



ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

MARCH 5, 2017 – The First Sunday of Lent

WELCOME: No matter how long you're planning to be in the neighborhood, please consider this your home. Fill out a registration form, found in the vestibule of the church, on the website, or stop by the parish office.



LISTENING DEVICE: If you are in need of a personal listening device at Mass, please ask the Music Minister or Priest.



OUR CHURCH IS OPEN:

Mon–Fri: 7 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.; **Sat:** 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.;
Sun: 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Note: The Church is closed after Mass on a Federal Holiday)

FELLOWSHIP WITH COFFEE AND DONUTS: Sundays after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Fridays - 8:00 a.m.

ST. PETER SCHOOL: "Founded in 1786, St. Peter School provides children with an education founded on love of God and service to others, characterized by Catholic values and academic excellence."



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<http://www.stpeterschooldc.org/>

CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS

WEEKDAYS

Mondays–Fridays: 8:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.
(8:00 a.m. only on a Federal Holiday)
Saturdays: 9:00 a.m.

WEEKEND

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. Vigil
Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

HOLIDAYS

5:00 p.m. Vigil; 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:00 p.m.

DEVOTIONS AND SACRAMENTS

DEVOTIONS – Rosary Shrine of St. Jude

<http://www.rosaryshrineofstjude.org>
Phone: 212-535-3664

Rosary: 11:45 a.m. Mondays - Fridays
Veneration of the relic of St. Jude: Fridays,
following the midday Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND HOLY HOUR

Thursdays: 4:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Mondays–Fridays: 11:55 a.m.; **Saturdays:** 4:30 p.m.
Sundays: Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS –

Please Contact the Parish Office

Baptism: "Parents are obliged to take care that infants are baptized in the first few weeks" (Code of Canon Law, 867§1).

Matrimony: A minimum of six months preparation is required by the Archdiocese.

Holy Eucharist at Home: When a fellow parishioner is in the hospital or unable to attend Mass.

Anointing of the Sick: Those facing serious illness or entering the hospital.



Please note that the first two rows of the center aisle of the church are reserved for individuals with disabilities.
The **entrance** for persons with disabilities is on Frontage Road on the south side of the church.



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St. Dominic Church is a Christ-centered, Roman Catholic, and Dominican parish for the people of Southwest, DC and beyond.

Our mission is to preach the Gospel and make disciples, and glorify God through the Eucharist and the other Sacraments, build up the communion of the Church, and serve others through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

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DOMINICAN FRIARS of the PROVINCE of SAINT JOSEPH

PARISH:

Pastor: Father George P. Schommer, O.P.

Parochial Vicar: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.

Deacon: Rev. Bro. Edmund McCullough, O.P.

PARISH STAFF:

Business / Facilities Manager: Ed Von Hagel

Administrative Assistant: Denise Marshall

Sunday Receptionist: Marlene Mattison

Worship Coordinator: JC Cantrell

PARISH MINISTRIES:

Altar Servers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Alice Serar

Lectors: Carrie Yauch

Music: JC Cantrell

RCIA: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.

Social Concerns, The St. Martin de Porres Society & Community Events: Cecilia Daly

Gardening Angels: Elysia Branson

Young Adults: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Patricia D'Antonio, Robert Davis, Timothy Fouts, Olivia Hnat; Mary Moran, Sean Robinson, David Stewart, Doris Stukes, Andrew Vasile, Carrie Yauch

Parish Finance Council Members:

Bill Fagan, Jackie Griffin, John Michetti, MaryJane Morrow, Ria Nicole Robinson

FRIARS IN RESIDENCE:

Prior: Father Carleton Jones, O.P.

Reverend Father: John Burke, O.P., George Christian, O.P., Barnabas Davis, O.P., Thomas Donoghue, O.P., Jordan Kelly, O.P., Joseph-Anthony Kress, O.P., John Baptist Ku, O.P., Louis Bertrand Lemoine, O.P., Gerard Lessard, O.P., Louis Mason, O.P., Andrew Nicolichia, O.P., Gregory Pine, O.P., Matthew Rzekowski, O.P., Bede Shippis, O.P., John Sica, O.P., Raymund Snyder, O.P., Raymond Vandegrift, O.P., Michael Weibley, O.P., Bruce Williams, O.P.

Reverend Brother: Bonaventure Chapman, O.P., Thomas Davenport, O.P., Luke Hoyt, O.P., Jacob Bertrand Janczyk, O.P., Edmund McCullough, O.P., Alan Piper, O.P.

MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT

2. Sin blinds us

The parable is unsparing in its description of the contradictions associated with the rich man (cf. v. 19). Unlike poor Lazarus, he does not have a name; he is simply called "a rich man". His opulence was seen in his extravagant and expensive robes. Purple cloth was even more precious than silver and gold, and was thus reserved to divinities (cf. Jer 10:9) and kings (cf. Jg 8:26), while fine linen gave one an almost sacred character. The man was clearly ostentatious about his wealth, and in the habit of displaying it daily: "He feasted sumptuously every day" (v. 19). In him we can catch a dramatic glimpse of the corruption of sin, which progresses in three successive stages: love of money, vanity and pride (cf. Homily, 20 September 2013).

