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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

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

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

All are welcome.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



"Be careful what you wish for." This oft-used idiom presents a kind of human wisdom that sometimes getting the things you desire may bring unforeseen and unpleasant consequences. Our wishes may be motivated by a desire for power, greed,

or selfishness, none of which are virtuous. In today's first reading, King Solomon is given the opportunity to ask something of God. With humility, he asks for "an understanding heart to judge [God's] people and to distinguish right from wrong" and God was pleased with this request. Solomon's request was for that grace that would enable him to fulfill his vocation in service to God's people and thereby to God himself. His behavior is instructive. Asking God for the graces that we need to be the man or woman God created us to be is a humble submission to God's ordering for our lives. Asking God for the graces we need to live the vocation of marriage, as husband or wife, is a request for a greater love than our own so that we may more perfectly love another. Praying sincerely "thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" acknowledges God power and loving providence over all creation. Our lives as disciples of Jesus teach us to seek God's ways and not our own. We learn the wisdom of surrender and trust, a wisdom that pleases the Lord and brings us an abundance of blessings.

How quickly summer is passing! Soon the parish will initiate its formation programs for Becoming Catholic and Home Cenacles. Becoming Catholic has its most effective outreach through a personal invitation. All of us, in one way or another, know someone who is seeking for God, meaning and purpose in life. We can assist them with the invitation to encounter Jesus as we have. We can assist them with prayer and accompaniment. (It's difficult to take the first steps alone.) We can encourage their curiosity and questions, helping them to understand that registering for the formation program is not a commitment to become a Catholic. "Come and see" are the words of Jesus that can be very gentle and effective here.

We have been promoting Home Cenacles for a few weeks now. There has been little response. The variety of locations and times is an intentional offering so that more parishioners will have the opportunity to learn more about their Catholic faith and deepen their relationship with Jesus. These Cenacles are open to all, not just parishioners. There are many non-practicing Catholics in our buildings or neighborhoods who would benefit from the learning and fellowship of the Home Cenacles. Please consider joining a cenacle yourself and inviting someone to join you.

This coming Friday is the first Friday of the month. On that evening, all parishioners are invited to join with the Sant' Egidio community to serve the needs of the poor and homeless on the streets of Washington. Sandwiches are made and distributed. Clothing items, especially socks, are welcome and can be dropped off at the parish office.

This coming Sunday, we collaborate with Riverside Baptist Church to distribute school supplies to the children of Southwest DC. Volunteers are welcome at Riverside Baptist Church from 12 noon to 3 pm to assist. A trunk load of supplies was collected here at St. Dominic's as well as \$830.

Thank you for your generosity.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

Fr. George P. Schommer, O.P.

Pastor

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.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July 31	August 1	August 2	August 3	August 4	August 5	August 6
A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. Parish Mtg Room Cenacle 7 p.m. (via Zoom)	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	Scriptural Rosary 9:30 a.m. Church	Holy Couples & Married Saints 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Parish Mtg Room Donut Social after the 10:30 a.m. Mass Parish Mtg Room

Sanctuary Candle



That young people would entrust themselves to the joy of the Gospel, and oppose the currents of secularism and materialism.

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, Eileen Maturi, Bogomila Mireva, Pia Pell and Frances White

THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICES:

All those serving in our country and around the world.

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Phyllis Ann Desantis and Barbara Sanders.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 30

5:00 p.m. (Vigil) † Robert & Susan Zelenak

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

5:00 p.m. † Leo Cuccias

Monday, July 31

8:00 a.m. † Rev. Gerard A. Trancone

12:10 p.m. † Melvin McCoy

Tuesday, August 1

8:00 a.m. † Nancy Egan 12:10 p.m. Nathan & Beth Clark

Wednesday, August 2

8:00 a.m. Vi Baluyut

12:10 p.m. Michelle Kormos & Missy Noel

Thursday, August 3

8:00 a.m. † Jerry Trancone 12:10 p.m. † Barbara Sanders

Friday, August 4

8:00 a.m. Lynn Maxwell

12:10 p.m. † Phyllis Ann DeSantis

Saturday, August 5

9:00 a.m. † Joseph Stukes

Becoming Catholic

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.

