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.

Archdiocese of Washington’s Website

The archdiocesan website, adv.org and adv.org/es (Spanish) is updated regularly with current information. Daily news and information about archdiocesan parishes, schools and ministries are also available at cathstan.org and elpreg.org for the Catholic Standard and the Spanish-language El Pregonero newspapers.

2023 Catholic High School Fair

Designed for rising 7th and 7th graders, the Archdiocese of Washington will host a Catholic High School Fair which features exhibits by all Catholic high schools in the archdiocese. This informative event will help future high school students learn more about high school options and the application process.

Date: Saturday, April 22, 2023  Time: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Location: Catholic University of America - Heritage Hall.
To register visit: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/adw-catholic-high-school-fair-feria-de-escuelas-católicas-secundarias-tickets-588290521787

Vocations Retreat for High School Girls

St. Mary of the Mills Parish will host CHOSEN, a vocation retreat for high school aged girls on Saturday, April 29, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. The day includes Mass, Adoration, Confession, praise and worship, talks, vocation stories, time for reflection, Q&A with a panel of women who are consecrated to the religious life, games, lunch and more! Fr. Anthony Lickteig, ADW Episcopal Vicar for Clergy and Secretary for Ministerial Leadership will celebrate Mass. The cost of the event is $15. Scholarships are available. This day is for girls on retreat to start to feel God’s call on their heart for their vocation, whatever that may be! We welcome all high school aged girls registering as individuals or with their school or parish youth group and leaders. Register NOW at https://www.stmaryslaurel.org/ywretreat. Email youth@stmaryofthemills.org with any questions.

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.

2023 Catholic High School Fair

For more info, email: SWMutualAid@serveyourcitydc.org
**Parish Staff**

Father George P. Schommer, O.P., Pastor  
Father Bede Shipps, O.P., Parochial Vicar  
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Tim Lang  
Maggie Smith

**Parish Finance Council**

Michael Grace  
Jackie Griffin  
Eileen Lyons

**Church Hours**

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.  
Sunday:  9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

* Or by appointment through the Parish Office

**Community Fellowship with Coffee & Donuts**

- Each Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. Mass, in the parish meeting room (unless otherwise noted).
- All are welcome.

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**Parish Information**

**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**  
  Please contact the Parish Office.

- **Anointing of the Sick of Prayers for the Dying**  
  Please contact the Parish Office.

**Matching Gift Opportunity**

The rededication of the Roosevelt Organ will be on Friday, October 27 at 7 p.m. To support the event with a concert organist, advertising, and hospitality, a $7,500 pledge has been made as a 1-for-1 matching gift. Donors are needed to receive the monies of this pledge. Please consider a gift for this purpose, payable to St. Dominic Church with the note for “Organ.”

**Nathan’s Organ Prelude & Postlude**

Prelude:  Mors et resurrectio  
("Death and Resurrection") - Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

Postlude:  V. T occata from Symphonie V in F Minor - Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1917)

**Church History**

On March 12, 1885, barely 10 years after the formal dedication of the church, a devastating fire destroyed the interior of the church. Paintings, statues, and sacred vessels were all saved. Renovations, including the splendid frescoes, an exquisite marble altar rail and baptismal font, were completed in a surprisingly short time. Many parishioners deemed the new interior even more beautiful than the original.

~ Courtesy of Mary Moran

"Even though you can do nothing on your own, you can do all things in him. His help will never fail you if you have confidence in his goodness. Place your entire physical and spiritual welfare in his hands. Abandon to the fatherly concern of his divine providence every care for your health, reputation, property, and business; for those near to you; for your past sins; for your soul’s progress in virtue and love of him; for your life, death, and especially your salvation and eternity—in a word, all your cares. Rest in the assurance that in his pure goodness, he’ll watch with particular tenderness over all your responsibilities and cares, arranging all things for the greatest good."

—St. John Eudes

**Church Hours**

Monday-Friday:  8:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. (8:00 a.m. only on a Federal Holiday)

Holy Days: See Bulletin or Website

**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.

Holy Days: See Bulletin or Website

**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.

Sunday:  9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

* Or by appointment through the Parish Office

**Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour**

Thursday:  7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Devotions—Rosary Shrine of St. Jude**

Rosary:  11:45 a.m. Monday-Friday  
(not on Federal holidays)

Scriptural Rosary:  9:45 a.m. Saturday

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**St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church**

**Parish News**

**Mass Intentions Availability**

Plenty of dates through 2023 are available now! If the date of your Mass intention isn’t important, nor does it need to be mentioned during the Mass or in the bulletin, “unannounced” Masses are also available. “Unannounced” Masses are said by the Friars in their chapel and in the other small chapels within the Priory and are said within one year of the intention request.

Contact the Parish Office, at (202) 554-7863 or email us at office@StDominicChurch.org.
We hear the testimony of St. Peter recorded in the Acts of the Apostles: “We are witnesses of all that [Jesus] did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead” (Acts 10:39-41).

