blessed among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!" Luke 1:42

In 1261 Pope Urban IV added the name of Jesus to Elizabeth's words. The petition "Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen" was added over many years. This petition was composed by St. Peter Canisius and the Catechism of the Council of Trent.

The Rosary Group

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

Mass Intentions

October 8 - 14

Vigil: Sat 6.30 pm: Richard Gordon & Lisa Abed—RIP
Sun 7.00 am: Carlos Lamarche—RIP
10.30 am: Special intention for healing & for Adrienne Fredericks
6.00 pm: Charmaine Cox—Birthday
Tue 6.30 am: Thomas Atwell—Birthday
Wed 6.30 am: Eli Brooker & parishioners & visitors
Thu 6.30 am: Joyanna Shaw—Birthday
Fri 6.30 am: Special intention
Sat 7.00 am: Special intention



THE CONSECRATION OF A CATHOLIC CHURCH

The consecration of a Catholic church is a very solemn and impressive ceremony, with rites that devote the edifice exclusively to sacred use. The various parts of the traditional ceremonies of consecration are very ancient, and are substantially the same today as they were many centuries ago.

As formally decreed by the Council of Trent, Holy Mass is not to be celebrated in any place except a consecrated or blessed church, which is why the Church wants that cathedrals and parish churches be solemnly consecrated, and that smaller churches be blessed. The consecration of a church is reserved to a bishop, by which the church is dedicated to the service of God, thereby raising it perpetually to a higher order, removing it from the malign influence of Satan, and rendering it a place in which favors are more graciously granted by God (Pontificale Romanum).

As part of the consecration of a church, at least one fixed altar must be consecrated. According to the Catholic Encyclopedia (1913), before the time of Constantine, the consecration of churches was a private matter due to persecutions. However, after Constantine's conversion, it became a public rite.

The consecration of churches is believed to be, in a sense, a continuation of the Jewish rites instituted by King Solomon. Some authors date the rites to around the year 105 and attribute its origin to Pope St. Evaristus, but it seems probable that he merely promulgated as a law what had been the custom before his time. There are many examples to prove that churches were consecrated before peace had been granted to the Church, such as the one taken from the life of St. Cecilia, who prayed for a cessation from hostilities against the Christians so that her home might be consecrated as a church by St. Urban I (222-230). Another example is taken from the life of St. Marcellus (308-309), who consecrated a church in the home of St. Lucina (Breviarium Romanum, 16 January).

At the beginning of the sacred liturgy the church and the congregation is sprinkled with the holy water. According to Blessed Yves of Chartres in his Sermo de Sacramentis, this sprinkling symbolizes the immersion at holy baptism, the consecration of the soul as the spiritual temple of God. On the day of consecration, the candles under the crosses on the walls are lighted. The essence of the consecration of a church consists in the anointing of the (12) twelve crosses on the inner walls with the form: "Sancificetur et consecretur hoc templum," etc. These crosses are not to be of wood or of any fragile material. They must never be removed (Cong. Sac. Rit., 18 February, 1696), and documents failing, they serve to prove that the church has been consecrated. Under each cross a bracket holding a candle is affixed.

"Such are the impressive ceremonies which our Church uses for the sanctifying of a temple of God. It is sprinkled with holy water; and walls are signed with blessed Chrism, the altar is anointed with the same oil. Then the incense is put on the altar as a sign that this altar is going to be used as a place where holy sacrifice will be celebrated.

The odor of incense fills the house of God, and the solemn prayers of the Church are used to consecrate both temple and altar to His service forever. The incense symbolizes the sweet odor of prayer, which is to ascend from the altar to heaven.

You are all invited to take part on October 22nd at 7.00 am to this very special consecration. This is an event that will probably never happen again in Barbados. I have been a priest for 20 years and this is the first time as a priest that I will witness this. I really encourage you all to take part in this special ceremony. Fr. Andy

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.

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