May 28, 2017 — Seventh Sunday of Easter

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.”

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.

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

Eucharistic 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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2 blocks from L’Enfant Plaza Metro
We celebrate the Ascension of Christ into Heaven this Sunday. So, why exactly is the Ascension so significant? According to Scripture, Christ ascends into heaven in order to...

- **Enter into full exaltation and rest with the Father:** “Arise, O LORD, and go to your resting place, you and the ark of your might.” (Ps 132:8) “Then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.” (Mk 16:19). “I came from the Father and have come into the world; again, I am leaving the world and going to the Father.” (Jn 16:28).

- **Show us that He is forever human:** “And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.” (Acts 1:9)

- **Confirm for us His identity and divinity:** “Do you take offense at this? Then what if you were to see the Son of man ascending where he was before?” (Jn 6:61–62)

- **Illustrate His joyful triumph over suffering and death, both His and ours:** “God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.” (Ps 47:5).

- **Be present in a new way, working through the Church to draw all human beings to Himself:** “And lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age.” (Mt 28:20). “And they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it. Amen.” (Mk 16:19-20) “And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” (Jn 12:32) “Do not hold me, for I have not yet ascended to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.” (Jn 20:17)

- **Shower upon us spiritual gifts, above all, the Holy Spirit:** “Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.” (Jn 16:7) “Therefore it is said, ‘When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men.’ (In saying, ‘He ascended,’ what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is he who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.)” (Eph 4:8-10)

- **Draw our minds and hearts up to spiritual things, in hope:** “If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at...
The Significance of the Ascension...continued

the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.” (Col 3:1-3)

- **Reveal that from there He will return.** And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’” (Acts 1:10-11)

- **Highlight our ultimate destination with Him in heaven:** God “raised up with him, and made us sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.” (Eph 2:6-7).

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**St. Dominic Cenacle**

**A weekly group of discipleship for adults, in our parish.**

This Tuesday (May 30)

- 6:45 p.m.—Adoration with Confessions (in Church)
- 7:25 p.m.—Discussion on Pentecost (Acts 2:1-42)

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

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**Catholicism: The Pivotal Players**

Robert Barron’s Film Series On Key Figures Who Shaped the Life of the Church and the Course of Civilization

Sunday Evenings: May 21 - June 25
6:30-8pm in our Parish Meeting Room

- May 28: St. Thomas Aquinas: The Theologian
- June 11: St. Catherine of Siena: The Mystic
- June 18: G.K. Chesterton: The Evangelist
- June 25: Michelangelo: The Artist

**Potluck: You’re encouraged to bring a dish!**

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**St. Dominic’s Young Adults**

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

Thursday, June 1 (Parish Meeting Room)

- 7 p.m. Adoration with Confessions (in Church)
- 7:40 p.m. Topic: Catholic Literature

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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 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. For the season of Easter, we will be singing the following mass settings which can be found in 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**

There are vacancies in the schedule for June (Weekday and Saturday/Sunday Masses). Lectors, Acolytes and EMHC are needed. If you are able to “fill a vacancy” please use the MSP website or app to volunteer for one of the ministerial vacancies. The MSP website and smart phone app always display the “real-time current” schedule (and openings). 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:** Our next collection of practical items, diapers, wipes, and formula, for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be next weekend, June 3/4. Please be generous.

**St. Martin de Porres Society Group:** The St. Martin de Porres Society goes into the community to perform works of mercy on the last Saturday of the month. On June 24th, we will deliver groceries to the elderly and people with disabilities. For more information please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

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**Church History and Maintenance**

**Church Cleaning:** The next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, June 10th, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. 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, please email social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863.

**History:** In 1853, Father George Augustine Joseph Wilson, O.P. found that his skills as a carpenter came in handy, as the founding pastor, his first major task was actually to raise a church building. The first Dominican church on this site was a small, one-story structure that provided space for both religious services and education programs.

