“Vanity of vanities, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity.”

Ecclesiastes 1:2

Image: In 1539 Empress Isabella of the Holy Roman Family passed away very prematurely. She was a stunningly gorgeous young lady but death snatched away her riches, her fame and her beauty. Francis Borgia was close to the royal family and was asked to confirm the body in the casket was indeed Isabella before the casket was interred. The casket was opened and Borgia was deeply shocked by the decay that had already occurred in such a short time. This horrifying event had such a profound effect on him that he made plans to give away his substantial wealth and enter religious life in the Catholic Church. He entered the Society of Jesus and eventually he became general of the Jesuits and Saint Francis Borgia.
### Mark Your Calendar

#### Holy Day of Obligation

Join us on Thursday, **August 15th** as we celebrate The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (a Holy Day of Obligation).

Mass times: • 5pm (Wed) • 8am • 12:10pm • 7pm

#### Ordination Anniversary—Fr. Schommer

Fr. George Schommer, O.P. will be celebrating Mass on Sunday, **August 25th** at 10:30am in honor of the 25th anniversary of his Ordination held here at St. Dominic Church.

A fajita luncheon will follow in the Parish Meeting Room. *All are invited to attend!*

#### Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center

Our next collection of diapers, wipes and formula for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be the weekend of **August 31st & September 1st**.

You may place your donation in front of the pulpit.

#### RCIA

**RCIA** is for you if you are:
- Not yet baptized
- Baptized and Christian and are interested in becoming Catholic
- Catholic but, for whatever reasons, never received Confirmation and/or Holy Communion.

Join us on Monday, **September 9th** at 7pm in the Parish Meeting Room to learn more!

### Summer Series

**ST. DOMINIC CHURCH PRESENTS**

**FAITH & SEXUALITY**

*Sunday Evenings, June 23—August 18
6:30pm—8:30pm
Parish Meeting Room*

- **June 23**: **What is Sex For?**  
  Fr. Hyacinth Cordell, OP
- **June 30**: **Abuse Survivors Speak**  
  Miguel Prats & Jason DeSilva
- **July 7**: **Healing Sexual Wounds**  
  Dawn Eden Goldstein
- **July 14**: **The Porn Plague**  
  Michael McHugh
- **July 21**: **Gender Clarity, Please!**  
  Mary Hasson
- **July 28**: **Theology of the Body Lived**  
  John & Claire Grabowski
- **Aug 4**: **The Truth About Homosexuality**  
  Fr. Paul Scalia & Garrett Johnson
- **Aug 11**: **Hook-Up Culture Alternative**  
  Jason King
- **Aug 18**: **Holistic Family Planning & Women’s Health**  
  Marguerite Duane

*Co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington*
**This Week:**

**Sunday, August 4**

*St. Dominic Church Presents*

**Faith & Sexuality—Week 7: The Truth About Homosexuality**

*SPEAKERS: Fr. Paul Scalia & Garrett Johnson*  
(for speaker bios, see next page)

6:30pm to 8:30pm—Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)

**Tuesday, August 6**

*St. Dominic Cenacle*

**Transfiguration of the Lord Mass**

*A weekly group of discipleship for adults*

- 7:00pm—Mass (Church)
- 7:40pm—Social Night (TBD)

**Thursday, August 8**

*St. Dominic Mass*

Mass followed by Veneration of a Relic of St. Dominic.  
Fr. Joseph Scordo, O.P., will be our homilist.

*We encourage those attending to wear the Dominican colors of black & white.*

- 7:00pm—Mass & Confessions (Church)
- Followed by a Reception in the Parish Meeting Room

**Saturday, August 10**

*Church Cleaning*

Volunteers needed to help with our monthly cleaning of the church.

- After the 9am Mass

*We are looking for people to help manage our monthly cleaning. Ideally, we would have several volunteers to commit to coordinating at least 3 times a year. Please help maintain our beautiful, historic church. If you are interested, please email social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863.*

**Saturday, August 10**

*Work of Mercy*

Join us for Mass and visit with residents of Sacred Heart Nursing Home.  
Located at 5805 Queens Chapel Road in Hyattsville, MD, the many residents look forward to our monthly visits (the second Saturday of the month).

- 10:00am—12Noon
Faith & Sexuality — Session 7

Faith & Sexuality

The Truth About Homosexuality

Speaker: Fr. Paul Scalia

Fr. Paul Scalia studied theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University and the Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquinas in Rome. He was ordained in 1996 and currently serves as the Vicar for Clergy in the Diocese of Arlington and Pastor of Saint James Parish in Falls Church. He has written for various publications and is a frequent speaker on matters of faith and doctrine. Father Scalia is the author of That Nothing May Be Lost: Reflections on Catholic Doctrine and Devotion (Ignatius Press, 2017) and Sermons in Times of Crisis: Twelve Homilies to Stir Your Soul (Saint Benedict Press, 2019).

Speaker: Garrett Johnson

Garrett Johnson came back to the Catholic faith 6 years ago after years of living a godless lifestyle for most of his adult life. He joined Courage in 2013 and is now a member of the Washington, Baltimore and Arlington Courage communities. He shares his journey with many through his website, brotherwithoutorder.com, has spoken at many Courage related events including the 2016 Courage Conference, and has appeared on EWTN. He lives here in Washington where he is a stylist and salon manager.

