



ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

September 24, 2017 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 1868, 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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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.

WEEKENDS

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.
Pastoral Associate: Brother Norbert Keliher, O.P.

PARISH STAFF:

Business / Facilities Manager: Ed Von Hagel
Administrative Assistant: Denise Marshall
Worship Coordinator: JC Cantrell

PARISH MINISTRIES:

Altar Servers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Alice Serar
Lectors: Kathryn Aldridge
Music: JC Cantrell
RCIA: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
St. Dominic's Cenacle: 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:

Simon Ciccarillo, Patricia D'Antonio, Robert Davis, Olivia Hnat; Margaret MacLeod, Mary Moran, Sean Robinson, David Stewart, Andrew Vasile, Joe Wasiak

Parish Finance Council Members:

Simon Ciccarillo, Bill Fagan, Jackie Griffin, Eileen Lyons, John Michetti, MaryJane Morrow, Ria Nicole Robinson

FRIARS IN RESIDENCE:

Prior: Father Carleton Jones, O.P.

Reverend Father: George Christian, O.P., Thomas Davenport, O.P., Barnabas Davis, O.P., Thomas Donoghue, O.P., Peter Fegan, O.P., Luke Hoyt, O.P., John Baptist Ku, O.P., Gerard Lessard, O.P., Louis Mason, O.P., Edmund McCullough, O.P., Andrew Nicolichia, O.P., Matthew Rzczkowski, O.P., Bede Shipps, O.P.

Reverend Brother: Aquinas Beale, O.P., Leo Camurati, O.P., Timothy Danaher, O.P., Brad Elliott, O.P., Peter Gautsch, O.P., Humbert Kilanowski, O.P., Mannes Matous, O.P., Isaac Morales, O.P., Henry Stephan, O.P.

Brother: Patrick Foley, O.P., Ignatius Perkins, O.P.

PASTOR'S CORNER



The Gospel parable today telling us about the landowner who goes out numerous times to hire laborers can give us great hope. Why? Because the landowner is God who goes out repeatedly to include as many people as possible in his kingdom. God takes the initiative to seek out those who are not yet living in the kingdom (represented by the vineyard) and invites them to share in the full benefits of salvation, which is his free and generous gift. Many of us have family members and friends who do not regularly go to church or intentionally live a life as a disciple of Jesus. A simple observation of their lives reveals that there are other priorities, worries and concerns. Our hope is that God is continually reaching out to them; he does not abandon them in their need.

For our part, we who already live and labor in the kingdom have a responsibility to rejoice in the work that God is doing and to welcome the new members. We do this in all the practical ways of welcome and inclusion, overcoming our prejudices and biases. Any kind of envy and grumbling about some injustice demonstrates that we do not understand the free gift of salvation. None of us can earn it, no matter how long or hard we work. Our God is generous with each of us. Let us be grateful for what he has done in our lives; and in what he is doing in the lives of other people.

Let us pray for one another,

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

Foreign Missions Appeal

Next weekend, Father David Adiletta, O.P. will be preaching at all the Masses and speaking about the missionary efforts of the Dominican Friars in Eastern Africa—especially in Kenya. The work of the Friars includes the establishment of the Dominican Order in Kenya, parish ministry and the operation of a school for poor children. He will be appealing for your financial support; please consider a generous gift in the second collection.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Heritage Day!

Celebrating the Anniversary of the Dedication of our Parish Church; and Welcoming All Who Have Called St. Dominic's Home

Sunday, October 15, 2017

10:30 a.m. Mass

Reception following in the Parish Meeting Room.

All are welcome!

NEW HYMNAL FOR THE PARISH

In collaboration with the Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council, and the Director of Music, we have decided to acquire the *St. Michael Hymnal* for our parish. The *St. Michael Hymnal* will give our worshipping community a high-quality, durable resource to unite our voices in praise and worship of our God. Please consider making a one-time donation for one or more hymnals so that the parishioners and guests of our parish may grow closer to the Lord through music. Remember, St. Augustine once said that "he who sings, prays twice."

For each \$20 donation, which purchases one hymnal, we would be happy to memorialize the hymnal by means of a memorial plate (a printed "label" inside the hymnal.) A large poster with samples of the memorial plate is located at the center-aisle entrance of the church. There, you will find envelopes for your donation. Please put the donation envelope in the regular collection basket; or deliver it to the parish office.

