



# ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Serving Southwest Washington since 1852*

**FEBRUARY 26, 2017 – Eighth 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 Shipps, 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.

## MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT

*Dear Brothers and Sisters,*

Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ's victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God "with all their hearts" (*Joel 2:12*), to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord. Jesus is the faithful friend who never abandons us. Even when we sin, he patiently awaits our return; by that patient expectation, he shows us his readiness to forgive (cf. *Homily, 8 January 2016*).

Lent is a favourable season for deepening our spiritual life through the means of sanctification offered us by the Church: fasting, prayer and almsgiving. At the basis of everything is the word of God, which during this season we are invited to hear and ponder more deeply. I would now like to consider the parable of the rich man and Lazarus (cf. *Lk 16:19-31*). Let us find inspiration in this meaningful story, for it provides a key to understanding what we need to do in order to attain true happiness and eternal life. It exhorts us to sincere conversion.

### 1. The other person is a gift

The parable begins by presenting its two main characters. The poor man is described in greater detail: he is wretched and lacks the strength even to stand. Lying before the door of the rich man, he fed on the crumbs falling from his table. His body is full of sores and dogs come to lick his wounds (cf. vv. 20-21). The picture is one of great misery; it portrays a man disgraced and pitiful.

The scene is even more dramatic if we consider that the poor man is called *Lazarus*: a name full of promise, which literally means *God helps*. This character is not anonymous. His features are clearly delineated and he appears as an individual with his own story. While practically invisible to the rich man, we see and know him as someone familiar. He becomes a face, and as such, a gift, a priceless treasure, a human being whom God loves and cares for, despite his concrete condition as an outcast (cf. *Homily, 8 January 2016*).

Lazarus teaches us that *other persons are a gift*. A right relationship with people consists in gratefully recognizing their value. Even the poor person at the door of the rich is not a nuisance, but a summons to conversion and to change. The parable first invites us to open the doors of our heart to others because each person is a gift, whether it be our neighbour or an anonymous pauper. Lent is a favourable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ. Each of us meets people like this every day. Each life that we encounter is a gift deserving acceptance, respect and love. The word of God helps us to open our eyes to welcome and love life, especially when it is weak and vulnerable. But in order to do this, we have to take seriously what the Gospel tells us about the rich man.

*(continued next week)*

## ST. DOMINIC CENACLE

On March 7th, we are launching a new weekly group of discipleship for adults, called *St. Dominic Cenacle*. 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](http://www.stdominiccenacle.org) or

Email us: [cenacle@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:cenacle@stdominicchurch.org)

## 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

- ◆ **Monday – Friday:** 11:55 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Tuesdays:** 6:45 p.m. – 7:25 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.

## 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.

## ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE — MARCH 1

*Ashes will be distributed at each service.*

- 7:15 a.m. — Liturgy of the Word
- 8:00 a. m. — Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
- 11:15 a.m. — Liturgy of the Word
- 12:10 p.m. — Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
- 5:00 p.m. — Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

## 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.

## 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 remember to silence/ turn off your cell phone when you arrive in the church.

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

- This weekend all masses will sing the Gloria setting found on page 10 of the insert and the mass parts found on the insert pages 12-13.

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

There are vacancies in the schedule for the March 1st Ash Wednesday noon (12:10 p.m.) and 5:00 p.m. Masses. Lectors, Acolytes and EMHC are needed. We are particularly short of EMHC ministers (EMHC ministers will also assist with the imposition of Ashes).

If you are not already scheduled, but will be able to serve, please use the MSP website or app to volunteer for one of the ministerial vacancies.

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

## SOCIAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

**Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center.** We will collect practical items (diapers, wipes, and formula) for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center the weekend of March 4/5. Thank you for your support.

**Archdiocese Lenten Food Drive.** St. Dominic Church will participate on the weekend of March 25-26.

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](mailto:social@stdominicchurch.org).

