

# ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH



*"Stay awake, that you may be prepared!"*

~ Matthew 23:42

*Sunday, November 27, 2022*

*First Sunday of Advent*

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*Serving Southwest Washington since 1852*

## **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Father George P. Schommer, O.P.  
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Pastoral Associate: Margaret Maxwell  
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Liturgical/Music Director: J.C. Cantrell

**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 November 28	Tuesday November 29	Wednesday November 30	Thursday December 1	Friday December 2	Saturday December 3	Sunday December 4
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 9:45 a.m. <i>Church</i>	Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center - Donations collected at all Masses.
Cenacle 7 p.m. <i>(via Zoom)</i>		Music Ministry Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Holy Hour 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>		St. Dominic Lay Fraternity's Advent Day of Recollection 9:30 a.m. <i>Church</i>	EMHC Training 9:15 a.m. <i>Church</i>  Donut Social After the 10:30 Mass <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>  Religious Movie Seminar 6:30 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>

Offertory — Week Ending November 20, 2022

Received	\$3,361
Budgeted	<u>\$3,173</u>
Deficit/Surplus	\$ 188

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 27

- 5:00 p.m. Vigil Lisa Kormos
- 8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. Poor Souls Mass Remembrance
- 5:00 p.m. Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

Monday, November 28

- 8:00 a.m. Poor Souls Mass Remembrance
- 12:10 p.m. Lisa Klewicki

Tuesday, November 29

- 8:00 a.m. †John Kormos
- 12:10 p.m. Poor Souls Mass Remembrance

Wednesday, November 30

- 8:00 a.m. Poor Souls Mass Remembrance
- 12:10 p.m. Nicole Cruz

Thursday, December 1

- 8:00 a.m. Lisa Klewicki
- 12:10 p.m. Teresa T. Dinh

Friday, December 2

- 8:00 a.m. Lisa Klewicki
- 12:10 p.m. William Maxwell

Saturday, December 3

- 9:00 a.m. Gregory Vincent Maturi

Let Us Pray For...

THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:

Bogomila Mireva and Frank & Phyllis Chesley.

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Elysia Branson, Donald Wright, Bryon Matthews and Mary Blackstone.

Sanctuary Candle



*That the holy season of Advent  
may increase our love for and the devotion to  
the Blessed Sacrament.*

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



Today, we begin the new liturgical year with the first Sunday of the Advent season. While this season is not penitential in the manner of Lent, the Church invites us to prepare for the celebration of the Nativity of the Lord with reflection, hope, and anticipation.

We reflect with gratitude to God for the ways that he prepared the world for the Incarnation of his Son Jesus Christ. We renew our hope that the savior born comes for each of us. And we look forward to the last things of the future (death, judgement, heaven, and hell) when God will bring to culmination his work of salvation and redemption. Our God is coming to dwell among us, and we should make every effort to prepare to welcome him. Here at St. Dominic's, there are regular and additional times for the sacrament of reconciliation, the regular Thursday night holy hour, the Cenacle faith formation group on Monday evenings, and there will be a special event of Theology and Carols on December 17. Additionally, the church is open daily for scheduled Masses and quiet prayer amid a hectic world. May God grant us the resolve to prepare the way of the Lord into our hearts. An insert in this bulletin provides the schedule for Masses, Confession, and special events.

Perhaps you have noticed the new signage outside the church. These signs are the result of efforts by Father Jordan Turano during his pastorate and are funded with the monies given to the Capital Repairs and Maintenance collection. Through the same effort, a third sign will be fabricated and placed at the corner of 7<sup>th</sup> and E Streets SW to increase the visibility of the parish at that busy thoroughfare. On the large signs, you will see the scriptural quotation "Come and see" (John 1:39). This invitation from Jesus was extended to the earliest people who were curious about Jesus. The invitation is perennial, and we can use it in our conversations with those who do not yet know the Lord Jesus but are seeking a path for their lives with meaning and purpose. The Lord will speak to those who respond, and we have the responsibility to accompany them. Together, we can all become faithful disciples of the Lord.

