Third Sunday of Lent
March 24, 2019

“Sir, leave the fig tree for another year; perhaps it will bear fruit.”

Luke 13:8-9
Mark Your Calendar

SOME

St. Dominic’s next SOME (So Others Might Eat) meal is Saturday, March 30th. We need volunteers to prepare meatloaves and macaroni and cheese for the meal. Baking pans and sign up sheets are available in the Church’s main vestibule.

Faith & Forgiveness Dinner & Talk

Join others at St. Peter Church on Saturday, March 30th for dinner and a conversation with Mary & Jerry Lenaburg on Faith and Forgiveness, as they share wit and wisdom from their 30 year journey. They have faced many challenges over the 30 years, including addictions, changing of careers, loss of parents, challenging parenting issues including caring for their profoundly disabled daughter until her death in 2014. Against the odds, they have remained faithful to God and one another learning to let go of expectations and allow Him to be the center of their love story which is still being written. You will leave inspired that walking through hard things can be beautiful.

Babysitting will be provided in St. Peter’s School for children 12 months+ immediately after the 5pm Mass. Nursing babies are welcome at the talk. A casual dinner will begin at 6pm with the talk starting at 6:45pm.

Donations are always welcome but not required. Please RSVP to parishevents@saaintpetersdc.org by March 26th and include names/ages of children you will be dropping off for babysitting.

Lay Fraternity Lenten Retreat

The Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic’s Invites you to a Lenten Retreat with our Prior Fr. Jacob Restrick, OP

Saturday, April 6th
9:30am—3pm
St. Dominic’s Parish Hall

All are welcome.

Please RSVP to Martha Maturi Piescik
(703) 608-5285

Passiontide Service

The Psalms Fulfilled

Saturday, April 6th

St. Dominic Church invites all to Passiontide

- 6:30pm—Confessions
- 7:00pm—Service
- 8:00pm—Refreshments (Parish Mtg Rm)

The Way Retreat for Survivors of Abuse

As the Church continues to minister to all survivors of abuse, the Archdiocese of Washington is sponsoring retreats for survivors. The Archdiocese will offer a men’s retreat on April 5th-7th, 2019, and a women’s retreat on April 12th-14th, 2019 for survivors. These retreats are an occasion for survivors to reflect on God’s plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments. For more information and to register go to https://adw.org/the-way-retreat/or call Deborah McDonald at (301) 853-4466.

Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center

Our next collection of diapers, wipes and formula for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be the weekend of April 6th & 7th.

You may place your donation of diapers, wipes and formula, in front of the pulpit. Please show your support for young families who have chosen life.
**This Week:**

**Sunday, March 24**

**NEWLY ADDED CONFESSION TIME ON SUNDAY!**

*9:45AM* (NEW TIME)

& AFTER THE 10:30AM MASS

**Sunday, March 24**

**RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR**

*The Chosen*

6:30pm—Parish Meeting Room

- Maximilian Schell, Rod Steiger, Robby Benson
- Nominated by the National Board of Review for Best Picture (1981) 108 minutes

**Tuesday, March 26**

**LIVING THE FAITH ABROAD**

A conversation with Joann Sparacino

7:00pm—Adoration & Confessions (Church)

- 7:40pm—Conversation (Parish Mtg Rm)

**Thursday, March 28**

**TEMTATIONS & TEMPERAMENTS: PHLEGOMATIC**

**St. Dominic Young Adults**

For all young adults in their 20’s and 30’s

- 7:00pm—Adoration & Confessions (Church)
- 7:45pm—Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)
- 8:45pm—Fellowship (Parish Meeting Room)

**Saturday, March 30**

**MUSIC AT THE METRO**

- 4:00pm—Meet at the Parish Meeting Room
- 5:00pm to 6:30pm—Singing & Evangelization
  Outside the Waterfront Metro Station

**Sunday, March 31**

**RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR**

*Keeping the Faith*

6:30pm—Parish Meeting Room

- Ben Stiller, Edward Norton, Jenna Elfman, Anne Bancroft, Eli Wallach
  (2000) 128 minutes
By now, many may have failed in Lenten discipline to some measure or another: the daily doughnut is simply too alluring, or a furtive puff on a cigarette irresistible. There is meaning even in the failure though, a kind of reminder that we cannot save ourselves. Part of the power of Lent is that we do it together, and although individuals decide on different ways to keep it, it is fundamentally the same journey. We fall, we get up, we keep moving. The desire to “give something up” for Lent is an age-old impulse in the Christian heart. We get better at it over the years, and move more deeply into the meaning and message of acts of sacrifice; so there is no shame in stumbling, as long as we are not discouraged by the failure and give up. We are clearing space in our lives, after all, and some of the things we desire to give up are worth rooting out completely anyway.

