



# ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Serving Southwest Washington since 1852*

**APRIL 9, 2017 — Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

**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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## 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.

### WEEKENDS

**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

**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.

**St. Dominic's Cenacle:** 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:** George Christian, O.P., Barnabas Davis, O.P., Thomas Donoghue, O.P., Jordan Kelly, 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 Rzczkowski, 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.

**Brother:** Patrick Foley, O.P.

## PASTOR'S CORNER



Today, the Church recalls the entrance of Christ the Lord into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery. The blessing of the palm branches and our jubilant singing of the processional hymn unites us with the mystery of God's love for us. We sing "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest" (Entrance Antiphon). We sing with fervor and celebrate with joy this holy day; we confidently enter into this Holy Week during which we recall the great events of our salvation and redemption. (cont'd)

## FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection. (source: USCCB)

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

### Holy Thursday, April 13

7:30 p.m. – Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by prayer before the Blessed Sacrament until 10 p.m.

10:00 p.m. – Night Prayer (Priory Chapel)

### Good Friday, April 14

12:10 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. – Celebration of the Lord's Passion

### Holy Saturday, April 15

9:00 a.m. – Liturgy of the Hours: (Priory Chapel)

### The Great Vigil of Easter, April 15

7:30 p.m. – The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

### Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection, April 16

10:30 a.m. Mass ONLY

(No other Masses on Easter Sunday)

**The Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.**

## REVERENCE FOR BLESSED PALM

During the Palm Sunday liturgies, palms are blessed and distributed to the congregation. Because the palms are blessed, they are now **sacramentals**, which "are sacred signs instituted by the Church. They prepare [us] to receive the fruit of the sacraments and sanctify different circumstances of life" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1667). Sacramentals should be treated with respect and never be thrown away. Display in the home of blessed palm is a long-stranding Catholic practice.

## HOLY WEEK CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**Monday through Wednesday: 11:55 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday evening 6:45 – 7:15 p.m.**

**or by Appointment at the Parish Office**

**No Confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday**

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

**April 22, 2017**

**3:00 – 4:45 pm**

### **Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions**

3:15 pm Sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy

4:45 pm Benediction

5:00 pm Mass of the Second Sunday of Easter

A plenary indulgence is granted (under the usual conditions of a sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and a prayer for the intentions of the Pope) to the faithful who, on Divine Mercy Sunday, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for sin, even venial sin, recite the Our Father and the Creed, and also add a devout prayer (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!).

## ST. DOMINIC CENACLE

A weekly group of discipleship for adults. The group consists in weekly meetings, various service opportunities, and occasional outings and events.

### **Weekly meetings on Tuesday evenings:**

- 6:45 p.m. – Adoration with Confessions (or Mass once a month)
- 7:25 p.m. – Faith Topic Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)
- Monthly work of mercy
- Regular outings

**Visit our website: [www.stdominiccenacle.org](http://www.stdominiccenacle.org) or**

**Email us: [cenacle@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:cenacle@stdominicchurch.org)**

## PASTOR'S CORNER (CONT'D)

Why do we have such fervor, joy, and confidence? We believe and experience in our lives that the Death of Jesus has washed away our sins and his Resurrection has purchased our justification. We live on the other side of the Resurrection and now live in the grace and power of the Holy Spirit. Most certainly, we confess and acknowledge that it was our sins that he bore; it was our sufferings that he endured. St. John teaches us: "If we acknowledge our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from every wrongdoing" (1 Jn 1:9). Forgiveness and new life in Christ are the gifts we receive through confession of sin and faith in Jesus as the Son of God raised from the dead. The love that is revealed and offered to us through the events celebrated during Holy Week intends to penetrate our hard and sinful hearts. Why? Because love, not coercion or punishment, changes our hearts to love, follow, and obey the One who has first loved us. The grace of salvation gives us the hope that Christ will continually transform us so that we, too, may participate in the victory and freedom of the Resurrection.

Let us pray for one another,

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

## CRS RICE BOWLS

It's time to turn in your CRS Rice Bowls. Full bowls may be brought to Mass and put in with the collection; or dropped off at the parish office. You may also write a check with CRS Rice Bowl in the memo line.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

**So Others Might Eat:** Our next SOME meal will be April 29th. Parishioners volunteer to make meatloaves and macaroni and cheese (baking pans and sign-up sheets will be in the main vestibule beginning April 8). On the day of the meal, volunteers take food over to SOME at 9:30 a.m. We also serve and clean up after the meal.

**Capitol Hill Pregnancy:** Thank you for your donations to the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center. Our next collection of diapers, wipes and formula will be the weekend of May 6/7.