All the testimony that we hear from Sacred Scripture and the magisterium of the Church are provided so that we, too, may come to faith in Jesus as God and savior from sin and death. His resurrection is not only an historical event of the past. His resurrection is now incorporated into each believer’s personal history. The reality and power of Christ’s resurrection become our source for freedom and victory over the power of sin and death. We who believe are filled with jubilation as we witness the empty tomb, the absence of Christ’s body from the tomb could be explained otherwise. Nonetheless the empty tomb was still an essential sign for all. Its discovery by the disciples was the first step toward recognizing the very fact of the Resurrection. This was the case, first with the holy women, and then with Peter. The disciple “whom Jesus loved” affirmed that when he entered the empty tomb and discovered “the linen cloths lying there”, “he saw and believed”. This suggests that he realized from the empty tomb’s condition that the absence of Jesus’ body could not have been of human doing and that Jesus had not simply returned to earthly life as had been the case with Lazarus” (CCC 638).

To learn more, visit www.streetevangelization.com. Anyone interested in receiving formation and establishing a team within the parish should contact the parish office.

The liturgical celebration of the Lord’s Resurrection lasts for 50 days. Ask the Lord for the graces of this season that you may see him with greater faith and have the courage to give witness to him.

Let us love one another and pray for each other, Fr. George P. Schommer, O.P. Pastor.

The Lord is Risen! He is Risen, indeed! Welcome to all who come to St. Dominic’s to celebrate the essential feast of our Catholic Christian faith. We have prepared for this celebration throughout the 40 days of Lent through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We have prepared for this feast through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Today, we begin our joyful and thankful celebration of the Lord’s Resurrection through which we are freed from the power of sin and death.

It is no secret that I was a fan of the television series “Law & Order” for many years. Each episode had a defined structure: the crime, the investigation, the trial and the testimony of witnesses, and at the end, the verdict. The most important element of this structure was the testimony of witnesses – looking for those people who would truthfully and credibly present the facts as they knew them. Different witnesses knew different facts, but all the facts presented had to do with the case. When the testimony of the witnesses was finished, it was believed that a complete picture of what happened had been presented to the jury for their judgment.

As we begin our celebration and reflection on the Resurrection of Jesus, we are depending upon the testimony of witnesses. We will be reading and proclaiming the scriptural record of these witnesses in the coming days and weeks. Why? So that we who hear the testimony of these witnesses will find them and their words true and credible. Their lived experience is presented so that we will come to a lively and personal faith that Jesus is truly the Son of God and is now raised from the dead.

The Catechism speaks directly regarding the empty tomb of Jesus recorded for us in today’s reading from the Gospel of John. “The first element we encounter in the framework of the Easter events is the empty tomb. In itself it is not a direct proof of Resurrection; the absence of Christ’s body from the tomb could be explained otherwise. Nonetheless the empty tomb was still an essential sign for all. Its discovery by the disciples was the first step toward recognizing the very fact of the Resurrection. This was the case, first with the holy women, and then with Peter. The disciple “whom Jesus loved” affirmed that when he entered the empty tomb and discovered “the linen cloths lying there”, “he saw and believed”. This suggests that he realized from the empty tomb’s condition that the absence of Jesus’ body could not have been of human doing and that Jesus had not simply returned to earthly life as had been the case with Lazarus” (CCC 640).
**The Week Ahead**

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**Cenacle**

7 p.m. (via Zoom)

**Music Ministry Rehearsal**

7 p.m. Church

**Holy Hour**

7 p.m. Church

**Scriptural Rosary**

9:45 a.m. Church

**Divine Mercy Devotional**

1 p.m. Church

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**Sanctuary Candle**

*For the intentions of Angel and Milagros Paraoan & Family*

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

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**Let Us Pray For…**

**THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:**

Frank & Phyllis Chesley and Bogomila Mireva.

**THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICES:**

All those serving in our country and around the world.

**THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

All of our beloved dead.

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**This Week’s Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, April 9**

8:00 p.m. (Vigil) Intention of the Celebrant

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

5:00 p.m. NO MASS

**Monday, April 10**

8:00 a.m. † Betty Schommer

12:10 p.m. Easter Octave Novena 1/9

**Tuesday, April 11**

8:00 a.m. Easter Octave Novena 2/9

12:10 p.m. † Gabriel Okafor

**Wednesday, April 12**

8:00 a.m. † Rev. Donald Brice

12:10 p.m. Easter Octave Novena 3/9

**Thursday, April 13**

8:00 a.m. Easter Octave Novena 4/9

12:10 p.m. † Rev. Donald Brice

**Friday, April 14**

8:00 a.m. † Rev. Donald Brice

12:10 p.m. Easter Octave Novena 5/9

**Saturday, April 15**

9:00 a.m. Easter Octave Novena 6/9

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**Parish News**

**Sunday, April 16, 2023**

3 p.m.

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Confession available
- Benediction

Join with us!

501 6th Street, SW
L’Enfant Plaza Metro

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**More Events in 2023**

**Sunday, June 11**

Corpus Christi Procession & Parish Picnic

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**Friday, October 27**

Roosevelt Organ Rededication Concert & Reception