March 4, 2018 — Third Sunday of Lent

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
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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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 Vasile, 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.

Church Bell

The large bell in the church bell tower is undergoing major repairs to its supporting and operational structures. After 119 years, parts have worn or loosened and need to be replaced. For now, the bell will be silent. We hope to have the bell fully operational in time for Easter.

Guest or Host?
Something made me happy this past Sunday morning. We had the Rite of Sending at the 10:30 a.m. Mass for our five persons in RCIA, preparing them for the Rite of Election that afternoon at the National Shrine. At the end of Mass, the five processed out with the priest and servers, so that people could meet and congratulate them in the back on the church. Many people came up and congratulated them with great warmth and enthusiasm. I was really happy with that. It was a great sign.

We’ve done this a little in the past. But sometimes not that many parishioners would actually come up to the people in RCIA to welcome and embrace them. I was happy with those who did, but I was really hoping more people would do so. A number of people walk by them without saying anything. I know some people might feel a little awkward or afraid. And people are not used to this. It’s something new.

I could imagine myself in the shoes of those in RCIA. If I were joining a church, wouldn’t I want to be warmly welcomed and embraced and encouraged by the people of the church? Of course! Well, the more we see ourselves—as parishioners—as hosts and not simply as guests, the more we will warmly welcome people. That’s what a host does! If we only see ourselves as guests, we don’t see it as our responsibility to greet others. “That’s someone else’s role, right?” Well, this past Sunday, I even saw some people who were visiting from out of town congratulate the five. That was really heart-warming to me. Even some of our guests played the role of warm hosts, welcoming people to our Catholic family… which is much larger than our parish, of course.

It’s wonderful to see more people in our parish seeing our parish as their spiritual home. It’s wonderful to see people seeing themselves more as hosts with regard to guests and those joining us through RCIA. Would that we all saw ourselves as warm hosts of our parish! Don’t be afraid to see yourselves in this way. You should! It’s a sign of ownership and internalization. The more this happens, the more people will be attracted to our parish and want to call it their home.
### Lenten Confession Schedule
- **Mondays—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 when 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 connected 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 Our Lady in Scripture in *The Bible and the Virgin Mary*. Join thousands of Catholics online by participating in these free studies! The free online studies began 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/)

### Lent is for Lovers
This is a series of ninety-seconds 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 joyous expectation of Easter. To receive these free daily meditations, sign up at [https://lent.love](https://lent.love).

### Worship
**Congregational Singing of the Entrance Antiphon** — During the Season of Lent, we will be singing the Entrance Antiphon during the Entrance Procession at many of the weekend masses. The Antiphon is printed in the Saint Michael Hymnal (the blue hymnal) and the page number will be announced before it is sung.

**Roosevelt Organ and Möller Organ**
During the season of Lent, our parish organist will be playing the Möller Organ (which is in the front of the church) while we complete some maintenance repairs to the Roosevelt Organ (in the loft). This maintenance work is scheduled to be completed before Palm Sunday.

**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. Substitute Lectors, Acolytes, EMHCs and Ushers are frequently needed at weekday and weekend masses. If you are able to fill a vacancy, please use the MSP website or app to volunteer.

**Additional Lay Ministers are needed for the Holy Week Liturgies: Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil. Please volunteer!**

**St. Dominic Cenacle**
*A weekly group of discipleship for adults.*
**Tuesday, March 6**
- 7:00 p.m. — Adoration with Confessions (Church)
- 7:40 p.m. **Discussion: Faith & Politics: International Affairs** (Margaret Macleod)

**St. Dominic’s Young Adults**
*For all young adults in their 20’s and 30’s*
**Thursday, March 8**
- 7:00 p.m. — Adoration with Confession (Church)
- 7:40 p.m. **Discussion: St. Catherine of Siena**

**How to Be a Great Evangelist Seminar**
Get tips at a potluck lunch and seminar after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, March 11. Joanne Fields from Saint Paul Street Evangelization will offer ideas and answer questions on how to share the person of Jesus Christ and the truth and beauty of the Catholic faith, with a hungry culture, in the circumstances of your everyday life.
So Others Might Eat: The next SOME meal is Saturday, March 31st. Sign-up sheets and baking pans are in the main vestibule.

Capital Hill Pregnancy Center: Please leave your donations for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center in front of the pulpit. We will not collect items over the Easter weekend, so the next collection will be May 7/8.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: Thank you to everyone who participate in last month’s food drive. The food was donated to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry and distributed to our neighbors in the Southeast/Southwest community. Our next food drive will be the weekend of March 24/25.

Parish Community

Do you make great chili? There is still time to enter the Chili Cookoff, which will be Saturday March 10th at 6:00 p.m. If you don’t make chili, please help to judge and enjoy the food. There will be prizes for the top three entries. 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.

The Garden Angels

First Yard-Cleaning of the Year for Easter!
Saturday, March 31, 9:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m.

Our regular work schedule will begin on Saturday, April 7th, 9:00 a.m. –12:00p.m. We do lawn and garden maintenance, grounds clean-up, and anything that comes up on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month. Drop-ins welcome! We need HELP to keep St. Dominic’s beautiful. Please email Elysis Branson at ebowserbuddy@aol.com or contact the Parish Office for further information.

No Experience Needed!

Church Maintenance

We will next clean the church on Saturday, March 10th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please help prepare the church for Easter. 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.

2018 Annual Jubilarian Mass

Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the Annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 50+ years on Sunday, June 17, 2018 at 2:00p.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office before Friday, April 20th to register.

Religious Movie Seminar 2017-2018

Sundays 6:30 p.m.—(Parish Meeting Room)


PARISH CALENDAR MARCH - APRIL 2018

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<td>ADW Food Drive</td>
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The next session of kneeler repairs is expected to sometime in the month of April. Keep a lookout in the bulletin and the Web Site for scheduling information.

**The Weekly Mass Intentions**

### Third Sunday of Lent

**Sun, Mar 4**
- 8:00 AM  Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
- 10:30 AM  Lenten Remembrance
- 5:00 PM  People of the Parish

**Mon, Mar 5**
- 8:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
- 12:10 PM  Chirdon Family - Special Intention

**Tue, Mar 6**
- 8:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
- 12:10 PM  Deacon Richard Fisher (D)

**Wed, Mar 7**
- 8:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
- 12:10 PM  Mary Healey

**Thu, Mar 8**
- 8:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
- 12:10 PM  Kay Kavula

**Fri, Mar 9**
- 8:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
- 12:10 PM  Philip Akers

**Sat, Mar 10**
- 9:00 AM  Lenten Remembrance
- 5:00 PM  Deceased Dominican Sisters

**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 Geron, 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**

*In Memory of: Martyn Montague*  
*By: Doris Stukes*

**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**

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.