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.

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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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2 blocks from L’Enfant Plaza Metro
We just finished our 10-week summer documentary-discussion series on faith and the environment, entitled Faith & Earth. At the beginning, I didn’t know what to expect regarding numbers. I was hoping for lots of people but would have been happy with 10-15 per week. I was overwhelmed with joy that we had between about 20-40 per week. Many parishioners came. Many non-parishioners came. A few non-Catholics and non-Christians came as well. Five different faith-based environmental groups sponsored the different nights and brought in very good vegetarian food. Many others helped by bringing in food, opening up, greeting, setting up, and cleaning up. Thank you to everyone who helped!

I felt it went very well. The films were very eye-opening to many. We had good discussions. We tried to tie everything to our faith, and to the powerful encyclical on the environment which Pope Francis wrote last year, Laudato Si’. We are hoping that a St. Dominic Care for Creation team will emerge from this. Eleven persons so far have expressed interest.

I was encouraged by the turn out, interest, and life-style changes people have made already. This is an important topic that evidently resonates with many, and the Church should be leading the way in the issues involved. The whole experience of the series was a sign of people’s hunger to know and live their faith more deeply, and of the potential there is in our parish to do great things. I think that all this is a hopeful sign before the renewal in our parish you will start hearing about next month. Together, God can do great things through us when we open our hearts to His grace and plans. All of us are called to be engaged. God calls us each to play our part.

-Fr. Hyacinth
**Rosary Confraternity Enrollment continued**

up a confraternity pamphlet in the back of the church. Any wishing to enroll will have the chance to do so on this occasion. Bring a rosary. All are encouraged to purchase a confraternity medal ahead of time from the website for the occasion. You may also bring a rose to be blessed. For questions, email Vicar@StDominicChurch.org.

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**Priest, Prophet and King Series**

The better we understand Jesus, the better we understand ourselves. But who was Jesus, this itinerant preacher whom many called the Messiah? Join Fr. Schommer and others as we deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ through Fr. Robert Barron’s DVD-based Study Program: Priest, Prophet, King.

The series will be on the following Sunday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room.

**September 4:** “Adoratio” How we are created to live in communion with God and intercede for others through sacrifice.

**September 11:** “The High Priest” Understanding Christ as the High Priest who reconciles us with God and restores our identity as children of God.

**September 18:** “Challenging False Worship” How the prophetic word of God brings us to renewal and integrity of relationship with God.

**September 25:** “The Word Made Flesh” Understanding the thoughts and desires of God for our lives.

**October 2:** “Ordering the Kingdom” Serving God and others according to the Divine Will.

**October 9:** “King of Kings” Living in the power and love of God through our individual vocations and within our circles of daily activity.

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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 response during the ritual prayers of the liturgy is a core element of communal prayer.

- At the Sunday, 5:00 p.m. Mass, we are singing the *Missa Simplex* setting found on pages 2-5 of the insert attached to the inside front cover of the Breaking Bread Book.

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**Worship...continued**

- We are singing the *Missa Simplex* setting found on pages 6-9 of the Breaking Bread Book insert at the other weekend masses.

**Weekday and Weekend Schedule of Acolytes, Lectors, Ushers, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is available on-line:** (http://www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/StDominicChurch)

Please update your profile information (dates you are not available to serve in September (if any)) as soon as possible. All Lay Ministers of the Mass can check their schedule via the MSP App or the URL above. If your personal commitments change and you need a substitute, please use the MSP “app” or on-line tool to notify other volunteers of the vacancy.

**Celebrating Mary in the Month of August***

At each of our weekend celebrations in August, the parish of St Dominic’s singing different hymns and responses based on the Magnificat (Mary’s Song) as a means to commemorate the Mother of God and to highlight her life and role in our salvation. Several Feast Days of Mary fall in the month of August – and although they are not all Holy Days of Obligation, they are special days honoring Mary which has been part of Catholic Tradition since the end of the first century.

