November 26, 2017 — Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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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Parish:
Pastor: Father George P. Schommer, O.P.
Parochial Vicar: Father Hyacinth Cordell, O.P.
Pastoral Associate: Brother Norbert Keliher, 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: Kathryn Aldridge
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:
Simon Ciccarillo, Patricia D’Antonio, Robert Davis, Olivia Hnat; Margaret MacLeod, Mary Moran, Sean Robinson, David Stewart, Andrew Vasilе, Joe Wasiak

Parish Finance Council Members:
Simon Ciccarillo, Jackie Griffin, Eileen Lyons, John Michetti, MaryJane Morrow, Ria Nicole Robinson

Friars in Residence:
Prior: Father Jacob Restrick, O.P.
Brother: Patrick Foley, O.P, Ignatius Perkins, O.P.

Pastor’s Corner
As a boy, my friends and I would sometimes play “king of the mountain” on any large pile of dirt or snow that we would occasionally find. Whoever stood at the top was king; everyone else would then try to topple the king off the top and assume the place for himself. Such a game reflects our human tendency toward dominance and the subjugation of other people to ourselves. There is an aversion to being ruled over by someone else.

Today’s Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe engages our faith to believe that Christ is not a king of dominance or subjugation. Pope emeritus Benedict XVI writes: “The feast of Christ the King is therefore not a feast of those who are subjugated, but a feast of those who know that they are in the hands of the one who writes straight on crooked lines.” Today’s feast reminds us that Jesus Christ has dominance over the power of sin and death. Through his death and resurrection, he liberates us in his grace from the dominance and subjugation of Satan. Through his death and resurrection, Christ reveals to us his power and authority. Whatever the sins of our past life, Christ redeems us and makes of us a new creation.

Accepting Jesus Christ as King of the Universe engages our minds and hearts into a divine way of thinking and a divine way of acting. Through Christ, we enter into “a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace” (Preface of Christ the King). Our submission to his authority in our lives protects the new life and freedom we have received from him. Each of us must choose to accept and honor the authority of Christ over our lives. When we do, he will look after us and guide us. He will give us rest.

Let us pray for one another,
Fr. Schommer, O.P.
Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices!!

able to hear it and sing along in your head.

While the melody of the hymn IS present in this piece, Nun danket alle Gott is an improvisation based on the hymn tune, *Triomphale*. By Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933). This piece is an improvisation based on the hymn tune, Nun danket alle Gott or Now Thank we all our God. While the melody of the hymn IS present in this piece, it’s slightly hidden. If you listen carefully, you might be able to hear it and sing along in your head. Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices!!

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**St. Dominic’s Young Adults**

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

**Thursday, November 30**

- 7:00 p.m. — Adoration with Confession (Church)
- 7:40 p.m. — Social Night

**St. Dominic Cenacle**

A weekly group of discipleship for adults.

**Tuesday, Nov. 28**

6:45 p.m. — Adoration & Confessions
7:25 p.m. — Discussion on: Soli Deo Gloria
7:40 p.m. — Singing or crocheting scarves at home, they should be at least 36” by 6”. Any questions, contact social@stdominicchurch.org
6:00 p.m. — Preparing for the Christmas season
6:45 p.m. — Adoration & Confessions
7:25 p.m. — Discussion on: Soli Deo Gloria
7:40 p.m. — Singing or crocheting scarves at home, they should be at least 36” by 6”. Any questions, contact social@stdominicchurch.org
8:00 p.m. — Community Christmas Caroling

**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 Gloria is on page 10 of the insert attached to the front cover of the Breaking Bread Book.
- The other responses (Community Mass — Sanctus, Mystery of Faith, Amen and Lamb of God) follow the Gloria on Insert pages 12-13.

We are actively recruiting additional voices to sing with the Christmas Choir at the Christmas Masses.

Please contact JC Cantrell for more information: (music@stdominicchurch.org)

**Special Organ Postlude for Christ the King**

To help celebrate this weekend’s special feast, as well as the end of our Liturgical (Church) Year, there will be a special organ postlude played after the Saturday 5 p.m. Mass and Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

**Choral-Improvisationen:** *Nun danket alle Gott, March triomphale,* by Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933). This piece is an improvisation based on the hymn tune, Nun danket alle Gott or Now Thank we all our God. While the melody of the hymn IS present in this piece, it’s slightly hidden. If you listen carefully, you might be able to hear it and sing along in your head. Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices!!

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

**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).

Please contact JC Cantrell by e-mail if you have questions. (music@stdominicchurch.org).

