

Luke 24:46



St. Dominic Church April 14, 2024

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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 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

Liturgy of the Hours—Priory Chapel NEW!

Lauds — Mon-Fri: 7:00 a.m. Sat: 8:00 a.m.

Sun: 7:00 a.m.

Vespers — Mon-Fri: 5:30 p.m. (w/ Office of Readings)

Sat-Sun: 5:30 p.m. (Rosary precedes Vespers each day at 5:10 p.m.)

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

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 or Prayers for the Dying

Please contact the Parish Office.

Church & Parish Office Addresses & Hours

Church — 501 6th Street, SW Parish Office/Priory — 630 E Street, SW Washington, DC 20024 Phone: (202) 554-7863 Fax: (202) 554-0231

Web address — www.StDominicChurch.org E-mail — Office@StDominicChurch.org FaceBook — stdominicchurchdc

> Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Church Hours

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday: 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Sunday: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Federal Holidays: 7 a.m.-9 a.m.

Community Fellowship with Coffee & Donuts

Sundays after the 10:30 a.m. Mass, in the parish meeting room.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



The Gospel reading for this third Sunday of Easter begins with the recollections of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. They came to recognize the risen Jesus in the breaking of bread. The experience was so powerful that they described their

interaction with Jesus along the road as having their hearts burning within them.

We, too, can hope for this same experience at every Mass. The living word of God is proclaimed and explained in the homily. This word has the grace to inflame our hearts with love, understanding, and motivation to live according to this word. Then, Jesus himself, in the person of the priest, takes the bread placed on the altar, says the blessing, breaks it, and gives It to us. He is truly present in this most Blessed Sacrament, a reality that we can see with the eyes of faith. He is alive in his resurrected and glorified body. He remains with us in the tabernacles of our hearts and churches. He remains with us until the end of time when his work of salvation and redemption comes to fulfillment.

When we receive Jesus in Holy Communion, Christ becomes our food, the soul is filled with grace, and the pledge of future glory is given to us. We cannot live without the Eucharist. We cannot fully live without the Mass in which the Eucharist is celebrated and received.

Sadly, many baptized Catholics do not regularly participate in Holy Mass and the life of the Church. While we may lament this reality, we also have a mandate from Jesus to do something about it. Most likely, we all know a Catholic or two who is not regularly practicing the faith. Pray for that person. Invite him/her to accompany you to Sunday Mass. This outreach is most effective when we are actively engaged in love and friendship with the other person. Ultimately, it is the Lord who touches hearts as he did for the disciples on the road to Emmaus. Be not afraid to invite someone to this encounter.

At the Easter Vigil Mass and at Mass on the Second Sunday of Easter, four people had a personal encounter with Christ through the Easter Sacraments of Initiation. Armando and Jada Kiest were Baptized, Confirmed, and received the Eucharist for the first time. Paul Lenoir and Daniel Padilla, already baptized as Catholics, completed the sacramental journey of full initiation through the reception of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

They all have participated in the OCIA since last September, receiving the grace of the Lord and formation in the Catholic faith. We welcome them to full participation in our parish life and look forward to their growth in their relationship with the Lord.

Welcoming these people is a good occasion to encourage any baptized Catholic who has not received Confirmation and/or Holy Eucharist to pursue the path to full initiation into our Catholic faith and life. Please contact me through the parish office. Also, this is an occasion to encourage all of us to invite someone to encounter Jesus in the Catholic Church. The OCIA will begin again in the autumn.

During the past week, the terrazzo flooring in the aisles of the church were cleaned and polished. Several years have passed since the last polishing and good stewardship dictates that scheduled maintenance is important. I hope you will appreciate the restored glimmer. It's far more beautiful than the red carpet that used to cover the floor.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

George P. Schommer, O.P.

Pastor

COVER IMAGE:

Christ's First Appearance to the Apostles in Jerusalem By Peter Paul Rubens (1577-1640)

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
April 15	April 16	April 17	April 18	April 19	April 20	April 21
A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room Music Ministry Rehearsal 7 p.m. Church	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room Holy Hour 7 p.m. Church	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room	Becoming Catholic 10 - 11:30 a.m. Parish Conf Room	Donut Social after the 10:30 a.m. Mass Parish Mtg Room

Sanctuary Candle



For increased reverence and awe at the gift of the Eucharist, especially as we all prepare for the National Eucharistic Congress in July.

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

Let Us Pray For...

THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:

Mary Frances Widner, Dr. Tseghai Berhe, Nora Courtney, Eileen Maturi, and Frances White.

THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICES:

All those serving in our country and around the world.

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

All of our beloved dead.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 14

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5:00 p.m. ((Vigil)	† Andrew	Troanovitch

8:00 a.m. Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

10:30 a.m. Kelly Knox

5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, April 15

8:00 a.m. † Rosemary Lewis

12:10 p.m. † Major General Robert H. Scales

Tuesday, April 16

8:00 a.m. † Mary Pat Breitfelder 12:10 p.m. † Bob Breitfelder

Wednesday, April 17

8:00 a.m. Joyce K. S. Babiak 12:10 p.m. † Jean Rossi

Thursday, April 18

8:00 a.m. † Irene Butchkosky 12:10 p.m. † Mary Kay Prowther

Friday, April 19

8:00 a.m. † Ken & Louise Chisholm 12:10 p.m. † Lou & Roy Rossiter

Saturday, April 20

9:00 a.m. † Ann & Joe McConnell

You're Invited to Solemn Despers



St. Dominic Catholic Church

501 6th Street, SW L'Enfant Plaza Metro



You're Invited

Solemn

Vespers

The Ascension of the Lord

Sunday May 12, 2024 7:00 p.m.

