



# ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Serving Southwest Washington since 1852*

**SEPTEMBER 4, 2016 — *Twenty-Third 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.—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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## 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., Norman Haddad, O.P., Fred Hinnebusch, 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., James Muller, O.P., Athanasius Murphy, O.P., Andrew Nicolichia, O.P., Gregory Pine, O.P., Matthew Rzeczkowski, O.P., Bede Shipps, O.P., John Sica, O.P., Raymund Snyder, O.P., Donald Thibault, 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



Today we begin our homily series and our video series on our baptismal identity as Priest, Prophet and King. We seek to better understand ourselves living in Christ and to embark on a path of parish renewal and growth. Materials will be distributed at each Mass to guide the homily presentation; please take these materials with you for your own prayer and reflection. The video series on Sunday nights will unpack further the rich reality that is ours and provide time for discussion so that each of us can better live out our vocation as disciples of the Lord Jesus. The schedule for the video series is presented on the next page.

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Today is a day of great joy for the Universal Church. In a solemn liturgy at St. Peter Basilica in Rome, Mother Teresa of Calcutta will be canonized as a saint. A woman of modern time who lived a simple life of total dedication to the poorest of the poor. She modeled for the world what it means to recognize Christ in every person – even in the most distressing disguise – and to honor and serve the dignity of that person. She demonstrated to the world that joy can be had when one follows Jesus as a disciple and loves him completely. She didn't carry around a Bible to assault people with it; no, she was the Bible embodied so that people could encounter the love, the mercy and the closeness of Christ.

Jesus tells us that the poor will always be with us – and indeed they are, even in our neighborhood. As a parish, we strive to serve the poor and to supply for their needs as our means allow. Through the commitment and generosity of parishioner giving, the parish Poor Box remains funded. Thank you to all who give to the Poor Box.

May Saint Teresa of Calcutta intercede for each of us that we may have the joy of knowing Christ and be generous in serving him in our neighbor.

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Finally, on this Labor Day weekend, here is a quote from Pope Francis for your prayer and reflection: "We were created with a vocation to work. The goal should not be that technological progress increasingly replace human work, for this would be detrimental to humanity. Work is a necessity, part of the meaning of life on this earth, a path to growth, human development and personal fulfillment. Helping the poor financially must always be a provisional solution in the face of pressing needs. The broader objective should always be to allow them a dignified life through work. Yet the orientation of the economy has favored a kind of technological progress in which the costs of production are reduced by laying off workers and replacing them with machines. This is yet another way in which we can end

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up working against ourselves. The loss of jobs also has a negative impact on the economy 'through the progressive erosion of social capital: the network of relationships of trust, dependability, and respect for rules, all of which are indispensable for any form of civil coexistence.' In other words, 'human cost always include economic costs, and economic dysfunctions always involve human costs.' To stop investing in people, in order to gain greater short-term financial gain, is bad for business for society." *Laudato Si'*, On Care for Our Common Home, § 128.

Blessed weekend to all!  
Fr. Schommer, O.P.

## SPECIAL HOLY HOUR

On Friday September 9th, the parish will have a special Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration from 7:00—8:00 p.m. in the church. The intention of the Holy Hour is to pray for peace in our local communities. The bishops of the USA have asked parishes to pray on this date in response to the many acts of violence occurring in our cities and local communities. Please consider praying at this Holy Hour as an act of solidarity with the victims of violence.

## 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.

## THE WORD AMONG US

In the book/pamphlet rack at the main entrance you will find complimentary copies of the Catholic devotional entitled *The Word Among Us*.

This publication is provided to members of the parish to encourage daily prayer and reflection on Sacred Scripture—particularly a reading designated for the Mass of the day. Copies of this publication will be made available for September through December. Try it out and see if you would like to obtain your own subscription.

## 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](mailto:vicar@stdominicchurch.org)

## JUBILEE REFLECTION— TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



YEAR OF MERCY  
ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

We need to let the Lord's words echo constantly in our hearts: *'Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, who am meek and humble of heart, and you will find refreshment for your souls' (Mt 11:28-30).* Jesus' yoke is a yoke of love and thus a pledge of refreshment. ... We need to learn from Jesus, or better to learn Jesus, meek and humble; to enter into his meekness and his humility by contemplating his way of acting; ... And to remember that Jesus' Church is kept whole not by *'consuming fire from heaven' (Lk 9:54)*, but by the secret warmth of the Spirit, who *'heals what is wounded, bends what is rigid, straightens what is crooked'.*" (Pope Francis in Washington, D.C., during his Apostolic Visit)  
*Continue your Walk With Francis and celebrate God's mercy with us this year at [mercy.adw.org](http://mercy.adw.org).*

## ST. DOMINIC LAY DOMINICAN FRATERNITY

Lay Dominican Fraternity Meeting will be next Sunday, September 11 from 12:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. in the Priors Chapel/Parish Meeting Hall. If you have any questions please contact Joan Cobbs at 202- 484-2296.

