You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem.

Hebrews 12:22
Mark Your Calendar

Faith & Money

All are welcome to attend a new four-week series titled “Faith & Money”. Led by parishioner Jason DeLorenzo, and featuring Jill DeLorenzo and Fr. Antoninus Samy, OP, you’ll spend four Sunday evenings covering:

- Week 1—Economics: Separation of Church & Wallet?
- Week 2—Government’s Role: Hands On or Hands Off?
- Week 3—Money: Fiat, Gold or Crypto?
- Week 4—Personal Finance: Guidance Please!

The Third session will be on Sunday, September 8th and begins at 6:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

Dinner is Potluck so bring a dish to share, if you can. Doors open at 6pm.

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!

Church Cleaning

We will next clean the church on Saturday, September 14th after the 9am Mass. New volunteers are gladly welcomed.

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

Work of Mercy

Join us on Saturday, September 14th from 10am to 12Noon as we attend 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). Please use the back entrance.

If you have any questions regarding the work of mercy at Sacred Heart, please contact Taylor Martin at tayamarti@gmail.com or Maria Eugenia Lane at mlane@visionyes.org.

Food Drive

The next collection for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry will be the weekend of September 21st and 22nd. Please make sure your items are unopened and have not expired.

Food items collected are shared with our neighbors in the Southwest and Southeast communities.

You may leave your donation at the front of the pulpit. Thank you for your generosity.

Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center

Our next collection of diapers, wipes and formula for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be the weekend of October 5th & 6th.

You may place your donation of diapers, wipes and formula in front of the pulpit.

Our Lady of the Rosary

Chant Mass

Monday, October 7th, 2019

6:30pm—Rosary (at the Rosary Shrine in the Church)
6:50pm—Blessing of the Renovated Shrine
7:00pm—Mass

Homilist: Rev. Br. Jonah Teller, OP

Veneration of a Relic of St. Pius V following Mass
8:30pm—Reception (in the Parish Meeting Room)
**THIS WEEK:**

**Saturday & Sunday, August 31 & September 1**

*Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center*

**Donation Collection**

After each Mass

Please leave your donation in front of the pulpit.

**Sunday, September 1**

*Faith & Money — Week 2*

Government’s Role: Hands On or Hands Off?

Potluck dinner—please bring a dish to share, if you can.

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

**Monday, September 2**

**Labor Day**

8:00 am Mass ONLY

Parish Office Closed

**Tuesday, September 3**

*Cenacle Meeting*

*Mass & Social Night*

- 7:00 pm—Mass (Church)
- 7:40 pm—Discussion on Topics for October thru December (Parish Meeting Room)

**Thursday, September 5**

**Holy Hour**

Now being held in the Friars Chapel each Thursday evening

- 5 pm to 6 pm

**Thursday, September 5**

*Confession: Contrition*

St. Dominic Young Adults

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

- 7:00 pm—Adoration & Confessions (Church)
- 7:45 pm—Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)
- 8:45 pm—Fellowship (Parish Meeting Room)
St. Gregory the Great

Gregory was the prefect of Rome before he was 30. After five years in office he resigned, founded six monasteries on his Sicilian estate, and became a Benedictine monk in his own home at Rome.

Ordained a priest, Gregory became one of the pope’s seven deacons, and also served six years in the East as papal representative in Constantinople. He was recalled to become abbot, but at the age of 50 was elected pope by the clergy and people of Rome.

Gregory was direct and firm. He removed unworthy priests from office, forbade taking money for many services, emptied the papal treasury to ransom prisoners of the Lombards and to care for persecuted Jews and the victims of plague and famine. He was very concerned about the conversion of England, sending 40 monks from his own monastery. He is known for his reform of the liturgy, and for strengthening respect for doctrine. Whether he was largely responsible for the revision of “Gregorian” chant is disputed.

Gregory lived in a time of perpetual strife with invading Lombards and difficult relations with the East. When Rome itself was under attack, he interviewed the Lombard king.

His book, Pastoral Care, on the duties and qualities of a bishop, was read for centuries after his death. He described bishops mainly as physicians whose main duties were preaching and the enforcement of discipline. In his own down-to-earth preaching, Gregory was skilled at applying the daily Gospel to the needs of his listeners. Called “the Great,” Gregory has been given a place with Augustine, Ambrose, and Jerome, as one of the four key doctors of the Western Church.

An Anglican historian has written: “It is impossible to conceive what would have been the confusion, the lawlessness, the chaotic state of the Middle Ages without the medieval papacy; and of the medieval papacy, the real father is Gregory the Great.”

