

ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH
Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

December 15, 2019

THIRD SUNDAY

of
Advent

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Jesus said,
"Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight,
the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear,
the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them."

Matthew 11:4-5

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CHRISTMAS MASSES

The Nativity of the Lord



Mass Times:

Christmas Eve

5:00pm & 9:00pm

Christmas Day

10:30am

(Holy Day of Obligation)

(Parish Office Closed)

FOOD DRIVE



The next collection for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry will be the weekend of **December 28th & 29th (DATE CHANGE)**. Please make sure your items are unopened and have not expired.

Food items will be distributed to our neighbors in the Southwest and Southeast communities.

ARCHBISHOP AUGUSTINE DI NOIA, O.P.

St. Dominic Church is pleased that Archbishop Augustine Di Noia, O.P., will again be celebrating the **10:30am Mass** with us for the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph on **Sunday, December 29th**.



Archbishop Di Noia is the Adjunct Secretary of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in Rome and is a Dominican.

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God



Wednesday, January 1, 2020

5pm (Vigil Mass Tuesday)

10:30am

Parish Office Closed

Holy Day of Obligation

EPIPHANY PARTY

ST. DOMINIC CHURCH



Join us as we celebrate YOU at our
EPIPHANY PARTY
Saturday, Jan 4th

6PM TO 8:30PM | PARISH MEETING ROOM

ALL ARE WELCOME BUT YOU MUST RSVP BY 12/29/19
PH: 202-554-7863 // EMAIL: OFFICE@STDOMINICCHURCH.ORG

THIS WEEK:

Saturday & Sunday, December 14 & 15



CAPITAL REPAIR & MAINTENANCE 2ND COLLECTION

DURING EACH MASS THIS WEEKEND

Your generosity helps maintain our historic church.

Sunday, December 15

RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR

Paul: Apostle of Christ

Jim Caviezel, Olivier Martinez, James Faulkner & Joanne Whalley
(2018) 108 minutes plus Special Features

- 6:30pm—Parish Meeting Room



Tuesday, December 17

CENACLE MEETING

PLANNING MEETING & ADVENT PARTY

- 7:00pm—Mass & Confessions (Church)
- 7:40pm—Planning & Partying (Parish Meeting Room)



Thursday, December 19

St. Dominic Young Adults

PRACTICING HOSPITALITY

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

- 7:00pm—Adoration & Confessions (Church)
- 7:45pm—Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)
- 8:45pm—Fellowship (Parish Meeting Room)



Saturday, December 21

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

Volunteers needed in the Church to help decorate for Christmas

- 9:30am

A smaller group of volunteers is needed in the Church
on Christmas Eve to decorate the Altar

- 8:30am



Christmas Schedule

Church Decoration for Christmas

- Saturday, December 21: 9am – 12pm
- Tuesday, December 24: 8:30am (Altar)

Christmas Masses

- December 24: 5pm Vigil & 9pm Mass at Night
- December 25: 10:30am Mass ONLY
Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Family (December 28-29)

- Masses: 5pm Saturday Vigil
8am, 10:30am, 5pm on Sunday
- Archbishop Augustine Di Noia, O.P. @ 10:30 Mass

Holy Day Masses (MOTHER OF GOD)

- December 31: 5pm Vigil Mass
- January 1: 10:30am Mass ONLY
Holy Day of Obligation

EPIPHANY (January 4-5)

- Saturday, January 4: 6pm in our Parish Hall
- Epiphany Party (to thank volunteers; open to all; RSVP required)

- Epiphany Sunday Masses: 5pm Saturday Vigil
- 8am, 10:30am, 5pm on Sunday

Make sure to pick up your blessed Epiphany chalk!

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower (Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10).

Psalm — Lord, come and save us (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).

Gospel — Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Matthew 11:2-11).

