Do not be afraid of those who kill the body.

*Matthew 10:28*
Pastoral Staff
Father George P. Schommer, O.P., Pastor
Father Bede Shipps, O.P., Parochial Vicar

Parish Staff
Pastoral Associate - Margaret Maxwell
Business/Facilities Manager - Ed Von Hagel
Liturgical/Music Director - J.C. Cantrell

Parish Pastoral Council
Philip Clarke  Doris Stukes
Jules Hurst  Susan Timoney
Tim Lang  Carrie Traverso
Maggie Smith

Parish Finance Council
Thomas Bolger  MJ Morrow
Michael Grace  Josef Neusser
Eileen Lyons  Carol Pica

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

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

St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church
A key expression of our Christian discipleship is love of neighbor and service to those in need. Jesus makes this point very clear when he says, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did to me” (Mt 25:40). And St. James brings the point home when he writes, “faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead” (2:17). These teachings inform and remind us that our neighbor in need is brother and sister to Jesus, and, by extension to each of us since we are all members of the same family. The bond of charity unites us to the Lord and to one another. As St. Paul writes, “If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it” (1 Cor 12:26).

Venerable Fulton Sheen asks the following questions worthy of our consideration:

Do the members of the Church understand to its full extent this oneness with one another through the Spirit? Do those who retain their faith feel sad at the loss of that faith by those who once possessed it? Do those who love God grieve at sinners leaving the path of peace? Do those who are wealthy realize that the poor of the Church have need of their superfluities? Do national boundaries blind our vision to that wider outlook, that supranationalism which is the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood in Christ? When the Church is being persecuted in one part of the world, when churches are pillaged, bishops exiled, the faithful martyred, do we feel that their pain and their sorrow are ours as, as much as the pain in the arm is the pain in the whole body?

Christian discipleship and service is lived internally and externally. There are ways of serving one another in the parish, giving of our time, talents, and financial support. Beyond our walls and property boundaries, there are ways of manifesting the presence, mercy, and love of Jesus. To highlight a few:

Extending a personal invitation to a family member, friend, or neighbor to consider becoming Catholic; and being willing to accompany that person through the process. The parish is beginning to advertise and invite people to Inquiry, the first open-ended phase of the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). In this phase, the foundational Christian truths are shared, and questions are welcome. The unbaptized, the baptized non-Catholic, and those Catholics who need to complete the sacraments of initiation with Confirmation are all invited to Inquiry. More information and registration information is in the bulletin and on the parish website.

The first Friday of each month is the occasion when the parish partners with the Sant’ Egidio community to bring food, clothing, and conversation to the homeless living on the streets in our city. If you can walk, say “hello” and hand someone a sandwich, you will fit right in. If you are unable to assist in person, new clothing, especially socks, is very useful and helpful. These items can be dropped off at the parish office this week and next. See the advertisement in the bulletin for more information.

We are partnering with Riverside Baptist Church here in Southwest DC to provide school supplies to needy children in our neighborhood. The items needed are pens, pencils, crayons, and markers. NEW ITEMS ONLY. Supplies may be placed in the labeled boxes in the church or dropped by the parish office. Monetary donations may be made for the purchase of backpacks. All items or donations must be received by July 16. Please see the advertisement in this bulletin for more information.

Lastly, there is the virtual Poor Box, to which many are generous. The parish partners with Catholic Charities to review need and provide assistance. The partnership has existed for many years and works very well.

These are some of the ways the parish brings Christ and ministers to Christ in the distressing disguise of the poor. No doubt there are many hidden acts of charity being done by individual members of the parish. All these expressions of kindness and generosity give witness to Jesus and strengthen our identity as disciples of the Lord. Thank you to all who are participating.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George P. Schommer, O.P.
Pastor
**Sanctuary Candle**

*For safety and blessings upon all travelers, especially for families during these months of summer vacation.*

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

**Let Us Pray For...**

**THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:**
Frank & Phyllis Chesley, Nora Courtney, Bogomila Mireva and Frances White.

**THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICES:**
All those serving in our country and around the world.

**THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**
Barbara Sanders, John Chisholm and Karl Shipps.
Scriptural Rosary

Can we interest you in joining our group to pray for your intentions? We are a small group, but would like to grow. We meet after the 9 a.m. Mass every Saturday at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary to say the Scriptural Rosary.

Each week, a different member leads the group and we pray for their petition and national or world intercession. No rosary necessary. We will provide you with a Scriptural Rosary booklet to use. Join us one Saturday and check us out.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults or “OCIA”

Are you searching for...
A deeper relationship with God?
An encounter with Jesus Christ?
A sense of belonging in a Christian community?
A greater fulfillment of your purpose in life?

Have you been curious...
What Catholics believe about God, Jesus, Mary, and the Saints?
What Catholics believe is God’s plan for human life and happiness?
What makes the Catholic Church different from other Christian churches?
What is the meaning and purpose of the sacraments?
What are the benefits of going to Mass?
How Catholics serve the poor and engage in social justice?
Why the church teaches what it does about human life, sexuality and happiness?

Consider living your life as a Catholic
Register for Inquiry – a casual meeting format to begin answering questions and curiosities. General topics will be presented to inform and facilitate conversation. Participation does not mean a commitment to become Catholic. Meetings begin after Labor Day on Saturdays, 10 - 11:30 am. Register today. Scan the QR code below.

St. Dominic Cenacle—Mondays

In this Augustine Institute series Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God’s love and mercy interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

Join Cenacle on Monday Evenings at 7 p.m.
Please join by Zoom, using the link https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84105587170
The meeting ID: 841 0558 7170

Lost & Found

Our Lost & Found is located in the Parish Office. To inquire about a lost item, please call the Parish Office at (202) 554-7863 or email us at office@stdominicchurch.org. Items are donated or discarded quarterly.
**Offertory**

**Week Ending June 18, 2023**

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**Electronic Giving Options**

- **Faith Direct**
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**Mass Intentions Availability**

Plenty of dates through 2023 are available now! Or, 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.

**Faith Direct**

We are so grateful for those who continue to generously support the parish through Faith Direct. For those using weekly envelopes, we hope you consider giving by Faith Direct by visiting https://membership.faithdirect.net/DC117 and signing up.

**Leave a Legacy**

Please remember St. Dominic Church in your will and estate planning. Your thoughtfulness will enable the parish to maintain its presence, ministry and outreach in Southwest Washington.

**Bequest Received**

The parish recently received a bequest from a longtime parishioner that enables the replacement of outdated and malfunctioning sound system equipment in the church. A gift that will benefit many people for years to come. Please pray for all our benefactors living and deceased.

**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 one-meal gift cards, rent assistance, utility assistance, and other important, local social concerns and organizations.

**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.” The total amount received in donations as of June 20 is $8,315. Thank you! Additional gifts will support the final phase of the organ restoration.

**Nathan’s Organ Prelude & Postlude**

**Prelude:** Not available at time of printing.

**Postlude:** Not available at time of printing.
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.

For Those with a Hearing Impediment

"If a tiny spark of God's love already burns within you, do not expose it to the wind, for it may get blown out...Stay quiet with God. Do not spend your time in useless chatter...Do not give yourself to others so completely that you have nothing left for yourself."

–St. Charles Borromeo

To support the National Eucharistic Revival, Bishop Barron’s file series, The Mass, FREE to watch online!

Walk through the Mass with Bishop Barron and be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.

See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm; how it revolves around a call from God and a response from his people, the Church; and most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist.

Watch for FREE!

Click the button above to start watching or go to https://videos.wordonfire.org/themassepisode1.

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God our Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we are adopted as your beloved sons and daughters.

At Pentecost you poured out the Holy Spirit upon Our Lady and the Apostles while they were at prayer.

Pour out that same Holy Spirit upon us as we meditate upon the mysteries of Christ contained in the Most Holy Rosary.

Enlighten our faith, strengthen our hope, and set us ablaze with love for you and our neighbor.

Graciously grant us St. Dominic’s own zeal for the salvation of souls.

Bless the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage.

May it lead many souls to Jesus through Mary, so that we may know you and your saving power now and for all eternity.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!
St. Dominic, pray for us!

Visit St. Dominic’s website!