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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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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2 blocks from L’Enfant Plaza Metro
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.
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.

For pastoral reasons, all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Washington are dispensed from the obligation to abstain from eating meat on Friday, March 17, 2017, the memorial of Saint Patrick. Catholics who avail themselves of this dispensation are encouraged to consider abstaining from eating meat the following day.

“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.

The Solemnity of St. Joseph
Monday, March 20
6:30 p.m.—Confessions
7:00 p.m.—Solemn Mass
(Guest Preacher: Fr. John Martin Ruiz, O.P.
8:15 p.m.—Refreshments
**St. Dominic Cenacle**

On March 7th, we launch 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 or Email us: cenacle@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.

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**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 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.
- For the season of Lent, all Masses we will be singing 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.

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

The schedule of Liturgies and Masses for April and May will be drafted next week. Please update your “profile” with the Ministry Scheduler Pro (MSP) web-site (or your MSP smartphone app) with any dates you anticipate you will not be able to serve. By updating your profile information we can avoid scheduling you when you are not available. The schedule we will draft next week includes the celebrations of the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday (April 13, 14, 15, 16). Please contact JC Cantrell by e-mail if you have questions. (music@stdominicchurch.org)

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**Social Justice & Community Service**

**Capitol Hill Pregnancy:** Volunteers are needed at the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center on Saturday, March 25th, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. We will assemble layettes, and sort donations. We will also be cleaning the building, which is old and has a lot of stairs. Please email social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863 if you want to volunteer.

**The Archdiocesan Food Drive** will take place at all Masses the weekend of March 25th and 26th. The food will be donated to the Holy Name Parish food pantry. We need a few volunteers to help with the donations after the 10:30 a.m. Mass (it will take about an hour). We also need two or three people who can load donations and drive over to Holy Name Parish after the Sunday, 5:00 p.m. Mass. For more information, please email social@stdominicchurch.org.

**So Others Might Eat:** The parish provides the noon meal for SOME on every 5th Saturday. The next meal is scheduled for April 29th. Parishioners volunteer to make meatloaves and macaroni and cheese (baking pans and
**Social Justice & Comm. Service… continued**

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.

Thanks to everyone who donated practical items for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center last weekend. Our next collection will be the weekend of April 2nd.

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**Parish Community**

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Spaghetti Supper a success. More information will be available in the next bulletin.

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

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**Church History and Maintenance**

*The Garden Angels: Spring is around the corner! We will begin on April 1st, doing clean up and planting some flowers, in time for beautifying 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 ebowserbuddy@aol.com.*

*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.*

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**2017 Parish Calendar – March**

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<td>Young Adult Holy 1/2 Hour, &amp; Meeting</td>
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**History:** —Mrs. William Tecumseh Sherman, the wife of the Union Army general, donated the Grand Altar Window dedicated to St. Joseph. St. Joseph is immediately to Christ’s left hand. He is depicted holding a lily, the symbol of purity. St. Joseph is the patron saint of the Northeastern Province, the first Dominican province in North America. - Courtesy of Mary Moran.

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**Religious Movie Seminar**

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


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**St. Peter School News**

It was another banner weekend for St. Peter’s basketball. The U14 White team defeated St. Peter’s Olney 48-38 for the league title -the first time that a U14 St. Peter’s boys team has ever won a league title!

The U12 boys’ non-tournament team handily beat St. Jane DeChantal 34-23 while the U12 girls lost to Holy Redeemer. The U10 teams swept the weekend: The boys won their second consecutive game by defeating Holy Trinity; and the girls beat a mixed Holy Cross and Our Lady of Victory team 21-8.
**THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun, Mar 12 Second Sunday of Lent

Sun, Mar 12
8:00 AM   Lenten Remembrance
10:30 AM   People of the Parish
5:00 PM    Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

Mon, Mar 13
8:00 AM   Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM   Edmund Traupmann (D)

Tue, Mar 14
8:00 AM   Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM   Robert Lewis (D)

Wed, Mar 15
8:00 AM   Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM   Dwayne Andreas (D)

Thu, Mar 16
8:00 AM   Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM   Ana Echevarria (D)

Fri, Mar 17
8:00 AM   Lenten Remembrance
12:10 PM   Deceased Dominican Sisters

Sat, Mar 18
9:00 AM   Lenten Remembrance
5:00 PM    William Kormos (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.

**Sanctuary Lamp Burning In the Sanctuary this week**

*For the Intentions of:
  For the People of the Parish*

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.
Kristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins,
Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Mary Hogan, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, James F. McGrath, III, Fr. Muller, O.P., Bill Orr, Diane Jaeger Pittman, Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Frances White, Mrs. Patricia White, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

**Stewardship**

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**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.