



ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

FEBRUARY 12, 2017 — Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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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.

WEEKEND

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

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

Sunday Receptionist: Marlene Mattison

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.

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: John Burke, O.P., George Christian, O.P., Barnabas Davis, O.P., Thomas Donoghue, O.P., Jordan Kelly, O.P., Joseph-Anthony Kress, 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 Rzekowski, 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.

FR. HYACINTH—NEW CONFESSIONALS

Good news. . . the new confessionals will be in soon! They will be constructed in the church over three days: February 13th, 14th, and 15th. They will be a big improvement. The new confessionals will be handicapped accessible, beautiful, comfortable, well-ventilated, much more sound-proofed, and will have a face-to-face option. Above all they will be worthy places for the bestowal of God's mercy.

We hope that this will be part of a renewal of the Sacrament of Penance in our parish. All of us fall short, and we need God's constant forgiveness and help. Regular confession is an important part of our spiritual growth. It is important for each of us to ask forgiveness of our sins at the end of each day. It is also important to make regular use of the sacrament Jesus gave us when He rose from the dead and gave His apostles the authority and duty to forgive sins in His name, saying, "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (John 20:23).

"Why do we need to confess our sins to a priest?" Because Jesus wants us to. Jesus assures us of forgiveness in this sacrament. Jesus truly forgives us in this sacrament. It is good for us. It helps us grow in humility. It helps us bring the dark parts of us into the light for healing. It is good accountability, helping us to aim high and to keep on working on our weak areas, versus leaving them to go unchecked. We can receive a little helpful counsel. It's also free!

Many Catholics don't make regular use of this great gift, unfortunately. Why? There are many reasons: fear, embarrassment, denial, pride, lack of readiness or willingness to change, a bad past experience, misunderstanding, stubbornness, painful memories, and so forth. Some of these are certainly understandable. But it is important to work through these, so that we are not missing out on such a powerful and beautiful gift. Which ones do you struggle with? And how might you work through those with Jesus? Don't be afraid to come talk with us about your reservations. We're here to serve you.

A few things might be helpful for you. Check out the confession page on our website. You will find a link there to a good confession guide. You can also watch a short video explaining this sacrament. Lastly, there is a new video series on confession which we hope to show here in the parish in the not-too-distant future. More info to come! For now, just ask Jesus in prayer to help you appreciate this great gift He has given us. . . and, when they're done, be sure to come and visit the new confessionals!

MASS LOCATION CHANGE

The 8:00 a.m. weekday Mass will be celebrated in the Priory Chapel from Monday, February 13 through Wednesday, February 15. Access to the Priory Chapel is through the exterior entrance, which is mid-block on E Street. Attendees are welcome to join the Dominican community for Morning Prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours beginning at 7:30 a.m.

CAPITAL REPAIRS UPDATE

The new confessionals for the church are scheduled to be installed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week. Once the construction is complete, there will be further work needed to complete the electrical wiring, the ventilation system, the carpeting and the interior decorations. Access through the glass center doors to/from the vestibule will be limited at times because of the construction.

The replacement of the air conditioning system is scheduled to begin late this week or early next week. The work will be “hidden” since the machinery is located in the basement area underneath the sacristy and outside in the south garden area. This work is on schedule to be completed before the warmer weather returns and we have need for air conditioning.

These projects are funded by the Capital Repairs and Maintenance Collection, which is received on the third Sunday of the month and through the use of the blue envelopes found in the pews of the church. Thank you, to all our generous benefactors.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

Today is World Marriage Day, a part of World Marriage Week, that is observed each year from February 7–14. In his Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis makes the following points:

- “The word of God tells us that the family is entrusted to a man, a woman and their children, so that they may become a communion of persons in the image of the union of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit” (no. 29).
- “Every family should look to the icon of the Holy Family of Nazareth” (no. 30).
- “No one can think that the weakening of the family as that natural society founded on marriage will prove beneficial to society as a whole” (no. 52).

In our prayers today, let us ask for God’s blessings upon our own families; and for the protection of family values within our society.

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).

Sung Mass Responses: Our community’s sung and spoken response during the ritual prayers of the liturgy is a core element of communal prayer. We sing the same Mass setting at all Masses.

- The Gloria setting is found on page 10 of the insert attached to the inside front cover of the Breaking Bread Book. The remaining parts of the mass follow the Gloria on insert pages 12-13.

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

Sunday, February 25th at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, the Parish of St Dominic Church will formally commission all weekday and weekend Lay Ministers of the Mass who serve at St Dominic Parish. All Lay Ministers are invited to attend the Sunday, Feb 25th 10:30 a.m. mass to participate in the commissioning prayers.

