

# St. Dominic Catholic Church

Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

# JANUARY 8, 2017 — The Epiphany 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.

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.

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# CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS

#### WEEKDAYS

*Mondays—Fridays:* 8:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m. (8:00 a.m. <u>only</u> 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.

#### HOLYDAYS

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

Eucharistic Addration 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, 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.



## 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 Nicolicchia, O.P., Gregory Pine, O.P., Matthew Rzeczkowski, O.P., Bede Shipps, 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



We continue our celebration of Christmas with today's feast of the Epiphany. While most of the world has moved beyond Christmas and put everything away, we continue our joyful reflection on the love that God has for us through

the sending of his Son. We are invited to approach the Lord Jesus and encounter – like the Magi – the God who comes to save us and fill our lives with hope and joy. The Magi offered gifts to the child and St. Odilo of Cluny has this insight about the gifts: "To offer gold is to proclaim Christ's kingship, to offer incense is to adore his Godhead, and to offer myrrh is to acknowledge his mortality." The offering of these gifts demonstrates that the Magi have come to believe in the divinity of the newborn child who has humbled himself to share in our humanity. We, too, have the opportunity to renew and deepen our faith in the Incarnation through regular prayer and meditation on the mysteries we have experienced.

In fact, the praying of the *Angelus* is a continuing devotion that draws our attention to the Incarnation and Birth of Christ. The *Angelus* is a prayer practice rich in doctrine and devotion. This practice commemorates the mystery of the Incarnation by reciting certain versicles and responses with three Hail Marys and a special concluding prayer. It is recited morning, noon and evening. The church bells ring--three tolls for each of the invocations and then it peals for one minute. When the bell is heard, people are invited to stop their work and pray.

The text of the prayer is as follows:

The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary: And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary . . .

Behold the handmaid of the Lord: Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary . . .

And the Word was made Flesh: And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary . . .

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

## Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray for one another.

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

# Archdiocese For the Military Services Collection

This weekend our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS). The AMS relies solely on private donors in support of its mission, "Serving those who serve" and its ministry to provide the same pastoral care and services to Catholics serving in the United States Armed Forces, enrolled in U.S. Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs' Medical Centers, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond U.S. borders, and the families of these populations, as does any other Catholic Diocese. While the salaries and retirement of Catholic military chaplains are paid for by the U.S. Government, the AMS receives no funding from government or the military for its programs and services, including the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program, which provides priests for home dioceses and for the military chaplaincy. To learn more about the AMS, go to www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.

# FIND THE PERFECT GIFT. ORG

This week we celebrate the final day of the Christmas season ending on the Feast of the Epiphany. As we recall the Three Magi bringing gifts to the infant Jesus we are reminded that each of us has gifts and presence to offer Jesus each day. As you are making New Year's Resolution, resolve to focus more on your relationship with God in prayer and to use your gifts to help others this year. Visit our parish website to learn more about opportunities for weekly prayer and how to get more involved in our community.

#### 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 the Season of Christmas, we will be singing the Mass propers from the setting "Mass of Wisdom: at all Weekend and Holy Day Liturgies.

 The Mass of Wisdom is included with the Insert attached to the front cover of the Breaking Bread book starting on Insert page 6.

# Put away Christmas Decorations and Clean Up!

The Christmas Season is over. We will begin putting away Christmas decorations on Monday January 9 between 1 and 3:30 p.m. We will finish the decoration clean up on Tuesday morning at 9:00 a.m. Any help at either time period is appreciated.

## Poinsettia Giveaway!

We will be giving away all of the Live Poinsettia plants <u>after</u> the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday January 8. Check with Ed Von Hagel after Mass to identify those that are available. Monday morning any that remain will be placed near the handicap entrance. Please leave the reusable plastic trays since we will need those at Easter. What ever plants are still in the church at the end of the day on Tuesday January 10 will be thrown away.

## Capital Repairs & Maintenance

- New wrought-iron railings were installed on the left and right sides of the sanctuary just before Christmas. These railings provide increased safety for those who use the stairs in those locations.
- The confessionals at the rear of the church were removed just before Christmas in preparation for the installation of new confessionals in late January or early February. The new confessionals will provide greater ease of access, the option of face-to-face or anonymous confession, better sound-proofing, better lighting and better ventilation.
- The contract to replace the air-conditioning chiller and condenser units was signed just before Christmas and work is scheduled to begin soon so that the project can be completed before the return of warmer weather.

Thank you to all who support the Capital Repair & Maintenance collection that funds these projects.

