

*I say to you,
forgive not seven times
but seventy-seven times.*

Matthew 18:22



St. Dominic Church

September 17, 2023

Pastoral Staff

Father George P. Schommer, O.P., Pastor
 Father Bede Shipps, O.P., Parochial Vicar
 Ms. Maggie Friedmann, Pastoral Ministry Intern

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

Thomas Bolger	MJ Morrow
Michael Grace	Carol Pica
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**

Church — 501 6th Street, SW
 Parish Office/Priory — 630 E Street, SW
 Washington, DC 20024
 Phone: (202) 554-7863
 Fax: (202) 554-0231

Web address — www.StDominicChurch.org
 E-mail — 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.



Last weekend, I announced a brief period of prayer, reflection, and response regarding stewardship in the parish. Because our circumstances and resources change with time, making a review of personal stewardship keeps us “up to date” in our relationship with Jesus and the parish. As I mentioned in my presentation last weekend, everything we have is a gift from God, and we must answer the question asked by the Psalmist: “What return shall I make to the Lord for all the good he has done for me?” Giving of time, talent, and financial resources is an expression of gratitude for God’s Divine Providence and an expression of faith and trust in that Providence for our future.

The practice of giving has its roots in the Old Testament, where tithing 10% of one’s resources to the Lord was the norm. In the New Testament, there are multiple teachings about giving to advance the mission of Jesus and his Church; and multiple expressions of gratitude for the gifts received that supported the Church in different locations. Giving a percentage of one’s gross income is more intentional than giving a fixed amount because it considers increases/decreases in gross income. And it helps the parish to keep up with ever changing/increasing operational expenses. Thus, our “Take the Next Step” initiative is an invitation to make an incremental, percentage increase in your financial support of the parish. Everyone’s participation eases burden of concern and opens possibilities of growth in the future. Parenthetically, one parishioner observed that giving in a recordable way such as by using envelopes or Faith Direct brought the benefit of receiving a giving letter for income tax purposes at the end of the year.

Next weekend, we will have a Ministries / Organizations Fair. Tables will be set up in the rear of the church with information and registration forms for various opportunities to belong more closely to St. Dominic’s. Representatives of the different ministries or organizations will be present to meet and assist you. Information about these ministries and organizations are provided on the stewardship pages at the back of this bulletin.

In short, a review, reflection, and response on the stewardship of time, talent, and treasure is a response to

God’s goodness and an investment in the vitality and programming of the parish. As St. Paul wrote: “Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver”(2 Cor 9:7).

The home cenacles initiative will begin their meetings the week of October 8. The first series of formation and discussion is entitled “Jesus and the Eucharist.” This is a seven-episode video series that draws viewers to a greater love of the source and summit of the Catholic faith—the Eucharist—using segments from *Presence* and *The Search*, two award-winning Augustine Institute series available on FORMED. The video presentations are professionally produced, and the handout/supporting materials are professionally prepared. The series supports the National Eucharistic Revival underway in our country. Those interested are asked to register by September 29 so that we can finalize the groups and locations and be ready to begin in October.

I’m going. Are you? The National Eucharistic Congress is in Indianapolis, IN from July 17-21, 2024. I have registered for the congress and made lodging arrangements. A carpool option is available. I can provide more details for anyone interested in going.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

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

Interested in Joining St. Dominic Parish?

We would love to welcome you into our parish! Visit StDominicChurch.org and on the landing page click on Parish Registration Form. Be sure to fill out both sides and mail it or email it to the parish office. Paper copies of the registration form can be found in the church and in the Parish Office.

Monday September 18	Tuesday September 19	Wednesday September 20	Thursday September 21	Friday September 22	Saturday September 23	Sunday September 24
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>	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	Scriptural Rosary 9:30 a.m. <i>Church</i>	Ministry & Organization Fair <i>Following All Sunday Masses</i>
Cenacle 7 p.m. <i>(via Zoom)</i>		Music Ministry Rehearsal 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Holy Hour 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>		Becoming Catholic 10 - 11:30 a.m. <i>Parish Mtg Rooms</i>	Coffee & Donuts Outside of the Church on the sidewalk <i>Following the 10:30 Mass</i>
					Ministry & Organization Fair Church <i>Following the 5 p.m. Mass</i>	Solemn Vespers Church 7 p.m. with reception following in the Parish Mtg Rm

Sanctuary Candle



*That our parish may grow in
faith, love, hope and love.*

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, Eileen Maturi, Bogomila Mireva and Frances White.

THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICES:

All those serving in our country and around the world.

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

All of our beloved dead.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 17

- 5:00 p.m. (Vigil) Joyce Leland
- 8:00 a.m. Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
- 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 5:00 p.m. Kim-Lien T. Nguyen

Monday, September 18

- 8:00 a.m. Joyce Leland
- 12:10 p.m. Jeff McGrath & Family

Tuesday, September 19

- 8:00 a.m. Marion Maxwell
- 12:10 p.m. † Elisie Rhode

Wednesday, September 20

- 8:00 a.m.
- 12:10 p.m. Heath & Monica Spencer

Thursday, September 21

- 8:00 a.m.
- 12:10 p.m.

Friday, September 22

- 8:00 a.m.
- 12:10 p.m. † Julie Lopez de Amaya

Saturday, September 23

- 9:00 a.m. † Gabriel William Maxwell

St. Dominic Neighborhood Cenacles Sign Up NOW!

Small groups (Cenacles) will meet in homes or meeting space on a variety of days and times. These meetings are intentionally informal and facilitated by parishioners, who are trained and prepared with professional presentation material. Each cenacle will study the same material so that we as a parish can be united and formed together.

We are encouraging and inviting you to register for the cenacle group that best fits your availability. You are not restricted to a geographical area. Please see the list below and register through the parish office (office@stdominicchurch.org or 202-554-7863).

If you are interested in this initiative, but cannot find a group that fits your schedule, please contact the parish office. We'll see what can be done.

Hosts & Frequency

Host	Day & Time	Frequency	Location
Alice Coulter	Tuesday 7 pm	First & Third	5413 15 th Ave., Hyattsville, MD 20782
Blake Musgrove	Wednesday 10:30 am	Second & Fourth	DC Public Library 900 Wesley PL, SW DC
Doris Stukes	Saturday 10 am	First & Third	St. Dominic Church
Joe Wasiak	Tuesday 6:30 pm	Second & Fourth	Wharf Marina Boaters Lounge SW, DC
Mary Moran	Wednesday 2 pm	Second & Fourth	700 7 th St, SW DC
Maryalice Locke	Monday 7 pm	First & Third	ZOOM
Tim Lang	Monday 7 pm	Second & Fourth	6803 Stoneybrooke Ln, Alexandria, VA 22306
Vince & Mitzi Sobash	Tuesday 7 pm	First & Third	555 E St, SW DC

Visit our website to read the entire letter from Fr. George explaining this new initiative.

Cenacle gatherings begin the second week of October.

Parish Director of Music Plans for Future Retirement

JC Cantrell came to our parish as a music minister in November 1996, and has served as our Parish Director of Music since July 2004 (over 25 years of parish service). In January 2023, JC met with Father George our pastor to discuss Cantrell family plans which include owning a second home outside of the DC region. At that time, JC recommended at “the next appropriate opportunity” the pastor might look to hire/appoint a new Director of Music while JC would continue serving as the Ensemble Director. In late June (when our prior organist, Nathan Ringkamp resigned in preparation for a move to his graduate school), JC and Fr. George recognized “an appropriate opportunity” had been provided by the Holy Spirit. JC encouraged the pastor to consider organists that might also serve as Director of Music. The process has been fruitful, and Father George has hired a new Director of Music and Principal Organist. JC remains a member of the parish staff and will continue to serve as an Assistant to the Director of Music, director of the Contemporary Ensemble, and cantor. The pastor is grateful for the graciousness of JC to propose such a transition and assist in its implementation. Parishioners can expect to see JC at different liturgies of the parish as he fulfills his new role. The new director of music will be introduced in a separate article.

