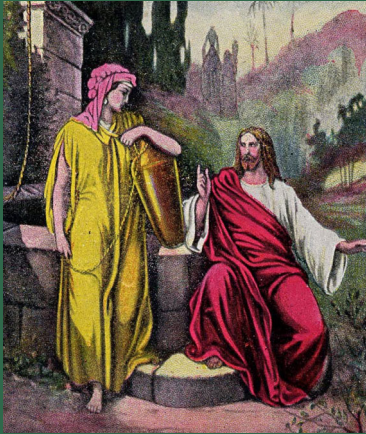


ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH



*"The water that I shall give will become
a spring of eternal life."*

~ John 4:14

Sunday, March 12, 2023

3rd Sunday of Lent

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Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

Parish Staff

Pastor: Father George P. Schommer, O.P.
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Business/Facilities Manager: Ed Von Hagel
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. - 12:15 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 March 13	Tuesday March 14	Wednesday March 15	Thursday March 16	Friday March 17	Saturday March 18	Sunday March 19
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>	Monthly Church Cleaning 9:30 a.m. <i>Church</i>	Donut Social After the 10:30 a.m. Mass <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>
Cenacle 7 p.m. <i>(via Zoom)</i>		Music Ministry Rehearsal 8 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Holy Hour & Lenten Series 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Stations of the Cross 5 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Scriptural Rosary 9:45 a.m. <i>Church</i>	Religious Movie Seminar 6:30 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>



Offertory — Week Ending March 5, 2023

Received *Numbers not available at time of printing.*
 Budgeted *Numbers not available at time of printing.*
 Deficit/Surplus *Numbers not available at time of printing.*

Let Us Pray For...

THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:

Frank & Phyllis Chesley and Bogomila Mireva.

THE RECENTLY BAPTIZED:

Lucia Belen Medrano, Penelope Lisette Medrano & Sienna Rose Medrano, daughters of Fernando & Nicole Medrano.

Sanctuary Candle



*For all families, especially those of our parish:
 that they be drawn to the Gospel
 and the sacraments of the church.*

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

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 12

5:00 p.m. (Vigil) Barb Mytych
 8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
 5:00 p.m. Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

Monday, March 13

8:00 a.m. Kim-Hue T. Nguyen
 12:10 p.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance

Tuesday, March 14

8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
 12:10 p.m. † Justin Vasquez

Wednesday, March 15

8:00 a.m. † Maryam Habash
 12:10 p.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance

Thursday, March 16

8:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance
 12:10 p.m. † Mary Elizabeth (O'Reilly) Schaffer

Friday, March 17

8:00 a.m. Mary Sperry
 12:10 p.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance

Saturday, March 18

9:00 a.m. Lenten Mass Remembrance



One of the blessings coming to the parish is the attendance of families with young children. Their presence demonstrates a commitment of the parents to raising their children in the practice of the faith, a commitment made at the baptism of each child. Attending weekly Sunday Mass becomes formative by example and practice. The whole family comes to worship God together so that the observance of the Lord's Day becomes normative in the family even as it is counter-cultural to the world around it. At Mass, parents have the opportunity to teach the basics of faith practice and to reinforce the prayers learned in the home. Learning how to genuflect with the right knee to the floor when entering or leaving the pew; making the sign of the Cross reverently with the right hand with the rest of the congregation; and praying the Our Father from memory with everyone. I remember my mother helping me to follow along in the worship missal and finding the hymn number in the hymnal. All this is to say that Jesus gave this important teaching, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven" (Mt 19:14). The presence at Mass of families with children indicates a new vitality growing within the parish and hope for the future.

As a parish, we have the responsibility to support parents in their duty to form and raise their children in the knowledge and practice of the faith. For many years now, because of small numbers, limited facilities, and no trained catechists, there has been no faith formation program here at St. Dominic's. Families with children were directed to St. Peter's on Capitol Hill to enroll in their program. An understandable result of this direction is that families with children registered at St. Peter's and no longer worshipped here at St. Dominic's. Now, as we work to rebuild and renew the life of our parish, the parish pastoral council is strongly supporting the implementation of a faith formation program so that families will find welcome and support. The Office of Catechesis of the Archdiocese is already providing support, guidance, and making available their large library of resources.

To begin, I invite parents with children to make their interest known to Margaret Maxwell in the parish office. Once we have a list, there will be a meeting with parents to listen to their needs, hopes, and desires so that a program can be developed in response. The goal is to have a program in place at the end of August or the beginning of September.

All parishioners are asked to support the parents of these children with words and gestures of kindness, patience, and welcome. Knowing the names of parents and children builds a community environment. Familiarity each week establishes stronger ties of friendship. Please pray for a successful development of a faith formation program and consider how you may be able to help. It could be as simple as reading a Bible story or providing logistical or administrative support.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

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

Solemn Chant Mass for St. Joseph

YOU'RE INVITED
ST. JOSEPH
SOLEMN CHANT MASS



ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2023 @ 7PM

501 6TH STREET, SW
L'ENFANT PLAZA METRO STOP

RECEPTION FOLLOWING IN PARISH MEETING ROOM

Parish Hospitality Committee

The parish council is forming a hospitality committee to support community building activities in the parish. If you like to plan events, create a welcoming environment, set a nice table, bake and or assist with serving food, we would welcome you to serve on this committee. If this is not the right time to join a committee but you love to bake and would be available to help at a specific event, we'd like to hear from you as well. We will be hosting a reception on March 20, following the Feast of St. Joseph Mass and need baked goods and snacks.

If you would like to learn more or become part of the committee, please contact Susan Timoney at stimoney@att.net

Dispensation from Obligation to Abstain from Meat on Friday, March 17th

Lent is the 40-day penitential period before Easter and the celebration of Jesus' resurrection from the dead. Guidelines in the United States require Catholics age 14 and older to abstain from eating meat on Fridays during Lent.

The memorial of Saint Patrick, March 17, 2023, falls on a Friday this year. It is well known that Saint Patrick's Day is a day of convivial celebration for many American Catholics.

Therefore, Cardinal Wilton Gregory, Archbishop of Washington, has decreed that on Friday, March 17, 2023, all Catholics of The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington, no matter where they may be, and all other Catholics actually present in the Archdiocese on that day, are, by his authority, dispensed from the obligation (can. 87 §1).

It is not required that anyone make use of this dispensation. Those who do wish to make use of it are encouraged to abstain from meat on some other day as part of their penitential practices during Lent.

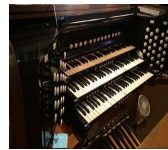
Parish Holy Week Choir: Triduum & Easter Sunday

The celebration of the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil), coupled with the Easter Sunday Mass are the most solemn and prayerful of the year. **We are welcoming all members of the parish to participate in the combined music ministry for these celebrations.**

- From Holy Thursday's proclamation of the Gloria until the Gloria is sung at the Easter Vigil, almost all music is sung without accompaniment (a cappella).
- The Proclamation of the Passion at Good Friday is chanted with Presider, soloists, and choir.
- The Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday celebrations are the most important celebrations of the liturgical year.

Rehearsals are conducted Wednesday nights 7-9 p.m. (March 15, 22, 29, and April 5) in the church. Please contact JC Cantrell for additional information. e-mail : (music@stdominicchurch.org)

Nathan's Organ Prelude & Postlude



Prelude:

Erbarm dich mein, o Herre Gott (O God, be Merciful to Me) - BWV 721 - J. A. Bach (1685-1750)

Postlude: Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn - BWV 630 - 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.

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.