# Attention Weekday and Weekend Acolytes, Lectors, Ushers, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Please review and update your profile information with dates you are not available to serve in January (if any)). By updating your profile information we can avoid scheduling you when you are not available.

Federal holidays in January include

- Martin Luther King Day (Monday, January 16) and
- Inauguration Day (Friday, January 20).

# Social Justice & Community Service

# So Others Might Eat:

*Capitol Hill Pregnancy:* The next collection of practical items, including diapers, wipes, and formula, will be the weekend of February 4/5.

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.

# Religious Movie Seminar!

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

Jan. 8, Saint Barbara: Convert and Martyr of the Early Church—Vanessa Hessler, Thomas Trabacchi, Massimo Wertmuller (2012) 100 minutes

**Jan. 15, Power**—Conrad Veidt, Benita Hume, Frank Vosper (1934) 108 minutes

## Parish Community

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.

# Church Maintenance

Church Cleaning: 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 interested being a volunteer, please email social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863.

We'll clean the church again on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. New volunteers are always appreciated.

History: - The 4th double window on the south side of the church is a representation of the Miracle at Fanjeaux. In response to a challenge from a representative of the Albigenses, St. Dominic threw his writings into a fire. St. Dominic's writings were miraculously saved and expelled from the fire. As the fame of this miracle spread, St. Dominic was recognized as a champion of the truth.- Courtesy of Mary Moran.

2017WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR – JANUARY				
JANUARY	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION	
Sunday 8	All Masses	Second Collection: Church Missions within the	Church	
-		United States		
	12:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Lay Dominican Monthly Meeting	Priory/Parish Mtg. Rm	
	6:30 p.m.	Religious Movie Seminar	Parish Meeting Room	
Monday 9	1:00 p.m 3:30 p.m.	Put away Christmas Decorations	Church	
	7:00 p.m 8:30 p.m.	RCIA	Conference Room	
Tuesday 10	9.00 a.m 11:30 a.m.	Put away Christmas Decorations (Continued)	Church	
	6:30 p.m 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church	
Wednesday 11	6:30 p.m 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church	
	7:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.	Knights of Columbus O'Boyle	Parish Meeting Room	
Thursday 12	4:45 p.m 5:45 p.m.	Holy Hour	Church	
	7:00 p.m 7:30 p.m.	Young Adult Holy Half Hour	Church	
	7:30 p.m 9:00 p.m.	Young Adult Meeting	Parish Meeting Room	
Friday 13				
Saturday 14	9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Church Cleaning	Church	
	4:30 p.m 5:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church	
Sunday 15	All Masses	Second Collection: Capital Repair &	Church	
		Maintenance		
	6:30 p.m.	Religious Movie Seminar	Parish Meeting Room	

The Weekly Mass Intentions					
Sun. Jan. 8	The Epiphany of the Lord				
8:00 a.m.	BeHran Marcelino (healing)				
10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish				
5:00 p.m.	Shrine				
Mon. Jan. 9	The Baptism of the Lord				
8:00 a.m.	Infant of Prague Novena 1/9				
12:10 p.m.	James Khurt (healing)				
Tues. Jan. 10					
8:00 a.m.	Infant of Prague Novena 2/9				
12:10 p.m.	James Ferrer (healing)				
Wed. Jan. 11					
8:00 a.m.	Infant of Prague Novena 3/9				
12:10 p.m.	Marie Sebenius (healing)				
Thur. Jan. 12					
8:00 a.m.	Infant of Prague Novena 4/9				
12:10 p.m.	Saul Carrasquilla (healing)				
Fri. Jan. 13	St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the				
	Church				
8:00 a.m.	Infant of Prague Novena 5/9				
12:10 p.m.	Charlene Halaby (healing)				
Sat. Jan. 14					
9:00 a.m.	Infant of Prague Novena 6/9				
5:00 p.m.	Garcia Auroia (healing)				

# 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



In Memory of: Lorraine Carroll By: Friends

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

## Pray for the Sick

Jane Boorman, Col. Roscoe Campbell, 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, Cathryn Tsu, Mary Davis Williams, Frances White, Mrs. Pat White, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

Stewardship				
Offertory Collection	1/1/2017	\$7,749		
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	1/1/2017	\$365		

## FAITH DIRECT

The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful feast of Epiphany. I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* will automatically process any offertory or second collections donations of your choosing. Visit <a href="www.faithdirect.net">www.faithdirect.net</a> 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.

# **Christmas Flower Donations 2016**

In Memory of:

William Walton
John & Ida Walton
Dorothy Lancaster
Bertha and James Mitchell
Dorothy Lancaster
Helen Maul

Vincenta Hernandez

In Honor of:

St. Jude

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