Command me to come to you on the water.

Matthew 14:28

St. Dominic Church
August 13, 2023
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 & 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.
In the Gospel reading today, the disciples of Jesus are in a boat on the Sea of Galilee. It is a pitch-black night, and they are being tossed about by high waves and violent winds. When Jesus approaches them, walking on the water, they were terrified and cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.”

His words remind us that overcoming fear with courage comes with our faith in him as God. He approaches us in our greatest fears and needs. Walking on the water, he clearly demonstrates his power over the created world. He invites us to believe and to trust. He invites us to come to him in the midst of our fears. It means stepping out in faith. When we have that sinking feeling of drowning in life’s hard circumstances, we can confidently reach out to him. He is always there.

Living with faith in Jesus as God and man provides great assurance in daily life. He calms the storms; he calms our hearts. Keep in mind and live by these words of St. Peter, “Cast all your cares upon him because he cares for you” (1 Pt 5:7).

Following up on the announcement made last weekend by Nathan Ringkamp, today is the last weekend of Nathan’s employment as the organist of the parish. He has submitted his resignation so that he can pursue graduate studies at the Peabody Institute at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. On behalf of the parish, I thank Nathan for his commitment to sacred music here at the parish and enabling the congregation to pray and worship God through his musical gifts. We will miss his talent, his smile, and his presence at parish events. Please join me in praying for Nathan as he takes another step in his education and training as an organist. There will be a farewell reception during the coffee and donuts time after the 10:30 Mass today.

This coming Tuesday, August 15 is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. that day.
| Sunday, August 13 | 5:00 p.m. (Vigil) | In thanksgiving—Mary Ann Hope |
| Friday, August 18 | Scriptural Rosary | 9:30 a.m. Church |
| Saturday, August 19 | Holy Couples & Married Saints | 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Parish Mtg Room |
| Sunday, August 20 | Donut Social after the 10:30 a.m. Mass | Parish Mtg Room |

**Sanctuary Candle**

*That those who suffer will experience the redemptive meaning of suffering through friendship with Jesus Christ.*

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.
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.

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

**Monthly Offertory for July 2023**

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**Summary**

- June Deficit/Surplus: $( 2,137)
- Deficit/Surplus from July 1: $( 2,137)

**Offertory**

**Week Ending August 6, 2023**

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**Electronic Giving Options**

- Faith Direct
- Venmo

**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 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 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.

**National “Make-A-Will” Month**

August is National “Make-A-Will” Month, which serves as an annual reminder to think about your estate plans and the legacy you can leave with the gifts God has given you. As you consider your plans, we would be most grateful if you would make a provision in your will, trust, or estate plan for St. Dominic Catholic Church.

Your legacy gift to the parish will support our mission to preach the Gospel and make disciples, 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.

**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 $11,765. Thank you! Additional gifts will support the final phase of the organ restoration.
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 we but paused for a moment to consider attentively what takes place in this Sacrament of the Eucharist, I am sure that the thought of Christ’s love for us would transform the coldness of our hearts into a fire of love and gratitude.”

—St. Teresa of Avila

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.
St. Dominic Cenacle—Mondays
Bishop Robert Barron’s The Mass series

Join Cenacle on Monday Evenings at 7 p.m.
Please join by zoom with the following link
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84105587170
Meeting ID: 841 0558 7170
or by phone +13017158592,,84105587170# US
(Washington DC)

Scriptural Rosary—Saturdays
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.

Visit St. Dominic’s website!

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.