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.”

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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
Thursdays: 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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As we begin the season of Lent this coming Wednesday, we enter a season of grace that provides many opportunities for God to heal our sin-sick souls. Certainly, these graces are available to us throughout the year, but the season of Lent engages our mind and heart in the ongoing work of conversion so that we may experience in our lives the dying and rising of Jesus. God desires our happiness – true happiness – which comes to us through the intentional response we make to God’s call to conversion. His grace prompts us to welcome his word and his will as saving, renewing, and perfecting of ourselves. His mercy forgives our sins and restores a good and righteous relationship with him. The parish offers opportunities for prayer (Eucharistic Adoration, for example), sacramental confession, and faith formation and development. (Information is found in the bulletin and on the parish website.) I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities and resources offered to you so that you may grow in your personal relationship with Jesus and experience the fullness of life in him.

Let us pray for the grace of conversion for ourselves and for others.

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

**ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH**

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of our journey through the Season of Lent. Please join and pray with us at one of the community Liturgies on Wednesday, February 14th.

**Ashes will be distributed at each service.**

- 7:15 a.m. — Liturgy of the Word
- 8:00 a.m. — Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
- 11:15 a.m. — Liturgy of the Word
- 12:10 p.m. — Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
- 5:00 p.m. — Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

**FAST AND ABSTINENCE**

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

(source: USCCB)
**Ash Wednesday Almsgiving**

The Little Sisters of the Poor will be coming to our parish on Ash Wednesday (February 14) to request our assistance with their mission in caring for the Elderly Poor. The Sisters will be at the doors of the Church after Mass to accept voluntary gifts of support. Thank you for your kindness to them.

**Lenten Confession Schedule**

- **Monday—Friday:** 11:55 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
- **Tuesdays:** 7:00 p.m.—7:25 p.m.
- **Thursdays:** 5:00 p.m.—5:30 p.m.
- **Saturdays:** 4:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
- **Sundays:** Immediately after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

**The Light is ON for You**

“The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel.” – Pope Francis, (The Joy of the Gospel, 114)

Lent is the season where we prepare ourselves to renew and restore our relationship with Jesus and the Church as we prepare to celebrate Easter. To help prepare yourself to receive the joy of God’s mercy, explore information here to help you feel more confident and ready, including: frequently-asked questions, how to go to Confession, links to Catholic parishes, their locations and more. Visit [http://thelightison.org/](http://thelightison.org/) to find resources and Mass times across the Archdiocese of Washington.

**Lenten Bible Studies**

This Lent, the St. Paul Center is happy to announce that both of our highly acclaimed Journey Through Scripture Bible studies will be available for free! Join host Matthew Leonard for each of these visually stunning series that explore God’s gifts of life and love to His children. Experience the power of the Church’s seven signs of grace in **The Bible and the Sacraments**, or unveil the mystery of OurLady in Scripture in **The Bible and the Virgin Mary**. Join thousands of Catholics online by participating in these free studies! The free online studies begin on February 14, 2018 and will continue throughout the Lenten season. Sign up at: [www.stpaulcenter.com/lent-2018/](http://www.stpaulcenter.com/lent-2018/)

**Old Palm Disposal**

If you need to dispose of any old palm branches, you may leave them in the basket at the church’s main entrance or drop them off at the parish office.

**Lent is for Lovers**

This is a series of ninety-second video reflections created by Dominican priests Fr. Gabriel Torretta, O.P., and Fr. Clement Dickie, O.P. The series invites Catholics to a deeper relationship with Jesus and His Church by reflecting on how prayer, fasting, and almsgiving grow out of love.

Lent is for Lovers is designed to help you reflect on the power of Christ’s love and mercy throughout Lent. “Living Lent is not simply a matter of giving things up; it is about taking on new life. These videos offer reflections on the transformative power of love and how we can come to know Jesus more fully through his Church,” says Fr. Gabriel. As such, the videos are a perfect guide to the season of Lent, as a daily spiritual practice to help focus the heart on the graces of Lent and the joyful expectation of Easter. To receive these free daily meditations, sign up at [https://lent.love](https://lent.love).

