

St. Dominic Catholic Church

Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

June 25, 2017 — Twelfth 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. <u>only</u> 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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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. Peter Gautsch, 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. St. Dominic's Cenacle: 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: George Christian, O.P., Barnabas Davis, O.P., Thomas Donoghue, O.P., Jordan Kelly, O.P., John Baptist Ku, O.P., Gerard Lessard, O.P., Louis Mason, O.P., Andrew Nicolicchia, O.P., Matthew Rzeczkowski, O.P., Bede Shipps, O.P., Raymond Vandegrift, O.P., Bruce Williams, O.P. **Brother:** Patrick Foley, O.P., Ignatius Perkins, O.P.

PASTOR'S CORNER



Almost every day, the news presents us with a story including witnesses. "Tell us what you saw" or "tell us what you heard" are the common invitation made by a reporter. Perhaps, most profoundly, there is the witness

given that expresses a person's experience. He or she tells someone else what happened and the meaning for his/her life. Some commercials are like this: I started using such-and-such a product and it changed my life. So, if you think about it, we probably hear a witness or are ourselves a witness every day. These moments are part of life.

The power of witness requires awareness and reflection. First, we need to be conscious of what is happening – being observant of sights, sounds, changes, etc.; or we need to be conscious of the nature of commitments and relationships – being knowledgeable of the obligations and boundaries. Secondly, we need to reflect interiorly in search of the meaning of what we have observed; or for the meaning of our commitments and relationships. It is this reflection that empowers our witness.

So, if someone asks you "are you a Catholic?", no doubt that members of this parish will say "yes." That's easy enough. But, what will you say if the same person asks, "why are you a Catholic?" Now, you are on the threshold of witness and you will feel more confident to answer the question if time and effort have been dedicated to awareness and reflection. To each of us clergy and laity - Jesus says in the Gospel reading for today: "What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops." In short, Jesus exhorts each of us to be his witnesses to others - family members, co-workers, neighbors, friends, fellow parishioners, and yes, even the stranger. Jesus calls us to share with others the word of love, mercy, truth, consolation and guidance that we receive from him in our time of personal prayer, our involvement in faith formation programs, and our participation in liturgical celebrations. If you will, Jesus provides the content of our witness because we recognize his voice and we have reflected upon the meaning of our relationship with him.

The enemy of witness is fear – and we all struggle with it. But Jesus encourages us today in the Gospel when he says, "fear no one. … do not be afraid." The witness we give is the communication of his word and grace. So it is important that we trust the Holy Spirit for the words of our witness. As we overcome our fear of giving witness, let us remember these words of the Lord: "do not worry about how you are to speak or what you

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are to say. You will be given at that moment what you are to say. For it will not be you who speak but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you" (Mt 10:19-20).

Giving witness in our parish will make our community engaging and inviting. The Spirit of the Lord will strengthen the bond of fellowship among us as we give witness to each other. Then our parish will be able to give witness to our neighborhood and city because we make known the word and works of God in our lives.

Let us pray for one another, Fr. Schommer, O.P.

Peter's Pence Collection

Our second collection today is for Peter's Pence, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www. usccb.org/ peters-pence.

St. Dominic Cenacle

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

Tuesday (June 27)

- 6:45 p.m. Adoration with Confessions (in Church)
- 7:25p.m.—Social Night (Potluck)

(in Parish Meeting Room) Visit our website: www.stdominiccenacle.org Email us: cenacle@stdominicchurch.org

St. Dominic's Young Adults

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

Thursday, June 29

- 7 p.m. Adoration with Confessions (in Church)
- 7:40 p.m. Social Night

Worship

Sung Mass Responses: Our community's sung and spoken responses during the ritual prayers of the liturgy are a core element of communal prayer.

- The Sunday, 5:00 p.m. Mass we will sing the "Mass of Creation" (#874-877 in the Breaking Bread book) starting with the Sanctus/Holy.
- At all other Masses will sing the Peoples Mass starting with the Sanctus (Holy) found on page 19 of the insert attached to the inside front cover of the Breaking Bread Book. The remaining sung responses of the Eucharistic Prayer follow the Sanctus on page 20 of the insert.

CATHOLICISM: THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS Bishop Robert Barron's Film Series On Key Figures Who Shaped the Life of the Church and the Course of Civilization

Sunday Evenings through June 25 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in our Parish Meeting Room

• June 25: *Michelangelo: The Artist* Potluck: You're encouraged to bring a dish!

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

There are vacancies in the schedule . 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 displaythe "real-time current" schedule (and openings).PleasecontactJCCantrellbyemail,(music@stdominicchurch.org)if you have questions.

Parish Music Ministry—Summer 2017

We are always happy to welcome volunteers into the music ministry - and this summer we hope to welcome <u>YOU</u> as a singer or instrumentalist supporting the sung prayer of our community.

Please contact the Parish Director of Music (JC Cantrell) for more information regarding Music Ministry summer mass assignments and rehearsal schedules. Email: music@stdominicchurch.org

Parish Community

Tickets for the celebration of Faith and Nationals Baseball on Saturday, August 26 (Mets versus Nats) will be \$19. The game will start at 4:05 p.m. and will be followed by a special concert performed by local choirs, accompanied by testimonies of faith by Nationals Players.