St. Dominic’s Hospitality Committee

The hospitality committee has a number of ways for parishioners to participate. You can volunteer to be part of a group that contributes food for receptions when you are able, or the committee is looking for one or two people to coordinate the set-up and clean-up of the receptions following monthly vespers. It does not take more than 15 minutes before and after the reception. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Susan Timoney at stimoney@att.net.



Visit St. Dominic’s website!

Offertory

Monthly Offertory for August 2023

Received	\$13,307
Budgeted	<u>\$15,385</u>
Deficit/Surplus	\$(2,078)
Received via Faith Direct	\$15,481
Budgeted via Faith Direct	<u>\$15,125</u>
Deficit/Surplus	\$ 356
Summary	
August Deficit/Surplus	\$ (1,722)
Deficit/Surplus from July 1	\$ 415

Mass Intentions Availability

Plenty of dates through the remainder of 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.



The 2024 calendar for Mass Intentions is now open.

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

Offertory

Week Ending September 10, 2023

Received	\$3,191.00
Budgeted	\$3,846.00
Deficit/Surplus	\$ (655.00)

Electronic Giving Options



Faith Direct



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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.



DOMINICAN ROSARY PILGRIMAGE

9.30.2023

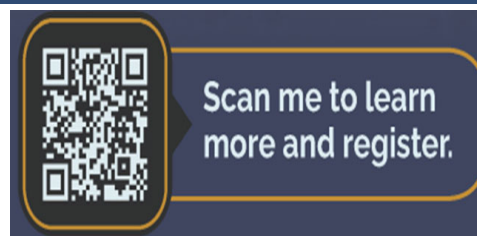
SCHEDULE

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC

9:00 AM	Doors open
10:00 AM	Conference The Virgin Mary, Our Refuge in Heaven Fr. Gregory Pine, O.P.
11:00 AM	Exposition and Eucharistic Adoration
11:00 AM	Confessions Confessions will be heard from 11:00 AM to 1:45 PM.
12:00 PM	Book signing Signings will be from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.
1:45 PM	Benediction
2:00 PM	Conference The Holy Rosary, Our Recourse on Earth Fr. Gregory Pine, O.P.
3:00 PM	The Most Holy Rosary
4:00 PM	Fervorino Fr. Lawrence Lew, O.P., Promoter General of the Rosary
4:30 PM	Vigil Mass Fr. Paul Marich, O.P., Main Celebrant Fr. James Brent, O.P., Homilist

DOMINICAN ROSARY PILGRIMAGE

Visit rosarypilgrimage.org and follow us @dominicanrosary.



Parish Hires New Director of Music and Principal Organist

Last weekend, JC Cantrell, the parish Director of Music, announced that he and his family are planning for retirement, which would take them out of the local area for significant portions of time. He recommended to me that we look for an appropriate opportunity to hire a full-time Director of Music and Principal Organist. His desire was to encourage due diligence and support the parish in a transition when the time came for him and his family to scale back service and involvement in the parish.

This weekend, I am pleased to announce that I have hired a new, full-time Director of Music and Principal Organist. Denny Layendecker is a well-qualified, accomplished musician with an impressive résumé of experience. He holds a Doctorate in Musical Arts from The Catholic University of America. He is a retired Commander, Music Director/Principal Conductor of the US Air Force Band and Chorus. He is also a retired Director of the School of Music at George Mason University. Denny has served at several Catholic parishes during his military career and afterward. He comes to St. Dominic's after 8 years of service at Our Lady of Victory Church in NW, DC.

Denny will begin his service here at St. Dominic's on Saturday, September 30. The onboarding process will take time for him and for the parish. JC remains a member of the parish staff and will continue to serve as an Assistant to the Director of Music, director of the Contemporary Ensemble, and cantor. He will provide important assistance during the time of transition. Please extend a warm welcome to Denny when he arrives and a heartfelt "thank you" to JC for his years of service and commitment. Lastly, please pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our parish sacred music program as it grows and expands for the glory of God.

Fr. George, O.P.



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

1356 If from the beginning Christians have celebrated the Eucharist and in a form whose substance has not changed despite the great diversity of times and liturgies, it is because we know ourselves to be bound by the command the Lord gave on the eve of his Passion: "Do this in remembrance of me." [181]

1357 We carry out this command of the Lord by celebrating the memorial of his sacrifice. In so doing, we offer to the Father what he has himself given us: the gifts of his creation, bread and wine which, by the power of the Holy Spirit and by the words of Christ, have become the body and blood of Christ. Christ is thus really and mysteriously made present.