LAY MINISTER OF THE MASS SCHEDULE

All Lay Ministers of the Mass can check their schedule via the MSP webpage of MSP App. If your personal commitments change and you need a substitute, please use the MSP “app” or webpage to request a substitute (the request automatically notifies available volunteers).

ST. JOHN PAUL, II

Join fellow Catholic couples and families for a Holy Family Celebration on Saturday, February 18 from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. This half-day celebration will feature inspired talks, opportunities for Confession and Eucharistic Adoration, and Holy Mass celebrated by Cardinal Donald Wuerl. The day will conclude with a family style meal. The cost of attendance is \$10 per couple and \$20 for a family of three or more.

Register: www.holyfamilycelebration.eventbrite.com. The event is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington, the DC State Council of the Knights of Columbus, and the Saint John Paul II National Shrine.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Capitol Hill Pregnancy: Thanks to everyone who donated items for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center. Our next collection of diapers, wipes, or formula will be the weekend of March 4/5.

We are expanding our social justice ministry to offer more opportunities to combine service with spiritual growth. More information will be available in future bulletins. If you are interested, please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

PARISH COMMUNITY

Thanks to everyone who entered our annual Chili Cookoff. The winners will be listed in the next bulletin.

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

CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Church Cleaning: We are 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 in being a volunteer, please email social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863.

Thanks to those who sacrificed Saturday morning to help clean the church. Our next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, March 11th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. New volunteers are always welcome.

History: On March 3, 1887, President Cleveland signed a bill that exempted St. Dominic's Church from "all taxes and assessments of any kind whatsoever heretofore at any time." This was in response to a U.S. Supreme Court ruling, *Gibbons v. the District of Columbia*, which found that the city could tax church property. It wasn't until the birth of income tax in 1913 that churches became generally exempt from taxation.-
Courtesy of Mary Moran.

RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR!



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

Feb. 12, Joan of Paris – Michele Morgan, Paul Henreid, Thomas Mitchell, Alan Ladd (1942) 91 minutes

Feb. 19, Gentleman's Agreement – Gregory Peck, Dorothy McGuire, Jane Wyatt, Dean Stockwell (1947) 118 minutes (Academy Award for Best Picture) Backstory 24 minutes & Movietone News

ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS



Ever wonder how those St. Peter School students stay so cool all winter long? St. Peter Ski Club, of course! Middle school students leave school at 2:30pm on Fridays and head out to ski Liberty in Carroll, PA for some great night skiing from 4:00 to 8:00pm and return to St. Peter by 10:00pm. Faculty members and parents chaperone and can take advantage of the opportunity to ski as well. There are 9 trips planned between the first week of January and the first week of March. Let's hope for some carving and fresh tracks!

2017 PARISH CALENDAR – FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday 12	6:30 p.m.	Religious Movie Seminar	Parish Meeting Room
Monday 13	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	RCIA	Conference Room
Tuesday 14	6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church
Wednesday 15	6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal Knights of Columbus -Hickey Assembly	Church Parish Meeting Room
Thursday 16	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 17			
Saturday 18	4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
Sunday 19	All Masses 6:30 p.m.	Second Collection: Capital Repair & Maintenance Religious Movie Seminar	Church Parish Meeting Room

The Weekly Mass Intentions

Sun, Feb 12 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM People of the Parish
 10:30 AM Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
 5:00 PM Sylvia C. Font (D)

Mon, Feb 13

8:00 AM Eunice R. Tan (D)
 12:10 PM Hilda N. Carbonell (D)

Tue, Feb 14

8:00 AM Nikolay Petrov I (D)
 12:10 PM Raymond R. Pikus (D)

Wed, Feb 15

8:00 AM Raymond R. Pikus (D)
 12:10 PM Reverend Carl F. Dianda, O.P. (D)

Thu, Feb 16

8:00 AM Reverend Carl F. Dianda, O.P. (D)
 12:10 PM Reverend Carl F. Dianda, O.P. (D)

Fri, Feb 17

8:00 AM Alexander Mireff (D)
 12:10 PM Margaret Fink (D)

Sat, Feb 18

9:00 AM Deceased Dominican Sisters
 5:00 PM Pete & Jean Campanzzi (D)

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. The Mass Intention Calendar for 2017 is available now.

SANCTUARY LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK



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

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jane Boorman, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Fr. Caprio, O.P. Khristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Joe Davis, Jason DeLorenzo, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Leroy (Jr.), Ford Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Mary Hogan, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, Mary Moran, Bill Orr, Diane Jaeger Pittman, Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Mary Davis Williams, Frances White, Mrs. Patricia White, Sandra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	2/5/2017	\$6,075.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	2/5/2017	\$803.00

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.