The Apostle Paul tells us that "the love of money is the root of all evils" (1 Tim 6:10). It is the main cause of corruption and a source of envy, strife and suspicion. Money can come to dominate us, even to the point of becoming a tyrannical idol (cf. Evangelii Gaudium, 55). Instead of being an instrument at our service for doing good and showing solidarity towards others, money can chain us and the entire world to a selfish logic that leaves no room for love and hinders peace.

The parable then shows that the rich man's greed makes him vain. His personality finds expression in appearances, in showing others what he can do. But his appearance masks an interior emptiness. His life is a prisoner to outward appearances, to the most superficial and fleeting aspects of existence (cf. *ibid.*, 62).

The lowest rung of this moral degradation is pride. The rich man dresses like a king and acts like a god, forgetting that he is merely mortal. For those corrupted by love of riches, nothing exists beyond their own ego. Those around them do not come into their line of sight. The result of attachment to money is a sort of blindness. The rich man does not see the poor man who is starving, hurting, lying at his door.

Looking at this character, we can understand why the Gospel so bluntly condemns the love of money: "No one can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or be attached to the first and despise the second. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money" (Mt 6:24).

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ST. DOMINIC CENACLE

On March 7th, we are launching a new weekly group of discipleship for adults, called *St. Dominic Cenacle*. The group takes its inspiration from the image and spirituality of the Upper Room in the New Testament, the room where the Last Supper happened, where Jesus appeared to His disciples as risen from the dead, and where the Holy Spirit descended upon the Church at Pentecost. The group consists in weekly meetings, various service opportunities, and occasional outings and events.

Weekly meetings on Tuesday evenings:

- 6:45 p.m. — Adoration with Confessions (or Mass once a month)
- 7:25 p.m. — Faith Topic Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)
- Monthly work of mercy
- Regular outings

Visit our website: www.stdominiccenacle.org or

Email us: cenacle@stdominicchurch.org

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

"The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel." —

Pope Francis, (The Joy of the Gospel, 114)

Lent is the season where we prepare ourselves to renew and restore our relationship with Jesus and the Church as we prepare to celebrate Easter. To help prepare yourself to receive the joy of God's mercy, explore information here to help you feel more confident and ready, including: frequently-asked questions, how to go to Confession, links to Catholic parishes, their locations and more. Visit <http://thelightison.org/> to find resources and Confession times across the Archdiocese of Washington. **"The Light is ON for You" invitations are located in the main Vestibule.**

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

- ◆ **Monday — Friday:** 11:55 a.m. — 12:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Tuesdays:** 6:45 p.m. — 7:15 p.m.
- ◆ **Thursdays:** 5:00 p.m. — 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Saturdays:** 4:30 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.
- ◆ **Sundays:** Immediately after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

2017 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS

Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 2:00p.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office before Monday, April 24th to register.

OLD PALM DISPOSAL

If you need to dispose of any old palm branches, you may leave them in the basket at the church's main entrance or drop them off at the parish office.

WORSHIP

We are blessed by the presence of many visitors and guests each week. Out of solemn respect for the Mass, we follow the custom of remaining at our places within the church until the conclusion of the Song for Sending Forth (recessional).

Please silence your cell phone: As an overt act of courtesy (and respect for the prayer of all), please remember to silence/ turn off your cell phone when you arrive in the church.

Sung Mass Responses: Our community's sung and spoken response during the ritual prayers of the liturgy is a core element of communal prayer.

- This weekend at all Masses we will sing the Siena Mass parts starting on the insert page 16.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Archdiocese Lenten Food Drive. St. Dominic Church will participate on the weekend of March 25-26.

Please leave your donation for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center in front of the pulpit.

We are expanding our social justice ministry to offer more opportunities to combine service with spiritual growth. More information will be available in future bulletins. If you are interested, please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

PARISH COMMUNITY

Spaghetti Supper: The Knights of Columbus is hosting a Spaghetti Supper on Saturday March 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the parish meeting room. Everyone is welcome to join us for great food and fun. The suggested donation is \$12 per person, \$25 per family. The proceeds will be used to benefit the poor box, which provides emergency cash for rent, food, prescription drugs, etc... Please contact social@stdominicchurch.org if you want to help make sauce.

If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with other parishioners, please join the Hospitality Committee. For more information, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

CHURCH HISTORY AND MAINTENANCE



Garden Angels: Spring is around the corner! We will begin on April 1st, doing clean up and planting some flowers, in time for beautifying the grounds for Palm Sunday and Easter.

The more volunteers that show up the more tasks we can accomplish. We will be starting at 9:00 am and working until 12. Any help will be greatly appreciated. For further information call Elysia Branson at 202-285-8099 or email ebrowserbuddy@aol.com.

Church Cleaning: We are looking for people to help manage our monthly cleaning. Ideally, we would have several volunteers to commit to coordinating the cleaning which would amount to only a few times a year for each volunteer.

