Divine Mercy Sunday
(Second Sunday of Easter)
April 28, 2019

“Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

John 20:23
Mark Your Calendar

Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center

Our next collection of diapers, wipes and formula for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be the weekend of May 4th & 5th.

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.

A Morning with Blessed Conchita

Come to learn about a fascinating woman named Conchita by Fr. Ignatius Schweitzer, OP on the day of her beatification. Conchita (Concepcion) Cabrera de Arminda (1862-1937) was a wife, mother of nine, and a founder of a religious community. This mini-retreat will include Mass, the Rosary, a talk on Conchita, and Adoration with interspersed readings from this Mexican mystic’s writings on paper. We’ll look to Jesus, whose “life-giving gaze produces saints” (Conchita). Saturday, May 4th, 2019.

Schedule
9am     Mass (Church)
9:30am  Rosary
10am    Talk on Conchita w/Q&A (Parish Mtg Room)
11:15am Adoration with interspersed readings (Church)
12:15pm Benediction
12:30pm Optional group lunch w/Fr. Ignatius at Mi Vida Mexican Restaurant

First Holy Communion & May Crowning

Join us at the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, May 5th as several children of the parish receive their First Holy Communion. After Mass, we will have the Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrated with the help of students from the Waterfront Academy.

Donuts and coffee will be available in the Parish Meeting Room following the crowning.

Priesthood Ordination & Mass of Thanksgiving

Saturday, May 25th at 9:30am in the Upper Church at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, our own Bro. Norbert will become Fr. Norbert Keliher, OP. Come and witness Auxiliary Bishop Robert Barron ordain this new class of priests.

On Sunday, May 26th at 10:30am, join us as the newly-ordained Fr. Keliher, OP, celebrates his first Mass, with the homily preached by Fr. Romanus Cessario, OP. Immediately following Mass, join us for a reception with first blessings for Fr. Keliher in the Parish Meeting Room.

A Living Miracle

SAVE THE DATES
Sunday, June 9th @ 6:30pm (with FREE dinner!)
&
Monday, June 10th @ 7:30pm

A Living Miracle...
“The Colleen Willard Story”

2 powerful nights...
2 inspirational stories...

We see a miracle everyday when we step inside a church… but we still wonder:
Does Jesus still really heal TODAY as He did BEFORE when He walked the earth?

Come and bring a friend for 2 nights that will deepen your heart with faith, and 2 nights you will not forget!

Both events held in the Parish Meeting Room here at St. Dominic Church.
This Week:

Sunday, April 28

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

- 3:00pm to 4:45pm — Adoration & Confessions
- 3:15pm — Sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 4:45pm — Benediction
- 5:00pm — Mass

Tuesday, April 30

**Cenacle Meeting**

A weekly group of discipleship for adults

- 7:00pm — Mass & Confessions (Church)
- 7:40pm — Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)

Thursday, May 2

**Life Plan for Prayer**

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, May 4

Volunteers welcome to help the Garden Angels as they continue their work around the grounds of St. Dominic Church.

All tools supplied and no experience necessary!

- 9:00am — 12:00pm

Saturday, May 4

**A Morning with Blessed Conchita**

Mini-Retreat on the Day of Her Beatification

- 9:00am — Mass
- 9:30am — Rosary
- 10:00am — Talk on Conchita with Q & A
- 11:15am — Adoration
- 12:15pm — Benediction
- 12:30pm — Optional group Lunch

See opposite page for more information.
**St. Catherine of Siena**

The value Catherine makes central in her short life and which sounds clearly and consistently through her experience is complete surrender to Christ. What is most impressive about her is that she learns to view her surrender to her Lord as a goal to be reached through time.

She was the 23rd child of Jacopo and Lapa Benincasa and grew up as an intelligent, cheerful, and intensely religious person. Catherine disappointed her mother by cutting off her hair as a protest against being overly encouraged to improve her appearance in order to attract a husband. Her father ordered her to be left in peace, and she was given a room of her own for prayer and meditation.

She entered the Dominican Third Order at 18 and spent the next three years in seclusion, prayer, and austerity. Gradually, a group of followers gathered around her—men and women, priests and religious. An active public apostolate grew out of her contemplative life. Her letters, mostly for spiritual instruction and encouragement of her followers, began to take more and more note of public affairs. Opposition and slander resulted from her mixing fearlessly with the world and speaking with the candor and authority of one completely committed to Christ. She was cleared of all charges at the Dominican General Chapter of 1374.

Her public influence reached great heights because of her evident holiness, her membership in the Dominican Third Order, and the deep impression she made on the pope. She worked tirelessly for the crusade against the Turks and for peace between Florence and the pope.

In 1378, the Great Schism began, splitting the allegiance of Christendom between two, then three, popes and putting even saints on opposing sides. Catherine spent the last two years of her life in Rome in prayer and pleading on behalf of the cause of Pope Urban VI and the unity of the Church. She offered herself as a victim for the Church in its agony. She died surrounded by her “children” and was canonized in 1461.

