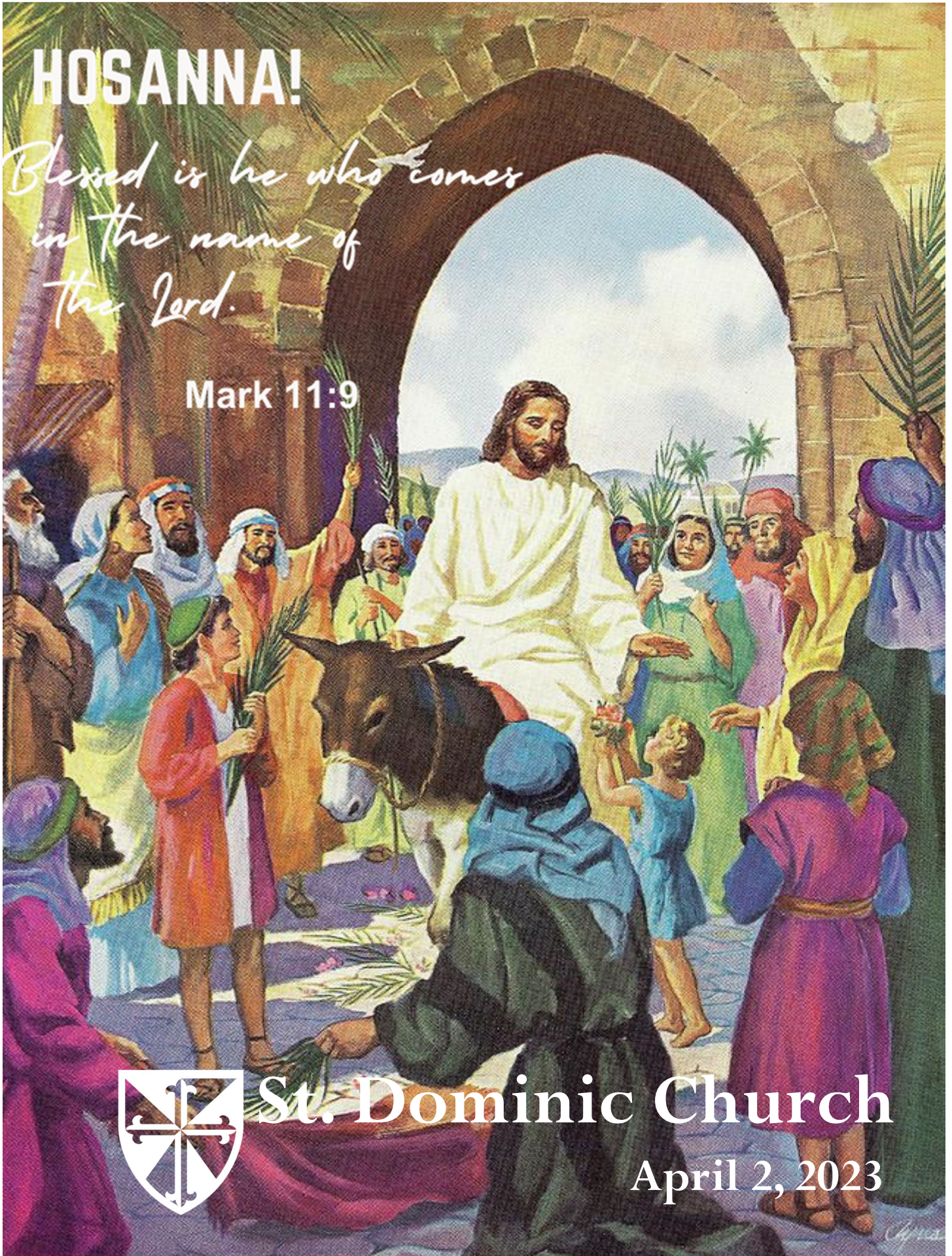


**HOSANNA!**

*Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of  
the Lord.*

**Mark 11:9**



**St. Dominic Church**

**April 2, 2023**



**Pastoral Staff**

Father George P. Schommer, O.P., Pastor  
 Father Bede Shipps, O.P., Parochial Vicar  
 Brother Dominic Koester, O.P., Deacon

**Parish Staff**

Pastoral Associate - Margaret Maxwell  
 Business/Facilities Manager - Ed Von Hagel  
 Liturgical/Music Director - J.C. Cantrell

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Philip Clarke	Doris Stukes
Jules Hurst	Susan Timoney
Tim Lang	Carrie Traverso
Maggie Smith	

**Parish Finance Council**

Michael Grace	MJ Morrow
Jackie Griffin	Josef Neusser
Eileen Lyons	

**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 or Website

**Celebration of the Sacrament  
 Of Reconciliation**

Monday-Friday: 11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
 Thursday: 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.  
 Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

\* Or by appointment through the Parish Office

**Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour**

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

**Devotions—Rosary Shrine of St. Jude**

Rosary: 11:45 a.m. Monday-Friday  
 (not on Federal holidays)  
 Scriptural Rosary: 9:45 a.m. Saturday

**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**  
 Please contact the Parish Office.
- **Anointing of the Sick or Prayers for the Dying**  
 Please contact the Parish Office.

