October 8, 2017 — Twenty-Seventh 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.—4:30 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.

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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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The mass shooting in Las Vegas and the distress of all who suffer because of the recent hurricanes and earthquakes is heavy on our hearts. Certainly all affected by these events are deserving of our prayers and material support. But, it seems to me, that all of us are affected by these events. To some degree, we become unsettled in our hearts because of worry or anxiety over what might befall us. There is so much uncertainty; there is little control.

An innate desire of the human heart is to live in peace and contentment. We know this because we have such a dislike for worry and anxiety. In many different ways, we seek to lessen our worries and calm our anxieties. Today, St. Paul teaches us how best to do so. He writes in the Letter to the Philippians, “Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus” (4:6-7).

Certainly, we pray and make our requests known to God. But the key in St. Paul’s teaching is that we do so with thanksgiving. Thanking God for the trials, difficulties, hardships, worries, and anxieties in our lives is the way that we exercise our faith and put our confidence in Him. Trusting God brings us the peace our hearts desire. When that peace comes from the Lord (and not from a mere absence of difficulties), then will our hearts and minds be guarded from future turmoil. Pray with thanksgiving in your heart and you will acquire peace.

Next week Sunday is our annual Heritage Day celebration at the 10:30 Mass with an appetizer reception to follow. The liturgical celebration will recall the 98th anniversary of the solemn dedication of our church; and the reception will provide the opportunity for current and past parishioners, and alumni of the school to socialize, share memories, and give thanks for the abundant blessings received through association with St. Dominic Church. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Also, next week Sunday – in the afternoon – is a special blessing of The Wharf. The opening of this new development on the waterfront signals a new opportunity for the parish to welcome new members and continue the renewal and growth we are experiencing. I have been asked to participate in the blessing ceremony and the parish musicians will sing a hymn as part of the ceremony. Members of the parish will also be hosting an information table to distribute materials to interested people and offer a personal invitation and welcome. We should be seeing more new faces at Mass and at other
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parish gatherings; it is incumbent upon all of us to make the effort to make these new people feel welcome. Such gestures are the first stage of evangelization.

Let us pray for one another,

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

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**Upcoming Events**

**Heritage Day!**

Celebrating the 98th Anniversary of the Dedication of our Parish Church; and Welcoming All Who Have Called St. Dominic’s Home

**Sunday, October 15, 2017**

10:30 a.m. Mass

Reception following in the Parish Meeting Room.

All are welcome!

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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.

**Status report:** 146 of 350 hymnals have been funded.

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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 responses during the ritual prayers of the liturgy are a core element of communal prayer.

- At all weekend Masses we will be singing the Siena Chant Mass found on pages 14-17 of the insert attached to the front cover of the Breaking Bread Book. The Gloria is on Insert page 14. The other responses (Sanctus, Mystery of Faith, Amen and Lamb of God) follow the Gloria on Insert pages 16-17.

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

**Alert:** On the following dates need additional volunteers in all Liturgical Ministries.

- All weekends in October
- Wednesday, Nov 1—5:00 p.m. Mass (Holy Day of Obligation)
- Thursday, Nov 23 - 10:30 a.m. Mass (Thanksgiving Day Mass)

**Reminder:** Vacancies often occur each week due to changes in volunteer availability. Lectors, Acolytes and EMHCs 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).

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**St. Dominic Cenacle**

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

**Tuesday, October 10**

6:45 p.m. — Adoration with Confession (Church)

7:25 p.m. — Discussion on Why I Became Catholic: The Story of Fr. Carleton Jones, O.P.

Visit our website: [www.stdominiccenacle.org](http://www.stdominiccenacle.org)

Email us: [cenacle@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:cenacle@stdominicchurch.org)

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**St. Dominic’s Young Adults**

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

**Thursday, October 12**

- 7 p.m.—Adoration with Confession (Church)
- 7:40 p.m.—Discussion on Spiritual Warfare: Demons

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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? **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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**Pastor’s Corner…continued**

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Social Justice Community Services

We will deliver groceries to elderly and disabled people at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 28th.

Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center: Thank you for your donation of practical items (diapers, wipes and formula) for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center last week. Our next collection will be November 4/5. Please be generous.

So Others Might Eat: We appreciate parishioners who made macaroni and cheese and meatloaves for last Saturday’s SOME meal. We didn’t get quite enough food, but SOME was able to supplement our donation with leftover meatballs. Our next SOME meal will be December 30th.

Knights of Columbus: The parish is again participating in the Knights of Columbus annual Coats for Kids giveaway. $20 buys a new warm coat for a child in need here in the Southwest. 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.

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.

We are partnering with the DC Police to distribute Christmas toys to children in the Southwest area. More information will be available in future bulletins.

Parish Community

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, and spaghetti suppers, etc. Please email: social@stdominicchurch.org if you have any questions.

Upcoming events:
October 15th – Heritage Day Celebration
November 4th – Spaghetti Supper

Church History and Maintenance

Our next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, October 14th, after the 9:00 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: The lower scene of the 3rd double window on the north side of the church shows Blessed Bartholomew of Brengan (1201-70). The window depicts Bartholomew dressed in bishop’s vestments converting and baptizing Mongols. His feast day is celebrated on October 27th.
— Courtesy of Mary Moran.

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@aol.com for further information or contact Ed Von Hagel at the Parish Office 202-552-7863.

### 2017 Parish Calendar – September – October

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**The Weekly Mass Intentions**

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

Mon, Oct 9
- 8:00 AM  William Macleod (D)

Tue, Oct 10
- 8:00 AM  Russell Hutchins (D)
- 12:10 PM  Eleanore Parsons (D)

Wed, Oct 11
- 8:00 AM  Eloise DeFalco (D)
- 12:10 PM  Jim Parsons (D)

Thu, Oct 12
- 8:00 AM  Deacon Auxentius V. Paneres (D)
- 12:10 PM  Deacon Auxentius V. Paneres (D)

Fri, Oct 13
- 8:00 AM  Helen Krieg (D)
- 12:10 PM  Gene Krieg (D)

Sat, Oct 14
- 9:00 AM  Deceased Dominican Sisters
- 5:00 PM  Eileen M. Joseph (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, Khrisother 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 DeJesus Sanchez, Bruce Sanowar, Rosa Maria Santos, Mike Scarpulla, Frances White, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

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

*For the Intentions of: Elcira Mosquera  
By: Maria Lane*

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

**Stewardship**

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**Faith Direct**

Fall into eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering to St. Dominic Church. Your automatic contributions through Faith Direct will save valuable time for both you and our parish staff.

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.

**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!