

ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH



*"Jesus fasted for forty days
and forty nights and was tempted."*

Sunday, February 26, 2023

1st Sunday of Lent

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Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

Parish Staff

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Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Mon-Fri

Celebration of Holy Mass

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.; 5:00 p.m. (Vigil of Sunday)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

(8:00 a.m. only on a Federal Holiday)

Holy Days: See Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour:

Thursday: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday - Friday: 11:45 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

Thursday: 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sundays: 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

* Or by appointment through the Parish Office

Administration of the Sacraments

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

Matrimony: Please contact the Parish Office. A minimum of six months preparation is required by the Archdiocese.

Holy Eucharist at Home: Contact the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office.

Devotions—Rosary Shrine of St. Jude

Rosary: 11:45 a.m. Monday—Friday

Community Fellowship with Coffee and Donuts:

Each Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. Mass, in the parish meeting room. All are welcome.

Monday February 27	Tuesday February 28	Wednesday March 1	Thursday March 2	Friday March 3	Saturday March 4	Sunday March 5
A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room	Scriptural Rosary 9:45 a.m. Church	Donut Social After the 10:30 a.m. Mass Parish Mtg Room
Cenacle 7 p.m. (via Zoom)		Music Ministry Rehearsal 8 p.m. Church	Holy Hour & Lenten Series 7 p.m. Church	Stations of the Cross 5 p.m. Church	Third Order Day of Recollection 9:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Parish Mtg Room & Church	Religious Movie Seminar 6:30 p.m. Parish Mtg Room
					Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center Baby Item Collection Weekend	



Offertory — Week Ending February 19, 2023

Received	\$3,618
Budgeted	<u>\$3,173</u>
Deficit/Surplus	\$ 445
Cap. Repair & Maint.	\$ 783

Let Us Pray For...

THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:

Frank & Phyllis Chesley and Bogomila Mireva.

THE RECENTLY MARRIED:

Matthew Francis Darnley & Samantha Anne Caesar

Sanctuary Candle



*For an end to violence, greed and hatred:
and that the peace of Christ will reign
in the world.*

Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Candle for a week for \$15 or a Mass Intention for \$10, can be made in the Parish Office.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 26

- 5:00 p.m. (Vigil) † Thomas Egan
- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
- 10:30 a.m. Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
- 5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, February 27

- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
- 12:10 p.m. Matthew Mytych

Tuesday, February 28

- 8:00 a.m. Gregory Mytych
- 12:10 p.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance

Wednesday, March 1

- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
- 12:10 p.m. † Kenneth G. Lennon

Thursday, March 2

- 8:00 a.m. Lee & Barb Mytych
- 12:10 p.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance

Friday, March 3

- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
- 12:10 p.m. † Ed Shields

Saturday, March 4

- 9:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance



“As you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me” (Mt 25:40). As we enter the fullness of the Lenten season, an opportunity for almsgiving and growing in the virtue of charity is now available to the parish. After discussion and consideration by the parish pastoral council, St. Dominic’s is partnering with the Community of Sant’Egidio in an outreach to the poor and homeless. Every parishioner is invited to join in this endeavor since Jesus calls each of us to serve the poor.

The Community of Sant’Egidio is an international Catholic lay-led community dedicated to serving the poor, praying, and promoting peace worldwide. (Learn more at www.santegidio.org.) The Community serves the poor in Washington, DC, through its weekly “Street Greetings,” an initiative to affirm the dignity of those who are homeless by bringing them food and talking with them. We plan to participate in the Street Greetings as a parish on the first Friday of every month (unless otherwise noted).

If you can say “Hello” to someone or hand someone a sandwich, you will do great in this ministry!

The Sant’Egidio Street Greetings ministry gathers at St. Stephen Martyr Parish for food prep and prayer from 6:00-7:30 pm. From 7:30-8:30, we visit those living on the streets to distribute food and chat with them. The length of each route is between one and two miles though groups stop approximately every 5-10 minutes to talk with friends on the streets.

Please meet at St. Stephen Martyr Church between 6:00 and 7:00 pm if you plan to join us. The address for St. Stephen’s is 2436 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20037. The closest Metro stop is Foggy Bottom-GWU. Parking is difficult. The Street Greetings ministry operates rain or shine, so please dress appropriately, and wear comfortable shoes.

