



ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

MARCH 26, 2017 — The Fourth 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 1786, 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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<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.

WEEKENDS

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

HOLIDAYS

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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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DOMINICAN FRIARS of the PROVINCE of SAINT JOSEPH

PARISH:

Pastor: Father George P. Schommer, O.P.

Parochial Vicar: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.

Deacon: Rev. Bro. Edmund McCullough, 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: Carrie Yauch

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:

Patricia D'Antonio, Robert Davis, Timothy Fouts, Olivia Hnat; Mary Moran, Sean Robinson, David Stewart, Doris Stukes, Andrew Vasile, Carrie Yauch

Parish Finance Council Members:

Bill Fagan, Jackie Griffin, John Michetti, MaryJane Morrow, Ria Nicole Robinson

FRIARS IN RESIDENCE:

Prior: Father Carleton Jones, O.P.

Reverend Father: George Christian, O.P., Barnabas Davis, O.P., Thomas Donoghue, O.P., Jordan Kelly, O.P., John Baptist Ku, O.P., Louis Bertrand Lemoine, O.P., Gerard Lessard, O.P., Louis Mason, O.P., Andrew Nicolichia, O.P., Gregory Pine, O.P., Matthew Rzczkowski, O.P., Bede Shipp, O.P., John Sica, O.P., Raymund Snyder, O.P., Raymond Vandegrift, O.P., Michael Weibley, O.P., Bruce Williams, O.P.

Reverend Brother: Bonaventure Chapman, O.P., Thomas Davenport, O.P., Luke Hoyt, O.P., Jacob Bertrand Janczyk, O.P., Edmund McCullough, O.P., Alan Piper, O.P.

Brother: Patrick Foley, O.P.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Today we celebrate the 4th Sunday of Lent, commonly referred to as *Laetare* Sunday. The name comes from the first words of the Entrance Antiphon at Mass, "Rejoice O Jerusalem". This is the middle Sunday of Lent and during this season of penance, some of the signs of the coming joy of Easter are already breaking through. The Gospel reading today – that recounts the encounter of the man born blind with Jesus – highlights for us the joy of a new life obtained through the mercy and power of Jesus. As the 'middle' Sunday of Lent it might also be a good time for us to reflect on how our Lenten practices have been helping us to focus more closely on the mystery of our salvation. The Psalmist prays that the Lord would restore to us the joy of our salvation; and our own encounter with Christ through prayer and the sacraments ought to make that joy a reality. Consider such an encounter through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The sacrament is available every day of the week; and the new confessionals were built to be used! See the schedule elsewhere in this bulletin.

Let us pray for one another,

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

PASSIONTIDE

A Lenten Event of Light, Reflection and Hope

Theme: "The Cross in the Torah"

Saturday April 1

6:30 p.m. Confessions

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Service



A Reception follows in the Parish Meeting Room

We invite all to this moving and prayerful preparation for Holy Week, which includes readings from Scripture, preached reflections on the Cross, the praying of penitential psalms, beautiful music, and veneration of a relic of the true Cross. For more information, find our event on Facebook or email us at Events@StDominicChurch.org

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.

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/> to find resources and Mass times across the Archdiocese of Washington.

"The Light is ON for You" invitations are located in the main Vestibule.

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

- ◆ **Mondays—Fridays:** 11:55 a.m. — 12:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Tuesdays:** 6:45 p.m. — 7:15 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.

ST. DOMINIC CENACLE

A weekly group of discipleship for adults. The group takes its inspiration from the image and spirituality of the Upper Room in the New Testament, the room where the Last Supper happened, where Jesus appeared to His disciples as risen from the dead, and where the Holy Spirit descended upon the Church at Pentecost. The group consists in weekly meetings, various service opportunities, and occasional outings and events.

Weekly meetings on Tuesday evenings:

- 6:45 p.m. — Adoration with Confessions (or Mass once a month)
- 7:25 p.m. — Faith Topic Discussion (Parish Meeting Room)
- Monthly work of mercy
- Regular outings

Visit our website: www.stdominiccenacle.org or
Email us: cenacle@stdominicchurch.org

2017 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS

Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 2:00p.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office before Monday, April 24th to register.

WORSHIP

Sung Mass Responses: Our community's sung and spoken response during the ritual prayers of the liturgy is a core element of communal prayer.

- For the season of Lent, we will be singing at all Masses the responses of the Siena Chant Mass which is found on pages 16-17 of the insert attached to the front cover of the Breaking Bread book.

ATTENTION WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND ACOLYTES, LECTORS, USHERS, AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The schedule of Lay Ministers serving at daily and weekend liturgies and Masses through the end of May has been emailed to all Lay Ministers. The current (always updated) schedule may always be accessed via the MSP internet portal or by using the MSP smart-phone app.

Additional Ushers and Acolytes are needed for the Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday (April 9, 13, 14, 15, 16) celebrations. Please volunteer if you are available.

Please contact JC Cantrell by e-mail if you have questions. (music@stdominicchurch.org)

SOCIAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Archdiocesan Food Drive: Please leave your donation for the Archdiocesan food drive in front of the pulpit. The food will be donated to the Holy Name Parish food pantry.

Capitol Hill Pregnancy: Thanks to everyone who volunteer at the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center on Saturday.

