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 vesti- bule 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 1868, 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.

“Like” us on Facebook, St Dominic Church — Washington DC  •  Email listserve signup: social@stdominicchurch.org
This weekend, at all of the Masses, we take a moment to recognize all parish employees and lay people with ministerial roles in the parish. Recognition comes in the format of a commissioning ceremony that seeks to celebrate, highlight, and publicly thank those who dedicate themselves to serving Christ in His mission. Participation in the annual commissioning gives employees and lay people with ministerial roles an opportunity to affirm their commitment to both participate in the work of the church and to “respect our Catholic identity and avoid behavior that contradicts the very mission of the Catholic institution” (Being Catholic Today: Catholic Identity in an Age of Challenge, 14). Our parish is small, but we are blessed with a solid core of dedicated employees and lay volunteers in ministerial roles. It is an honor to commission them this weekend.

The RCIA welcoming evening last Monday went very well. Two non-Catholics interested in learning more about the Catholic faith registered for the program. There has been interest from others as well, but they were unable to attend on the first night. It’s not too late to continue to extend an invitation to others and encourage them to follow the Lord Jesus in the Catholic Church. The primary motivation for people to begin this journey of faith is the invitation and encouragement received from another person. Please consider reaching out to family members, friends and neighbors. The parish has a wonderful team of parishioners under the leadership of Fr. Hyacinth who will accompany the participants in their learning, growth, and discernment.

We’re making slow progress in the funding of the St. Michael Hymnal. The parish needs 350 hymnals so that they can be available in every pew of the church. To date, the parish has received donations for 96 hymnals. As you know, there is the opportunity to donate a hymnal in memory of someone or in gratitude. We hope to complete the funding process by the end of October so that work can begin in November to put the memorial plates in the hymnals. The new hymnals will be put in the church for use beginning the first Sunday of Advent on 3 December. More information is found elsewhere in this bulletin. Please consider supporting this project.

The funding for the stained-glass window refurbishment is complete. We are grateful to the individuals and groups who have made a commitment to support this project. The painters have begun their work in the church and will continue to move around the perimeter until the work is complete.
Next week Sunday is the day of our annual parish picnic following the 10:30 Mass. The usual picnic fare will be served on the parish lawn on the north side of the property. This event is an opportunity to socialize with fellow parishioners and strengthen the ties of fellowship as a parish community. The O’Boyle Council of the Knights of Columbus sponsor the picnic. Many thanks for their support of the parish.

Let us pray for one another, for their support of the parish.

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

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**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)**

Do you know someone who is interested, or might be open, to becoming Catholic? Or, do you know someone who hasn’t received Confirmation or First Communion? R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is for these persons. RCIA is a grace-filled journey which begins with a period of initial inquiry followed by a guided initiation into the fullness of our Christian and Catholic Faith. **Classes are on Monday evenings from 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. in our parish meeting room.** Please encourage anyone who may be interested to contact Fr. Hyacinth at vicar@stdominicchurch.org

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**St. Dominic Cenacle**

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

**Tuesday, September 19**
- 6:45 p.m. — Adoration with Confession:
- 7:25 p.m. Discussion on Parish Ministries (Gaps & New Projects)

Visit our website: [www.stdominiccenacle.org](http://www.stdominiccenacle.org)
Email us: cenacle@stdominicchurch.org

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**St. Dominic’s Young Adults**

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

**Thursday, September 21**
- 7 p.m. — Adoration with Confession (Church)
- 7:40 p.m. — Discussion on Fear of the Lord

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**New Hymnal for the Parish**

In collaboration with the Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council, and the Director of Music, we have decided to acquire the *St. Michael Hymnal* for our parish. The *St. Michael Hymnal* will give our worshipping community a high-quality, durable resource to unite our voices in praise and worship of our God. Please consider making a one-time donation for one or more hymnals so that the parishioners and guests of our parish may grow closer to the Lord through music. Remember, St. Augustine once said that “he who sings, prays twice.”

