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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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.

“Like” us on Facebook, St. Dominic Church—Washington DC • Email listserve signup: social@stdominicchurch.org

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
This past week we celebrated the feast of our parish patron – St. Dominic. The evening solemn Mass was a wonderful, joyful celebration with a large congregation. The singing was vibrant; the homily engaging. The reception following allowed for informal introductions and the opportunity to build the bonds of community. The occasion caused me to pause and reflect on the abundant blessings we have received in our parish. Parishioners and visitors have commented to me that there is a “welcoming spirit” within our parish. Parishioners are establishing new bonds of friendship – praying together, working on projects together, and supporting one another. Visitors tell me that the parish is “friendly” and that they enjoyed their visit. These qualities are a reflection that the divine gift of charity is present and active. This gift is essential for the life and vitality of the parish – because it is the gift that desires the inclusion of family members, friends, neighbors, colleagues, and strangers. As St. Paul says, God “wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth” (1 Tim 2:4). We who have received the gift of salvation and have come to live in the freedom of the truth are thus motivated by charity to welcome anyone who wants to belong to Christ and his Church. This is the essential “outreach” of any parish into the community.

So, I want to encourage every member of our parish to “stir into flame the gift of God” and to continue to greet those familiar and unfamiliar with a smile, a handshake, a word of welcome. In the grace of charity, let us seek the inclusion of those who do not yet know Jesus as Lord and Savior in their lives. Let us be courageous to share our faith and story with others; let us not hesitate to invite people into the Catholic faith. The primary reason why people have considered becoming a Catholic is that someone extended a personal invitation. This invitation can and should be extended to spouses, siblings, relatives, friends and neighbors. Together, we can all be involved in welcoming people to our parish and to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ in the midst of the Church.

I remind you that there is a flier at the entrances of the church with the bold title “Becoming Catholic.” Please distribute the flier as you extend your invitation to others.

One of the great features of our church is the stained-glass windows. They depict scenes from the life of St. Dominic; and display notable saints of the Dominican
Pastor’s Corner.....Continued

the beauty and integrity of these windows. The interior wood frames and the walls of these windows need to be refurbished; and I’m asking the specific help of parishioners. For a donation of $2,500, you can cover the cost of refurbishment and have a permanent plaque displayed in gratitude for your donation. The plaque can be in memory of someone; or in gratitude to God; or some other agreed-upon wording. Please contact me if you are interested in this giving and naming opportunity.

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

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your generous support last week to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish we raised $795.00 to support those on the margins living in poverty. If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give! Visit www.uscb.org/nationalcollections and click “How to Give” on the left.

Holy Day of Obligation

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday, August 15

Vigil Mass: 5:15 p.m. on Monday August 14
Holy Day Masses: 8:00 a.m.; 12:10 p.m.; 5:15 p.m.

St. Dominic Cenacle

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

Tuesday, August 15

• 6:45 p.m.—Mass for the Assumption (Church)
Visit our website: www.stdominiccenacle.org
Email us: cenacle@stdominicchurch.org

Faith & Food — Eight Part Series

Sunday Evenings through Sept. 3
6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room

Part IV: Health Care System
August 13 — Escape Fire
(Plant-Based Food will be Provided)

St. Dominic’s Young Adults

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

Thursday, August 17

• 7 p.m.—Adoration with Confessions (Church)
• 7:40 p.m.—Gifts of the Holy Spirit Part I: Counsel

The Dominican Community Mass

The Dominican Community Mass at 11:30 a.m. (Monday-Saturday) is suspended until the whole community has reassembled in September. Eucharistic Adoration will be held in the Priory Chapel on Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.

Fr. Carleton Jones, O.P., Prior

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

• At all weekend Masses, we will be singing the Gloria on page 2 of the insert attached to the front cover of the Breaking Bread Book. The sung responses (Sanctus, Mystery of Faith, Amen and Lamb of God) are all from the Peoples Mass and may be found on insert pages 19-20.

Thank you to all Lay Ministers who served at the special Feast Mass for St. Dominic

Tuesday, August 8th we celebrated the special Feast Mass of Saint Dominic (our parish Patron Saint). Thank you to the volunteer Acolytes, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Music Ministers, and Ushers who served at this special feast.