Our next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, March 11th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. New volunteers are always welcome.

History: *The sixth double window on the north side of the church includes the portrayal of St. Dominic raising a child from the dead. A widow came to the church to hear St. Dominic preach but when she returned home, the child had died. She carried the child's lifeless body back to St. Dominic, who touched the child and raised him to life.*

—*Courtesy of Mary Moran.*



RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR!

Sundays: 6:30 p.m. through April 2, 2017
Parish Meeting Room (downstairs)

- **March 5:** *Ida*—Agata Kulesza, Agata Trzebuchowska, Dawid Ogrodnik. (2013) 80 min.
- **March 12:** *The Singing Nun*—Debbie Reynolds, Ricardo Montalban, Agnes Moorehead. (1966) 98 min

ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS

For the past several years, St. Peter School has had the privilege of participating in a twinning partnership with the schools of Notre Dame D'Altagrace Parish in Cap Haitian, Haiti. This partnership has allowed us to share our Catholic identity with our sister schools in Haiti, as well as support a community in need of financial assistance. Through the creation of the Haiti Stewardship Committee, a group of parents, faculty and staff at St. Peter, we have had great success raising awareness in the school community about our sister schools as well as raising critical funds for Haiti. This year, the students of St. Peter School started off our efforts by sending down care packages with school and home care supplies donated by the St. Peter School community. We participated in Hilloween selling baked goods, as well as ran a holiday market, selling holiday gifts and Haitian inspired notecards, to raise funds for our fellow students and teachers. We plan to continue to raise funds with a Spring Fundraiser, and hope to bring a Haitian inspired storyteller to school to teach St. Peter School students more about the rich and robust Haitian culture.

RESQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Joe Davis



2017 PARISH CALENDAR – MARCH

MARCH	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday, 5	6:30 p.m.	Religious Movie Seminar	Parish Meeting Room
Monday, 6	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	RCIA	Parish Meeting Room
Tuesday, 7	6:45 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. 7:20 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.	St. Dominic Cenacle Holy Hour Cenacle Meeting	Church Parish Meeting Room
Wednesday, 8	6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal Knights of Columbus O'Boyle Council	Church Parish Meeting Room
Thursday, 9	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Holy Hour Young Adult Holy Hour Young Adult Meeting Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church Church Parish Meeting Room Church
Friday, 10			
Saturday, 11	6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Spaghetti Supper	Parish Meeting Room

THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun, Mar 5 First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM People of the Parish
 10:30 AM Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
 5:00 PM Lenten Remembrance

Mon, Mar 6

8:00 AM Lenten Remembrance
 12:10 PM Ms. Maria Huang (D)

Tue, Mar 7

8:00 AM Lenten Remembrance
 12:10 PM Joseph Moy

Wed, Mar 8

8:00 AM Lenten Remembrance
 12:10 PM Margaret Mary Moy

Thu, Mar 9

8:00 AM Lenten Remembrance
 12:10 PM John Deck (D)

Fri, Mar 10

8:00 AM Lenten Remembrance
 12:10 PM Teresa Altemus Christian (D)

Sat, Mar 11

9:00 AM Lenten Remembrance
 5:00 PM Deceased Dominican Sisters

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

Requests can be made for the living or deceased; in intercession or thanksgiving. Requests are made at the parish office. The suggested offering is \$10.

SANCTUARY LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK



*In Memory of:
 Mr. Joe Davis*

Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Candle can be made in the parish office.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jane Boorman, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Fr. Caprio, O.P. Khristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Jason DeLorenzo, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Leroy (Jr.), Ford Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Mary Hogan, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, Mary Moran, Bill Orr, Diane Jaeger Pittman, Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Mary Davis Williams, Frances White, Mrs. Patricia White, Sandra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	2/26/2017	\$ 4,575.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	2/26/2017	\$ 128.00

FAITH DIRECT

Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help your parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide St. Dominic Church with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season!

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: DC117 Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! God Bless You,
 Fr. George Schommer, O.P.

POOR BOX

Donations to the parish Poor Box can be made by using the envelope in your packet, Faith Direct, dropping it off at the parish office, or by giving it to one of the priests. Your generosity enables the parish to assist the poor with grocery cards, rent assistance, utility assistance, etc. Please note that money put into the receptacle at the votive candle racks does not go to the Poor Box.

LEAVE A LEGACY

Please remember St. Dominic Church in your will and estate planning. Your thoughtfulness will enable the parish to continue its presence, ministry and outreach in Southwest Washington.

MID-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT

If you would like to receive a copy of the Mid-Year financial report covering the first half of the 2016-2017 fiscal year, please contact the parish office. The report can be provided in printed or digital media.

ARCHDIOCESAN JOB OPENING

Interested in using your professional experience and education to serve the Church? The Central Pastoral Administration of the Archdiocese of Washington is accepting applications for positions in human resources, catechesis, support staff and other areas. For a current list of job openings please go to <http://adw.org/employment-opportunities/>