What do we do with the space we have cleared out by our sacrifice? The Lenten question of giving up is balanced by the Easter question of our response to Christ’s embrace of us in love: “What are you taking on for Easter?”

God says to Moses, “This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you . . . The Lord, the God of your [ancestors], the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob” (Exodus 3:14, 15). As Jesus would later say, God is not a God of the dead, but of the living, and so we believe that the dead will one day rise. At this midpoint of Lent, we pause to consider how our repentance is leading us to the Resurrection, to our reunion with the great “I AM.” Part of our repentance involves working to secure justice for all and helping our neighbor to live in God’s ways. We encourage each other and nurture each other, like the compassionate gardener of today’s Gospel, who tells the owner of the orchard that he will nurture the tree, fertilize it, and perhaps it will bear fruit.

**Today’s Readings**

**First Reading** — “I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt and have come to rescue them” (Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15).

**Psalm** — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103).

**Second Reading** — Those who think they are standing secure should take care not to fall (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12).

**Gospel** — I shall cultivate the ground around the fig tree and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future (Luke 13:1-9).

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:** Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

**Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

**Saturday:** Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

**Sunday:** Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
**Stewardship**

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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 continue its presence, ministry, and outreach in Southwest Washington.

**Lay Minister of the Mass? Volunteers wanted**

We encourage Catholic members of the community in good standing to become more involved in our parish as a Lay Minister of the Mass. Lay Ministers serve at all scheduled liturgies as well as Holy Days and special Parish liturgies. Every volunteer is important as there are over 100 slots every week to fill.

- Lay Ministries include Acolyte, Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and Music. All ministries need additional volunteers.

Please contact JC Cantrell thru the Parish Office or by e-mail for more information. JC’s email is: music@stdominicchurch.org

**Church History**

We celebrate the feast day of St. Vincent Ferrer (1350-1419) on April 5th. In Spain, France, and elsewhere, he drew huge crowds among Jews, Muslims, and Christians as he warned of the evils of the time and preached the need for penance and church reform. The 2nd double window on the north side of the church shows St. Vincent holding the Book of Revelation. “Timete Deum et date illi honorem quia venit hora iudicii eius” means “Fear God and give honor to him for the hour of his judgment is coming.”

- Courtesy of Mary Moran.

**Passiontide Choir Choristers Needed**

Our special Lenten Liturgy (Passiontide) will be celebrated Saturday, **April 6th** (7:00 p.m.). As in past years, we are forming a special choir to lead the congregational singing of the chants and for additional choral music.

One rehearsal will be held (Saturday, **April 6th** at 6:00 p.m. in the Priory Chapel). All voice types are invited to sing with the Passiontide Choir.

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**2019 Annual Jubilarian Mass**

The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held **Sunday, June 23rd** @ 2 pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office or use the sign-up forms in the back of church to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Friday, April 26.

**Worship**

We are blessed by the presence of many visitors and guests each week. Out of solemn respect for the Mass, we follow the custom of remaining at our places within the church until the conclusion of the Song for Sending Forth (recessional).

**Please silence your cell phone:** As an overt act of courtesy (and respect for the prayer of all), please silence/ turn off your cell phone when you arrive in the church.

**Sung Mass Responses:** Our community’s sung and spoken responses during the ritual prayers of the liturgy are a core element of our communal prayer.

For the Season of Lent, we will be singing the responsories from the Roman Missal (usually referenced as the Latin Chant Mass). Also, in accordance with the Liturgical Rubrics, the Gloria is omitted during the Season of Lent (with the exception of special Feast Masses).