1358 We must therefore consider the Eucharist as:

- thanksgiving and praise to the Father;
- the sacrificial memorial of Christ and his Body;
- the presence of Christ by the power of his word and of his Spirit.



Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

The parish pastoral council met on September 10, 2023. Father George began the meeting with a prayer to the Holy Spirit. The members reviewed the minutes from the August meeting and approved them unanimously.

A last “push” for registration for the home cenacles initiative will be made in the next couple of weeks, particularly at the ministry/organization “fair” after all the Masses the weekend of September 23-24. The first topic for the cenacles will be “Jesus and the Eucharist.” The materials are provided by the Augustine Institute. Depending upon registrations, there may be a consolidation of groups.

The OCIA (previously RCIA) had its first meeting last Saturday. There are 5 participants registered. A team of 4 people will rotate through the presentation of topics and discussion. There is still room for additional participants.

Pastoral intern Maggie Friedmann will organize and execute an Advent wreath making event for the parish at the beginning of Advent. The event will be open to all, particularly families with children.

The “Take the Next Step” increased offertory program has begun. Various suggestions were offered to Father George for the coming weeks leading up to the ministries / organizations fair on September 23-24. A distribution of responsibilities for the fair was discussed and finalized.

There will be a parish picnic on Sunday, October 15 following the 10:30 Mass. This will also be a “meet and greet” opportunity for parishioners and the parish council members. Details to be determined.

A new Director of Music and Principal Organist has been hired to start at the beginning of October. The hire follows a decision by JC Cantrell to step back from the full responsibilities of the position in preparation for future retirement plans/decisions. JC addressed parishioners about his decision at all the Masses last weekend. The new hire will be introduced to the parish in the bulletin next week.


Father George announced that he has registered for the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, July 17-21, 2024. Parishioners are encouraged to consider registration for the congress and are welcome to carpool with Father if there is room.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded with a prayer and blessing.

There’s Still Time to Register!

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 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.

St. Dominic Church
**Ministries &
Organizations
Fair**




SATURDAY & SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 23 & 24, 2023

*MINISTRY & ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES
WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH
AFTER EACH MASS.*

Liturgical Ministries

Lectors: Lectors proclaim the Word of God at weekend and weekday Masses, Masses of Holy Days of Obligation, and other special Masses. Lectors are scheduled to read according to their preference of Mass and frequency. One lector is typically scheduled to serve at the daily and weekend masses, with the exception of the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass and some Holy Day Masses when two lectors are usually scheduled. Training sessions are held periodically. For more information contact JC Cantrell at cantrell@stdominicchurch.org



 **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC):** EMHCs assist in the distribution of Holy Communion as scheduled when sufficient Ordinary Ministers (Clergy and other instituted ministers) are not expected. Typically one EMHC is scheduled for each weekday mass, and two are scheduled for each weekend mass (with the exception of the Sunday 10:30 Mass when clergy or other instituted ministers are usually available). Training sessions are held periodically. For more information contact JC Cantrell at cantrell@stdominicchurch.org

Acolytes/Altar Servers: Servers offer a unique opportunity to participate closely and actively in Sunday, daily, and other Masses by providing support to the Priest at the altar and in the sanctuary. Altar servers also assist our priests at special services such as weddings, funerals, and solemn Vespers. For further information contact JC Cantrell at cantrell@stdominicchurch.org



Liturgical Music: Assist the parish in participating more fully in the sung prayers of the Mass. Membership in the Music Ministry is open to all volunteers – auditions are not required.



- The Traditional Choir usually serves on Sundays at the 10:30 a.m. Mass (with usual rehearsals Sunday at 9:30 a.m.)
- The Parish Ensemble usually serves on Sundays at the 5:00 p.m. Mass (with regular rehearsals Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m.)