**Church & Parish Office  
 Addresses & Hours**

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 Parish Office/Priory — 630 E Street, SW  
 Washington, DC 20024  
 Phone: (202) 554-7863  
 Fax: (202) 554-0231

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 E-mail — [Office@StDominicChurch.org](mailto:Office@StDominicChurch.org)  
 FaceBook — [stdominicchurhdc](https://www.facebook.com/stdominicchurhdc)

**Parish Office Hours**  
 Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Church Hours**  
 Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.  
 Saturday: 8 a.m.-7 p.m.  
 Sunday: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.  
 Federal Holidays: 7 a.m.-9 a.m.

**Community Fellowship with  
 Coffee & Donuts**

Each Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. Mass,  
 in the parish meeting room  
 (unless otherwise noted).  
 All are welcome.



Today, we begin Holy Week, a very significant time of the liturgical year. The Church solemnly celebrates the greatest mysteries of our redemption, keeping by means of special celebrations the memorial of her Lord, crucified, buried, and risen.

These are the days when the love of God for each of us is poignantly portrayed in all that Jesus says and does. He willingly enters into his Passion and Death for our salvation and redemption. He is raised from the dead on the third day in victory over the power of sin and death.

On Holy Thursday, at the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, the parish will resume the distribution of the Precious Blood of Jesus at Holy Communion. This decision follows the expressed desire of Cardinal Gregory who recently wrote to pastors and priests in the Archdiocese:

*The distribution of the Precious Blood was suspended in the Archdiocese during the Covid-19 pandemic. This was to ensure that the reception of Holy Communion under the species of wine would not in itself present a danger. The character of the pandemic has changed, and the concern that prompted this particular precaution nearly three years ago has diminished. So, having received advice from the Presbyteral Council and from medical experts, I have decided to remove the restriction on the distribution of the Precious Blood, effective Holy Thursday, April 6, 2023.*

*Individual pastors, administrators, and chaplains, after appropriate consultation with those they serve, are free to determine if this option is appropriate for their communities as well as what the appropriate timeframe for reintroducing the Precious Blood may be.*

*At the same time, it is my fervent desire that this year, at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the Precious Blood be made available to communicants, who are always free to receive or not. However, the pastor or administrator or chaplain may also refrain from exercising this option if he prudently discerns that this cannot be done for a particular reason.*

*Our participation in the Mass appropriately culminates in our reception of Holy Communion if we are properly disposed; and fittingly, the reception of Holy Communion includes the reception of the Precious Blood. I am grateful that now, under God's providence, we are all able to receive the Precious Blood once again, and I urge everyone to make use of this great gift in their own celebration and reception of the Most Holy Eucharist.*

When making this decision, I sought the advice and counsel of the Prior of the Dominican priests living here at St. Dominic's and the parish pastoral council. There were no

objections to the resumption of Holy Communion under the species of wine. The decision included consideration of practical details such as the need for ministers and their availability. The parish is asked to note and remember that an ordained deacon or priest is an ordinary minister. If sufficient ordinary ministers are present at Mass and able to assist with the distribution of Holy Communion, then extraordinary ministers will not be needed. At this time, the distribution of the Precious Blood of Jesus will be available only at weekend Sunday Masses when the needed number of ministers are available.

No one is required to receive Holy Communion from the chalice. It is the conviction of the Church that "by the consecration of the bread and wine there takes place a change of the whole substance of the bread into the substance of the body of Christ our Lord and of the whole substance of the wine into the substance of his blood.... Christ is present whole and entire in each of the species and whole and entire in each of their parts, in such a way that the breaking of the bread does not divide Christ"(CCC 1376-1377). This last sentence provides us with the doctrine of concomitance meaning that Christ's full and real presence is in each species fully. Because of this doctrine, we all receive Jesus in the species of bread and/or wine, no more or less. It is also because of this doctrine that those with a gluten intolerance can receive Holy Communion only from the chalice.

Please exercise charity and prudence when considering Holy Communion from the chalice. If you are sick or not feeling well, do not receive from the chalice. If your health circumstances make you vulnerable to sickness, then you may abstain from the chalice. In short, receiving from the chalice is a personal choice. No judgment should be made regarding those who receive or not.