- The Latin Chant Mass is published in the Tan/Green (Breaking Bread) Book starting with the Sanctus (BB932). The other Mass parts follow the Sanctus.
- The Latin Chant Mass is also published in the Blue Hymnal (using historic chant notation of the 12th-14th century) starting with the Sanctus #101. The other Mass parts follow the Sanctus.
Pray for the Sick

Doris Baldwin, Debora Brownlee, Jerome Buke, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Kristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Barbara Dever, Helen G. Hewit, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, Marion Halwick, Patricia & Patrick Hannnon, Mona Hennesy, Mary Hogan, Karla Humble, Marilyn Jarvis, June Jaeger, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, James F. McGrath, III, James F. McGrath, Jr., Mary McMorrow, Rose Montas, Richard Pane, Tomas Ramirez, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Bruce Sanowar, Rosa Maria Santos, Mike Scarpulla, Frances White, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

Sanctuary Candle

For the repose of the souls of those who died in recent tragedies

Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Lamp for a week for $15 or a Mass Intention for $10 can be made in the parish office.

Parish Staff:
Fr. Hyacinth Cordell, OP (Pastor), Fr. Bede Shipps, OP (Associate), JC Cantrell (Worship Coordinator)
Ed Von Hagel (Business/Facilities Mgr), Michael White (Organist), Mary Lou Cantrell (Musician)
and Margaret Maxwell, (Pastoral Associate)

Parish Pastoral Council Members:
Margaret MacLeod, Maria Eugenia Lane, Chris Nodes, Amelia Castro-Mendoza, Deborah Irwin, Simon Ciccarillo

Parish Finance Council Members:
Eileen Lyons, Jackie Griffin, Nicole Robinson, Simon Ciccarillo, MJ Marrow

The Dominican Friars at St. Dominic Priory

Did you know? ... There are 26 Dominican Friars living in the building attached to the church (the Priory): 2 Parish Priests; 1 Prior (Superior of the Community); 1 Student Master (of the Deacons); 3 Professors; 1 Mission Preacher; 4 “Young Dads” (newly ordained priests finishing their studies); 3 Retired Priests; 1 Priest on a Brief Sabbatical; 1 Vocational Director; 1 Supply Work Priest; 1 Cooperator Brother (who helps out in the parish); 6 Deacons preparing for priesthood, and; 1 Priest assigned but not living here (a seminary professor in Colorado).
**Welcome**

No matter how long you’re planning to be in the neighborhood, please consider this your home. Fill out a registration form found in the vestibule of the church or on the website, or stop by the parish office.

**Mass Times**

**Sunday Masses**
- 5:00pm Vigil (Saturday)
- 8:00am
- 10:30am (followed by coffee and donuts in the Parish Mtg Rm)
- 5:00pm

**Weekdays**
*Monday—Friday:*
- 8:00am
- 12:10pm (followed by the veneration of a relic of St. Jude on Fridays)

*Saturday:*
- 9:00am

**Holy Days**
- 5:00pm Vigil
- 8:00am
- 12:10pm
- 7:00pm

**Confession Times**

**Sunday**
- 9:45am & after the 10:30am Mass

**Monday-Friday**
- 11:55am—12:15pm

**Saturday**
- 4:30pm

**Administration of the Sacraments**

Please Contact the Parish Office

*Baptism:* “Parents are obliged to take care that infants are baptized in the first few weeks” (*Code of Canon Law*, 867§1).

*Matrimony:* “And the two shall become one flesh” (*Mark* 10:8).

*Holy Eucharist at Home:* When a fellow parishioner is in the hospital or unable to attend Mass.

*Anointing of the Sick:* Those facing serious illness or entering the hospital.

**Church Hours**

**Sunday**
- 7am—6pm
- 7am—3:30pm
- 8am—6pm

**Monday-Friday**
- 8:30am—5:00pm

**Saturday**
- Closed

**Parish Office Hours**

**Sunday**
- 9:00am—1:00pm
- 8:30am—5:00pm
- Closed

**Catholic Schools**

**St. Peter School**
- 422 3rd St SE Washington, DC
- (202) 544-1618
- www.stpeterschooldc.org
- Grades K—8

**Waterfront Academy**
- 60 I Street SW Washington, DC
- (202) 484-0044
- www.waterfrontacademy.org
- Montessori 18 months—Grade 8

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.*

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