**ATTN: LECTORS!** Workbooks for Lectors have been ordered. An email will be sent as soon as the workbooks are delivered.

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**Social Justice Community Services**

**Giving Tree:** Please make a child’s Christmas merrier by taking a Christmas ornament from the tree in the back of the church. The DC police will help us give toys to children living in shelters in the Southwest/Southeast area. Bring the unwrapped toy back to the Church by December 3rd, so that the gifts can be distributed at the DC Police Christmas party on December 9th.

**Coats for Kids:** 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.

As part of the Coats for Kids program, 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”. Any questions, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

**Proverbs 24 Community:** In response to the new Planned Parenthood in DC, a pro-life community drawn from five local parishes was formed called the **Proverbs 24 Community.** This is an active and trained pro-life community begun last year among our parishes that encourages people to give witness to life in three different ways: walkers, pray-ers, and cookers. For more information, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

**Capitol Hill Pregnancy Collection:** Our next collection of practical items (diapers, wipes, and formula) will be next weekend, December 2/3.
**Parish Community**

We need volunteers to help organize social events, such as Heritage Day, the parish picnic, spaghetti suppers, etc... If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with fellow parishioners, For more information, contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

**Upcoming Event:**
December 10th—Vocal Classical Music Recital featuring NVCC Vocal Studio of Dr. Patrick Cook (6:30 p.m.)

**Church History and Maintenance**

The next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, December 9th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please help get our church ready for Christmas.

We are also 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.

The fifth double window on the south wall depicts St. Dominic's establishment of the Second Order Dominicans (Dominican sisters). Today Dominic's Second Order consists of cloistered nuns who take solemn vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience and dedicate themselves to a life of silence, prayer, and penance. History: —Courtesy of Mary Moran.

**Religious Movie Seminar**

* Sundays: 6:30 p.m.
  Through March 12, 2018
  Parish Meeting Room

- **Today, November 26**, Salome—Rita Hayworth, Stewart Granger, Charles Laughton (1953) 103 minutes
  - Behind the scenes: Becoming Mary. 6 min. and Trailer

**St. Peter School**

For the past several years, St. Peter School has had the privilege of participating in a twinning partnership with the schools of Notre Dame D’Altagrace Parish in Cap Haitien, Haiti: Notre Dame and St. Dominic’s. This partnership has allowed us to share our Catholic identity with our sister schools in Haiti, as well as support a community in need of financial assistance. Through the creation of the Haiti Stewardship Committee, a group of parents, faculty and staff at St. Peter School, we have had great success raising awareness in the school community about our sister schools as well as raising critical funds for Haiti.

This holiday season, St. Peter School and the Haiti Stewardship Committee will hold a Holiday Market, with all proceeds going to our sister schools in Haiti. The Holiday Market will run on Tuesday, December 5 and Wednesday, December 6 from 9 a.m. — 2 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room at St. Peter School. We hope to see you there to support this great cause.

**Christmas Dinner**

If you know of individuals who cannot get out and would like a Christmas dinner delivered to their home on Christmas Day, please contact the Basilica of the National Shrine by close of business on Friday, December 22, 2017.

Please TYPE your list and give us names, addresses with apartment numbers, city, state, ZIP CODE and the telephone numbers. You can fax requests for meals to be delivered to 202-526-8313, Attention: For a Christmas Dinner please email your requests to eak@bnsic.org. Volunteers are always needed to fill many different positions. Those interested in signing up should visit www.nationalshrine.com/christmasdinner.

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**Parish Calendar ~ November 2017**

| Sunday 26 | 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. | Religious Movie Seminar | Parish Meeting Room |
| Monday 27 | 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m. | RCIA | Parish Meeting Room |
| Tuesday 28 | 6:45 p.m.—8:20 p.m. | Cenacle - Mass followed by Meeting | Church & Parish Meeting Rm |
| Wednesday 29 | 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m. | Music Ministry Rehearsal | Church |
| Thursday 30 | 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/Social Night | Church & Parish Meeting Rm |

**December**

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**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, Khrisotofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Carmen Gowers, Marion 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, Mary McMorrow, Rose Montas, Tomas Ramirez, Frank Ruiz, 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 deceased friars of St. Dominic Priory

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**Sanctuary Lamp**

Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Lamp for a week can be made in the parish office. The suggested offering is $15.

**Stewardship**

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**Faith Direct**

With Thanksgiving and the Season of Advent coming up, enrolling in Faith Direct is a great way to ensure your gifts to St. Dominic Church are received even while you are traveling for the holidays.

Already using Faith Direct? Don't forget to add your Christmas or End-of-Year contributions to your account.

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.