Thank you for your support of this project!

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and the 160th anniversary of the apparitions of Lourdes with a pilgrimage Feb. 5 - 13.

Itinerary includes Lourdes, Paris, Nevers and Lisieux. Pilgrims will join in the celebrations for the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, will visit the places associated with the life of St. Bernadette and venerate her incorrupt body, will visit sites of Paris including the Miraculous Medal Shrine and also Lisieux, the home of St. Therese, "The Little Flower." For detailed information contact Father Joseph Allen, O.P. Email: joseph.allen@opeast.org or Elizabeth Grinder: 301 740-9332, Toll Free: 1-877-276-7279, Email: lourdespilgrimageoffice@comcast.net. **Reservations Deadline Nov. 10, 2017. Departure from Washington/Dulles.**

PARISH LAY MINISTRY—YOUR HELP IS WANTED!

We actively seek members of the parish to volunteer and to serve as Lay Ministers of the Mass. Perhaps now is a great time for you to volunteer. Please contact the Parish Liturgical Ministries Coordinator (JC Cantrell) for more information regarding Lay Ministry service as an Acolyte, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Lector or Usher.

CHOIR OPENINGS 10:30 a.m. SUNDAY MASS

- Our traditional choir sings most Sundays at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Our choir wants to grow and we are recruiting women and men of all voice types. For September thru November, the choir will usually rehearse Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. Please come sing with us!

ENSEMBLE OPENINGS 5:00 p.m. SUNDAY MASS

- Our Ensemble sings most Sundays at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. The Ensemble is recruiting instrumentalists and singers. For September thru November, the Ensemble will usually rehearse Sunday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Contact JC Cantrell for more information.
(music@stdominicparish.org)

ATTENTION WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND ACOLYTES, LECTORS, USHERS, AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

If you did not receive your individual Liturgical Minister schedule for October and November, please contact JC Cantrell (music@stdominicchurch.org).

Alert: The following dates need additional volunteers in all Liturgical Ministries.

- Wednesday, Nov 1—All Masses (Holy Day of Obligation)
- Friday, Nov 3—noon mass
- Thursday, Nov 23 - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Thanksgiving Day Mass)

Reminder: Vacancies often occur each week due to changes in volunteer availability. Lectors, Acolytes and EMHCs continue to be needed at many weekday and weekend masses. If you are able to fill a vacancy, please use the MSP website or app to volunteer for one of the ministerial vacancies. The MSP website and smart phone app always display the "real-time current" schedule (and openings).

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

Do you know someone who is interested, or might be open, to becoming Catholic? **Classes are on Monday evenings from 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. in our parish meeting room.** Please encourage anyone who may be interested to contact Fr. Hyacinth at vicar@stdominicchurch.org

ST. DOMINIC CENACLE

A weekly group of discipleship for adults, in our parish.

Tuesday, September 26

6:45 p.m. – Mass

7:25 p.m. Social Night

Visit our website: www.stdominiccenacle.org

Email us: cenacle@stdominicchurch.org

ST. DOMINIC'S YOUNG ADULTS

For all young adults in their 20's and 30's

Thursday, September 28

- 7 p.m. – Adoration with Confession (Church)
- 7:40 p.m. – Social Night

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMUNITY SERVICES

So Others Might Eat: The parish will provide the noon meal at SOME next Saturday, September 30th. Baking pans and recipes are in the main vestibule. For more information, please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

Knights of Columbus: The parish is again participating in the Knights of Columbus annual Coats for Kids giveaway. \$20 buys a new warm coat for a child in need here in the Southwest. **Please make your check out to St. Dominic Church and write "Coats for Kids" in the subject line. You may also donate through faithdirect.net.**

We will also accept donations of scarves, hats and mittens. If you are knitting or crocheting scarves at home, they should be at least 36" by 6". Please contact social@stdominicchurch.org if you have any questions.

Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center: Our next monthly collection of practical items, diapers, wipes, and formula, for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be the weekend October 4/5. They have a special need for size 3 and larger diapers.

PARISH COMMUNITY

If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with fellow parishioners, we need volunteers to help organize social events, such as Heritage Day, the parish picnic, spaghetti suppers, etc...

