



*Whoever does not take up his cross
is not worthy of me.*

Whoever receives you receives me.

Matthew 10:38-40



St. Dominic Church

July 2, 2023

Pastoral Staff

Father George P. Schommer, O.P., Pastor
 Father Bede Shipps, O.P., Parochial Vicar

Parish Staff

Pastoral Associate - Margaret Maxwell
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Thomas Bolger	MJ Morrow
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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 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.



This week, as we observe the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, it is good for us to give thanks to God for the gift of truth and freedom. All truth comes from him and is the sure foundation upon which to build our lives and to seek the common good. Freedom is the power to make choices – to be self-determining. The Catechism provides this definition: “Freedom is the power, rooted in reason and will, to act or not to act, to do this or that, and so to perform deliberate actions on one’s own responsibility. By free will one shapes one’s own life. Human freedom is a force for growth and maturity in truth and goodness; it attains its perfection when directed toward God, our beatitude” (1731). Furthermore, “freedom is exercised in relationships between human beings. Every human person, created in the image of God, has the natural right to be recognized as a free and responsible being. All owe to each other this duty of respect. The right to the exercise of freedom, especially in moral and religious matters, is an inalienable requirement of the dignity of the human person. This right must be recognized and protected by civil authority within the limits of the common good and public order” (CCC 1738).

Religious liberty falls within the scope of authentic freedom; and it is important that we are aware that our liberties as Catholics are being restricted and undermined in the public square. Catholics are called not only to worship but also to live the faith. Our identity and life as disciples of Jesus sends us out into the world on mission. We are to share the Gospel, make disciples, promote the dignity of the human person, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, etc. all in faithful response to the teaching of Jesus. Here in the United States, we have not only a moral obligation but also a legal right to do so. Our Constitution and federal statutory law guarantee religious individuals and organizations the freedom to live and share our Catholic faith without government interference not only in our houses of worship, but also in the public square.

When we speak the truth, we are to do so with charity, seeking the greatest good of the other person and society. We and the Church propose the truth for consideration and acceptance, knowing that we are offering what we have received from Jesus and his Church. The truth is not of our own making or determination.

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This information is provided to you so that all will pray for an outpouring of God’s grace and wisdom upon our civil leaders and judges. The threats to religious liberties and freedom of conscience are real. Were Catholics and others to lose these rights, the foundational principles upon which this country was built will be undermined. The Declaration of Independence was written in response to a “long train of abuses and usurpations” by governmental authority. We are duty-bound to prevent such abuses and usurpations from returning to our way of life in this great country that we call The United States of America.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

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

Sant’Egidio — First Friday, July 7

"I was hungry and you gave me food." (Mt. 25:35)

Serve Christ in those in need.

SANT'EGIDIO

On the First Friday of each month, join St. Dominic Parish and the Community of Sant'Egidio to bring food and conversation to our friends living on the streets.

If you can say "hello" and hand someone a sandwich, you'll do great at this ministry—please join us!

When: First Friday of Every Month | Gather between 6:00-7:00 pm | Distribute food between 7:00-8:30 pm

Where: Meet at St. Stephen Martyr Church | 2436 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20037

For more info, contact Tim Lang at timlang700@gmail.com.

Monday July 3	Tuesday July 4	Wednesday July 5	Thursday July 6	Friday July 7	Saturday July 8	Sunday July 9
Cenacle 7 p.m. <i>(via Zoom)</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>	Monthly Church Cleaning 9:30 a.m. <i>Church</i>	Holy Couples & Married Saints 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>
		Music Ministry Rehearsal 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Holy Hour 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>		Scriptural Rosary 9:30 a.m. <i>Church</i>	Donut Social after the 10:30 a.m. Mass <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>
Parish Office CLOSED for the July 4th Holiday on Monday & Tuesday, July 3rd & 4th.						Pastoral Council Meeting 11:45 a.m. <i>Parish Conference Room</i>

Sanctuary Candle



*For the repose of the soul of
Karl Shipps
from Doris Stukes.*

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

Let Us Pray For...

THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:

Frank & Phyllis Chesley, Nora Courtney, Bogomila Mireva and Frances White.

THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICES:

All those serving in our country and around the world.

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Barbara Sanders, John Chisholm and Karl Shipps.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 2

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

Monday, July 3

8:00 a.m. † Dorothea Bussey
12:10 p.m. † Debra Claro

Tuesday, July 4

8:00 a.m. † Lillian Flachowsky
12:10 p.m. NO MASS — FEDERAL HOLIDAY

Wednesday, July 5

8:00 a.m. † John Goelet
12:10 p.m. † Joyce Anne Browne

Thursday, July 6

8:00 a.m. Natalie Khalil
12:10 p.m. † Julia Henry Winterroth

Friday, July 7

8:00 a.m. † Bridget Dixon
12:10 p.m. † Nicole DiCostanza

Saturday, July 8

9:00 a.m. † Rocco Santisano

Are you searching for...