The schedule for Holy Week and Easter is published in this bulletin. Please consider all the opportunities available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Masses, and liturgical prayers. They are occasions of encounter with the Lord who offers many graces.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

*Fr. George, O.P.*

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

Monday April 3	Tuesday April 4	Wednesday April 5	Thursday April 6	Friday April 7	Saturday April 8	Sunday April 9
A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	<b>Parish Office Closed</b>	Morning Prayer 9 a.m. <i>Church</i>	Celebration of the Resurrection 10:30 a.m. <i>Church</i>
Cenacle 7 p.m. <i>(via Zoom)</i>		Music Ministry Rehearsal 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Evening Mass 7:30 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Morning Prayer 9 a.m. <i>Church</i>	Scriptural Rosary 9:30 a.m. <i>Church</i>	
<p>Special Times for Confession During Holy Week Immediately following the 8 a.m. Mass Monday—Wednesday</p>				A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	Monthly Church Cleaning & Easter Decorating 10:00 a.m. <i>Church</i>	
				Stations of the Cross 12:10 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Easter Vigil in the Night 8 p.m. <i>Church</i>	
				Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3 p.m. <i>Church</i>		

**Sanctuary Candle**



*For the intentions of  
Angel and Milagros Paraoan  
& Family*

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, April 2**

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

**Monday, April 3**

- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
- 12:10 p.m. Fr. Joseph Allen, O.P.

**Tuesday, April 4**

- 8:00 a.m. † Felicia Garcia Taliaferro
- 12:10 p.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance

**Wednesday, April 5**

- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
- 12:10 p.m. For the health and healing of Ivy Hanike

**Thursday, April 6**

- 7:30 p.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance

**Let Us Pray For...**

**THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:**

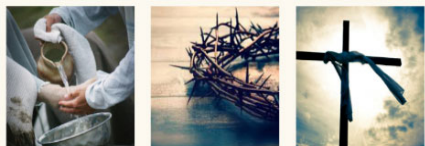
Frank & Phyllis Chesley and Bogomila Mireva.

**THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICES:**

All those serving in our country and around the world.

**THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

All of our beloved dead.



## THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

### **HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER—APRIL 6**

*Evening Mass—7:30 p.m.*

### **GOOD FRIDAY—APRIL 7**

*Morning Prayer—9:00 a.m. in the Church*

*Stations of the Cross—12:10 p.m.*

*Celebration of the Lord’s Passion—3:00 p.m.*

### **HOLY SATURDAY—APRIL 8**

*Morning Prayer—9:00 a.m. in the Church*

*Easter Vigil in the Holy Night—8:00 p.m. (2 ½ hrs)*

### **EASTER SUNDAY—APRIL 9**

*Celebration of the Resurrection—10:30 a.m. Mass ONLY.*

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—APRIL 16

Eucharistic Adoration, Divine Mercy Devotion  
& Confessions—3 p.m.

## Lenten Fasting Reminder



We are reminded that Good Friday is a day for fasting for those aged 18-59 years.

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Those that are excused from fasting outside of the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnancy or nursing women.

## *St. Dominic Church* **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

*Rejoice in the Resurrection! Rejoice in God’s Mercy!*



**SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023**  
**3 P.M.**

- EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
- RECITATION OF THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
- CONFESSION AVAILABLE
- BENEDICTION



*Join with us!*

**501 6TH STREET, SW**  
**L’ENFANT PLAZA METRO**

## St. Dominic Cenacle



Monday evening, St. Dominic’s Cenacle will continue discussing the videos that accompany the book, **“I Thirst: 40 Days with Mother Teresa.”**

In these, Dr. Akers and Fr. Moloney will dive into Mother Teresa’s spirituality, her teaching on prayer, the life of faith, and much more.

Please join by Zoom, using the link  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84105587170>

The meeting ID: 841 0558 7170

Or by phone +13017158592,, 841 0558 7170 #

## Offertory

### Week Ending March 26, 2023

Received	\$2,213.00
Budgeted	\$3,173.00
Deficit/Surplus	\$ (960.00)



"Pray with great confidence, with confidence based on the goodness and infinite generosity of God and upon the promises of Jesus Christ. God is a spring of living water which flows unceasingly into the hearts of those who pray."

—St. Louis De Montfort

## Leave a Legacy

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

## Church Cleaning & Easter Decorating



Volunteers needed to help with our monthly church cleaning and Easter decorating on Saturday, April 8 at 10 a.m. NO experience required. NEW volunteers are always welcome. Help us ready the

Church for Easter!