Catherine ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. In 1939, she and Francis of Assisi were declared co-patrons of Italy. Pope Paul VI named her and Teresa of Avila doctors of the Church in 1970.

**Today’s Readings**

**First Reading** — A large number of people gathered, bringing the sick, and all were cured (Acts 5:12-16).

**Psalm** — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

**Second Reading** — Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

**Gospel** — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

**Seeing is Believing**

Seeing is believing! Since cellphone screens connect us instantly to social media, live TV, and loved ones’ faces near and far, “Doubting Thomas” could be our patron saint: “Unless I see, I will not believe!” But how comforting for any of us who share Thomas’s doubt, or love “doubters” who do, to see how kindly Jesus responds. By offering the very evidence that Thomas demanded, Jesus doesn’t scold Thomas, but seems to understand such skepticism. Could Jesus have been thinking of us, who long to believe that “Jesus is risen!” but see so much suffering, and perhaps even cause some, that we wonder, how could something so wonderful be true? In today’s reading from the Acts of the Apostles, the risen Jesus’ healing love comforts through disciples who love others. In Revelation, “our brother John” doesn’t just claim he saw Jesus alive, but passes on Jesus’ life-giving words, “Do not be afraid.” Seeing Jesus in others is believing!

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:** Acts 4:23-31-37; Ps 2:1-4, 7-9; Jn 3:1-8

**Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

**Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

**Friday:** 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

**Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

**Sunday:** Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]
**Stewardship**

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**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 grocery cards, rent assistance, utility assistance, etc.

**Faith Direct**

Our parish’s many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help.

Please prayerfully consider supporting St. Dominic Church with electronic donations through Faith Direct. You can sign up online by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: DC117.

**Proverbs 24**

The Proverbs 24 Community (P24), a multi-parish pro-life initiative started in response to the opening of a Planned Parenthood abortion facility not far from our parish, is continuing its witness days.

Please consider participating in one of three ways: praying on the sidewalk in front of the Planned Parenthood, praying a holy hour at church while the sidewalk witness is happening, or preparing a meal for all participants upon the conclusion of the holy hour.

Please check the website [p24community.weebly.com](http://p24community.weebly.com) for more information or email P24Community@gmail.com with questions.

**Church History**

The 6th double window on the south side of the church depicts the establishment of the Third Order (the Dominican Laity). Dominic did not personally establish the Third Order, but he indirectly influenced its founding by his spiritual counseling of many laypeople moved by his preaching. — Courtesy of Mary Moran.

**For Those With A Hearing Impediment**

The parish has a number of personal listening system receivers with earbuds 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. Please return the receiver to the Music Director after Mass so that it is available for others.

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Sunday afternoon, **April 28th** we gather at 3:00pm as community to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

This is an annual parish tradition on the 2nd Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is a powerful devotion given by our Lord to St. Faustina Kowalska in the early 20th century. The chaplet is based on the rosary model for prayer using a simple chant and other sung prayers. The Chaplet is an offering of a profound prayer for the reparation and conversion of souls through the sacrifice of Christ’s own Passion for the sake of sinful mankind.

**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.

- Masses supported by the organ use the sung responses of *Mass of the Patriarchs* — found in the Blue Hymnal starting with #163 (Kyrie).

- Masses supported by our parish Ensemble will use the sung responses of *Mass of Wisdom* — starting on page 10 of the insert attached to the front cover of the (tan and green) Breaking Bread Book.
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 Hannon, Mona Hennesy, Mary Hogan, Karla Humbles, 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

In Memory of
Anthony Frank Fernandes

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

Our Priests:
Fr. Hyacinth Cordell, OP (Pastor)
Fr. Bede Shipps, OP (Associate Pastor)

Parish Staff:
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 Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 28
8:00am People of the Parish
10:30am Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
5:00pm Easter Novena

Monday, April 29
8:00am Easter Novena
12:10pm Jennifer Lee Kormos

Tuesday, April 30
8:00am Easter Novena
12:10pm Bob Frenzel

Wednesday, May 1
8:00am Kevin O’Brien
12:10pm Rose Fiore (D)

Thursday, May 2
8:00am Robin & Brent
12:10pm Anne & William Manion (D)

Friday, May 3
8:00am Deceased Dominican Sisters
12:10pm Hilton & Luckenback Families

Saturday, May 4
9:00am Mother’s Day Novena
5:00pm Liam Irwin

St. Dominic Staff

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).
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.

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)

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

Saturday:
- 9:00am

Confession Times

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

**Monday-Friday**
- 11:55am—12:15pm

**Saturday**
- 4:30pm

Church Hours

**Sun—Fri**
- 7am—7:30pm

**Sat**
- 8am—7:30pm

Parish Office Hours

**Sunday**
- 9:00am—1:00pm

**Mon—Fri**
- 8:30am—5:00pm

**Sat**
- 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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