May 20, 2018 — Pentecost Sunday

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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PROVINCE OF SAINT JOSEPH

PARISH:
Pastor: Father George P. Schommer, O.P.
Parochial Vicar: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
Deacon: Reverend Brother Norbert Keliher, O.P.

PARISH STAFF:
Business / Facilities Manager: Ed Von Hagel
Pastoral Associate: Briana Miller
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:
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FRIARS IN RESIDENCE:
Prior: Father Jacob Restrick, O.P.
Brother: Patrick Foley, O.P, Ignatius Perkins, O.P.

Pastor’s Corner

Today we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost. We commemorate the event whereby the Lord Jesus fulfills his promise to send the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and disciples—giving them the grace and the confidence to share their faith with others so that all will come to repentance and believe in the person of Jesus as Lord and Savior of their lives. We, too, have received the gift of the Holy Spirit in Baptism and Confirmation. We, like the Apostles, are now empowered by the Holy Spirit to give witness to our faith and the graces we have received in our lives. Through this witness, God invites everyone to share in the new life we have in Christ. The great commission of Jesus is given to us: “Go, and make disciples of all nations” (Mt. 28:19).

Our zeal for the good of others is not some sense of narrow self-righteousness; it is not the presumption of self-perfection, or the blind fanaticism of those who want to impose their views on everyone. It is based on our knowledge and experience that God loves every person and desires every person to receive the new life that is found through faith in Christ. We propose to others the truths of our faith and extend to others the invitation of Jesus: “Come, follow me.”

Our parish has formed an Evangelization Team under the coordination of Margaret MacLeod. There are currently 8 members and the team is always open to new members. Training is provided in the methodology of the St. Paul Street Evangelization ministry. It is highly effective. Last Sunday, the team was present on the National Mall at the Candlelight Vigil for Law Enforcement Professionals during National Police Week. Several police officers received rosaries with thanks. One gentleman from New Bedford, MA shared his testimony and devotion to St. Jude that saw him safely through torpedo fire in the Pacific during the Korean War. He was invited to visit the Rosary Shrine of St. Jude in our parish church.

Let us pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in a new way upon our parish that all of us will be witnesses in word and action to the love and salvation of Jesus. Through the working of the Holy Spirit we can hope for the renewal of our parish and the growth of our community.

Congratulations to Father Isaac Morales, O.P. and his 8 Dominican classmates who were ordained to the priesthood on Saturday (yesterday) at the Basilica. He celebrates a Mass of Thanksgiving today at 10:30 with family, friends and the parish community. May God
bless him and his classmates with abundant graces as they begin their priestly ministry. Ad multos annos!

Let us pray for one another,
Fr. Schommer, O.P.

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Farewell letters to Fr. Schommer

As Father Schommer leaves St. Dominic’s Church to take on a new assignment as pastor of St. Patrick’s Church in Philadelphia, you are invited to write a letter expressing your gratitude for his ministry. Maybe you have a story of how a homily or a Pastor’s Corner has inspired you. Maybe there was a moment when you were drawn closer to your faith. You may wish to express appreciation for a parish presentation, volunteering, sick call, liturgy, social service event, or others. You may want to simply share your favorite memory.

Letters may be written in a notebook located at the back of the church. You may also submit a letter to Fr. Schommer on line at farewell@stdominicchurch.org. Please submit letters in 250 words or less. Feel free to include a photo. Letters will be presented to Father Schommer during the reception after his Mass of Farewell on June 3.