As you know from last week's bulletin insert, the parish has a deficit of \$104,000 in the budget. To work toward overcoming this deficit, we are participating in the Giving Tuesday 2022 effort through the #iGiveCatholic platform. So far, we have dollar for

dollar matching grants totaling \$6,000 (more may be coming), and a challenge grant of \$1,000 when we reach 100 donors. The giving page is active now through the end of the day on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. Further information is given in a special section in this bulletin. With everyone's participation, we can make a dent in the deficit or overcome it completely! What return will you make to the Lord for all the good he has done for you here at St. Dominic's? Pray about it.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

*Fr. George, O.P.*

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

## iGiveCatholic for Giving Tuesday, November 29

Join us now through November 29 and "Give Catholic" through the #iGiveCatholic portal for Giving Tuesday 2022. We have secured dollar for dollar matching gifts of \$6,000 (perhaps more coming!), and a \$1,000 challenge that we will receive when we reach 100 donors of any amount. We've set a goal of \$25,000. All proceeds will reduce the parish's budget deficit.

Gift amounts of \$500 or more should be made by check and submitted to the parish office. This will help avoid high merchant fees. These gifts will still apply to the matching and challenge grants.

Find the link on the parish website or use the QR Code below.



#iGIVECATHOLIC  
November 29, 2022

## Religious Movie Seminar

Join us each Sunday evening in the Parish Meeting Room at 6:30 p.m. for a new movie, now through March 26, 2023.



## Choir & Ensemble Members Needed

The Choir and Ensemble need additional choristers to serve our community. With additional singers, we can better support the sung prayer of our community.

Although rehearsals for the Christmas Season start in early December, we would like you to volunteer now and “raise a joyful song to the Lord.”

Visit our website at <http://www.stdominicchurch.org/liturgical-ministries.html>, for more information or contact JC Cantrell through the Parish Office or by email: [music@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:music@stdominicchurch.org).

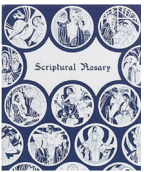
## Lay Ministers of the Mass

The Lay Ministries of Lector and Acolyte have an acute need for additional help. Volunteers are needed for the Weekday (daily Masses) and weekend Masses.

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Your service as a Lay Minister will be a blessing to all.

## Scriptural Rosary



Can we interest you in joining our group to pray for your intentions? We are a small group, but growing. We meet **after the 9am 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. We look forward to your joining us.

*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.*

## Toys for Kids

This is the last week to bring new, unwrapped toys to St. Dominic for the MPD’s Children’s Christmas Party. Toys cannot be accepted after Sunday, December 4.



We are also looking for volunteers after the Sunday Masses on December 4 to put toys into gift bags and transport them to the “1-D” police station on M Street, SW.

## Walk with Mary

Join with us and other parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Washington, for a “Walk with Mary” - accompanying and praying for the Migrant Community.



The procession, from the Shrine of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 10, 2022. Following the procession at 1 p.m., the group will pray the Rosary, with Mass following at 2 p.m.

## Nathan’s Organ Prelude & Postlude

Prelude: *Veni, Veni, Emmanuel* (“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”) - Gerald Near (1942)

Postlude: *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland* (“Savior of the nations, come”) BWV 599 - J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

## 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.





# Advent & Christmas @ St. Dominic's

## 2022



### Sundays of Advent (November 27, December 4, 11, 18)

*Masses:* 5 p.m. Saturday Vigil  
8 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5 p.m. on Sunday

### Advent Day of Recollection

*Saturday, December 3*  
9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. (Parish Meeting Room & Church)

### Advent – Theology & Carols

*Saturday, December 17*  
7 p.m. (Church)  
6:30 p.m. Confessions

### Regular Time for Confession

Sundays: 9:45 a.m.  
Weekdays: 11:45 a.m.  
Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

### Extra Time for Confession

December 18: After the 10:30 a.m. Mass  
December 19, 20 & 21: After the 8 a.m. Mass

### Church Decorating for Christmas

Friday, December 23  
8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

December 24: 9 a.m.  
Christmas Vigil Mass: 5 p.m. Vigil  
Christmas Mass During the Night: 9 p.m.  
Christmas Mass During the Day:  
10:30am **ONLY**

### HOLY DAY MASSES (MARY, MOTHER OF GOD)

December 31: 5 p.m. Vigil Mass  
January 1: 10:30 a.m. Mass **ONLY**

### EPIPHANY (January 8)

*Epiphany Sunday Masses:* 5 p.m. Saturday Vigil  
8 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5 p.m. on Sunday

*Make sure to pick up your blessed Epiphany chalk!*