Marian feasts come under the doctrine of the Communion of Saints, in which we are called to honor those who have been raised up to perfection. Mary’s role is primary to that of the saints, and so the Church assigns feasts in her honor to emphasize her role in salvation history. The Marian feasts in August include:

- **Aug. 2:** Our Lady of the Angels.
- **Aug. 5:** Our Lady of the Snows
- **Aug. 13:** Our Lady, Refuge of Sinners:
- **Aug. 15:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (was not a Holy Day of Obligation in 2016 since the Solemnity fell on a Monday).
- **Aug. 22:** Queenship of Mary

Whether we celebrate August’s Marian feast days in a big way or a small one, taking time to reflect on their history and meaning can help us to better understand Mary’s vital role in our salvation. Spending time with her — in private reflection or formal prayer — can increase our love for her and obtain for us graces for our sanctification.

*adapted from Our Sunday Visitor, (July 2014)*
The Weekly Mass Intentions

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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.

Sanctuary Lamp Burning In the Sanctuary this Week

In Memory of: Michael Bulvinik
By: Diane Krizan
Note: Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Candle can be made in the parish office.

Pray for the Sick

Jane Boorman, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Kristopher Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Joe Davis, Jason DeLorenzo, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, Erica Pittman Harrison, Mary Hogan, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, Merced Velena Miranda, Mary Moran, Mary Jane Morrow, Bill Orr, Diane Jaeger Pittman, Tomas Ramirez, Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Cathryn Tsu, Mary Davis Williams, and the sick of the Parish and Priory.

Becoming Catholic

RCIA

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 begins with a period of initial inquiry followed by a guided initiation into the fullness of our Christian and Catholic Faith. Classes begin Monday evening, September 12, from 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. in our parish meeting room. RCIA is a grace-filled journey.

Please encourage anyone who may be interested to contact Fr. Hyacinth at vicar@stdominicchurch.org.

Jubilee Reflection– Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Mercy in itself, as a perfection of the infinite God, is also infinite. Also infinite therefore and inexhaustible is the Father’s readiness to receive the prodigal children who return to His home. Infinite are the readiness and power of forgiveness which flow continually from the marvelous value of the sacrifice of the Son. No human sin can prevail over this power or even limit it...Therefore, the Church professes and proclaims conversion. Conversion to God always consists in discovering His mercy, that is, in discovering that love which is patient and kind as only the Creator and Father can be; the love to which the ‘God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ’ is faithful to the uttermost consequences in the history of His covenant with man; even to the cross and to the death and resurrection of the Son. Conversion to God is always the fruit of the rediscovery of this Father, who is rich in mercy.” (Pope St. John Paul II, Divínes in Misericordia, 13) Celebrate on God’s mercy with us this year at mercy.adw.org.

Social Justice & Community Service

Capitol Hill Pregnancy: We will collect practical items, diapers, wipes, and formula, for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center the weekend of September 3/4. Please keep young families in need in your prayers.

St. Martin de Porres Society Group: The St. Martin de Porres Society meets on the last Saturday of the month to serve the community. Our projects include serving the noon meal at SOME, distributing Coats for Kids, knitting scarves and baby blankets, delivering groceries, giving out Christmas toys, and volunteering at the homeless shelter. If interested, email: social@stdominicchurch.org.
**Parish Community**

If you enjoy entertaining, please join the Hospitality Committees. We need people to help plan new events and occasionally provide refreshments. Volunteers also help set up and clean up. Email: social@stdominicchurch.org for more information.

**Upcoming Events:**

*September 18th* – St. Dominic parish picnic

*October 9th* – Celebration of the 97th anniversary of the Consecration of the church.

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**Church History & Maintenance**

**Church Cleaning:** We are looking for people to help coordinate our monthly cleaning. Ideally, we would have several volunteers who could commit to coordinating at least 3 times a year.

The next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, September 10th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. New volunteers are always welcome.

Please help maintain our beautiful, historic church. If you are interested, please email Cecilia at social@stdominicchurch.org or call the parish office at 202-554-7863.

**History:** The 3rd double window on the north side of the church features St. Hyacinth (1185-1257), whose feast day is celebrated on August 17th. St. Hyacinth was born into a noble family in Silesia. Hyacinth met Dominic in Rome, who influenced him to become a Dominican. St. Hyacinth was sent to Krakow, where he established the first Dominican house in Poland. - Courtesy of Mary Moran

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**Weekly Parish Calendar 2016**

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**The Garden Angels**

We work the 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturday of the month. We start at 9:00 am and work until 12:00 p.m. The more volunteers that show up the more tasks we can accomplish. For more details please contact Elysia Branson at 202-285-8099 or you can email: ebowserbuddy@aol.com.

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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 and use our church code: DC117

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,
Fr. 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.