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Lifestyle Matters
Reflecting on Lifestyle through the Lens of Faith (4 Nights)

**Sunday Evenings: May 20– June 10**
(Parish Meeting Room)

- May 20—Watch & Discuss *(Dis) Honesty*
- May 27—Watch & Discuss *Minimalism*
- June 3—Blogger Jane Crosby on *Zero-Waste Living*
- June 10—Watch & Discuss *Room to Breathe*

**Potluck:** Please bring a dish, preferably plant based!

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St. Dominic Cenacle

*A weekly group of discipleship for adults.*

**Tuesday, May 22** (Parish Meeting Room)

- 7:00 p.m. — Adoration with Confessions (Church)
- 7:40 p.m. — *Mary: Immaculate Conception*

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St. Dominic’s Young Adults

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

**Thursday, May 24** (Parish Meeting Room)

- 7:00 p.m.—Adoration with Confessions (Church)
- 7:40 p.m.—*Consecrated Laity*

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For those with Hearing Impediment

The parish has a number of personal listening system receivers with earbuds 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 is available for others.

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Litururgical Notes: Pentecost Sunday

A special sung response (the *Sequence*) is used today before the Gospel Acclamation. In accordance with the Catholic liturgical rubrics, the Sequence is a required part of the Easter Sunday and Pentecost Sunday Liturgies (it is optional on a few other feasts, but may be included such as next week’s celebration of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ).

The earliest version of the text used for the Sequence probably entered Roman Rite liturgy sometime before the ninth century as an expansion of the text of the *Alleluia*. Of the hundreds that were in use before the Council of Trent, the Tridentine reform retained only four, though one was added later.

The response *Come Holy Spirit* (Latin “Veni, Sancte Spiritus”) is frequently used in prayers and hymns during the Pentecost season.

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Social Justice Community Services

**Capital Hill Pregnancy Center:** We will next collect diapers, wipes, and formula for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center the weekend of June 2/3.

The next collection will be the weekend of May 26/27. The food will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry, which serves our neighbors in the Southwest/Southeast area.

**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: walking, praying, and cooking. For more information, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

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Parish Community

Everyone is welcome to the parish block party in honor of Father Schommer’s transfer and Father Hyacinth’s installation as our new pastor. The festivities will begin after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 3rd on the church lawn.
**Church Maintenance & History**

The next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, June 9th, after the 9:30 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 second double window on the north side of the church includes an illustration of St. Dominic’s ordination in 1194. He was ordained in Osma, Spain. The laying on of hands is a sign of consecration, blessing, and welcome to the ministry.- Courtesy of Mary Moran

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**The Garden Angels**

We do lawn and garden maintenance, grounds clean-up, and anything that comes up on the **1st and 3rd & 5th Saturdays** of the month. Drop-ins welcome! **We need HELP to keep St. Dominic’s beautiful.** Please email Ely-sia Branson at ebowserbuddy@aol.com or contact the Parish Office for further information. No Experience Needed!

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**Parish Community…continued**

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

Thanks to those who helped with our first ever Taco Social.

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**Kneeler Repairs**

The next session is Saturday, May 26, after the 9:00 Mass. The project will be on-going until all the worn and damaged kneelers have been renewed. Additional volunteers are welcome and needed. Whether or not you are good with tools, we’d be glad to have your help. RSVPs encouraged to help us prepare: Email Ed Von Hagel at businessmgr@stdominicchurch.org

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**St. Peter School News**

It is with great joy that we congratulate the St. Peter School Confirmation whom received the sacrament of Confirmation on May 12! As they continue their journey with Jesus that began at baptism, we pray they live more fully in the Father’s love through the gifts of the Holy Spirit. On Friday May 18, St. Peter student families competed against each other at Providence Park for Field Day - the most anticipated day of the year!

Each student family is assigned a color and wins points as they rotate through various games and relays such as the obstacle course, continuous kickball, the wacky water plunger relay, storm the castle and a team work relay. The teams enjoyed a barbeque lunch prepared by SPS parents. After lunch, there was a tug-of-war championship showdown and the day commenced with the annual Grade 8 vs. teachers competition, which was flag football this year. A grand time was had by all!

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**2018 PARISH CALENDAR MAY**

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**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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**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 & Ed Dever, 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, 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.

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**Sanctuary Lamp Burning in the Sanctuary**

*In Memory of: Carolyn Friend*

*By: Diane Krizan*

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