REASON TO REJOICE

Dark violet is used throughout Advent to express its character as a season of spiritual preparation for Christmas and “the coming of the Lord.” But on the Third Sunday of Advent, formerly known as *Gaudete* (Latin for “rejoice”) Sunday, rose may be added to the liturgical environment. The entire liturgy is infused with a spirit of rejoicing.

Today’s first reading and Gospel proclaim the reality of God’s saving work in our midst. Isaiah exuberantly describes the idyllic transformation of all creation as a result of God’s presence in the midst of the people. In the Gospel, Jesus connects Isaiah’s prophecy with what is happening in his own ministry. In addition to the list of healings from Isaiah (the blind, the lame, lepers, and the deaf), Jesus’ presence brings two other reasons for rejoicing: “The dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them” (Matthew 11:5).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	12/8/2019	\$4,792.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	12/8/2019	\$51.00

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Parish Christmas Choir will sing Christmas Eve and Christmas Morning

All members of the community are invited to take an active role in the Christmas celebrations by joining the Christmas Choir. Rehearsals are scheduled:

- Wednesday, Dec 18 at 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec 19 at 7:30 p.m.

Anyone wishing to sing with the Christmas Choir should please contact JC Cantrell by email at music@stdominicchurch.org.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS & SANCTUARY LAMP

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.

Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Lamp for a week can also be made in the parish office. The suggested offering is \$15.

CHURCH HISTORY

The 5th double window on the north side of the church features St. Raymond of Peñafort (1175-1275), whose feast day is celebrated on January 7th. The window illustrates a scene when, according to Dominican tradition, he once rebuked the king of Aragon for his immoral behavior.



He was unable to leave the island of Majorca to return to Spain because the king forbade sailors to give him passage. St. Raymond placed his cappa, the black mantle of the Dominican habit, on the water, stepped on it, and floated to the mainland. - Courtesy of Mary Moran.

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.

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

All of following Masses are Holy Days of Obligation and need additional Lay Minister volunteers:

- Tuesday, Dec 24: 5:00 p.m. — Christmas Vigil Mass *Acolytes needed
- Tuesday, Dec 24: 9:00 p.m. — Christmas Vigil Mass *Acolytes and EMHCs needed
- Wednesday, Dec 25: 10:30 a.m. — Christmas Day Mass — Acolytes needed
- Tuesday, Dec 31: 5:00 p.m. — Vigil Mass for Holy Day of Obligation — *Acolytes and EMHCs needed
- Wednesday, Jan 1: 10:30 a.m. — Holy Day of Obligation Mass — *Lector needed

Please review your personal calendars and volunteer to fill the vacancies in the December/January schedule — consider it a gift to the Christ-child!

Please contact JC Cantrell thru the Parish Office or by e-mail at music@stdominicchurch.org if you need assistance or have questions regarding the schedule.

WORSHIP

We are blessed by the presence of many visitors and guests each week. Out of solemn respect for the Mass, we follow the custom of remaining at our places within the church until the conclusion of the Song for Sending Forth (recessional).

Please silence your cell phone: As an overt act of courtesy (and respect for the prayer of all), please remember to silence/ turn off your cell phone when you arrive in the church.

During Advent the Liturgical color for vestments and the altar is purple for the Sundays of Advent (except for the third Sunday of Advent when rose). During the Season of Advent, we will be singing the Latin Chant Mass setting at all Weekend Liturgies. In accordance with the liturgical rubrics, during the season of Advent, the Gloria is not sung at non-feast day Masses. The Latin Chant Mass setting can be found in the:

- Blue Hymnal (#100-104) or
- Breaking Bread Book (#842-848)

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Doris Baldwin, Debora Brownlee, Jerome Buke, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Khristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Sally Daly, Barbara Dever, Helen G. Hewit, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, Marion Halwick, Patricia & Patrick Hannon, Mary Hogan, Karla Humbles, Marilyn Jarvis, June Jaeger, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, James F. McGrath, III, James F. McGrath, Jr., Mary McMorrow, Rose Montas, Richard Pane, 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 CANDLE



*The intentions of the Galliher Family
from the Krizan 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.

THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 15

8:00am People of the Parish
10:30am Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
5:00pm Sister Mary Regina

Monday, December 16

8:00am Dennis Monroe
12:10pm Dot Bussey (D)

Tuesday, December 17

8:00am Christmas Novena 1/9
12:10pm George Kormos (D)

Wednesday, December 18

8:00am Christmas Novena 2/9
12:10pm Deceased Dominican Sisters

Thursday, December 19

8:030am Christmas Novena 3/9
12:10pm Doane Kiechel (D)

Friday, December 20

8:00am Christmas Novena 4/9
12:10pm Abraham Fetahi

Saturday, December 21

9:00am Christmas Novena 5/9
5:00pm James Dixon (D)

ST. DOMINIC STAFF

OUR PRIESTS:

Fr. Hyacinth Cordell, OP (*Pastor*)
Fr. Bede Shipps, OP (*Associate Pastor*)

PARISH STAFF:

JC Cantrell (*Worship Coordinator*)
Ed Von Hagel (*Business/Facilities Manager*),
Mary Lou Cantrell (*Musician*), Margaret Maxwell (*Pastoral Associate*)
and Jeremy Jelinek (*Organist – not pictured*)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Margaret MacLeod, Maria Eugenia Lane, Chris Nodes,
Amelia Castro-Mendoza, Deborah Irwin, Simon Ciccarillo

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Duane Ford (*Accountant*), Jackie Griffin, Michael Grace,
Eileen Lyons, MJ Morrow, Simon Ciccarillo



THE DOMINICAN FRIARS AT ST. DOMINIC PRIORY

DID YOU KNOW? ... There are 26 Dominican Friars living in the building attached to the Church (the *Priory*): 1 Prior; 4 Retired Priests; 1 Pastor/Professor; 1 Parish Priest/Chaplain; 1 Full-time Professor; 1 Mission Preacher; 1 Special Ministry Priest; 1 Student Master & Professor; 1 Supply Work Priest; 1 Exec. Dir. of the Conference of Major Superiors of Men; 1 Cooperator Brother (who helps out in the parish); 5 “Young Dads” (newly ordained priests finishing their studies) and 7 Deacons.



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 or on the website, or stop by the parish office.



MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASSES

- 5:00pm Vigil (*Saturday*)
- 8:00am
- 10:30am (*followed by coffee and donuts in the Parish Mtg Rm*)
- 5:00pm

WEEKDAYS

- Monday—Friday:*
- 8:00am
 - 12:10pm (*followed by the veneration of a relic of St. Jude on Fridays*)
- Saturday:*
- 9:00am

HOLY DAYS

- 5:00pm Vigil
- 8:00am
- 12:10pm
- 7:00pm



CONFESSION TIMES

SUNDAY

- 9:45am & after the 10:30am Mass

MONDAY-FRIDAY

- 11:55am—12:15pm

SATURDAY

- 4:30pm



ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Please Contact the Parish Office

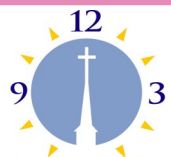
Baptism: "Parents are obliged to take care that infants are baptized in the first few weeks" (*Code of Canon Law, 867§1*).

Matrimony: "And the two shall become one flesh" (*Mark 10:8*).

Holy Eucharist at Home: When a fellow parishioner is in the hospital or unable to attend Mass.

Adoration: Tuesday & Thursday from 7-7:30pm (Church); Thursdays from 5pm-6pm (Friar's Chapel).

Anointing of the Sick: Those facing serious illness or entering the hospital.



CHURCH HOURS

SUN—FRI

- 7am—8pm

SAT

- 8am—8pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

SUNDAY

- 9:00am—1:00pm

MON—FRI

- 8:30am—5:00pm

SAT

- Closed



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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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