## CHURCH HISTORY AND MAINTENANCE

**Church Cleaning:** Thanks to everyone who helped clean the church on Saturday. We will clean again on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

We are looking for people to help manage our monthly cleaning. Ideally, we would have several volunteers to commit to coordinating at least 3 times a year. Please help maintain our beautiful, historic church. If you are

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interested, please email [social@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:social@stdominicchurch.org) or call 202-554-7863.

**History:** *The 6th double window on the south side of the church commemorates St. Pius V (1504-72), whose feast day is April 30th. St. Pius V was one of the most important leaders of the Counter Reformation. After the papal election, instead of hosting an elaborate banquet, he ordered that the food be given to people in real need*

- Courtesy of Mary Moran.

**Holy Thursday Decoration:** If you are interested in helping with decorations for Holy Thursday, please contact Denise Marshall: [Office@StDominicChurch.org](mailto:Office@StDominicChurch.org) or call the office and Ms. Marshall will provide contact information for decorating time and dates.

**Easter Decoration:** We will be decorating the church for Easter on April 15, Holy Saturday, from about 9 a.m. until we are done, which is typically around 2 or 3 o'clock in the afternoon. **All volunteers are welcome.**

**The Garden Angels: Spring is here!** are working the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month. We start at 9:00 am and work until 12. Any help will be greatly appreciated. For further information call Elysia Branson at 202-285-8099 or email [ebrowserbuddy@aol.com](mailto:ebrowserbuddy@aol.com).

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## ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS

The second grade class visited the United State Botanic Garden on Thursday, April 23. They planted their own cocoa bean and explored the beautiful plants the garden had to offer. The second graders recently wrapped up a unit on soil and will begin one on plants and animals in a few weeks. The third graders visited the American History Museum on Thursday, April 23. They explored the Star Spangled Banner exhibit, which features the flag that inspired Francis Scott Key to compose our national anthem! The 5<sup>th</sup> grade class traveled to George Washington's Mount Vernon to participate in the "Colonial Days" festivities. Students got to grind wheat, learn from a blacksmith, and march in formation as if they were part of the colonial army. They enjoyed touring Mt. Vernon's home and visiting the tombs of George and Martha Washington.



## 2017 PARISH CALENDAR – APRIL

APRIL	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday 9			
Monday 10	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	RCIA	Parish Meeting Room
Tuesday 11	6:45 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.	Cenacle Holy Half Hour followed by Meeting	Church & Parish Mtg. Rm
Wednesday 12	6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal/Triduum/Easter Knights of Columbus O'Boyle	Church Parish Meeting Room
Thursday 13	7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	<b>Holy Thursday</b> <b>Triduum: Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>	Church Church
Friday 14	<b>Office Closed</b>  12:10 p.m. – 1:00p.m. 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Good Friday</b> <b>Holy Land Collection</b> <b>Stations of the Cross</b> <b>Triduum: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord</b>	Church Church Church
Saturday 15	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m. – 10:30p.m.	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> <b>Office of Readings &amp; Morning Prayer</b> <b>Easter Decorating</b> <b>Easter Vigil</b>	Priory Chapel Church Church
Sunday 16	<b>Office Closed</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY—10:30 a.m. Mass ONLY</b> <b>Solemn Mass of the Resurrection</b>	Church

## THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun, Apr 9</b>	<b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</b>
8:00 AM	Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
10:30 AM	Lenten Remembrance
5:00 PM	People of the Parish
<b>Mon, Apr 10</b>	
8:00 AM	Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM	Roberta Shipps (D)
<b>Tue, Apr 11</b>	
8:00 AM	Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM	Roberta Shipps (D)
<b>Wed, Apr 12</b>	
8:00 AM	Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM	Greg Wyman (D)
<b>Thu, Apr 13</b>	<b>Holy Thursday</b>
7:30 PM	Priest's Intention
<b>Sat, Apr 15</b>	<b>Easter Vigil</b>
7:30 PM	People of the Parish

## 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.

## SANCTUARY LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK



**For our parish Catechumen and Candidates for Full Communion**

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

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Doris Baldwin, Jane Boorman, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Fr. Caprio, O.P., Khristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Mary Hogan, June Jaeger, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, James F. McGrath, III, Fr. Muller, O.P., Bill Orr, Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Frances White, Sandra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

## THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

## STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	4/2/2017	\$5,420.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	4/2/2017	\$647.00

## FAITH DIRECT

Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help your parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide St. Dominic Church with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season!

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: DC117 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.