- There is also the opportunity to serve the parish as a Cantor/Leader of Song. Cantors serve at the other Weekend and Holy Day Masses.
- Instrumentalists are also invited to share their musical talents with the parish and will be scheduled by the Parish Director of Music.
- For special Feasts and other Celebrations, the music ministers usually combine into a single larger group under the direction of our parish Director of Music.

For more information contact Denny Layendecker at music@stdominicchurch.org

Ushers: Ushers support the smooth-running of our parish liturgies, often greeting parishioners and visitors as they enter the church. They assist with the Offertory and other special collections. They also distribute the church bulletin following Mass. At special liturgies, they provide assistance in guiding the assembly to a special gathering area, distribution of candles, palms, and special programs, etc. when necessary. For more information contact JC Cantrell at cantrell@stdominicchurch.org



Organizations



Knights of Columbus: A fraternal organization to empower Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community. The guiding principles of the Knights are charity, unity, and fraternity. The local O'Boyle Council meets monthly at St. Dominic's on the second Wednesday of the month. Contact Grand Knight Matthew Hittle (matthewhittle@gmail.com) 712-253-6153.

Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic: Open to men and women, "the Laity of St. Dominic are those faithful who, baptized in the Catholic Church or received into her, confirmed and in full communion of faith, sacraments and ecclesiastical governance, are called by a special vocation to progress in the Christian way of life and to animate temporal things through the charism of St. Dominic." The local chapter meets monthly at St. Dominic's on the second Sunday of the month. Contact Pia Pell (tpell@mac.com) 571-268-6960.

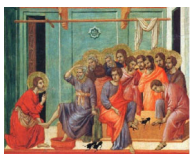




SANT'EGIDIO

Sant' Egidio: A Christian community of lay men and women dedicated to prayer, service to the poor, and work for peace. St. Dominic's collaborates with this community to bring food and friendship to the homeless on the streets of DC. Gatherings are on the first Friday of the month beginning at 6:30 p.m. They meet at St. Stephen Church (2436 Pennsylvania Ave., NW) to prepare food, pray, and go forth to the streets for 2-3 hours. Contact santegidiodc@gmail.com

Becoming Catholic: The program welcomes those never baptized, those baptized in another Christian church who now want to become Catholic, and those Catholics who need to complete their initiation with the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Formation gatherings are on Saturday mornings. Please register through the parish office. office@stdominicchurch.org 202-554-7863.



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Church Maintenance



Church Cleaning: Volunteers who help clean the church interior on the second Saturday of the month from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Light duties include dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, arranging hymnals, etc. All cleaning supplies are provided. Just meet in the church with a willingness to help.

Garden Angels: Volunteers who meet at the church to clean/maintain the yard and flower beds around the church.



The Garden Angels

Anyone is welcome to help, whether it be regularly or occasionally. No special skills required. Tools provided. Bring your own gloves. Work is done on the first and third Saturday of the month beginning at 9 a.m. and concluding around 10:30-11:00 a.m.—meet in the parking lot. Contact the parish office. office@stdominicchurch.org 202-554-7863.



Seasonal Decorating: Volunteers who help decorate the church and prepare for major feast days such as Christmas and Easter. A few hours of time to place flowers and other decorations around the church.

Workdays and hours are announced in the bulletin. Registering through the parish office will help us to prepare a list of volunteers. office@stdominicchurch.org 202-554-7863.



“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

— 1 Peter 4:10

“Let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

— Galatians 6:10

Volunteer NOW!

Fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket,
mail it to the parish office or scan and email it to the parish office.

Name _____

Address _____

Please list only your Preferred Telephone Number/numbers

Home _____ Office _____ Cell _____

Preferred E-mail _____

Please indicate with an "X" any ministry, organization or maintenance opportunity for which you would like to receive additional information or would like to be contacted/would like to volunteer.

Lector	<input type="checkbox"/>
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acolytes/Alter Servers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Liturgical Music	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ushers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Knights of Columbus	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic	<input type="checkbox"/>

Sant'Egidio	<input type="checkbox"/>
Becoming Catholic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home Cenacles	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hospitality Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>
Church Cleaning	<input type="checkbox"/>
Garden Angels	<input type="checkbox"/>
Church Decorating	<input type="checkbox"/>