- courtesy of Mary Moran
**Parish Community**

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**Upcoming Events:**
- August 6th – Ice Cream Social
- August 26th – Faith and Nationals Baseball
- October 15th – Heritage Day Celebration

**Faith & Food — Seven Part Series**

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**Plant-Based Food will be Provided**

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**Part I: Faith**

July 16: Food in the Bible & Catholic Spirituality

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For further information call Elysia Branson at 202-285-8099 or email ebowserbuddy@aol.com.

**June Parish Outing**

Pilgrimage to the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America

Saturday, June 3 2017—9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Franciscan Monastery, 1400 Quincy St, NE, Wash., DC

**Detailed Itinerary:**
- 9am—Mass at St. Dominic’s Church
- 9:45 a.m.—Carpools Depart from St. Dominic’s
- 10:15 a.m.—Arrive at the Franciscan Monastery
- 11:00 a.m.—Guided Tour
- 12 Noon—Lunch in the Garden (TBC)
- 1 p.m.—Self Guided Tours of the Gardens, Stations of the Cross, and Rosary Cloister Walk
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**MAY 2017 — PARISH CALENDAR**

| Sunday 28 | 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. | Pivotal Players: (Film Discussion Series) | Parish Meeting Room |
| Monday 29 | Office Closed | 8:00 a.m. Mass Only Federal Holiday-Memorial Day | Church & Parish Meeting Rm |
| Tuesday 30 | 6:45 p.m.—8:20 p.m. | St. Dominic Cenacle Mass & Meeting | Church |
| Wednesday 31 | 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. | Ensemble Rehearsal | Church |

**JUNE 2017 — PARISH CALENDAR**

| July 1 | 4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. | Holy Hour | Church |
| 7:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m. | St. Dominic’s Young Adult Group Mtg. | Church & Parish Meeting Rm |
| 7:30 p.m. — 9:00 p.m. | Ensemble Rehearsal | Church |
| Friday 2 | 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. | Pilgrimage to the Franciscan Monastery | Franciscan Monastery |
| 4:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m. | Confessions | Church |
| Saturday 3 | All Masses | Baby Items Collection | Church |
| 12:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. | The Lay Dominican Monthly Meeting | Chapel/Parish Meeting Room |
| 6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m. | Pivotal Players: (Film Discussion Series) | Parish Meeting Room |
Happy Memorial Day from the St. Peter School community! School is closed on the 29th and will resume on the 30th. Thank you to all military personnel for the sacrifices you have made for our freedom.

The St. Peter School Golf Classic is an annual year-end fundraising event designed for parents, friends and alumni to benefit St. Peter School and to assist with scholarships, improvements to the school facility and curriculum development. For more information and to purchase tickets please visit: http://www.stpeterschooldc.org/supportSPS/GolfOuting

**The Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**Sun, May 28**
8:00 AM Dorothy Goff (D)
10:30 AM Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
5:00 PM People of the Parish

**Mon, May 29**
8:00 AM Fr. Bernard F. Langton, O.P. (D)

**Tue, May 30**
8:00 AM Nora Irwin
12:10 PM Fr. Leo Goodman & Family

**Wed, May 31**
8:00 AM Cohen Irwin
12:10 PM Marian West & Family Blessings

**Thu, Jun 1**
8:00 AM Sister Mary of the Nativity
12:10 PM Sister Theresa Marie

**Fri, Jun 2**
8:00 AM Paul Taylor & Family Blessings
12:10 PM Rev. Monsignor Richard A. Hughes

**Sat, Jun 3**
9:00 AM Deceased Dominican Sisters
5:00 PM William Hope (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.

**Pray for the Sick**

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

**Stewardship**

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**Faith Direct**

The Lord is risen! As Christ’s disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish’s many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting St. Dominic Church with electronic donations through Faith Direct.

You can sign up online by visiting www.faithdirect.net using 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.