Please email: social@stdominicchurch.org

CHURCH HISTORY AND MAINTENANCE

Thanks to everyone to helped clean the church last week. Next month's cleaning will be Saturday, October 14th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. We are looking for people to help manage our monthly cleaning. Ideally, we would have several volunteers to commit to coordinating at least 3 times a year. Please help maintain our beautiful, historic church. If you are interested, please email social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863.

History: *St. Dominic church was consecrated on October 12, 1919. As a consecrated church, St. Dominic can never be used for anything but divine worship. The church building would have to be demolished if the property were ever sold.*

Courtesy of Mary Moran.

THE GARDEN ANGELS

No Experience Needed! We do lawn and garden maintenance, grounds clean-up, and anything that comes up. We have all the necessary tools and gloves. We work the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Saturdays of the month from 9 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Drop-ins welcome! **We need HELP to keep St. Dominic's beautiful.** Please contact Elysia Branson at 202-583-2522, or email ebrowserbuddy@aol.com for further information or contact Ed Von Hagel at the Parish Office 202-55-7863.

2017 PARISH CALENDAR –SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER

SEPTEMBER	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday 24	11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Parish Picnic	Church Grounds
Monday 25	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	RCIA	Parish Meeting Room
Tuesday 26	6:45 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.	Cenacle Holy Half Hour followed by Meeting	Church & Parish Meeting Rm
Wednesday 27	6:30 p.m. -9:30 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church
Thursday 28	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Holy Hour Young Adult Holy 1/2 Hour / Meeting	Church Church & Parish Meeting Rm
Friday 29			
Saturday 30			
OCTOBER	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday 1	All Masses All Masses 12:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m.	Mission Appeal Baby Items Collection Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic	Church Church Priory Chapel/Parish Mtg. Rm

THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun, Sep 24	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
10:30 AM	People of the Parish
5:00 PM	Tasssia Samona
Mon, Sep 25	
8:00 AM	Mara Gicheva-Mireva (D)
12:10 PM	Tasssia Samona
Tue, Sep 26	
8:00 AM	Nikola Mirev (D)
12:10 PM	Tasssia Samona
Wed, Sep 27	
8:00 AM	Mara Gicheva-Mireva & Nikola Mirev (D)
12:10 PM	Samuel Fanucci
Thu, Sep 28	
8:00 AM	Eileen Conaty
12:10 PM	Deacon Francis L. Hannagan (D)
Fri, Sep 29	
8:00 AM	Deacon Francis L. Hannagan (D)
12:10 PM	Deacon Auxentius V. Paneres (D)
Sat, Sep 30	
9:00 AM	Deceased Dominican Sisters
5:00 PM	Dorothy Korman (D)

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

The Mass Intention Calendar for 2018 is now available. 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.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Doris Baldwin, Debora Brownlee, Jerome Buke, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Khristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, Marian Halwick, Mary Hogan, June Jaeger, Marilyn Jarvis, Jim Jenkins, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Pat Lyles, Barbara Mahoney, Andrea Martin, James F. McGrath, III, Rose Montas, Tomas Ramirez, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Bruce Sanowar, Rosa Maria Santos, Mike Scarpulla, Frances White, Sandra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

SANCTUARY LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK



*For the Intentions for:
Yesid Rodriguez
By: Maria Lane*

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

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	9/17/2017	\$4,962.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	9/17/2017	\$1,705.00

2017 CARDINAL'S APPEAL PROGRESS REPORT

Goal: 2017	\$45,326.00
Pledged	\$43,478.00
Collected as of September 1	\$33,569.17
Number of Donors	101

CARDINAL'S APPEAL

It is not too late-- If you have not yet made your pledge or outright gift to the Cardinal's Appeal there is still time to do so for the 2017 Appeal. We need everyone's help to reach our goal not only for our Archdiocese, but the parish as well.

Please Please contact Valerie Brown, Director of the Cardinal's Appeal at 301-853-4574. On behalf of those who benefit from your support, thank you for your generous gift to Church of Washington, DC.

FAITH DIRECT

I'd like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish's electronic giving program. Faith Direct's eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week--no more envelopes to find before you go to Mass. 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.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

The Annual Parish Financial Report for the fiscal year ending 30 June 2017 is now available for parishioner review. If you would like to receive a copy, please contact the parish office. The report can be provided in printed or digital media. Thank you to all contributors who helped us to finish the year in the black!