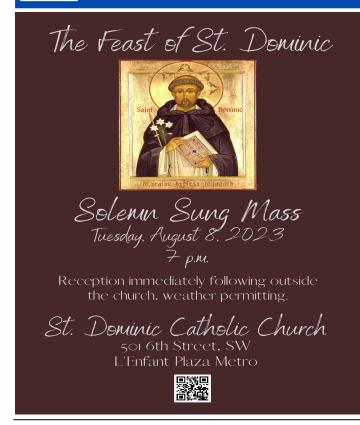
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St. Dominic Neighborhood Cenacles Forming NOW!

Small groups (Cenacles) will meet in homes or meeting space on a variety of days and times. These meetings are intentionally informal and facilitated by parishioners, who are trained and prepared with professional presentation material. Each cenacle will study the same material so that we as a parish can be united and formed together.

We are encouraging and inviting you to register for the cenacle group that best fits your availability. You are not restricted to a geographical area. Please see the list below and register through the parish office (office@stdominicchurch.org or 202-554-7863).

If you are interested in this initiative, but cannot find a group that fits your schedule, please contact the parish office. We'll see what can be done.

Hosts & Frequency

Host	Day & Time	Frequency	Location
Alice Coulter	Tuesday 7 pm	First & Third	5413 15th Ave., Hyattsville, MD 20782
Blake Musgrove	Wednesday	Second & Fourth	DC Public Library 900
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Doris Stukes	Saturday 10 am	First & Third	St. Dominic Church
Joe Wasiak	Tuesday 6:30 pm	Second & Fourth	Wharf Marina Boaters Lounge SW, DC
Mary Moran & Mary Michaud	Wednesday 2 pm	Second & Fourth	700 7th St, SW DC
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Maryalice Locke	Monday 7 pm	First & Third	ZOOM
Tim Lang	Monday 7 pm	Second & Fourth	6803 Stoneybrooke Ln, Alexandria, VA 22306
Vince & Mitzi Sobash	Tuesday 7 pm	First & Third	555 E St, SW DC

Visit our website to read the entire letter from Fr. George explaining this new initiative.

Offertory

Week Ending July 23, 2023

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Budgeted Financial information not available at time of printing.

Deficit/Surplus

Electronic Giving Options





Faith Direct

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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.

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.

Faith Direct

We are so grateful for those who continue to FAITH DIRECT 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.

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.

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 so far is \$11,615. Thank you! Additional gifts will support the final phase of the organ restoration.

2023 Annual Appeal Update



Thanks to the generosity of 86 families, our parish has exceeded our 2023 Annual Appeal goal of \$44,800 (we

currently have \$48,356 committed as of this past week). If you haven't yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider doing so today by visiting **appeal.adw.org**. By donating today you will be helping to support more than 70 ministries vital to the life of our local Church. Also, 50% of Annual Appeal gifts received over our parish goal will be rebated back to the parish. Thank you for your generosity!



From the Catechism of the Catholic Church. A weekly, continuous reading of the Article on the Sacrament of the Eucharist:

1339 Jesus chose the time of Passover to fulfill what he had announced at Capernaum: giving his disciples his Body and his Blood:

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover meal for us, that we may eat it...." They went ... and prepared the Passover. And when the hour came, he sat at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you I shall not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.".... And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after supper, saying, "This cup which is poured out for you is the New Covenant in my blood." [164]

1340 By celebrating the Last Supper with his apostles in the course of the Passover meal, Jesus gave the Jewish Passover its definitive meaning. Jesus' passing over to his father by his death and Resurrection, the new Passover, is anticipated in the Supper and celebrated in the Eucharist, which fulfills the Jewish Passover and anticipates the final Passover of the Church in the glory of the kingdom.

COVER IMAGE:

"The Hidden Treasure" By Sir John Everett Millais

Circa: 1860

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 in sights 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.



The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. This year will conclude with a National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, Indiana from July 17-21, 2024. To learn more about this the movement a n d congress, www.eucharisticrevival.org and consider attending the congress. If you are interested, please inform Margaret Maxwell in the parish office (office@stdominincchurch.org or 202-554-7863). If there is enough interest, we may be able to obtain a group rate or join up with another parish to do so.

Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage Novena



This weekend, we join the Dominican friars and hundreds of people associated with them to pray the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage Novena for the seventh of nine months. Prayer cards can be found in the church literature racks and at the entrances of the church.

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!

Sant'Egidio — First Friday, August 4





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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, 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.