Our next collection of for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center (diapers, wipes and formula) will be the weekend of April 2nd.

So Others Might Eat: The parish provides the noon meal for SOME every 5th Saturday. The next meal is scheduled for April 29th. Parishioners volunteer to make meatloaves and macaroni and cheese (baking pans and sign-up sheets will be in the main vestibule beginning April 1). On the day of the meal, volunteers can take food over to SOME at 9:30 a.m. We also serve and clean up after the meal.

PARISH COMMUNITY

If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with other parishioners, please join the Hospitality Committee. For more information, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

CHURCH HISTORY AND MAINTENANCE

Church Cleaning: We are looking for people to help manage our monthly cleaning. Ideally, we would have several volunteers to commit to coordinating the cleaning which would amount to only a few times a year for each volunteer.

We will clean next on Saturday, April 8th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please help prepare our wonderful church for the Easter celebration.

The Garden Angels: Spring is around the corner! We will begin on April 1st, doing clean-up and planting some flowers, in time to beautify the grounds for Palm Sunday and Easter. The more volunteers that show up the more tasks we can accomplish. We will be starting at 9:00 am and working until 12.

Any help will be greatly appreciated. For further information call Elysia Branson at 202-285-8099 or email ebrowserbuddy@aol.com.

History: On the Northwest corner of the altar is a representation of St. Catherine of Siena (1347-80) in her Dominican nun's habit holding a crucifix. She experienced mystical visions and practiced severe austerities as a young child. She is the patron saint of Europe and Italy. Her feast day is celebrated on April 29th—**Courtesy of Mary Moran.**

RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR!

Sundays: 6:30 p.m. through April 2, 2017
Parish Meeting Room (downstairs)

- **March 26: Under the Moonlight**—Hossein Parastar, Hamed Rajabali, Mehran Rajabi (2001) 96 minutes (Persian) (Critics Award, Cannes Film Festival)
- **April 2: The Giver**—Jeff Bridges, Meryl Streep, Brenton Thwaites, Taylor Swift, Katie Holmes (2014) 97 minutes;
Making the Giver: From Page to Screen 22 minutes.
Author Lois Lowry on the Giver 3 minutes

ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS

St. Peter School has appointed its next principal, who will begin on July 1. Father Gary Studniewski, pastor of St. Peter Church, is pleased to announce that Mr. Joe Feeser, of Indianapolis, has accepted the position of principal for St. Peter School.

Mr. Feeser is a certified principal who has a B.B.A., Accountancy and a Master of Education degree from the University of Notre Dame. Joe earned a second Master's degree in Educational Administration from Butler University. Mr. Feeser is currently the principal of St. Joan of Arc School in Indianapolis, Indiana. He began his career at St. Joan of Arc in 2013 as assistant principal and was promoted to principal in 2014. Mr. Feeser also has 5 years of teaching experience in Catholic Schools.

While the St. Peter School community will very much miss Principal Ketchum and are thankful for her years of excellent service, we look forward to welcoming Mr. Feeser into our school and community in the near future.

2017 PARISH CALENDAR – MARCH

MARCH	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday 26	All Masses 6:30 p.m.	Second Collection-Catholic Relief Services Religious Movie Seminar	Church Parish Meeting Room
Monday 27	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	RCIA	Conference Room
Tuesday 28	6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m. -7:15 p.m. 7:20 p.m. -8:20 p.m	Music Ministry Rehearsal Cenacle Holy Half Hour Cenacle Meeting	Church Church Parish Meeting Room
Wednesday 29	6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church
Thursday 30	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Holy Hour Young Adult Holy Half Hour Young Adult Meeting	Church Church Parish Meeting Room
Friday 31			

2017 PARISH CALENDAR – APRIL

Saturday 1	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Passiontide Reception	Church Parish Hall
Sunday 2	All Masses 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Baby Items Collection Lay Dominican Monthly Meeting Religious Movie Seminar	Church Chapel/Parish Mtg. Rm Parish Meeting Room

THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun, Mar 26	Fourth Sunday of Lent
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
5:00 PM	Lenten Remembrance
Mon, Mar 27	
8:00 AM	Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM	Edmund & Helen Traupmann (D)
Tue, Mar 28	
8:00 AM	Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM	Roberta Shipps (D)
Wed, Mar 29	
8:00 AM	Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM	Roberta Shipps (D)
Thu, Mar 30	
8:00 AM	Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM	Roberta Shipps (D)
Fri, Mar 31	
8:00 AM	Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM	Roberta Shipps (D)
Sat, Apr 1	
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.

SANCTUARY LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK



In Memory of:
Fr. Donald Thibault, O.P.
By: Doris Stukes

Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Candle can be made in the parish office.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Doris Baldwin, Jane Boorman, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Fr. Caprio, O.P. Khristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Mary Hogan, June Jaeger, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, James F. McGrath, III, Fr. Muller, O.P., Bill Orr, , Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Frances White, Sandra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	3/19/2017	\$3,790.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	3/1/2017	\$980.00

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.

MID-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT

If you would like to receive a copy of the Mid-Year financial report covering the first half of the 2016-2017 fiscal year, please contact the parish office. The report can be provided in printed or digital media.