If you are interested in helping, please call the Parish Office at (202) 554-7863 or email us at [Office@StDominicChurch.org](mailto:Office@StDominicChurch.org).

## Lay Dominican Recognized for 50 Years of Service to the Organization



Baltimore, MD...On March 11, 2023 at the Regional Meeting of the Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic, Regional President Pat Ellis, presented parishioner Doris Stukes with a Certificate of Recognition for her 50 years of service as a Lay Dominican.

Recounting that she looked into joining at the recommendation of Fr. Norman Haddad, O.P., former pastor at St. Dominic Church. While assisting Fr. Haddad at the VA Medical Center here in Washington, D.C., she was always asking him, "What should I read?" He told her, "You should become a Dominican!" She said that becoming a Dominican is "the most significant thing that has happened in my life."

Congratulations, Doris!

## Matching Gift Opportunity

The rededication of the Roosevelt Organ will be on Friday, October 27 at 7 p.m. To support the event with a concert organist, advertising, and hospitality, a \$7,5000 pledge has been made as a 1-for-1 matching gift. Donors are needed to receive the monies of this pledge. Please consider a gift for this purpose, payable to St. Dominic Church with the note for "Organ."

## Nathan's Organ Prelude & Postlude

Prelude: O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig (O Lamb of God, innocent) BWV 618 - J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Postlude: Alle Menschen müssen sterben (Everyone must die) BWV 643 - J. S. Bach (1685-1750)



## Nathan Ringkamp's Organ Recital

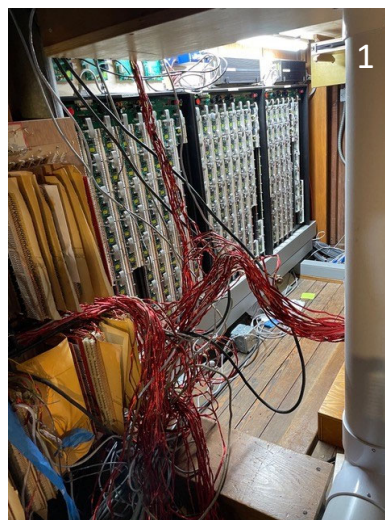
Nathan Ringkamp, pictured above, has been our organist here at St. Dominic Church since the spring of 2021 and is an undergraduate student at The Catholic University of America (CUA) finishing up his B.M.—Organ Performance.

Nathan, a senior at CUA, under the tutelage of former St. Dominic organist and current parishioner, Benjamin LaPrairie, will perform a 60-75 minute recital at St. Matthew the Apostle Cathedral on Tuesday, April 25 at 6:30 p.m. This recital is free of charge and all are welcome!

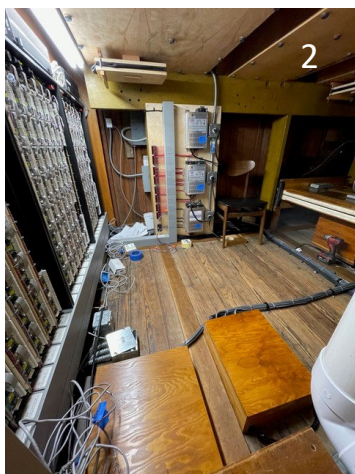


## Renovation of Our Roosevelt Organ

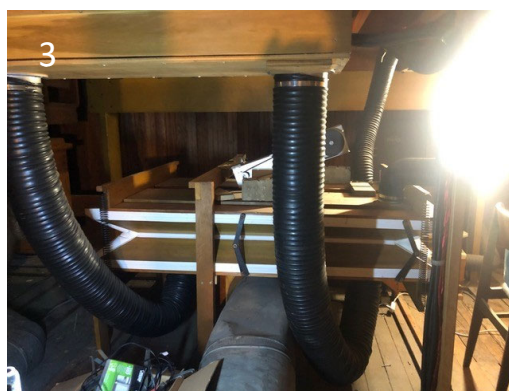
Since the autumn of 2018, the Roosevelt pipe organ has been under renovation. Upgrades were needed for different components of the instrument since technology has advanced and replacement parts are no longer available for the now old technology. Upgrades keep the instrument in good working order to serve the liturgies celebrated in the church. An exterior view of the organ does not provide insight to the inner workings of a complex instrument. Below are some before and after pictures of upgrades. More information will be published as the project moves forward toward completion. As mentioned on the previous page, a blessing of the instrument and a rededication concert is scheduled for Friday, October 27, 2023 at 7 p.m.



