



ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

FEBRUARY 5, 2017 — Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



LISTENING DEVICE: If you are in need of a personal listening device at Mass, please ask the Music Minister or Priest.



OUR CHURCH IS OPEN:

Mon—Fri: 7 a.m.—3:30 p.m.; **Sat:** 8 a.m.—6 p.m.;
Sun: 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Note: The Church is closed after Mass on a Federal Holiday)

FELLOWSHIP WITH COFFEE AND DONUTS: Sundays after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Fridays - 8:00 a.m.

ST. PETER SCHOOL: "Founded in 1786, St. Peter School provides children with an education founded on love of God and service to others, characterized by Catholic values and academic excellence."



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<http://www.stpeterschooldc.org/>

CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS

WEEKDAYS

Mondays—Fridays: 8:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.
(8:00 a.m. only on a Federal Holiday)
Saturdays: 9:00 a.m.

WEEKEND

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. Vigil
Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

HOLIDAYS

5:00 p.m. Vigil; 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:00 p.m.

DEVOTIONS AND SACRAMENTS

DEVOTIONS — Rosary Shrine of St. Jude

<http://www.rosaryshrineofstjude.org>
Phone: 212-535-3664

Rosary: 11:45 a.m. Mondays - Fridays
Veneration of the relic of St. Jude: Fridays,
following the midday Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND HOLY HOUR

Thursdays: 4:45 p.m.—5:45 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Mondays—Fridays: 11:55 a.m.; **Saturdays:** 4:30 p.m.
Sundays: Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass

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: A minimum of six months preparation is required by the Archdiocese.

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

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



Please note that the first two rows of the center aisle of the church are reserved for individuals with disabilities.
The **entrance** for persons with disabilities is on Frontage Road on the south side of the church.



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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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DOMINICAN FRIARS of the PROVINCE of SAINT JOSEPH

PARISH:

Pastor: Father George P. Schommer, O.P.
Parochial Vicar: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
Deacon: Rev. Bro. Edmund McCullough, O.P.

PARISH STAFF:

Business / Facilities Manager: Ed Von Hagel
Administrative Assistant: Denise Marshall
Sunday Receptionist: Marlene Mattison
Worship Coordinator: JC Cantrell

PARISH MINISTRIES:

Altar Servers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Alice Serar
Lectors: Carrie Yauch
Music: JC Cantrell
RCIA: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
Social Concerns, The St. Martin de Porres Society & Community Events: Cecilia Daly
Gardening Angels: Elysia Branson
Young Adults: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Patricia D'Antonio, Robert Davis, Timothy Fouts, Olivia Hnat; Mary Moran, Sean Robinson, David Stewart, Doris Stukes, Andrew Vasile, Carrie Yauch

Parish Finance Council Members:

Bill Fagan, Jackie Griffin, John Michetti, MaryJane Morrow, Ria Nicole Robinson

FRIARS IN RESIDENCE:

Prior: Father Carleton Jones, O.P.
Reverend Father: John Burke, O.P., Albert Caprio, O.P., George Christian, O.P., Barnabas Davis, O.P., Thomas Donoghue, O.P., Jordan Kelly, O.P., Joseph-Anthony Kress, O.P., John Baptist Ku, O.P., Louis Bertrand Lemoine, O.P., Gerard Lessard, O.P., Louis Mason, O.P., Andrew Nicolichia, O.P., Gregory Pine, O.P., Matthew Rzeczkowski, O.P., Bede Shipp, O.P., John Sica, O.P., Raymund Snyder, O.P., Raymond Vandegrift, O.P., Michael Weibley, O.P., Bruce Williams, O.P.
Reverend Brother: Bonaventure Chapman, O.P., Thomas Davenport, O.P., Luke Hoyt, O.P., Jacob Bertrand Janczyk, O.P., Edmund McCullough, O.P., Alan Piper, O.P.

PASTOR'S CORNER



On the front page of the parish bulletin, you will find the parish mission statement: *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.* This mission statement was finalized a couple of years ago through the efforts of the Parish Pastoral Council in collaboration with the parish community at-large.

Mission statements are common in parishes and organizations because they help to define and clarify purpose and action. What makes a parish mission statement unique is that it is developed as a response to the call of the Lord Jesus in our lives to be his disciples. The essence of our personal and parish identity and mission comes from the Lord Jesus. He has the authority to define our mission in world; and we hear the familiar phrases of that mission in the Gospel reading for the Mass today: "You are the salt of the earth.... You are the light of the world.... Your light must shine before others." We are to affect the world the way salt and light affect their environments. Salt seasons food, and in Jesus' world, it was used as a preservative. It kept food from spoiling. Light removes or pushes the darkness back. Even one lighted match can be seen at a distance on a dark night. It doesn't take much to have a surprising good effect when light is lacking.

