January 21 2018 — Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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, on the website, or stop by the parish office.

Listening Device: If you are in need of a personal listening device at Mass, please ask the Music Minister or Priest.

Our Church is Open:
Mon—Fri: 7 a.m.—3:30 p.m.; Sat: 8 a.m.—6 p.m.; Sun: 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Note: The Church is closed after Mass on a Federal Holiday)

Fellowship with Coffee and Donuts: Sundays after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.

Bulletin Deadline: Fridays - 8:00 a.m.

St. Peter School: “Founded in 1868, St. Peter School provides children with an education founded on love of God and service to others, characterized by Catholic values and academic excellence.”

Celebration of Holy Mass

Weekdays
Mondays—Fridays: 8:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m. (8:00 a.m. only on a Federal Holiday)
Saturdays: 9:00 a.m.

Weekends
Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. Vigil
Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Holydays
5:00 p.m. Vigil; 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:00 p.m.

Devotions and Sacraments

Devotions — Rosary Shrine of St. Jude
http://www.rosaryshrineofstjude.org
Phone: (212)-535-3664
Rosary: 11:45 a.m. Mondays - Fridays
Veneration of the relic of St. Jude: Fridays, following the midday Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour
Thursday: 4:45 p.m.—5:45 p.m.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Mondays—Fridays: 11:55 a.m.; Saturdays: 4:30 p.m.
Sundays: Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass

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: A minimum of six months preparation is required by the Archdiocese.
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.

Please note that the first two rows of the center aisle of the church are reserved for individuals with disabilities. The entrance for persons with disabilities is on Frontage Road on the south side of the church.

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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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Dominican Friars of the Province of Saint Joseph

Parish:
Pastor: Father George P. Schommer, O.P.
Parochial Vicar: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
Pastoral Associate: Brother Norbert Keliher, O.P.

Parish Staff:
Business / Facilities Manager: Ed Von Hagel
Administrative Assistant: Denise Marshall
Worship Coordinator: JC Cantrell

Parish Ministries:
Altar Servers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Alice Serar
Lectors: Kathryn Aldridge
Music: JC Cantrell
RCIA: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
St. Dominic’s Cenacle: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
Social Concerns, The St. Martin de Porres Society & Community Events: Cecilia Daly
Gardening Angels: Elysia Branson
Young Adults: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.

Parish Pastoral Council Members:
Simon Ciccarillo, Patricia D’Antonio, Robert Davis, Olivia Hnat; Margaret MacLeod, Mary Moran, Sean Robinson, David Stewart, Andrew Vasil, Joe Wasiak

Parish Finance Council Members:
Simon Ciccarillo, Jackie Griffin, Eileen Lyons, John Michetti, MaryJane Morrow, Ria Nicole Robinson

Friars in Residence:
Prior: Father Jacob Restrick, O.P.
Brother: Patrick Foley, O.P., Ignatius Perkins, O.P.

On January 25th, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The story of his conversion from a persecutor of Christians to a powerful and prolific preacher of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is nothing short of a miracle. The Acts of the Apostles tell us of his numerous journeys to establish and encourage Christian communities; his letters to some of those communities provide divine revelation and wisdom that informs so much of what we believe as Christians.

The celebration of this feast is the culmination of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. St. Paul describes the nature of this unity in the Letter to the Ephesians, chapter 4. Here is an excerpt: “...live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all” (1:6).

This exhortation invites all of us not only to pray for Christian Unity, but also to persevere in the work of ongoing conversion in our own lives so that we may be instruments of unity. With the help of God’s grace, we can experience an encounter with Christ that calls us into a greater adherence to his teaching and way of life. Consider, for example, St. Paul’s words to bear “with one another through love.” Not always easy in families and in communities. A word, a gesture, a decision, a failure to listen can easily wound and divide. A lack of mercy, patience and compassion can cause a self-righteousness that fails to walk with people in the complications of their lives.

The Lord Jesus spoke to St. Paul as he traveled on the road to Damascus and changed his heart. Let us ask the Lord to change our hearts first, as well as the hearts of all Christians so that we may live in his love and be united in his Holy Spirit.

Last Friday was the National March for Life. Our parish hosted groups from the Archdiocese of Kansas City, KS and the Diocese of Covington, KY. They celebrated Masses in the church and offered opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration and Confession. Additionally, a group from Providence College in RI stayed overnight in the parish meeting room on Thursday night before the march. It is an honor for us as a parish to welcome these groups with their spiritual leaders and support them in their participation in this national event.
Pastor’s Corner….continued
Let us pray for one another and for our country, Fr. Schommer, O.P.