You may buy your tickets by going to <u>https://</u> groupmatics.events/event/Stdominic. For more information, please email <u>social@stdominicchurch.org</u>.

If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with fellow parishioners, we need volunteers to help organize social events, such as Heritage Day, the parish picnic, spaghetti suppers, etc... For more information, Email: <u>social@stdominicchurch.org</u>.

Upcoming events:

August 6th – Ice Cream Social August 26th – Faith and Nationals Baseball October 15th – Heritage Day Celebration

Social Justice

Capitol Hill Pregnancy: Next week is the monthly collection of practical items (diapers, wipes, and formula) for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center. Please be generous.

So Others May Eat: Sign up sheets and baking pans will be in the main vestibule next weekend for the July 29th SOME meal. For more information, please contact <u>so-cial@stdominicchurch.org</u>.

Church Maintenance

Church Cleaning: We will clean the church on Saturday, July 8th, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. We are looking for people to participate in 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 <u>social@stdominicchurch.org</u> or call 202-554-7863.

CHURCH HISTORY

History: The Rosary Shrine of St. Jude, which was founded during the Great Depression, is on the south side of the church. St. Jude Thaddeus is the patron saint of hopeless cases. The statute depicts St. Jude wearing a medallion with a profile of Jesus.

THE GARDEN ANGELS

No Experience Needed! We do lawn and garden maintenance, grounds clean-up, and anything that comes up. We have all the necessary tools and gloves. We work the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Saturdays of the month from 9 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Drop-ins welcome! We need HELP to keep St. Dominic's beautiful. Please contact Elysia Branson at 202-583-2522, or email ebowserbud-dy@aol.com for further information or contact the Parish Office.

ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS

A Summer Prayer

Long warm days... The pace of life slows A time for picnics and rest in the shade... Lord, help me to rest awhile in the cooling shade of your presence. Slow down my restless heart and fill me with gentle compassion for all your people. Amen. —Author unknown

School is out for summer! Enjoy your vacations, be safe, and we look forward to seeing our returning students and welcoming new faces in 2017/18 school year!

Please be on the lookout for more information on the Annual Barrack's Row 4th of July parade. Each year some of our families gather to walk in the parade together and represent St. Peter School. The parade is a fun opportunity for the students and families to celebrate Independence Day and school pride with the school banner, signs and candy. We hope you can join us if you are in town. Have a Happy 4th!

Faith & Food — Eight Part Series

Sunday Evenings: July 16—Sept. 3 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. in our Parish Meeting Room

Plant-Based Food will be Provided

Part I: Faith

July 16: Food in the Bible & Catholic Spirituality

Pilgrimage to India

September 26-October 7, 2017

Interested in joining Fr. Hyacinth for a Pilgrimage to St. Mother Teresa's Tomb and opportunity to serve the poor in Kolkata? Contact Fr. Hyacinth for more information at vicar@stdominicchurch.org.

June 2017 Parish Calendar				
JUNE	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION	
Sunday 25	All Masses	Holy Father (Peter's Pence Collection)	Church	
	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Catholicism: Pivotal Players	Parish Meeting Room	
Monday 26				
Tuesday 27	6:45 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.	Cenacle Holy Half Hour followed by Potluck	Church & Parish Mtg. Rm	
Wednesday 28				
Thursday 29	4:45 p.m 5:45 p.m.	Holy Hour	Church	
	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Young Adult Holy 1/2 Hour /Meeting.	Church & Parish Mtg. Rm	
	7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Ensemble Rehearsal	Church	
Friday 30				
July 2017 Parish Calendar				
JULY	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION	
Saturday 1				
Sunday 2				

The Weekly Mass Intentions

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
People of the Parish
Father's Day Novena 8/9
Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors
Father's Day Novena 9/9
Reverend Thomas F. Kehoe (D)
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Reverend Thomas F. Crowley (D)
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Repose of the Souls of Bill Fife
Santiago Saez (D)
Repose of the Souls of Stephanie
Williams
Repose of the Souls of Bob
Deceased Dominican Sisters
Sister Mary of the Presentation

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: The Sick and the Homebound of St. Dominic Parish.

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

Pray for the Sick

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

Stewardship					
Offertory Collection	6/18/2017	\$4,845.00			
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	6/18/2017	\$874.00			
Faith Direct					

Did you know that June 21 - was the first day of summer - was National eGiving Day?

St. Dominic Church can take particular joy in this celebration, as the response to eGiving in our church has been wonderful.

To build on this success, I am setting a National eGiving Day Challenge. My goal is for St. Dominic Church families to put envelopes on a permanent summer vacation and make the switch to eGiving. This is especially important in the summer months, when many families may be out of town some weekends and St. Dominic Church does not receive their envelopes. It's easy for people to forget to catch up once they're back, and our weekly offertory can fluctuate as a result – making it harder to predict how much we will have to sustain our yearround ministries.

The more families who welcome the beginning of summer by taking this National eGiving Day Challenge, the more consistency and predictable our offertory will be month after month – and this will help us do even more to spread Christ's love throughout the community.

Being part of this challenge is simple: Visit <u>www.faithdirect.net</u> and use our church code: **DC117.**

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family with your time and talents as well as treasure!

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.