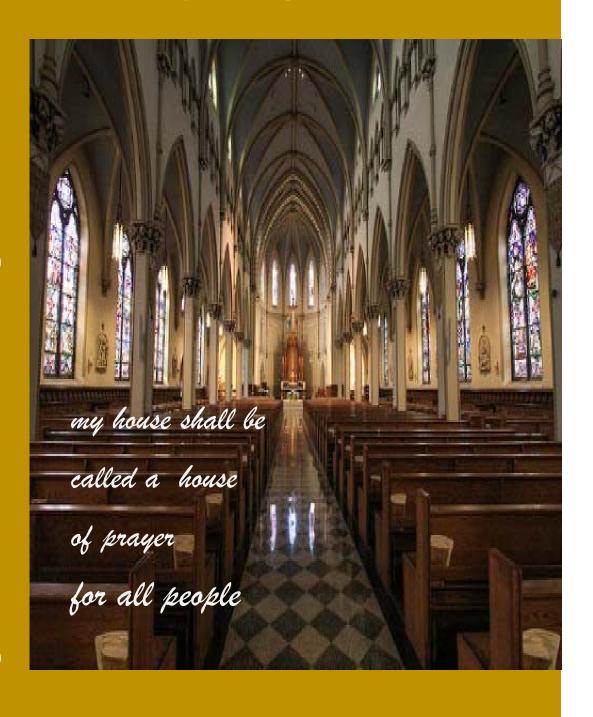
# Serving Southwest Washington since 1852 ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Sunday, August 16, 2020



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THIS WEEK:



## Tuesday, August 18

St. Dominic Cenacle

### Mass

• 7:00pm — In-Person & Via YouTube

(see website for YouTube link)

### Thursday, August 20

### St. Dominic Young Adults

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

Behold the Lamb: Eucharistic Miracles, Part II

• **7:00pm** — Via Zoom (see website for Zoom link)



### Pray for the Sick

Doris Baldwin, Debora Brownlee, Jerome Buke, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Khristofer Chowbay, Sally Daly, Barbara Dever, Helen G. Hewit, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, 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, Richard Pane, 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.

### SANCTUARY CANDLE



For the deceased & injured in the August 4th Beirut explosion.

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

### THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, August 16

5:00pm Vigil Donna & David Connor

8:00am Allison Kuch

10:30am People of the Parish

5:00pm Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

### Monday, August 17

8:00am Annie James

12:10pm † Marthe de Schmertzing

### Tuesday, August 18

8:00am † Linda Tripp

12:10pm Fr. Hyacinth Marie Cordell, OP

### Wednesday, August 19

8:00am Dr. Lindsey Marie Jesnek Okoroafo

12:10pm † Deceased Dominican Sisters

### Thursday, August 20

8:00am † Helen T. McGrath 12:10pm † Summer Lee Frazier

### Friday, August 21

8:00am Trese Loria 12:10pm Kitty Ludwig

### Saturday, August 22

9:00am Fr. Hyacinth Marie Cordell, OP

### Pope Pius X—Saint for August 21st



Pope Pius X is perhaps best remembered for his encouragement of the frequent reception of Holy Communion, especially by children.

The second of 10 children in a poor Italian family, Joseph Sarto became Pius X at age 68. He was one of the 20th century's greatest popes.

Ever mindful of his humble origin, Pope Pius stated, "I was born poor, I lived poor, I will die poor." He was embarrassed by some of the pomp of the papal court. "Look how they have dressed me up," he said in tears to an old friend. To another, "It is a penance to be forced to accept all these practices. They lead me around surrounded by soldiers like Jesus when he was seized in Gethsemani."

Interested in politics, Pope Pius encouraged Italian Catholics to become more politically involved. One of his first papal acts was to end the supposed right of governments to interfere by veto in papal elections—a practice that reduced the freedom of the 1903 conclave which had elected him.

In 1905, when France renounced its agreement with the Holy See and threatened confiscation of Church property if governmental control of Church affairs were not granted, Pius X courageously rejected the demand.

While he did not author a famous social encyclical as his predecessor had done, he denounced the ill treatment of indigenous peoples on the plantations of Peru, sent a relief commission to Messina after an earthquake, and sheltered refugees at his own expense.

On the 11th anniversary of his election as pope, Europe was plunged into World War I. Pius had foreseen it, but it killed him. "This is the last affliction the Lord will visit on me. I would gladly give my life to save my poor children from this ghastly scourge." He died a few weeks after the war began, and was canonized in 1954.

Source: Franciscan Media

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Thus says the Lord: "Stand firm in justice; do what is right" (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

Psalm - O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

**Second Reading** — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

Gospel – Recognizing the Canaanite woman's great faith, Jesus told her, "It shall be done as you wish" (Matthew 15:21-28).

### WHY PRAY?

The "foreigners" as Isaiah calls them, the "Gentiles" as Paul calls them, or the "Canaanites" as Matthew calls them are called to worship the one true God in prayer. As we listen to today's readings, perhaps we are tempted to ask: Why pray? The apostles had the opportunity to talk to Jesus in the flesh. We have the opportunity to talk to Jesus Christ in prayer. Our relationship with him must be enthusiastic; it cannot be faint-hearted. John Donne, a fifteenth-century poet, knew what the qualities of good prayer were. Donne asks God to treat him differently from most Christians. The poet does not want God to merely "knock, breathe, shine, and seek to mend," but also to "break, blow, burn, and make me new" (Holy Sonnets, XIV).

It takes a dynamic faith on our part to come to God in prayer. As Jesus once said, "Knock and the door will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7). It may take pounding the door down, but if we are as persistent as the woman in today's Gospel, the results will follow.

### Readings for the Week

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday:** Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1

**Friday:** Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-

**Sunday:** Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



### 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.



### SUNDAY MASSES

- 5:00pm Vigil (Saturday)
- 8:00am
- 10:30am (followed by coffee and donuts in the Parish Mtg Rm)
- 5:00pm

## Mass Times

### WEEKDAYS

*Monday*—*Friday*:

- 8:00am
- 12:10pm (followed by the veneration of a relic of St. Jude on Fridays)

*Saturday:* 

• 9:00am

### HOLY DAYS

- 5:00pm Vigil
- 8:00am
- 12:10pm
- 7:00pm

### SUNDAY

9:45am

## **CONFESSION TIMES**

MONDAY-FRIDAY

• 11:55am—12:15pm

### SATURDAY

• 4:30pm



### 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:* "And the two shall become one flesh" (*Mark 10:8*).

Holy Eucharist at Home: When a fellow parishioner is in the hospital or unable to attend Mass. Adoration: Tuesday & Thursday from 7-7:30pm (Church); Thursdays from 5pm-6pm (Friar's Chapel). Anointing of the Sick: Those facing serious illness or entering the hospital.



### Church Hours

Sun-Fri

SAT

• 7am—8pm

• 8am — 8pm

### Parish Office Hours

SUNDAY

Mon-Fri

• 9:00am - 1:00pm • 8:30am - 5:00pm



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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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