With the salt image comes a warning. "But if salt loses its taste...it is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot." Christians cannot merely co-exist and comfortably fit in. We must change what needs changing. Remember the saying, "If it were a crime to be a Christian, would they have any evidence to convict you?" Hence, Jesus' warning that salt can lose its capacity to season and preserve; therefore, should be thrown out. We are sent on mission into the world to change it – not merely to live in it. Jesus tells his disciples that, though they are only few in number, they are salt. The danger for the Church is that, being in the world, we disciples can take on worldly ways and lose our "saltiness" to flavor those around us. Then the church is useless.

Disciples are to draw out goodness in the world by supporting what protects, nourishes and enhances life, while rejecting what limits or destroys it. There are times when disciples can't let things continue as they are: neglect of the poor, destruction of life in the womb, mistreatment of immigrants, violence against women, an

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unbridled military, etc. For these and other positions of the status quo, "salty disciples" are to be agents of change. If we cannot bring about more humane conditions for all, then Jesus is right, we are salt without flavor and useless for his purposes.

As we hear the challenging mission Jesus gives us we can feel what those first disciples must have felt – we are not large or influential enough to affect the world and resist the powers that "run the world's business." On our own, that's true. But remember we are not on our own. Jesus began his sermon with a reminder of God's blessings here and now. Those blessings keep us united to God and to the community of believers. Because of Jesus we have been set right with God. Now we are called to reflect that righteousness in our relations with others. Or, in the images Jesus used, we are to be salt of the earth and light of the world. We strive, with God's grace, to live out the gospel mission statement Jesus has given to us.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2017 A TIME FOR REFLECTION

This week, you are asked to review the Cardinal's Appeal brochure and the tabloid that you will receive with your bulletin today. The theme of the campaign is: "Seek first the kingdom of God." (Matthew 6:33)

The Cardinal's Appeal campaign is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift, today, payable over ten months.

A significant gift to the Cardinal's Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. As you review the work enabled by your contribution, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the Archdiocese and to the work of the Church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our Archdiocese, how it can make a real difference. But, each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services.

Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our Archdiocese and give Him thanks for all He has given us.

If you received your pledge form in the mail last month, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass

next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses next weekend and the following weekend.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

WORSHIP

Sung Mass Responses: Our community's sung and spoken response during the ritual prayers of the liturgy is a core element of communal prayer. We sing the same Mass setting at all Masses.

- The Gloria setting is found on page 10 of the insert attached to the inside front cover of the Breaking Bread Book. The remaining parts of the mass follow the Gloria on insert pages 12-13.

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

All Lay Ministers of the Mass can check their schedule via the MSP webpage or via the MSP App. The Lay Minister Schedule is now populated thru the end of March. Many "holes" remain – please volunteer!

- We need additional lay ministers for each of the Ash Wednesday (March 1st) Masses.

MSP will send weekly update notifications of vacancies to all available Lay Ministers. If you are available to fill one of the vacancies, please volunteer using the internet link within the email, or via the MSP smartphone app.

HOLY FAMILY CELEBRATION

Join fellow Catholic couples and families for a Holy Family Celebration on **Saturday, February 18 from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine.** This half-day celebration will feature inspired talks, opportunities for Confession and Eucharistic Adoration, and Holy Mass celebrated by Cardinal Donald Wuerl. The day will conclude with a family style meal. The cost of attendance is \$10 per couple and \$20 for a family of three or more.

Register: www.holyfamilycelebration.eventbrite.com. The event is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington, the DC State Council of the Knights of Columbus, and the Saint John Paul II National Shrine.

ST. DOMINIC LAY DOMINICAN FRATERNITY

Lay Dominican Monthly Meeting is today, Sunday Feb. 5, from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Priory Chapel/Parish Meeting Hall. If you have any questions please contact Joan Cobbs at 202- 484-2296.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Capitol Hill Pregnancy: Please leave your donation (diapers, wipes, or formula) for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center in front of the pulpit. Thank you for your generosity.

We are expanding our social justice ministry to offer more opportunities to combine service with spiritual growth. More information will be available in future bulletins. If you are interested, please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

PARISH COMMUNITY



Do you have a great chili recipe? We are accepting contestants for the Chili Cookoff next Saturday, February 11th, at 6:00 p.m. in the parish meeting room. If you don't make chili, come and be a judge. The suggested donation is \$5 per person, children free. All proceeds will be donated to the Poor Box. For more information, please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with other parishioners, please join the Hospitality Committee. For more information, please email Cecilia Daly at social@stdominicchurch.org.

ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS

As part of an exciting Catholic Schools Week agenda, Ms. Meghan Keller, St. Peter School Counselor, hosted the fifth annual Career Day. A handful of adults in our community spoke with the 1st-8th graders about their current professional position, the education needed to attain that particular position, and how the Catholic

virtues play a role in their daily professional lives. The event kicks off the "Career Unit" Ms. Keller coordinates annually in February where the students identify their own skills and explore possible careers pertaining to their specific interests.

RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR!



Sundays: 6:30 p.m. through April 2, 2017
St. Dominic Church
Parish Meeting Room (downstairs)

Feb. 5, *The Scarlet and the Black* – Gregory Peck, Christopher Plummer, John Gielgud (1983) 143 minutes

CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Church Cleaning: Please help maintain our beautiful, historic church. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please email social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863. We will clean the church Saturday, February 11th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. New volunteers are always welcome.

History: The sixth double window on the South wall of the church illustrates St. Dominic meeting St. Francis. Both men were in Rome to obtain papal confirmation of their respective orders. Having seen Francis in a vision the night before, Dominic recognized him and rushed to greet him. The mutual influence of Dominic and Francis can be seen in the development of their orders: Francis may have influenced Dominic to expand the practice of the vow of poverty; and the Friars Minor adopted the Dominican constitutional system as a result of their turbulent history after Francis's death.

— Courtesy of Mary Moran.

2017 PARISH CALENDAR – FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday 5	All Masses 12:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Baby Items Collection The Lay Dominican Monthly Meeting Religious Movie Seminar	Church Priory/Parish Mtg. Rm Parish Meeting Room
Monday 6	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	RCIA	Conference Room
Tuesday 7	6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church
Wednesday 8	6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal Knights of Columbus O'Boyle	Church Parish Meeting Room
Thursday 9	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Holy Hour Young Adult Holy Half Hour Young Adult Meeting	Church Church Parish Meeting Room
Friday 10			
Saturday 11	9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Church Cleaning Confessions Chili Cook-Off	Church Church Parish Meeting Room
Sunday 12	6:30 p.m.	Religious Movie Seminar	Parish Meeting Room

THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Feb. 5	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m.	Shrine
10:30 a.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes Novena 3/9
5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Mon. Feb. 6	Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
8:00 a.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes Novena 4/9
12:10 p.m.	Fr. Gregory Pine, O.P.
Tues. Feb. 7	
8:00 a.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes Novena 5/9
12:10 p.m.	Fr. Athanasius Murphy, O.P.
Wed. Feb. 8	
8:00 a.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes Novena 6/9
12:10 p.m.	Fr. John Baptist Hoang, O.P.
Thur. Feb. 9	Saint Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
8:00 a.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes Novena 7/9
12:10 p.m.	Charles M. Cushman (D)
Fri. Feb. 10	Saint Scholastica, Virgin
8:00 a.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes Novena 8/9
12:10 p.m.	Deceased Dominican Sisters
Sat. Feb. 11	Our Lady of Lourdes, BVM
9:00 a.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes Novena 9/9
5:00 p.m.	Thomas Halwick (D)

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

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. The Mass Intention Calendar for 2017 is available now.

SANCTUARY LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK



For the Intentions of:
St. Dominic Church Parishioners

Note: Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Candle can be made in the parish office.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jane Boorman, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Fr. Caprio, O.P. Khristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Joe Davis, Jason DeLorenzo, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Leroy (Jr.), Ford Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Mary Hogan, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, Mary Moran, Bill Orr, Diane Jaeger Pittman, Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Mary Davis Williams, Frances White, Mrs. Pat White, Sandra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

ANNUAL TAX LETTERS

The annual letter for confirming donations to St. Dominic Church was mailed January 23. You will receive a letter if your annual contribution for 2016 was \$100 or more and you used either envelopes, checks, or Faith Direct. For those using Faith Direct, your letter will be issued by St. Dominic Church and NOT by Faith Direct. If you contributed less than \$100 and want to receive a letter, please contact the Parish Office and we will be happy to provide one.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	1/29/2017	\$4,261.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	1/29/2017	\$704.00

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JANUARY 2017

Offertory Collection	\$17,661.00
Offertory-Faith Direct	\$9,948.83
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	\$2,924.00
Capital Repair & Maint Collection—Faith Direct	\$1,088.50

FAITH DIRECT

If you are not already contributing through Faith Direct, please consider doing so. Using Faith Direct minimizes our administrative effort to record your donations, eliminates the need for us to buy and mail envelopes, and provides you an easy and consistent way of supporting our parish. You may sign up by going to www.FaithDirect.net and using our parish ID DC117, or filling out a form available at the church entrances.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! God Bless You,

Fr. George Schommer, O.P.

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. Please note that money put into the receptacle at the votive candle racks does not go to the Poor Box.

LEAVE A LEGACY

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