St. Dominic Catholic Church
Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

Sunday, December 26, 2021

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
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<td><em>Donut Social</em></td>
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<td>Join us after the 10:30 Mass for coffee, donuts and fellowship in the Parish Meeting Room</td>
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<td><strong>St. Dominic Cenacle</strong></td>
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<td>Join Cenacle, via Zoom, as they watch <em>“Pivotal Players: Michelangelo”</em></td>
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<td><strong>Solemnity of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God</strong></td>
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<td>• <strong>NO</strong> Vigil Mass (Friday, December 31st)</td>
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**Scriptural Rosary Prayer Group**

Can we interest you in joining our group to pray for your intentions? We are a small group, but growing. We meet **after the 9am Mass every Saturday** at the back of St. Dominic Church 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. We look forward to your joining us.

**Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center**

Our next collection of practical baby items such as diapers, wipes and formula for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be the weekend of **January 1st & 2nd**.

Please leave your donation in front of the Ambo at the front of the altar.

Thank you for your generosity and for supporting those families that choose life.

**Church Cleaning**

We will clean the church on **Saturday, January 8th** after the 9am Mass. New volunteers are always welcome.

We are looking for people to help organize our monthly cleaning. Ideally, we would have several volunteers to commit to coordinating at least three times a year. Please help maintain our beautiful, historic church.

If you are interested in organizing a team, please e-mail social@StDominicChurch.org or call (202) 554-7863.

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

Federal Holiday:

**Monday, January 17th**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Because of the holiday there will only be an 8:00am Mass.

**No Confessions or 12:10pm Mass.**

The Parish Office will be **closed**.

**March for Life**

This year’s march is scheduled for **Friday, January 21st**. The schedule is:

- 12pm - March for Life Rally — Constitution Ave.
- 1pm — March for Life March to the U.S. Capitol & Supreme Court Buildings

Plan on rallying and marching with the Dominican’s and our many visitors!

Once again this year, we will play host to many Catholic groups from across the country that will be holding Masses, Confessions and/or Adoration here in our Church. Watch this bulletin for the various times and feel welcome to join them.

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry**

The next collection for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry will be the weekend of **January 29th & 30th**.

Please make sure your items are unopened and have not expired. Food items will be distributed to our neighbors in the Southwest and Southeast communities. As always, your generosity is always appreciated.

**SOME**

We are pleased to report that the organization, So Others Might Eat (SOME), will resume providing meals to those in need beginning in January 2022.

Previously, St. Dominic parishioners have been so generous in preparing (meatloaves and macaroni and cheese) and/or serving meals at SOME and we are excited to get the ball rolling once again. As in the past, we will provide meals in months with a fifth Saturday. In 2022, that will include the months of January, April, July, October and December.

You’ll find the sign-up sheets, baking pans and recipes in the main vestibule of the church.

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

~ Luke 2:14
**Today’s Readings**

**First Reading** — Hannah gives her son Samuel back to the Lord, leaving him in the temple at Shiloh: “As long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the Lord.” (1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28) or Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

**Psalm** — Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. (Psalm 84) or Psalm 128

**Second Reading** — We are children of God when we believe in the name of God’s Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. (1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24) or Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17] (Hebrews 10:5-10)

**Gospel** — Joseph and Mary find the lost Jesus in the temple in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking questions. (Luke 2:41-52)

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### Readings for the Week

- **Monday:** 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
- **Tuesday:** 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
- **Wednesday:** 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
- **Thursday:** 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
- **Friday:** 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
- **Saturday:** Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

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### Pray for the Sick & Deceased

Please pray for the sick and recently deceased parishioners and family members of the Parish and Priory.

**Sick:** Valentino Macchioli, Teresa, Francis & Phyllis Chesley, James McGrath, Lynn McGrath, Ernest Yambot, Pat L., and Christina Cateuro

**Deceased:** Ann Martin, Lenora Miller, Fr. Andrew Nicolicchia, O.P., Carol Stim, June Jaeger, Alfredo Lobianco, Lauren Morris, Yvonne Parker, Patricia Lucas, Doris Baldwin, Gloria Goodwin, Rose Montas, and Elsie L. Fleming.

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### Sanctuary Candle

In honor of Melissa Ferrucci from the Balint Family

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

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### Stewardship

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### Upcoming 2nd Collection

The next 2nd collection will be on the weekend of:

- January 15th & 16th — St. Dominic Maintenance & Capital Repair Fund

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### Offering Mass Intentions

It is thought that a single Mass offered for oneself during life may be worth more than a thousand celebrations for the same intention after death.