## 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.

**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 *Mass of Wisdom* setting found on pages 2-5 of the Breaking Bread Book insert.
- At the masses with organ accompaniment, we are singing the *Missa Simplex* setting found on pages 6-9 of the insert attached to the inside front cover of the Breaking Bread Book.

## ATTENTION ALL MUSIC MINISTERS (AND PARISHIONERS INTERESTED IN SINGING)

The Parish Choir resumes serving at the Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Mass next week (Sunday, September 11 – please meet in the church at 9:30 a.m. to rehearse). The Parish Ensemble continues to serve at the Sunday, 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Please meet in the church at 4:00 p.m. on Sundays to rehearse. All members of the St Dominic Community are invited to participate/serve as members of the music ministry. Parishioners who would like to sing with our parish choir or ensemble are welcome! Please contact JC Cantrell for more info ([music@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:music@stdominicchurch.org))

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

The schedule of Lay Ministers has been updated for September. All Lay Ministers of the Mass can check their schedule via the MSP App. 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.

Any Lay Ministers of the Mass with questions regarding scheduling of ministers/your personal schedule, please contact JC Cantrell (email: [music@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:music@stdominicchurch.org)).

## MEN'S CONFERENCE

A one-day Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in La Plata, MD from 8am-2pm. Speakers include noted author Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC and Mr. Patrick Kilner. The day will begin with Mass with Cardinal Wuerl and costs \$20 which includes breakfast and lunch. The theme for this conference is based upon I Corinthians 16:13 "Be on your guard, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong." There will be opportunities for worship, confession, and fellowship. You will not want to miss this incredible day, please register at [www.adwmen.evenbrite.com](http://www.adwmen.evenbrite.com).

## SOCIAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

**Capitol Hill Pregnancy:** Please leave your donation for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center in front of the pulpit. Thank you for your generosity for young mothers who have chosen life.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:social@stdominicchurch.org) for more information.

Please contact [social@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:social@stdominicchurch.org) if you want to bring either a salad or a dessert to the church picnic.

### Upcoming Events:

**September 18th** – St. Dominic parish picnic

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

## CHURCH MAINTENANCE

**Church Cleaning:** Please help maintain our beautiful, historic church. If you are interested, please email Cecilia at [social@stdominicchurch.org](mailto:social@stdominicchurch.org) or call the parish office at 202-554-7863.

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

## THE WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun. Sept. 4</b>	<b>Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
8:00 a.m.	Ernest & Alice Oliver (D)
10:30 a.m.	Joan Baran (D)
5:00 p.m.	Shrine
<b>Mon. Sept. 5</b>	<i>Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Religious</i>
8:00 a.m.	Iveta Bojinov's Family & Relatives (L&D)
<b>Tues. Sept. 6</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Mireva's Family, Relatives, Friends & Benefactors (D)
12:10 p.m.	Gladys Collado (D)
<b>Wed. Sept. 7</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Gladys Collado (D)
12:10 p.m.	Andrew Kormos
<b>Thurs. Sept. 8</b>	The Nativity of the BVM
8:00 a.m.	BVM Birthday Novena 1/9
12:10 p.m.	Joseph Richards (D)
<b>Fri. Sept. 9</b>	USA: Saint Peter Claver, Priest
8:00 a.m.	BVM Birthday Novena 2/9
12:10 p.m.	Stella Barranger (D)
<b>Sat. Sept. 10</b>	
9:00 a.m.	BVM Birthday Novena 3/9
5:00 p.m.	Forgotten Souls

## 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 will be available after Labor Day.

## SANCTUARY LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK



*In Memory of Mary Lou Fishedick  
By: Deirdre O'Brien*

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

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jane Boorman, Deborah Brownlee, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Khristofer 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 Mirandilla, 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, Saundra Yates, and the other sick of the Parish and Priory.

## STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection	8/28/2016	\$4,805.00
Capital Repair & Maintenance Collection	8/28/2016	\$482.00

## Total Contributions for August 2016

Offertory Collection	\$22,841.00
Offertory-Faith Direct	\$9,966.00
Capital Repair & Maint. Collection	\$4,592.00
Capital Repair & Maint Collection -Faith Direct	\$1,053.00

## FAITH DIRECT

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

## ST. PETER SCHOOL NEWS

Happy Labor Day weekend to all! Please join the St. Peter School Community for the Back to School Picnic on Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup> at 12pm in Providence Park located just in front of school. There will be food and fun and it will be a great opportunity to catch up with other St. Peter families after the summer break.