For each **$20** donation, which purchases one hymnal, we would be happy to memorialize the hymnal by means of a memorial plate (a printed “label” inside the hymnal.) A large poster with samples of the memorial plate is located at the center-aisle entrance of the church. There, you will find envelopes for your donation. Please put the donation envelope in the regular collection basket; or deliver it to the parish office. **Thank you for your support of this project!**

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**Parish Lay Ministry — Your Help is Wanted!**

We actively seek members of the parish to volunteer and to serve as Lay Ministers of the Mass. Perhaps now is a great time for you to volunteer. Please contact the Parish Liturgical Ministries Coordinator (JC Cantrell) for more information regarding Lay Ministry service as an Acolyte, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Lector or Usher.

**CHOIR OPENINGS 10:30 a.m. SUNDAY MASS**
- Our traditional choir sings most Sundays at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Our choir wants to grow and we are recruiting women and men of all voice types. For September thru November, the choir will usually rehearse Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. Please come sing with us!

**ENSEMBLE OPENINGS 5:00 p.m. SUNDAY MASS**
- Our Ensemble sings most Sundays at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. The Ensemble is recruiting instrumentalists and singers. For September thru November, the Ensemble will usually rehearse Sunday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Contact JC Cantrell for more information. (music@stdominicparish.org)

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

The October and November schedule for Liturgies and Masses will be finalized this week. You will receive emails from the Ministry Scheduler Pro (MSP) web-site with your individual schedules.

**Reminder:** Unexpected vacancies occur each week, so Lectors, Acolytes and EMHC continue to be needed at many weekday and weekend masses. 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).
Parish Community

Parish Picnic: The Knights of Columbus will host our annual parish picnic next **Sunday, September 24th**, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome.

We will also accept donations of scarves, hats and mittens. If you are knitting or crocheting scarves at home, they should be at least 36” by 6”. Please contact **social@stdominicchurch.org** if you have any questions.

Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center: Our next monthly collection of practical items, diapers, wipes, and formula, for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center will be the weekend October 4/5. They have a special need for size 3 and larger diapers.

Upcoming Events

- **September 24** - Parish Picnic
- **October 15** – Heritage Day Celebration

2017 PARISH CALENDAR –SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER

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The Weekly Mass Intentions

Sun, Sep 17
8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:30 AM Jane Frances Bury (D)
5:00 PM Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

Mon, Sep 18
8:00 AM Salvation of Souls
12:10 PM Deceased Members of the Scimeca Family

Tue, Sep 19
8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Torrelli Family
12:10 PM Jerry Torrelli

Wed, Sep 20
8:00 AM Mary Stewart (D)
12:10 PM David Stewart (D)

Thu, Sep 21
8:00 AM Thanksgiving
12:10 PM Rose Montas

Fri, Sep 22
8:00 AM Tassia Samone
12:10 PM Tassia Samone

Sat, Sep 23
9:00 AM Deceased Dominican Sisters
5:00 PM William Baran (D)

Mass Intention Requests

The Mass Intention Calendar for 2018 is now available. 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, Debora Brownlee, Jerome Buke, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Kristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, Marian Halwick, Mary Hogan, 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 Defesus Sanchez, Bruce Sanowar, Rosa Maria Santos, Mike Scarpulla, Frances White, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

Stewardship

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Faith Direct

With the arrival of autumn, I’d like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish’s electronic giving program. Our to-do lists can get lengthy during this season, but Faith Direct’s eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week—no more envelopes to find before you go to Mass.

Visit 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.

Annual Financial Report

The Annual Parish Financial Report for the fiscal year ending 30 June 2017 is now available for parishioner review. If you would like to receive a copy, please contact the parish office. The report can be provided in printed or digital media. Thank you to all contributors who helped us to finish the year in the black!

Sanctuary Lamp Burning In the Sanctuary this Week

For the Intention of: Yesid Rodriguez
By: Maria Lane

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