Dates beginning in January 2022 are available now. Contact the Parish Office, Monday - Friday, at (202) 554-7863, 8:30am to 5pm or email us at Office@StDominicChurch.org for 2022 dates.

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### The Weekly Mass Intentions

**Sunday, December 26**
- 8:00am People of the Parish
- 10:30am Christmas Novena
- 5:00pm Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

**Monday, December 27**
- 8:00am John Kuch
- 12:10pm Br. John Mary Winter, OCD

**Tuesday, December 28**
- 8:00am † Deceased relatives, friends & benefactors of Bogomila Mireva
- 12:10pm † All Souls

**Wednesday, December 29**
- 8:00am Joe & Sharyn Borkowski
- 12:10pm Melissa Ferrucci

**Thursday, December 30**
- 8:00am Francis & Phyllis Chesley
- 12:10pm † Mrs. Trenkov-Wermuth

**Friday, December 31**
- 8:00am † Margaret French

**Saturday, January 1**
- 9:00am Debbie Krieg
Church History

The feast day of St. Margaret of Hungary (1242-70) is January 18th.

The 3rd double window on the south side of the church depicts the saint in prayer before a crucifix.

St. Margaret was the daughter of King Bela IV of Hungary. At the age of three, she began studying with Dominican nuns at Veszprém.

~ Courtesy of Mary Moran

Parish Choir

The parish choir resumes singing Sundays January 9th. The Choir meets Sundays at 9:30am in the choir loft to prepare for the 10:30am Mass.

All are invited to join — singers and instrumentalists. Please contact JC Cantrell thru the Parish Office or e-mail him at Music@StDominicChurch.org for information.

Parish Ensemble

Our parish Ensemble meets Sunday at 4pm to prepare for the 5pm Mass.

All are invited to join — singers and instrumentalists. All voices are treasured.

Please contact JC Cantrell thru the Parish Office or e-mail him at Music@StDominicChurch.org for information.

Poor Box Donations

Donations to the parish Poor Box can be made by using the envelope in your packet, through 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 meal cards, rental assistance and utility assistance.

For Those with Hearing Impediment

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. Please return the receiver to the Music Director after Mass so that it can be sanitized and made available for others.

Attention Weekday and Weekend Acolytes, Lectors, Ushers, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Lectors and Acolytes continue to be needed at many weekday and weekend Masses. The MSP app and MSP website make it easy to request a substitute, and even easier to volunteer to fill a vacancy.

As a service to our community, we request all Lay Ministers to please check the MSP website or app for ministerial vacancies and volunteer to fill a vacancy whenever you attend Mass.

Any parishioner interested in serving as an Acolyte, Lector or Music Minister, please contact JC Cantrell thru the Parish Office or e-mail him at Music@StDominicChurch.org.

Worship

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

- At all weekend masses supported with the organ, we are singing the Mass of the Patriarchs found in the hardcover blue hymnal starting with the Kyrie (#163). The other mass parts follow the Kyrie.

Out of solemn respect for the Mass, we follow the custom of remaining at our places within the church until the conclusion of the Recessional Hymn.

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

And please, no clapping. We do this for the glory of God, not our own.
The union of man and woman that establishes family life is a sacred reality at the very foundation of the social order. Bonded in love and in obedience to the Lord of life, the family reflects the holiness of the Holy Family, centered on Jesus. By the grace of union with Jesus, Mary and Joseph, family life—with its challenges and its joys—becomes a path to holiness. “The Christian family is a communion of persons, a sign and image of the communion of the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit. In the procreation and education of children it reflects the Father’s work of creation. It is called to partake of the prayer and sacrifice of Christ. Daily prayer and the reading of the Word of God strengthen it in charity.”

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke — 2:41-52

Each year Jesus’ parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parent did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, “Son, why have you done this to us? Your Father and I have been looking for you with anxiety.” And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

The Gospel of the Lord.
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.

Sunday Masses
• 5:00pm Vigil (Saturday)
• 8:00am
• 10:30am (followed by coffee and donuts in the Parish Meeting Room)
• 5:00pm

Mass Times

Weekdays
Monday—Friday:
• 8:00am
• 12:10pm

Saturday:
• 9:00am

Holy Days
• 7:00pm Vigil
• 8:00am
• 12:10pm

Confession Times

Sunday
• 9:45am

Monday-Friday
• 11:45am—12:10pm

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: Thursday from 7-7:30pm (Church)

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

Church Hours

Sun—Fri
• 7am—7pm

Sat
• 8am—7pm

Parish Office Hours

Mon—Fri
• 8:30am—5:00pm

Catholic Schools

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