- A deeper relationship with God?
- An encounter with Jesus Christ?
- A sense of belonging in a Christian community?
- A greater fulfillment of your purpose in life?



Have you been curious...

- What Catholics believe about God, Jesus, Mary, and the Saints?
- What Catholics believe is God's plan for human life and happiness?
- What makes the Catholic Church different from other Christian churches?
- What is the meaning and purpose of the sacraments?
- What are the benefits of going to Mass?
- How Catholics serve the poor and engage in social justice?
- Why the church teaches what it does about human life, sexuality and happiness?

Consider living your life as a Catholic

Register for **Inquiry** – a casual meeting format to begin answering questions and curiosities. General topics will be presented to inform and facilitate conversation. Participation does not mean a commitment to become Catholic. Meetings begin after Labor Day on Saturdays, 10 - 11:30 am. Register today. Scan the QR code below.



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St. Dominic Cenacle—Mondays



In this Augustine Institute series Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

Join Cenacle on Monday Evenings at 7 p.m.

Please join by Zoom, using the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84105587170>

The meeting ID: 841 0558 7170

Scriptural Rosary—Saturdays



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. Join us one Saturday and check us out.



“The Eucharist is holy and makes those who consume it holy. Saint Augustine relays a vision of Jesus in his famous *Confessions* in which Christ says to him, “You will not change me into yourself like bodily food; but you will be changed into me.” The Eucharist is not like regular food which is assimilated into the body. Rather, the Eucharist is a food which changes us into itself. It is not holy because it has been in the presence of God, it is the Presence of God!”

—Fr. Patrick Briscoe, O.P.

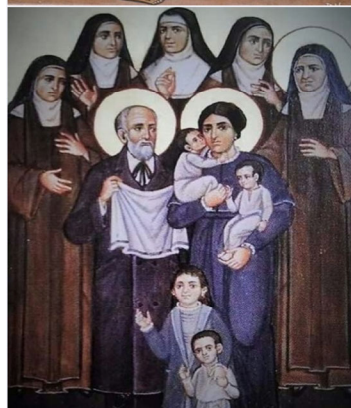


St. Dominic
Roman Catholic Church
630 E Street, SW
L'Enfant Plaza Metro

Holy Couples & Married Saints

A series of talks
on modern-day
married saints.

Led by
Fr. Kevin Kraft, O.P.



Sundays
April 16 - August 27, 2023
9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
Parish Meeting Room

Offertory

Week Ending June 25, 2023

Received	\$2,691.00
Budgeted	\$3,173.00
Deficit/Surplus	\$ (482.00)

Electronic Giving Options



Faith Direct

We are so grateful for those who continue to generously support the parish through Faith Direct. For those using weekly envelopes, we hope you consider giving by Faith Direct by visiting <https://membership.faithdirect.net/DC117> and signing up.



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.

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 one-meal gift cards, rent assistance, utility assistance, and other important, local social concerns and organizations.

Mass Intentions Availability



Plenty of dates through 2023 are available now! Or, if the date of your Mass intention isn't important, nor does it need to be mentioned during the Mass or in the bulletin, "unannounced" Masses are also available. "Unannounced" Masses are said by the Friars in their chapel and in the other small chapels within the Priory and are said within one year of the intention request.

Contact the Parish Office, at (202) 554-7863 or email us at Office@StDominicChurch.org.

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 \$7,500 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." The total amount received in donations as of June 26 is \$8,615. Thank you! Additional gifts will support the final phase of the organ restoration.



Nathan's Organ Prelude & Postlude

Prelude: IV. Adagio from Symphony No. 5 - Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Postlude: Fugue in E-Flat (BWV 552/2) - J. S. Bach (1685-1750)



COVER IMAGE:

"Christ Carrying the Cross"
By Hieronymus Bosch
C. 1498-1507
Royal Monastery of San Lorenzo de El Escorial



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church. A weekly, continuous reading of the Article on the Sacrament of the Eucharist:

1328 The inexhaustible richness of this sacrament is expressed in the different names we give it. Each name evokes certain aspects of it. It is called: Eucharist, because it is an action of thanksgiving to God. The Greek words *eucharistein*[139] and *eulogein*[140] recall the Jewish blessings that proclaim - especially during a meal - God's works: creation, redemption, and sanctification.