Today’s Readings

First Reading — Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — You too will appear with Christ your life in glory (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11).

Gospel — For though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions (Luke 12:13-21).

Using Our Time Wisely

A jar of honey lasts practically forever. The oldest jar of honey ever discovered was over five thousand years old. Honey is quite different from market-fresh produce, then; because most fruits and vegetables last only a few days, we treat them carefully. At this time of summer, we rush to find recipes for cherries and cucumbers so we won’t waste a single one. We wouldn’t feel that same urgency about honey.

In our own way, we are as delightful and fragile as ripe produce. Today’s readings urge us not to spoil, but to make good use of our limited time on earth. Ecclesiastes reminds us that because God provides for us now and always, we can manage our daily affairs without anxiety. Saint Paul encourages the Colossians to keep thoughts of heaven in everything they do, and Jesus himself asks us to treasure not earthly wealth, but God alone.

Readings for the Week

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**Holy Hour Announcement**

Starting on Thursday, September 5th, we will be moving the Thursday Holy Hour in the Church to the Friars Chapel. This will enable the friars and laity to have a joint Holy Hour from 4:30—5:30pm every Thursday, and will enable interested laity to participate in the Community’s Liturgy of the Hours. The church will now be open until 8:00pm for all who want to pray in it.

Note that the entrance to the Friar’s Chapel is across from the parish office.

**Pilgrimage to Kolkata, India**

Join Fr. Hyacinth, September 29th to October 10th, on this combination of pilgrimage and mission trip to Kolkata, India.

The trip involves staying close to the Mother House, attending daily Mass and Holy Hour at the Mother House and volunteering daily. You’ll be able to connect and work with volunteers from all over the world and choose which population you will serve daily. There will be time to pray, shop, sightsee and socialize.

For more information on this trip, see the posting and flier on our website or contact Fr. Hyacinth at hyacinth.cordell@opeast.org.

**Church History**

The wooden figure on the southeast corner of the altar features St. Rose of Lima (1586-1617) holding the infant Jesus. Her feast day is celebrated on August 30th. Rose was born Isabel Flores y de Oliva. She took the name Rose at her confirmation because, as a baby, her face was transformed into a mystical rose. She was known for her severe penances, including wearing a metal spiked crown covered with roses.

— Courtesy Mary Moran

**Parish Lay Liturgical Ministries**

**Feast of St Dominic**

Lay Ministers are needed to serve at the special Feast Mass on Thursday, August 8th at 7:00pm.

- **Parish Ushers (2-4)** are needed to greet people, hand out programs and assist with gathering the gifts.
- **Parish Acolytes (5-7)** are desired to assist the Priest during the Mass (carrying the processional cross, assisting at the chair and altar, etc.).
- **Parish Lectors (2)** to “proclaim the Word.”
- **Parish Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)** may be needed depending on the number of clergy present.
- **Parish Music Ministers and those who have volunteered to sing at special liturgies.**

Please volunteer via the MSP Smartphone app or MSP Website. Contact JC Cantrell for more information (E-mail: music@stdominicchurch.org)

**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 *Siena Chant Mass* — found in the Blue Hymnal starting with #149 (Kyrie).
- Masses supported by our parish Ensemble also use the responses of *Siena Chant Mass* — starting on page 6 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, Sally Daly, Barbara Dever, Helen G. Hewit, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, Marion Halwick, Patricia & Patrick Hannon, 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

For the Dominicans throughout the world.

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

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 4
8:00am Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
10:30am Joan McKinley Shelton
5:00pm People of the Parish

Monday, August 5
8:00am Margaret Mary Moy
12:10pm All Souls

Tuesday, August 6
8:00am Special Intentions
12:10pm All Souls

Wednesday, August 7
8:00am Deceased Dominican Sisters
12:10pm Paula Hines

Thursday, August 8
8:00am Joseph Smith (D)
12:10pm Laura Lo

Friday, August 9
8:00am Fr. Hyacinth Cordell
12:10pm Roberta Linnebur

Saturday, August 10
9:00am Fr. Alexander DiLella, OFM (D)
5:00pm Sally Barry (D)

St. Dominic Staff

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), To Be Named (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, Michael Grace (not pictured)

The Dominican Friars at St. Dominic Priory

Did you know? ... There are 13 Dominican Friars living in the building attached to the Church (the Priory): 1 Prior; 3 Retired Priests; 2 Parish Priests; 3 Professors; 1 Mission Preacher; 2 Special Ministry Priests; 1 Student Master; 1 Supply Work Priest; 1 Priest on a brief sabbatical; 1 Cooperator Brother (who helps out in the parish). At the end of August 5 Deacons and 5 “Young Dads” (newly ordained priests finishing their studies) will join the community in the Fall.
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.
Adoration: Tuesday & Thursday from 7-7:30pm (Church); Thursdays from 4:45-5:45pm (Chapel).
Anointing of the Sick: Those facing serious illness or entering the hospital.

Church Hours
Sun—Fri
- 7am—8pm

Sat
- 8am—8pm

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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