# St. Dominic Catholic Church

**Serving Southwest Washington since 1852**

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## May 22, 2016 — The Most Holy Trinity

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<th>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.</th>
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<td><strong>Listening Device</strong>: If you are in need of a personal listening device at Mass, please ask the Music Minister or Priest.</td>
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| **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  

**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

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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
Making the Sign of the Cross is the most common prayer and gesture of our Catholic faith. It accompanies the beginning and end of our prayers; it expresses the most essential dogma of our faith. Unfortunately, the prayer and gesture are often made thoughtlessly or superstitiously. Sometimes it appears that a person is swatting away a fly more than making the Sign of the Cross.

“The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and of Christian life. God alone can make it known to us by revealing himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit” (CCC 261). One God in three persons is the God of our faith and worship. Hence, we are baptized in the name of the Three-Personed God, we pray in the name of the Three-Personed God, and we worship in the name of the Three-Personed God. This paradigm is reflected in so many of our prayers. For example, the Mass begins and ends with the Sign of the Cross and the invocation of the names of God. The prayers of the Mass are addressed to God through Jesus Christ and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. The end of the Eucharistic Prayer is Trinitarian when we say, “Through him and with him and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor is yours forever and ever. Amen.”

Yes, this is a great mystery that can be hard to understand with the human mind. Most of us do not have the philosophical and theological training to grapple with terms such as “substance,” “person” or “hypostasis,” “relation,” and so on. Nevertheless, through our Baptism and the gift of faith, we are always in a relationship with God who is One and relates to us Person to person. He created us in love and in a plan of sheer goodness to make us share in his own blessed life. God alone can make it known to us by revealing himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (cf. CCC 1). We can have confidence that the Holy Spirit has guided the Church from the beginning in the clarification of our Trinitarian faith and articulated the true faith through the creedal statements of the earliest Councils. The Creed that we pray today in the Mass has its origin in the Council of Nicea in 325. When we pray the Creed, we re-affirm our Catholic faith and the promises of our baptism.

We don't get a new definition or explanation of the Trinity today. Instead we enter anew into the worship of God who has revealed himself to us. The Sign of the Cross is a succinct profession of our faith and a reminder of the Cross of our salvation and redemption. We all do well to make this sign reverently and consciously. Doing so will deepen our relationship with God who created us, who saves us, and sanctifies us. It is a holy sign.
Congratulations to Father Athanasius Murphy, O.P. and his 10 Dominican classmates who were ordained to the priesthood on Saturday (yesterday) morning at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. He celebrates a Mass of Thanksgiving today at 10:30 with family, friends and the parish community. On behalf of the parish, I express our gratitude for his 2 years of ministry in the parish. His many gifts and talents have supported and enhanced our worship and growth as disciples of the Lord Jesus. Father Athanasius will be remaining in Washington and living here at St. Dominic’s as he completes his program of study for an advanced degree in Sacred Theology. May God bless him with abundant graces in his studies and priestly ministry. Ad multos annos!

Arriving tomorrow (5/24) is Brother Joachim Kenney, O.P. Brother is a deacon who will live and serve at our parish for the summer months. He will be learning the many facets of priestly and parish life, preaching regularly, presiding at the weekly Holy Hour on Thursday, and whatever else I can find for him to do. The parish will be blessed by his warm and gentle demeanor. Please take the opportunity to welcome him to our parish community. He offers a short introduction of himself below.

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Let us pray for one another,
Fr. Schommer, O.P.

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**Welcome!**

Br. Joachim Kenney, OP, our deacon for the summer, is from Louisville, KY. He is one of five children and grew up in the Dominican parish of St. Louis Bertrand. Br. Joachim attended the University of Louisville before joining the Order in July of 2010. His studies began at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington in 2011. He is looking forward to getting to know the people of St. Dominic’s this summer while serving as a deacon.

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**Jubilee Reflection—The Most Holy Trinity**

Admitting when we are struggling and need help is difficult and scary. It requires putting our trust in someone else, praying that God’s mercy will flow through them. Consider Cate’s story: For years she silently suffered from mental illness, afraid to tell anyone else about her struggles. Over time, she found the courage to seek counseling from a Catholic therapist. The therapist was so accepting, understanding, and merciful that Cate opened up for the first time. Cate has experienced both mental and spiritual healing through her time in counseling. Now, Cate knows that her illness is right where God desired to meet her, and that in fact God’s mercy has been with her for her whole life. **Find ways to experience mercy and healing through the ministries of the Church at mercy.adw.org.**

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**Liturgical Ministers**

(Online: http://tinyurl.com/StDLayMinSched)

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**The Weekday and Weekend Lay Ministers of the Mass Schedule for May 2016**

(Online: http://www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/StDominicChurch)