## PARISH COMMUNITY

**Spaghetti Supper:** The Knights of Columbus is hosting a Spaghetti Supper on Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the parish meeting room. Everyone is welcome to join us for great food and fun. The suggested donation is \$12 per person, \$25 per family. The proceeds will be used to benefit the poor box, which provides emergency cash for rent, food, prescription drugs, etc... Please contact [social@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:social@stdominicchurch.org) if you want to help make sauce.

If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with other parishioners, please join the Hospitality Committee. For more information, contact [social@stdominicchurch.org](mailto: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 the cleaning which would amount to only a few times a year for each volunteer.

Our next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. New volunteers are always welcome.

## RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR!

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

- **February 26:** Edith Stein: The Seventh Chamber—*Maja Morgenstern, Elide Melli, Jan Nowicki.* (1996) 108 min.
- **March 5:** Ida—*Agata Kulesza, Agata Trzebuchowska, Dawid Ogrodnik.* (2013) 80 min.

## ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS

On 2/7/17 The Vatican released Pope Francis' Annual Lenten Message. The 2017 Lenten Season begins with Ash Wednesday on March 1st. Among other messages, Pope Francis asked that Lent be a time "for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the sacraments and in our neighbor." One way St. Peter Students will be maintain focus on their encounter with Christ is by engaging in the school's Mindful March Program.

This year's focus will be mindfulness of emotion. Our goal is to teach students to notice and acknowledge their emotions prior to acting on them. We will be assigning weekly activities that help students cultivate a mindful approach to stressful situations. Parents should stay tuned for the Mindful March activity packet!

In addition, Stations of the Cross are observed during Lent every full Friday @ 2:30 pm in St. Peter Church.

Lastly, St Peter School is excited to welcome Dr. Kaplan, clinical psychologist, who will be hosting the 3rd Parent Coffee on March 3 @ 8:45 for school parents to discuss ways to address anxiety in children

## RESQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

*Joe Davis*

## 2017 PARISH CALENDAR – FEBRUARY/ MARCH

FEBRUARY	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday, 26	All Masses 6:30 p.m.	Second Collection: Church in the Developing Word Religious Movie Seminar	Church Parish Meeting Room
Monday, 27	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	RCIA	Parish Meeting Room
Tuesday, 28	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	St. Dominic Cenacle Planning Meeting	Parish Meeting Room
Wednesday, 29	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	<i>See complete schedule in today's bulletin.</i> Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church Church
Thursday, March 1	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Holy Hour Young Adult Holy Hour Young Adult Meeting Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church Church Parish Meeting Room Church
Friday, 2			
Saturday, 3	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	The Lay Dominican Fraternity Lenten Retreat	Parish Meeting Room

## THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun, Feb 26 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors  
 10:30 AM Aniceta Sarmiento Bautista (D)  
 5:00 PM People of the Parish

### Mon, Feb 27

8:00 AM Jim & Rosemary Corzine (D)  
 12:10 PM Bob & Norma Kennedy

### Tue, Feb 28

8:00 AM Thomas Carbo (D)  
 12:10 PM Merced Veleno Mirandilla

### Wed, Mar 1

8:00 AM Lenten Remembrance  
 12:10 PM Kenneth Lennon (D)  
 5:00 PM Jeanette Ogle

### Thu, Mar 2

8:00 AM Lenten Remembrance  
 12:10 PM Donna Stracke-Fennell (D)

### Fri, Mar 3

8:00 AM Lenten Remembrance  
 12:10 PM Deceased Dominican Sisters

### Sat, Mar 4

9:00 AM Lenten Remembrance  
 5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Chisholm Family

## 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: James M. Russell  
 By: Mary Ann Hope*

**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, 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	2/19/2017	\$ 5,616.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	2/19/2017	\$ 1,106.00

## 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](http://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.

## ARCHDIOCESAN JOB OPENING

Interested in using your professional experience and education to serve the Church? The Central Pastoral Administration of the Archdiocese of Washington is accepting applications for positions in human resources, catechesis, support staff and other areas. For a current list of job openings please go to <http://adw.org/employment-opportunities/>