1329 The Lord's Supper, because of its connection with the supper which the Lord took with his disciples on the eve of his Passion and because it anticipates the wedding feast of the Lamb in the heavenly Jerusalem. [141]

The *Breaking of Bread*, because Jesus used this rite, part of a Jewish meal when as master of the table he blessed and distributed the bread, [142] above all at the Last Supper. [143] It is by this action that his disciples will recognize him after his Resurrection,[144] and it is this expression that the first Christians will use to designate their Eucharistic assemblies;[145] by doing so they signified that all who eat the one broken bread, Christ, enter into communion with him and form but one body in him. [146]

The *Eucharistic assembly (synaxis)*, because the Eucharist is celebrated amid the assembly of the faithful, the visible expression of the Church. [147]

1330 The *memorial* of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection. The *Holy Sacrifice*, because it makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Savior and includes the Church's offering. The terms *holy sacrifice of the Mass*, "*sacrifice of praise*," *spiritual sacrifice*, *pure and holy sacrifice* are also used,[148] since it completes and surpasses all the sacrifices of the Old Covenant.

The *Holy and Divine Liturgy*, because the Church's whole liturgy finds its center and most intense expression in the celebration of this sacrament; in

the same sense we also call its celebration the *Sacred Mysteries*. We speak of the *Most Blessed Sacrament* because it is the Sacrament of sacraments. The Eucharistic species reserved in the tabernacle are designated by this same name.

1331 *Holy Communion*, because by this sacrament we unite ourselves to Christ, who makes us sharers in his Body and Blood to form a single body.[149] We also call it: *the holy things (ta hagia; sancta)*[150] - the first meaning of the phrase "*communion of saints*" in the Apostles' Creed - *the bread of angels, bread from heaven, medicine of immortality, [151] viaticum....*

1332 *Holy Mass (Missa)*, because the liturgy in which the mystery of salvation is accomplished concludes with the sending forth (*missio*) of the faithful, so that they may fulfill God's will in their daily lives.

To support the National Eucharistic Revival,
Bishop Barron's file series, The Mass,



Walk through the Mass with Bishop Barron and be transformed through in sights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.

See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm; how it revolves around a call from God and a response from his people, the Church; and most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist.

Watch for FREE!

Click the button above to start watching or go to <https://videos.wordonfire.org/themassepisode1>.

The Garden Angels

St. Dominic's Garden Angels work their magic on the Church grounds on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month. Anyone is welcome to join them, whether it be regularly or occasionally, from 9 a.m. to 10:30/11:00 a.m.—meet in the parking lot.



No skill required, just the desire to work in the gardens to beautify our grounds. We do have our own tools, but if you have garden tools that you prefer to work with, feel free to bring them. All we ask is that you bring your own gardening gloves.

If you have any questions, please call or email the Parish Office.

Pontifical John Paul II Institute — Continuing Education Series

The two classes described below will run on the listed dates, Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. – Noon and 1:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m. and will be taught in person and offered online simultaneously. Each course fee is \$150.

SUMMER COURSES

CALLED TO LOVE: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY
 JULY 17-21, 2023
 This one-week intensive course will study St. John Paul II's "Wednesday Catechesis on Human Love" by a close reading of the text and an exploration of the philosophical and biblical sources of his vision. The aim is to see the intimate connection of human love with its Divine source, the Trinitarian God who is Love, and how the human being, in his entirety, images Him.

FAITH AND AMERICAN CULTURE
 JULY 24-28, 2023
 Is American liberalism a heresy? This one-week intensive course seeks to answer this question by pondering the Church's traditional teaching on the relation of the Church to the political order, on the one hand, and America's formative thinkers and interpreters, on the other. Authors covered include Thomas Aquinas, James Madison, John Courtney Murray, David L. Schindler, and Andrew Willard Jones.

For more information about either of these classes, please email: information@johnpaulii.edu or call 202.526.3799. The course fee is \$150.

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 202.526.3799

WWW.JOHNPAULII.EDU

GET SOUTHWEST DC STUDENTS READY FOR SCHOOL!

St. Dominic Church is partnering with Riverside Baptist Church in Southwest DC to prepare students in our neighborhood with school supplies for the upcoming school year.

Items needed:
 pens, pencils, crayons, and markers
NEW ITEMS ONLY

Monetary donations may be made for the purchase of backpacks. (Memo: school items)

Drop-off Items in the Church or Parish Office
ALL ITEMS OR DONATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 16.
 Volunteers are needed to help with the distribution of school supplies on Sunday, August 6 at Riverside Baptist Church from Noon – 3 pm.



Visit St. Dominic's website!

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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.