**Attention All Lay Ministers of the Mass (Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC), Lectors and Acolytes)** — If you provided us an email address, you will receive an email this week with your updated June 2016 schedule of services. If not, email JC Cantrell (email: music@stdominicchurch.org) or leave a message with the parish office. **Reminder:** We maintain the schedule in “real time” (the on-line version is always up-to-date). If your personal commitments change and you need a substitute, please use the on-line tool to notify other volunteers of the vacancy.
The Weekly Mass Intentions

**Sun. May 22**
8:00 a.m. The Most Holy Trinity
10:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. Shrine

**Mon. May 23**
8:00 a.m. Novena - Special Intention
12:10 p.m. Ginny Talbott (L)

**Tues. May 24**
8:00 a.m. Novena - Special Intention
12:10 p.m. Doreen Kormos

**Wed. May 25**
St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, Virgin
8:00 a.m. Novena - Special Intention
12:10 p.m. Bill Fernando

**Thurs. May 26**
St. Philip Neri, Priest
8:00 a.m. Novena - Special Intention
12:10 p.m. Karen Hurley

**Fri. May 27**
St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
8:00 a.m. Novena - Special Intention
12:10 p.m. Sarah Mayhew

**Sat. May 28**
9:00 a.m. Novena - Special Intention
5:00 p.m. William Hope (D)

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

For the Intentions of:
Richard & Vivian Pane
36th Wedding Anniversary

Resquiescat in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:
Margaret Headley
The funeral Mass will be on Wednesday, May 25th at 10:30 a.m.

Social Justice & Community Service

**Capitol Hill Pregnancy:** We will collect practical items, diapers, wipes, and formula, for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center on June 4/5. Please be generous.

**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 you are interested, please contact social@stdominicchurch.org.

Parish Community & Upcoming Events

Please join the Hospitality Committee if you want more opportunities to socialize with other parishioners. We need people to help plan new events and occasionally provide refreshments. We always need volunteers to help set up and clean up.

**Upcoming Events:**

**AUGUST 7** - Celebration of the feast of our patron, St. Dominic.

**OCTOBER 9** - Celebration of the 97th anniversary of the Consecration of the church.

Church History & Maintenance

**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 email ebowserbuddy@aol.com.

**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. Please consider helping to 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.

Our next monthly cleaning will be Saturday, June 18th, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. New volunteers are always welcome.

Deacon John Briscoe, Col. Roscoe Campbell, Kristofer Chowbay, Danny Chowbay, Daniel Collins, Jason DeLorenzo, Frank Fernandes, Thomas Geron, Jazz Goff, George Farris, Erica Pittman Harrison, Mary Hogan, Karla Humbles, Marilyn Jarvis, Maureen Kish, C. Richard Kotulak, Ray Leslie, Andrea Martin, Merced Velena Mirandilla, MaryJane Morrow, Bill Orr, Diane Jaeger Pittman, Olivia Reynolds, Maria DeJesus Sanchez, Rosa Maria Santos, Sheila Scott, Cynthia Wilder, Mary Davis Williams, and the sick of the Parish and Priory.
**Church History & Maintenance …..continued**

**History:** The 1st double window on the south side of the church portrays the vision of Blessed Joanna. Dominic’s mother, Jane of Aza, also known as Joanna, had a vision of a hound setting the world on fire with a torch in his mouth before Dominic’s conception. St. Dominic did ignite the world with sacred truth through preaching and teaching born from a life of dedicated prayer, love for the Word of God, and a burning desire to gain souls for Christ. - Courtesy of Mary Moran

**St. Peter School News**

On Friday May 20th, St. Peter student families competed against each other at Providence Park for Field Day - the most anticipated day of the year! Each student family was assigned a color and won points as they rotated through various games and relays such as quid ditch, combo ball, capture the flag, sponge and bucket relay, and an obstacle course. The teams took a lunch break as the SPS fathers grilled in an effort to feed a hungry crew. After lunch there was a tug-of-war championship showdown and the fun-filled day commenced with the annual 8th grade vs. teachers basketball game. (By the way, the 8th graders thought the game was in the bag.) After the game the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place overall winners of Field Day were announced and the 8th graders received a proper send off.

**Sunday TV Mass**

Do you know someone who can’t get to Mass? Since 1952, the Archdiocese of Washington has produced a weekly televised Mass for those who are homebound, broadcast from the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. It is a wonderful ministry for those member of our Catholic family who are unable to be physically present with a local worshiping community for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. The Mass airs every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on WDCW-50.

**Stewardship**

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**2015 Cardinal’s Appeal Final Report**

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**Faith Direct**

Are you starting to plan your summer vacations? 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. Your gifts through Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances through the busy (but beautiful) summer months. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family with your time and talents as well as treasure! God Bless You, Fr. Schommer, O.P.

**Catholic Relief Services**

“"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these brothers of mine, you did for me” (Mt 25:40). Today, we are reminded that Jesus identified himself with our poorest brothers and sisters. The Catholic Relief Services Collection serves Jesus in the victims of human trafficking, those who suffer from unjust laws, and those who need pastoral care and humanitarian assistance across the globe. Through supporting today’s collection, you help Jesus in disguise. Please be generous.