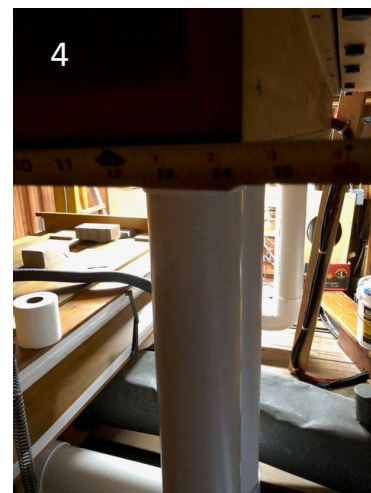
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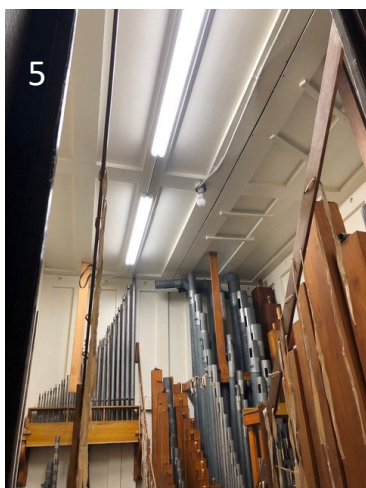
2 The new Organ Control System after commissioning and is now online.



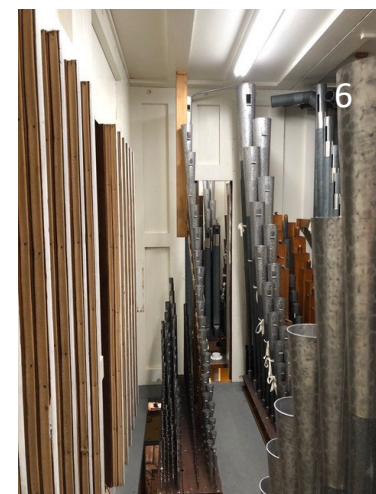
3 Old, flexible, less than stable, wind lines.



4 New, smooth, rigid windpipe installed.

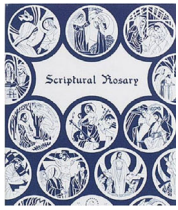


5 New, brighter LED lighting installed, before pipe restorations.



6 After pipe restorations, and new tuning slides installed.

## Scriptural Rosary



Can we interest you in joining our group to pray for your intentions? We are a small group, but would like to grow. We meet after the 9 a.m. Mass every Saturday at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary to say the Scriptural Rosary.

Each week, a different member leads the group and we pray for their petition and national or world intercession. No rosary necessary. We will provide you with a Scriptural Rosary booklet to use.

If you would like to learn more, please call the Parish Office at (202) 554-7863 or send an email to [Office@StDominicChurch.org](mailto:Office@StDominicChurch.org). You are also welcome to stop after Mass one Saturday and check us out.

## Turkey & Syria Support



The Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States has opened the Earthquake Aid for Turkey and Syria Fund to provide immediate relief to the families that suffered catastrophic loss due to the earthquake that shook Turkey and Syria.

Proceeds from this fund will support missionary priests, religious women and lay missionaries on the ground providing assistance to those impacted by the disaster, defined by Bishop Antoine Audo, SJ, Chaldean Bishop of Aleppo, in Syria, as a “tremendous bomb.” The link to the fund is <https://www.missio.org/project/20909/Send-help-to-Turkey-and-Syria-following-devastating-earthquake?localization=EN>.

Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States work through local Bishops, churches, and missionary congregations to ensure that resources are distributed equitably and justly, based on the needs of individual Churches.

## Volunteer with Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities ADW is seeking volunteers for many different projects this summer! Here are some ways you can get involved, both individually and with a group:

**St. Maria’s Meals is back!** Every Tuesday in Temple Hills and Wednesday in downtown D.C., Catholic Charities volunteers and staff members provide individuals and families with hot meals.

**Food Distributions:** Throughout the summer, Catholic Charities will help deliver food items at St. Bernard in Riverdale, MD every other Tuesday.

To learn more or to sign up for the above opportunities visit their event calendar at: <https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteercalendar/>

**Catholic Charities Legal Network:** Catholic Charities Legal Network counsels and provides legal representation to low-income and poor residents throughout the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. and relies heavily on volunteer lawyers to fulfill its mission. If you are a lawyer in active status who wants to make a real difference in the lives of families and individuals struggling in our community, please reach out to Dan Collopy at (301) 615-0949 or [daniel.collopy@cc-dc.org](mailto:daniel.collopy@cc-dc.org) to discuss how you can help. The Legal Network handles most civil practice areas and criminal expungements.

## 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.

*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.*