Today’s Readings

First Reading — Conduct your affairs with humility (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29).
Psalm — God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor (Psalm 68).
Second Reading — You have approached the city of the living God (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).
Gospel — Those who humble themselves will be exalted (Luke 14:1, 7-14).

Humility

Humility exalts. Pride is humbled. Such is the pronouncement of Scripture this Sunday. What is humility? St. Teresa of Avila tells us that “humility is truth.” Humility is the virtue of seeing ourselves accurately. We need this virtue, since we often don’t see ourselves accurately. To use a sports analogy, when we look at ourselves, we often see the highlights tape. When we think of others, we often see the blooper tape. We often leave out our own weaknesses. We often minimize and don’t appreciate the strengths of others. Our vision is exaggerated in favor of our own ego. Humility counters this exaggeration. Humility acknowledges the greatness of God. It acknowledges our own limitations, imperfections, and sins. It looks for, praises, and rejoices in the good in others. It sees things rightly. It seems like weakness, but, paradoxically, it makes us strong. It exalts. May the Lord help us grow every day in greater humility, then, so that we might be truly exalted.

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33
**Stewardship**

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**Volunteers Needed to Serve as Lay Ministers of the Mass**

Each week we have approximately 15 celebrations of the Holy Sacriifice of the Mass with 75+ opportunities for volunteers to serve as Lay Ministers of the Mass (Acolytes, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Music Ministers, and Ushers).

To effectively serve our growing parish, we need additional volunteers to serve the Mass. Individual orientation/training, and group ministry workshops are offered on a recurring basis to familiarize new (and refresh continuing) Lay Ministers of the Mass. Volunteers are needed to serve at all Weekend and Weekday liturgies.

Please prayerfully consider serving as a Parish Lay Minister. For more information, you can talk to the Pastor or JC Cantrell after most Masses (or contact JC Cantrell thru the Parish Office or by e-mail. JC's email is: 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 *Mass of the Patriarchs* — found in the Blue Hymnal starting with #163 (Kyrie).
- Masses supported by our parish Ensemble use the sung responses of the *Mass of Wisdom* — starting on page 10 of the insert attached to the front cover of the (tan and green) Breaking Bread Book.

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**Church History**

A major fire destroyed the interior of the church in 1885. There was $30,000 of insurance on the building, but the damage was estimated at $40,000. There was no insurance on the altars, vestments or furnishings. Catholics and non-Catholics joined the effort to refurbish the interior. The window in the main vestibule honors "The Little Girls" who sold oysters to raise funds for reconstruction. — Courtesy of Mary Moran.

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**Proverbs 24**

In response to the new Planned Parenthood in DC, a pro-life community drawn from five local parishes was formed called the Proverbs 24 Community. This is an active and trained pro-life community begun last year among our parishes that encourages people to give witness to life in three different ways: walkers, prayers, and cookers. For more information, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

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**Centennial Celebration**

Have you received your postcard regarding the Centennial Celebration of St. Dominic Church? If not, we need your address so you’ll be sure to receive the formal invitation. Contact Margaret in the Parish Office to provide your address.

You won’t want to miss our celebratory dinner on Saturday, October 26th at the Museum of the Bible or our special Mass on Sunday, October 27th at 10:30am.

Do you have any memories of the parish or school you would like to share? You’ll be receiving a form to record your information.

Do you have any historical articles (photos, yearbooks, programs, etc.) related to the church and/or school from years past that you would like to donate (or scan if photos)? Let us know and bring it in to the office prior to the dinner.
Pray for the Sick

Doris Baldwin, Debora Brownlee, Jerome Buke, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Khristofer 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

In thanksgiving.

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),
Mary Lou Cantrell (Musician), Margaret Maxwell (Pastoral Associate)
and Jeremy Jelinek (Organist—not pictured)

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

Parish Finance Council Members:
Duane Ford (Accountant), Jackie Griffin, Michael Grace, Eileen Lyons, MJ Marrow, Simon Ciccarillo

The Dominican Friars at St. Dominic Priory

Did you know? ... There are 28 Dominican Friars living in the building attached to the Church (the Priory): 1 Prior; 4 Retired Priests; 1 Pastor/Professor; 1 Parish Priest/Chaplain; 1 Full-time Professor; 1 Mission Preacher; 1 Special Ministry Priest; 1 Student Master & Professor; 1 Supply Work Priest; 1 Exec. Dir. Of the Conference of Major Superiors of Men; 1 Cooperator Brother (who helps out in the parish); 5 “Young Dads” (newly ordained priests finishing their studies) and 7 Deacons.
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

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

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 5pm-6pm (Friar’s Chapel).

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

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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