



ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Serving Southwest Washington since 1852

JANUARY 1, 2017 — Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

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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<http://www.stpeterschooldc.org/>

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.

WEEKEND

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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, 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. Edmund McCullough, O.P.

PARISH STAFF:

Business / Facilities Manager: Ed Von Hagel

Administrative Assistant: Denise Marshall

Sunday Receptionist: Marlene Mattison

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.

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: Patrick Briscoe, O.P., John Burke, O.P., Albert Caprio, O.P., George Christian, O.P., Barnabas Davis, O.P., Clement Dickie, O.P., Thomas Donoghue, O.P., Jordan Kelly, O.P., Joseph-Anthony Kress, O.P., John Baptist Ku, O.P., Louis Bertrand Lemoine, O.P., Gerard Lessard, O.P., Louis Mason, O.P., Athanasius Murphy, O.P., Andrew Nicolichia, O.P., Gregory Pine, O.P., Matthew Rzeczkowski, O.P., Bede Shipp, O.P., John Sica, O.P., Raymund Snyder, O.P., Raymond Vandegrift, O.P., Michael Weibley, O.P., Bruce Williams, O.P.

Reverend Brother: Bonaventure Chapman, O.P., Thomas Davenport, O.P., Luke Hoyt, O.P., Jacob Bertrand Janczyk, O.P., Edmund McCullough, O.P., Alan Piper, O.P.

PASTOR'S CORNER



Happy New Year! I pray that this year of Our Lord 2017 will be filled with grace, peace, and blessings for you and your family. For our parish, may this New Year be filled with the joy of growing in faith, virtue and holiness; may this year

be filled with opportunities to build and strengthen our parish community; may this year be filled with a holy zeal to evangelize our neighbor and invite him/her to encounter Jesus Christ within the Catholic Church.

The greeting – Happy New Year, which is first accompanied with great revelry, reflects the deeper sense of hope that resides in the human heart. With the coming of the New Year, many people make resolutions for greater personal growth and self-improvement. There is a moment of self-examination that quickens the desire for excellence and an acknowledgement of weaknesses that require greater personal striving and self-discipline. These resolutions reflect the innate desire we have for happiness. When we, as Christians, look at happiness, our perspective is much more than just feeling good about ourselves, walking around with a smile all the time, and living a life without problems or challenges. Happiness is connected with being blessed by God; happiness is found in a deep and personal relationship with God. The Catechism teaches us that the “desire [for happiness] is of divine origin: God has placed it in the human heart in order to draw man to the One who alone can fulfill it: ‘We all want to live happily; in the whole human race there is no one who does not assent to this proposition, even before it is fully articulated’(St. Augustine). ‘How is it, then, that I seek you, Lord? Since in seeking you, my God, I seek a happy life, let me seek you so that my soul may live, for my body draws life from my soul and my soul draws life from you’(St. Thomas Aquinas)” (CCC 1718)

God created us to be happy in him through our sharing in his own blessed life. He offers us the gift of living in a personal and powerful relationship with him. The Catechism continues: “The beatitude we are promised confronts us with decisive moral choices. It invites us to purify our hearts of bad instincts and to seek the love of God above all else. It teaches us that true happiness is not found in riches or well-being, in human fame or power, or in any human achievement - however beneficial it may be - such as science, technology, and art, or indeed in any creature, but in God alone, the source of every good and of all love”(CCC 1723).

Through prayer, participation in the sacraments, and service to our neighbor, we overcome all that stifles

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our true happiness and blessedness in the Lord. The path is arduous; nevertheless, the grace of Christ is more powerful than all of our weaknesses and challenges. May this year be happy and blessed through our union with Christ, through whom we can do all things.

Let us pray for one another.

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

FIND THE PERFECT GIFT. ORG

This Sunday we continue the celebration of the Christmas season, joyfully recalling the day when the Perfect Gift, Jesus Christ, came to us through His Mother Mary. As we ponder the role that Mary, Mother of God played in bringing us the Christ we are reminded that we play a similar role in the lives of our friends and families. We who have received Jesus are to share him with those we love. This week continue to invite others to experience the joy of being Catholic! Find inspiration and celebrate the season at FindThePerfectGift.org.

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).

Please silence your cell phone: As an overt act of courtesy (and respect for the prayer of all), please remember to silence/ turn off your cell phone when you arrive in the church.

During the Season of Christmas, we will be singing the Mass propers from the setting "Mass of Wisdom: at all Weekend and Holy Day Liturgies."

- The Mass of Wisdom is included with the Insert attached to the front cover of the Breaking Bread book starting on Insert page 6

ATTENTION WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND ACOLYTES, LECTORS, USHERS, AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please review and update your profile information with dates you are not available to serve in January (if any) By updating your profile information we can avoid scheduling you when you are not available.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1ST—MASS TIMES:

8:00 A.M. AND 10:30 A.M.

There will be no 5:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, January 1st.

OFFICE CLOSED JAN 1-2

Normal hours will begin again on January 3rd. Appointments can be scheduled for that period as long as arrangements are made for someone to meet you at the door.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

So Others Might Eat: Thank you to everyone who prepared food for Saturday's SOME meal. More information will be available in the next bulletin.

Capitol Hill Pregnancy: The next collection of practical items, including diapers, wipes, and formula, will be the weekend of February 4/5.

We are expanding our social justice ministry to offer more opportunities to combine service with spiritual growth. More information will be available in future bulletins. If you are interested, please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

PARISH COMMUNITY

If you are interested in more opportunities to socialize with other parishioners, please join the Hospitality Committee. For more information, please email Cecilia Daly at social@stdominicchurch.org.

CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Church Cleaning: 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 being a volunteer, please email social@stdominicchurch.org or call 202-554-7863.

We'll clean the church again on Saturday, January 14th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. New volunteers are always appreciated.

History: - In 1853, George Mattingly opened his house as a place of worship for parishioners. Mattingly had moved to Washington from rural St. Mary's County, Maryland, once the seat of the Lords Calvert, the Catholic proprietors of the colony that had been the first to grant religious freedom on this continent. Mattingly provided living quarters for the Dominicans in his home, which was located on F Street between Four-and-a-Half and Sixth Streets (where the Southwest Freeway is today). —**Courtesy of Mary Moran**

ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS



Wishing you a Happy New Year from the St. Peter School Community! As you ring in the new year, may you enjoy the company of friends and simple pleasures.

St. Peter School Parents are welcome to join Principal Ketchum along with the HSA Chairs, Liz Martin and Christine Derwin on Friday January 6th @ 8:45am in the multi-purpose room for the 2nd principal/parent coffee and discussion of the school year. This year's HSA Chairs will be highlighting exciting upcoming events and volunteer opportunities for parents. As always, questions and suggestions are welcome.

Lastly, please take a moment to view a few of the great moments from the St Peter School 2016 Christmas Concert. It was a lovely event and the time and practice the students and faculty dedicated to this event helped make it extra special!

RELIGIOUS MOVIE SEMINAR!



Sundays: 6:30 p.m. through April 2, 2017
St. Dominic Church
Parish Meeting Room (downstairs)

Jan. 8, Saint Barbara: Convert and Martyr of the Early Church—*Vanessa Hessler, Thomas Trabacchi, Massimo Wertmuller (2012) 100 minutes*

Jan. 15, Power—*Conrad Veidt, Benita Hume, Frank Vosper (1934) 108 minutes*

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	12/18/2016	\$9,436.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	12/18/2016	\$2,305.00

FAITH DIRECT

With the busy times of Advent and Christmas, enrolling in Faith Direct today 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 this fall.

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.

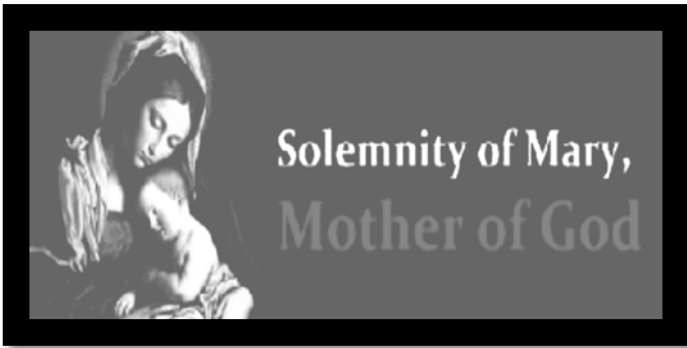
Please note that money put into the receptacle at the votive candle racks does not go to the Poor Box.

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.

2017 WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR – JANUARY

JANUARY	TIME	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sunday 1	Office Closed All Masses	HAPPY NEW YEAR! Baby Items Collection	Church
Monday 2			
Tuesday 3	6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Music Ministry Rehearsal	Church
Wednesday 4	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Rehearsal for 5:00 Sunday Ensemble	Church
Thursday 5	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Holy Hour Young Adult Holy Half Hour Young Adult Meeting	Church Church Parish Meeting Room
Friday 6			
Saturday 7	4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Confessions Epiphany Party	Church Parish Meeting Room
Sunday 8	12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Lay Dominican Monthly Meeting Religious Movie Seminar	Priory/Parish Mtg. Rm Parish Meeting Room



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jane Boorman, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Khristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Joe Davis, Jason DeLorenzo, Barbara Dever, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Mary Hogan, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, Mary Moran, Bill Orr, Diane Jaeger Pittman, Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Cathryn Tsu, Mary Davis Williams, Francis White, Mrs. Pat White, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.


THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Jan. 1	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
10:30 a.m.	Shrine
Mon. Jan. 2	Ss. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
8:00 a.m.	Denise Marshall & Olivia Reynolds
No 12:10 p.m.	Federal Holiday
Tues. Jan. 3	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
8:00 a.m.	Mrs. Dorothy Collins
12:10 p.m.	Wolfgang & Carla Buchler
Wed. Jan. 4	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
8:00 a.m.	Fantucchio Family
12:10 p.m.	Pepe Alcayaga
Thur. Jan. 5	St. John Neumann, Bishop
8:00 a.m.	Jane Haly
12:10 p.m.	James Kimball
Fri. Jan. 6	St. Andre Bessette
8:00 a.m.	"Chip" Mudd
12:10 p.m.	Louise Kormos (Healing)
Sat. Jan. 7	St. Raymond of Penafort, priest
9:00 a.m.	Delfina Carmin Arand (Healing)
5:00 p.m.	Dorothy Hannon (Healing)

Christmas Flower Donations 2016

In Memory of:

Maurice Scheessele
Members of Rupert Scheessele Family
Members of Raleigh Abshier
Members of Virginia Hamilton Family
Members of Mary Albero Family
Richard Branson
Ernie Branson
Norma Schlorb
Bettye Glickert
Carole Gallina
Patricia Hogge
Celia Camarillo
Edward Griffin
Anne & Vincent Marchione
Thomas Fulton & Fulton Family
Terri Karhut
Patricia Nash




Contributors

Loretta & James Fulton, Jacqueline Griffin, Anonymous, Randy & Marie Scheessele, Elysia Branson

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. The Mass Intention Calendar for 2017 is available now.

SANCTUARY LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK



For the Intentions of: Sean Krizan:
By: Diane Krizan

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

