First Sunday of Advent
December 2, 2018

There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars. When these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.

Luke 21:25, 28
We are working with the Knights of Columbus to provide new, good quality children’s coats for low-income families. Each coat costs about $20. You may donate through faithdirect.org or using the collection basket and writing Coats for Kids in the check’s subject line or on the envelope.

Please leave the toys for the DC police Christmas party in front of the pulpit. The St. Martin de Porres will sort and deliver the toys this Sunday. Thank you for making Christmas brighter for homeless children.
### This Week:

#### Sunday, December 2

**The Very Reverend Kenneth R. Letoile, O.P., Prior Provincial of the Province of St. Joseph** will be visiting from November 28th—December 4th.
- He will be celebrating the 10:30am Mass
- Reception to follow in Parish Meeting Room

#### Religious Movie Seminar

**Sunday, December 2**

**Religious Movie Seminar**

*The Sign of the Cross*

6:30pm—Parish Meeting Room

- Fredric March, Claudette Colbert, Charles Laughton, Directed by Cecil B. DeMille (1932) 125 minutes.

#### Tuesday, December 4

**The Gospel of Luke: Scripture Study**

Cenacle Meeting

*A weekly group of discipleship for adults*

- 7:00pm— Adoration & Confession (Church)
- 7:40pm — Scripture Study (Parish Meeting Room)

#### Thursday, December 6

**The Second Coming of Christ**

St. Dominic Young Adults

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

- 7:00pm— Adoration and Confessions (Church)
- 7:40pm — Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)
- 8:40pm—Fellowship (Parish Meeting Room)

#### Saturday, December 8

**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** *(Holy Day of Obligation)*

**Mass Times:**

- Vigil: Friday, December 7—5:00pm
- December 8—9:00am & 2:00pm (with wedding ceremony)

#### Sunday, December 9

**Religious Movie Seminar**

*Francis of Assisi*

6:30pm—Parish Meeting Room

- Bradford Dillman, Dolores Hart, Stuart Whitman, Finlay Currie; Directed by Michael Curtiz (1961) 105 minutes plus Fox Flix & Movietone News
The Promise of Justice

We are in fairly good company when we ask God for justice. Often enough we hear and agree with the lament of the people of Israel asking God why the wicked prosper. However, when we call out for justice, we usually want someone to get his or her comeuppance. God’s justice is something other than this, of course. God’s justice comprises a wonderful rightness between God and human-kind.

Life was not fair in Jeremiah’s time. Israel’s kings held the promise of God’s fidelity, but it was difficult to see how God’s promise could be realized through them.

Nevertheless, Jeremiah lifts his voice and announces that the Promised One will come. Luke’s Gospel echoes that announcement, and Paul is filled with sturdy encouragement. And so Advent begins with a promise.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6
Church History

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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.

Social Justice

Sign up sheets and baking pans for the December 29th SOME meal are in the main vestibule. Because so many people will be out of town for Christmas, please consider making an extra dish to ensure we have enough meatloaves and macaroni and cheese to feed 350 people.

Worship

We are blessed by the presence of many visitors and guests each week. Out of solemn respect for the Mass, we follow the custom of remaining at our places within the church until the conclusion of the Song for Sending Forth (recessional).

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

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

- All weekend masses use the sung mass responses of the Missa Simplex, starting with the Kyrie (found in the Blue Hymnal (#133) or the Breaking Bread Book (insert pg 2)). Reminder: The Gloria is not sung on Sundays of Advent.
- The other mass parts follow the Kyrie.

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

All of the following events need Lay Minister volunteers:
- Friday, Dec 7: 5:00 p.m. Holy Day Mass (vigil)
- Saturday, Dec 8: 2:00 p.m. Holy Day Mass (with wedding)
- Saturday, Dec 15: 7:00 p.m.—Passiontide Liturgy
- Monday, Dec 24: 5:00 p.m.—Christmas Vigil Mass
- Monday, Dec 24: 9:00 p.m.—Christmas Vigil Mass
- Tuesday, Dec 25: 10:30 a.m.—Christmas Day Mass
- Monday, Dec 31: 5:00 p.m.—Holy Day Mass (Vigil)
- Tuesday, Jan 1: 10:30 a.m.—Holy Day Mass

Please use the MSP smartphone app or Website to volunteer to fill vacancies.

Please contact JC Cantrell through the Parish Office or by e-mail atmusic@stdominicchurch.org if you need assistance or have questions regarding the schedule.

St. Peter School News

This holiday season, St. Peter School and the Haiti Stewardship Committee will hold a Holiday Market, with all proceeds going to our sister schools in Haiti. The Holiday Market will run on Tuesday, December 4 and Wednesday, December 5 at St. Peter School. We hope to see you there to support this great cause.

Mark your calendars -- Santa and Mrs. Claus are coming to town! The Pre-K and Kindergarten classes invite St. Peter’s School families to join us Saturday, December 8th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the Church hall for pictures with Santa, ornament decorating, and cookies & milk. Please RSVP online via: bit.ly/SPSSanta.

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**Pray for the Sick**

Doris Baldwin, Debra Brownlee, Jerome Buke, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Kristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Barbara Dever, Helen G/Hewit, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, Marion Halwick, Patricia & Patrick Hannon, Mona Hennesy, Mary Hogan, Karla Humbles, Marilyn Jarvis, June Jaeger, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, James F. McGrath, III, Mary Mc Morrow, Rose Montas, Tomas Ramirez, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Bruce Sanowar, Rosa Maria Santos, Mike Scarpulla, Frances White, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

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**Sanctuary Candle**

*For the conversion of those who promote euthanasia and assisted suicide*

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

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**Dominican Friars of the Province of Saint Joseph**

**Parish:**

*Pastor:* Fr. Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
*Parochial Vicar:* Fr. Bernard Timothy, O.P.

**Parish Ministries:**

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

**Parish Pastoral Council Members:**

Simon Ciccarillo, Patricia D’Antonio, Robert Davis, Margaret MacLeod, Mary Moran, Sean Robinson, David Stewart, Andrew Vasile, Joe Wasiak

**Parish Finance Council Members:**

Simon Ciccarillo, Jackie Griffin, Eileen Lyons, Mary Jane Morrow, Ria Nicole Robinson

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**Parish Staff:**

*Business / Facilities Manager:* Ed Von Hagel
*Pastoral Associate:* Briana Miller
*Worship Coordinator:* JC Cantrell

**Friars in Residence:**

*Prior:* Fr. Jacob Restrick, O.P.


*Brother:* Patrick Foley, O.P.


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**The Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, December 2**

8:00am Deceased Dominican Sisters
10:30am People of the Parish
5:00pm Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

**Monday, December 3**

8:00am Nikolay Petrov II (D)
12:10pm Catherine & Alex Chunn

**Tuesday, December 4**

8:00am Bogomila Mireva
12:10pm Chirdon Family

**Wednesday, December 5**

8:00am Cecile Tchong
12:10pm Felix & Bena Moy

**Thursday, December 6**

8:00am Maria D’Aiello
12:10pm Moy Family

**Friday, December 7**

8:00am All Souls
12:10pm Ellide Zullo
5:00pm Mary Stone Kelly

**Saturday, December 8**

9:00am People of the Parish
5:00pm Connor Irwin
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.

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.”
422 Third St., SE • (202) 544-1618
http://www.stpeterschooldc.org/

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.

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

Holy Days
5:00 p.m. Vigil; 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 7:00 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 12:10 p.m. Mass.

Holy Hour (Eucharistic Adoration)
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.

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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