**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.

- 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)**.

**Organ Renovation**

The historic 1887 Roosevelt Pipe organ in the rear gallery will be undergoing some renovation these next few weeks. Earlier this week, the organ curators removed some of the mechanics in the Pedal division that will be shipped out and releathered. While the rest of the organ still works, it won’t have the same sound-support we need for our singing. Therefore, it will most likely not be used until the parts are returned and reinstalled. We look forward to it’s return so that we can again sing praise to God through our music!

**Book Sale**

The Dominican Friars have been cleaning out their personal and community libraries. Their duplicate or unwanted books will be made available to parishioners and visitors of St. Dominic Church. Look for the book table in the rear of the church near the bridal room. The books will be available February 10—18. A free-will offering will be accepted.
Thank you to those who sacrificed their Saturday morning to help clean the church. Our next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, March 10th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All help is appreciated.

Email: social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863.

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St. Dominick’s Young Adults
For all young adults in their 20’s and 30’s
Thursday, February 15
• 7:00 p.m.—Adoration with Confession (Church)
• 7:40 p.m.—Discussion: The Church Triumphant

Religious Movie Seminar 2017-2018
Sundays 6:30 p.m.—(Parish Meeting Room)


Upcoming Events
March 10—Chili Cookoff!
March 17—Passiontide – The Wisdom of the Cross

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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.

St. Dominic Cenacle
A weekly group of discipleship for adults.
Tuesday, February 13
• 7:00 p.m. — Adoration with Confessions (Church)
• 7:40 p.m. Social Night—Mardi Gras

Social Justice Community Services
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: St. Dominic Church will hold a food drive to help our neighbors in southwest/Southeast DC on the forth weekend of every month. The next one will be the weekend of February 25th.

Capital Hill Pregnancy Center: Thank you to everyone who gave practical items (diapers, wipes and formula) to the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center. Our next collection will be the weekend of March 3/4.

Proverbs 24 Community: 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.

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ASH WEDNESDAY
Little Sisters of the Poor Collection
Ash Wednesday Mass
Music Ministry Weekly Rehearsal
Knights of Columbus – O’Boyle Council

Holy Hour
Young Adult Holy 1/2 Hour / Meeting

2018 - PARISH CALENDAR – FEBRUARY 2018

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The Weekly Mass Intentions

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sun, Feb 11**
8:00 AM  Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
10:30 AM  Our Lady of Lourdes Novena 9/9
5:00 PM  People of the Parish

**Mon, Feb 12**
8:00 AM  Deceased Dominican Sisters
12:10 PM  Thomas Francis Halwick (D)

**Tue, Feb 13**
8:00 AM  Nikolay Petrov I (D)
12:10 PM  Joshua Allison (D)

**Wed, Feb 14**
8:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM  Chirdon Family - Special Intention
5:00 PM  Balint Family

**Thu, Feb 15**
8:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM  Chirdon Family - Special Intention

**Fri, Feb 16**
8:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM  David & Mary Stewart (D)

**Sat, Feb 17**
9:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
5:00 PM  Helen & Anthony Krieg (D)

**Mass Intention Requests**

Requests can be made for the living or deceased, in intercession or thanksgiving. Requests are made at the parish office. The suggested offering is $10.

**Pray for the Sick**

Doris Baldwin, Debora Brownlee, Jerome Buke, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Kristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Gerond, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, Marion Halwick, Patricia & Patrick Hannon, Mary Hogan, Marilyn Jarvis, June Jaeger, 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, Sandra Yates, Bruce Sanowar and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Sanctuary

For the sick and homebound members of our parish.

Sanctuary Lamp

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

Annual Cardinal’s Appeal

Thank you to everyone who pledged last week for the annual Cardinal’s Appeal. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. If you have not pledged, and wish to do so, please contact the parish office for more information.

Mid-Year Financial Report

If you would like to receive a copy of the Mid-Year financial report covering the first half of the 2017-2018 fiscal year, please contact the parish office. The report can be provided in printed or digital media.

Stewardship

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Faith Direct

Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help your parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide St. Dominic Church with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season!

Visit 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.