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

Reminder: Typically August is a month with many unexpected absences of our Weekend and Weekday Lay Ministers. (people are travelling, etc.) Lectors, Acolytes and EMHC continue to be needed at many weekday and weekend masses. The MSP app and website make it easy for you to request to be a substitute, and even easier to volunteer to fill a vacancy. As a service to our community, when you are coming to Mass, please check the MSP website or app for ministerial vacancies and volunteer.

The MSP website and smart phone app always display the “real-time current” schedule and openings.

Social Justice

St. Martin de Porres Society Group: The St. Martin de Porres Society will distribute sandwiches to people in need in the Southwest area on Saturday, August 26th. For more information: social@stdominicchurch.org.
Parish Community

There are still tickets in St. Dominic Church’s section if you want to attend the celebration of Faith and Nationals Baseball on Saturday, August 26 (Mets versus Nats). The cost of each ticket is $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 https://groupmatics.events/event/Stdominic before 5:00 p.m. on August 21st. For more information, please email social@stdominicchurch.org.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Ice Cream Social a success. We are now turning our attention to Heritage Day, which is October 15th. This year we will celebrate the 98th anniversary of the consecration of the church. For more information, please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

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… Please email: social@stdominicchurch.org.

Annual Coats for Kids Giveaway: It’s still hot outside, but it is time to think about our annual Coats for Kids giveaway. $20 buys a new warm coat for a child in need. Please make your check out to St. Dominic Church and write “Coats for Kids” in the subject line. You may also donate through faithdirect.net.

2017 PARISH CALENDAR – AUGUST- SEPTEMBER

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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.

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!

Church Cleaning: Thank you to everyone who donated to the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center last weekend. The children served by the center are all sizes, but we have been told that there is a special need for larger sized diapers (size 3 and up). Our next collection will be September 2/3, in front of the pulpit.

History: The church’s distinctive green copper spire was dedicated in 1888, 23 years after the cornerstone was laid. The installation of the bell marked the completion of St. Dominic’s Church. - Courtesy of Mary Moran.
**Sanctuary Lamp Burning In the Sanctuary this Week**

**In Memory of: Raymond R. Pikus**

by: Marjorie Tunney

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, Carmen Gowers, Marian Halwick, Mary Hogan, Karla Humbles, June Jaeger, Marilyn Jarvis, Jim Jenkins, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Pat Lyles, Barbara Mahoney, Andrea Martin, James F. McGrath, III, Rose Montas, Tomas Ramirez, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Bruce Sanowar, Rosa Maria Santos, Frances White, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

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## The Weekly Mass Intentions

**Sun, Aug 13**  
8:00 AM  Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors  
10:30 AM  People of the Parish  
5:00 PM  Ray O’Brien (D)  

**Mon, Aug 14**  
8:00 AM  Yanira Cruz  
12:10 PM  Mitilda & Michael Lukacs (D)  
5:00 PM  Paul Jones (D)  

**Tue, Aug 15**  
8:00 AM  Fr. Salvador Vahi  
12:10 PM  People of the Parish  
5:00 PM  Rev. Edward Evans (D)  

**Wed, Aug 16**  
8:00 AM  Rev. Edward Evans (D)  
12:10 PM  Acebron Family  

**Thu, Aug 17**  
8:00 AM  Dominic Cirando (D)  
12:10 PM  Coyne Family (D)  

**Fri, Aug 18**  
8:00 AM  Deacon Markk J. Gallagher (D)  
12:10 PM  Deacon Markk J. Gallagher (D)  

**Sat, Aug 19**  
9:00 AM  Deceased Dominican Sisters  
5:00 PM  Lourdes Lawas (D)

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## Mass Intention Requests

The Mass Intention Calendar for 2018 will be available after Labor Day. 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.

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## 2017 Cardinal’s Appeal Progress Report

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**Cardinal’s Appeal**

It is not too late-- If you have not yet made your pledge or outright gift to the Cardinal’s Appeal there is still time to do so for the 2017 Appeal. We need everyone’s help to reach our goal not only for our Archdiocese, but the parish as well. Please visit the Appeal’s secure website at [https://appeal.adw.org](https://appeal.adw.org) to make a pledge/gift or if you prefer, please contact Valerie Brown, Director of the Cardinal’s Appeal at 301-853-4574 or brownv@adw.org. On behalf of those who benefit from your support, thank you for your generous gift to Church of Washington, DC.

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## Stewardship

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## Faith Direct

Thank you for being a part of our St. Dominic Church family. As you prepare for the end of summer and the start of a busy fall, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. 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.

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## 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.