No special skills or training are required. Parishioners new to the ministry will always be part of a group with an experienced leader.

If you want to support this ministry and can’t join in person, donations of non-perishable items, like baby wipes, hand sanitizer, and socks, are incredibly helpful. If you like knitting and crocheting, consider making scarves, hats, and other clothing, since our friends on the streets appreciate knowing that someone has taken the time and effort to make them clothing. (Items may be brought to the parish office in the week leading up to the first Friday.)

For more information, please contact parish council member Tim Lang at tjl33@gmail.com or 781-724-0794.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

Fr. George P. Schommer, O.P.
Pastor

From the Parish Council Meeting on February 19, 2023

All members of the council were present and continued the discussion of faith formation for adults and families with children. The council is supporting a plan to organize neighborhood-based small groups. These groups would meet at a variety of locations and at various times. Facilitators are being identified and will receive training. It is hoped that these faith formation groups could begin in the Easter season. For families with children, we are consulting with the Archdiocese on home/parish based programs. We hope to begin in late August or early September.

The council received further information for parish partnership with the Community of Sant’Egidio in DC to serve the needs of the homeless. All agreed that this would be a fruitful partnership that provides parishioners with opportunities for direct service. (See the pastor’s column this week for full details.)

The council reviewed the current schedule of special events, such as Solemn Vespers and a Solemn Sung Mass in honor of St. Joseph. All agreed that the response has been positive. Receptions have been well attended. Plans are underway to form a hospitality committee to better coordinate efforts and share responsibilities.

A report was made on the Eucharistic Revival in the USA, providing further details on the 3-year initiative leading up to the Eucharistic Congress July 17-21, 2024 in Indianapolis, IN. In June, 2023, the initiative focuses on parish renewal “to inspire, educate, and unite.”

There was discussion on new initiatives for evangelization. A grant up to \$3,000 is available from the Archdiocese. Ideas are being researched and a proposal is due to the Archdiocese by the end of April.

Cardinal Gregory is lifting the restriction on the distribution of the Precious Blood of Jesus at Mass beginning on Holy Thursday, April, 6. The council supports the reimplementation of distribution in our parish at this time and continuing on Sundays following. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will need training. Council members noted that no one is required to receive Holy Communion from the Chalice and that those who are sick should not receive in this manner for the safety of others.

All members of the council will be present for a parish meet and greet during the coffee and donut gathering on Sunday, April 30 following the 10:30 Mass. All are welcome.

Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage Novena

This weekend, we join the Dominican friars and hundreds of people associated with them to pray the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage Novena for the second of nine months. Prayer cards can be found in the church literature racks and at the entrances of the church.

God our Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we are adopted as your beloved sons and daughters.

At Pentecost you poured out the Holy Spirit upon Our Lady and the Apostles while they were at prayer.

Pour out that same Holy Spirit upon us as we meditate upon the mysteries of Christ contained in the Most Holy Rosary.

Enlighten our faith, strengthen our hope, and set us ablaze with love for you and our neighbor.

Graciously grant us St. Dominic's own zeal for the salvation of souls.

Bless the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage.

May it lead many souls to Jesus through Mary, so that we may know you and your saving power now and for all eternity.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!
St. Dominic, pray for us!*

For Those With A Hearing Impediment



The parish has a number of personal listening system receivers with an over-the-ear speaker for use at the Mass. Please inform a Music Minister (Director or Cantor) if you would like to use one of the receivers, and it will be provided. Kindly return the receiver to the Music Director after Mass so that it can be sanitized for others to use.

Eucharistic Adoration & Lenten Lessons



Preaching the Eucharist, as He Himself Presides Adoration, a short sermon, and plenty of time for silence with Jesus
Confession available
Thursdays of Lent, 7:00p-8:00p

Feb 23- <i>The Eucharist is Biblical</i>	Mar 16- <i>Humans Eating God?</i>
Mar 2- <i>How Bread Becomes God</i>	Mar 23- <i>Receiving Communion Better</i>
Mar 9- <i>Jesus' Sacrifice Re-Presented</i>	Mar 30- <i>The Eucharist's Goal</i>

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Stations of the Cross

Join Us!
**Stations
of the Cross**



Every Friday in Lent
at 5 p.m.

Except Good Friday at 12:10 p.m.

St. Dominic Church

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.