St. Dominic Church

Reception to follow in the Parish Hall

501 6th Street, SW L'Enfant Plaza Metro

Why the Church Bell is Not Ringing

During the days of the Paschal Triduum and Easter, the digital controller for the bell in the belltower malfunctioned several times. It has been removed and sent out for service. Hopefully, it will be an easy repair and returned quickly. In the meantime, here is the inscription on the bell:



Parish office replica of the tower bell.

Text:

Laudo Deum verum, plebum voco, conjugo* clerum defunctus ploro, pestem fugo, festa decoro funera plango, fulgura frango, sabata pango ex[c]ito lentos, dissipo ventos, paco crucentos

St. Dominic's Church, Washington City, D.C. McShane Bell Foundry Baltimore, MD 1898

* It seems that this is usually "congrego."

Translation:

I praise the true God, call the people, gather the clergy I mourn the dead, drive away pestilence, grace festivals I lament at funerals, shatter lightning, sound the coming of the Sabbath, arouse the indolent, dissipate the winds, and appease the avengeful.

Leo XIII, Pope; William McKinley, President, U.S.; James Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore; Fr. F.L. Kearney, O.P., Provincial of St. Joseph Province; Fr. J.P. Moran, O.P., Prior of St. Dominic; Fr. J.P. Valleley, O.P., Sub-Prior of St. Dominic; Fr. F.A. Spencer, O.P., Ex-Provincial; Fr. J.A. Bokel, O.P.; Fr. T.P. O'Rourke, O.P.; William Johnson, President of Holy Name Society; Mary A. O'Connor, President of Our Lady's Society; Margaret Travers, President of the Blessed Virgin Sodality; March, 1888.

Monthly Offertory for March 2024

Received	\$20,361
Budgeted	<u>\$19,230</u>
Deficit/Surplus	1,131
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Received via Faith Direct	\$20,655
Budgeted via Faith Direct	<u>\$15,125</u>
Deficit/Surplus	\$ 5,530
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March Deficit/Surplus	\$ 6,660
Deficit/Surplus from July 1	\$13,760
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Offertory

Week Ending April 7, 2024

Received	\$6,320
Budgeted	\$3,846
Deficit/Surplus	\$2,474

Poor Box Donations & Disbursements

For the quarter (January-March) ending March 31:

Because of the generosity of so many parishioners, the following disbursements were made to:

• Funerals—\$3,600

Thank you for your kindness and generosity to our Poor Box.

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, Venmo or by giving it to one of the priests. Your generosity enables the parish to

assist the poor with one-meal gift cards, rent assistance, utility assistance, and other important, local social concerns and organizations.

Mass Intentions - Now Available Online

Mass intention for 2024 are available by calling the parish office (202/554-7863), by emailing the parish office



(office@stdominicchurch.org), or by visiting the parish website and clicking on the "Mass Intentions" header.

ONLY intentions for "Announced Masses" are available online and payable by credit card. You will still need to contact the parish office for "Unannounced" and "Gregorian Mass" intentions.

CREDIT CARD payments now accepted for ALL transactions.

Parishioner House Blessings

The Church offers a blessing of the home with the Easter water during the Easter season. Consider having your home blessed by Fr. George, the pastor at St. Dominic's. Call or email the parish office soon to schedule a day and



time in the Easter season. Visits will be coordinated as best as possible.

Easter Water



During the Easter Vigil Mass, a large quantity of water was blessed for the Sacrament of Baptism and the renewal of our baptismal commitment. The font of this Easter water is located in front of the ambo and Paschal Candle. All are welcome to bring a bottle to

take this water home. With this water, we can renew our baptismal promises daily and bless ourselves in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Pilgrimage Registration

We are thrilled to welcome you to the upcoming **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage**, which will travel through the **Archdiocese** of **Washington** from June 7 – June 9, 2024.

On Saturday, **June 8, 2024**, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will have a public Mass and Procession in D.C. **All are welcome!**

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington will also have a stationary pilgrimage for those with limited mobility, or other disability, at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine at the same time as the walking Procession.

Please, complete the registration information form by Monday, **April 15, 2024** — visit <u>National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Registration - Archdiocese of Washington (adw.org)</u>.

If you are attending with your family or group, please register **each person separately**.

Schedule for June 8, 2024

8:00 a.m.: Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

<u>9:00 a.m.</u>: Eucharistic Procession though the Brookland neighborhood of D.C., stopping at The Catholic University of America (CUA), various religious communities, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) building, and ending at the St. John Paul II National Shrine.

<u>12:00</u> <u>noon</u>: Benediction at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine.

<u>12:30 p.m.</u>: Catechesis on the Eucharist led by Archdiocese of Washington Auxiliary Bishop Evelio Menjivar and a young person from the Archdiocese of Washington.

There will be time at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine for rest and refreshments.

The theme for the Procession will be *Walk with Jesus: To Jesus Through Mary*. Each stop on the Procession will have a short period of prayer and the language at each prayer session will alternate between English and Spanish.





Visit St. Dominic's website!

For Those with a Hearing Impediment

The parish has a number of personal

listening system receivers with an over-theear 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.

Interested in Joining St. Dominic Parish?

We would love to welcome you into our parish! Visit StDominicChurch.org and on the landing page click on Parish Registration Form. Be sure to fill out both sides and mail it or email it to the parish office. Paper copies of the registration form can be found in the church and in the Parish Office.



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.