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

- For the weekend Masses, the music for the Sanctus, Mystery of Faith, Amen and Lamb of God may be found in the blue (St. Michael’s) Hymnal (#201-206). We will be singing these responses until Ash Wednesday (February 14, 2018).

Attention Weekday and Weekend Acolytes, Lectors, Ushers, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Reminder: Vacancies often occur each week due to changes in volunteer availability. Lectors, Acolytes, EMHCs and Ushers continue to be needed at many weekday and weekend masses. If you are able to fill a vacancy, please use the MSP website or app to volunteer for one of the ministerial vacancies.

If you would like to volunteer to serve as a Lay Minister of the Mass (Acolyte, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC), Lector, Music Minister or Usher), please contact JC Cantrell for information. (e-mail: music@stdominicchurch.org).

St. Dominic Cenacle
A weekly group of discipleship for adults.
Tuesday, January 23
- 7:00 p.m. — Adoration with Confession (Church)
- 7:40 p.m. Discussion on: St. Junipero Serra (Patricia Espinoza)

St. Martin de Porres, OP: Apostle of Charity
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Kneeler Refurbishment
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The project will be on-going as time and volunteers allows until all the worn and damaged kneelers have been renewed.

Thank you to all who have worked on this project in the past. Additional volunteers are welcome and needed.

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Church History and Maintenance

Thanks to everyone who helped clean the church last Saturday morning. We will next clean the church on Saturday, February 10, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

We are also 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.

History: The 4th double window on the south side of the church depicts the miracle at Fanjeaux, France. To test which beliefs contained divine truth, St. Dominic and a representative of the Albigenses each threw their writings into a fire. The hereticʹs dissertation was consumed by the flames, but St. Dominicʹs writings were miraculously saved and expelled from the fire three times. -Courtesy of Mary Moran

Parish Community

Do you make great chili? We are looking for 10 entries for this year’s chili cookoff, which will be Saturday March 10th at 6:00 p.m. If you don’t make chili, help judge.

The suggested donation is $5 per adult, children are free. The proceeds will benefit the poor box. To enter, email social@stdominicchurch.org.

If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with fellow parishioners, we need volunteers to help organize social events, such as Heritage Day, the parish picnic, spaghetti suppers, etc... For more information, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

2018 Upcoming Events

February 6 — Blessing of St. Martin de Porres Shrine
February 14 — Ash Wednesday
March 10 — Chili Cookoff
March 17 — Passiontide

Religious Movie Seminar 2017-2018

Sundays 6:30 p.m.
Parish Meeting Room

January 21: Tsar — Pyotr Mamonov, Oleg Yankovskiy, Ramilya Iskander (2009) 116 minutes (Russian) Nominated at the Seattle International Film Festival

January 28: Sergeant York — Gary Cooper, Walter Brennan, Joan Leslie, June Lockhart (1941) 134 minutes & Sergeant York: Of God and Country. Won Two Oscars and was nominated for nine others.

Social Justice Community Services

We will hold a food drive the weekend of January 27/28. The food will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry and distributed to our neighbors in Southwest/Southeast Washington. The St. Martin de Porres Society will also be working with the Knights of Columbus to help staff the food bank. This is an exciting opportunity to provide outreach to our neighbors in the Southwest.

In response to the new Planned Parenthood in DC, a pro-life community drawn from five local parishes was formed and 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 cooks. For more information, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

Capital Hill Pregnancy Center: Our next donation of practical items (diapers, wipes, and formula) for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be the weekend of February 3/4.

2018 - PARISH CALENDAR – JANUARY 2018

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<td>Tuesday 23</td>
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<td>Cenacle Holy Half Hour followed by Meeting</td>
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<td>Wednesday 24</td>
<td>4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.&lt;br&gt;7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Holy Hour&lt;br&gt;Young Adult Holy 1/2 Hour, Meeting</td>
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**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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<td>People of the Parish</td>
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**Sanctuary Lamp**

Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Lamp for a week can be made in the parish office. The suggested offering is $15.00

**Stewardship**

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**Faith Direct**

I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provided to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year.

As we move into the new year, please consider using our secure electronic giving program, Faith Direct. Faith Direct will automatically process any offertory or second collections donation of your choosing.

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: DC117.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,

Fr. George Schommer, O.P.

**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.

Please note that money put into the receptacle at the votive candle racks does not go to the Poor Box.

**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.

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**Pray for the Sick**

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

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For the Gift of Unity Among All Christians