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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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 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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Pastor’s Corner

The first reading and the Gospel reading for today’s Mass present us with 2 notorious sinners. In the first reading, we hear God’s words to King David who had sinned through adultery, murder, deception and infidelity. The Gospel reading portrays for us the tearful encounter between an unnamed sinful woman and Jesus. To both persons, God has extended his forgiveness of their sins. If you will, their sins were publically known and publically forgiven. From their encounter with God and the reception of forgiveness, we all learn the depths of God’s love and mercy for sinners.

For most of us, our sins are not publically known nor publically forgiven. In the quiet recesses of the heart and in the privacy of the confessional, we acknowledge our sin and guilt to the Lord; and he offers us the grace of forgiveness. As we pray today in the Psalm Response: “I acknowledged my sin to you, my guilt I covered not. I said, ‘I confess my faults to the Lord,’ and you took away the guilt of my sin” (Ps 32:5). There is a working of God’s grace that is happening in our lives and other peoples’ lives that is not public but real nevertheless.

This fact is important for the way we live our Christian life in relation to others. The change of heart taking place in those who seek God’s mercy and forgiveness happens with many subtleties. The Father’s hidden work in the soul of every person goes on with love, patience and hope. We do well to presume that others are doing their best to cooperate with God’s grace to grow in virtue and holiness. The law of charity which “bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things” (cf. 1 Cor 13:7) has to accompany our dealings with those that are seeking to follow Christ, but who are essentially weak in their striving for holiness. In essence, we ought to treat others in the same manner as we ourselves desire to be treated.

Our personal experience of God’s forgiveness can pave the way for God’s gift of forgiveness. In recalling how much we have been forgiven, we can find it easier to exemplify the forgiveness we owe to others. The experience of forgiving another softens the heart, ennobles it and is often prompted by the gift of true healing that comes to us by means of sacramental confession. The unlimited gift of God’s forgiveness should elicit in us an unlimited debt of gratitude. Our gratitude is then most effectively expressed through the mercy we offer to others.

The world-wide Dominican Order is celebrating the 800th anniversary of its formal establishment during this year of 2016. Highlights of the Order’s founder and founding is found in the beautiful stained-glass windows
of our church. We can also see in those windows the
depictions of the many saints the Order has formed over
the centuries.

In observance of this significant anniversary, the
Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph (who
serve the parish and live in the priory) will be having an
assembly or convocation of its members this coming
week from Tuesday - Friday. Priests and brothers will
gather from around the Province at Providence College
in Providence, RI for 4 days of community prayer,
discussions regarding the ministries supported by the
Province, discernment of future endeavors, and the
celebration of anniversaries – not only of the Order, but
of those friars who have reached milestone years of
ordination to the priesthood or the solemn profession of
religious vows.

The majority of the friars who live in the priory,
including the parish priests, will be attending this
Assembly, with the senior friars excused from
attendance. However, the impact on the parish will be
minimal. The weekday Mass and confession schedule
will remain unchanged; but there will be no Eucharistic
Holy Hour on Thursday June 16th; and there will be no
Eucharistic Holy Hour for the Young Adults on the
evening of Thursday June 16th. These are the only
cancellations in the weekly schedule of the parish. The
parish office will be open and will function as usual.

Please pray for the safety of all the friars who are
traveling and participating in this Assembly; and be
assured of my prayers for the parish.

Fr. Schommer, O.P.

Faith & Earth
Be prepared to have your world
turned right side up!

Join us for a 10-film documentary discussion series on
faith and the environment led by Fr. Hyacinth Cordell,
OP. Each night we will watch a film about a particular
environmental issue. After the film, we will discuss the
film and how faith and virtue apply. Connections will
also be made between the particular issues highlighted
and Pope Francis’ encyclical on the environment, Lauda-
to Si’. Vegetarian refreshments will be provided. The series
will be on the following Sunday evenings between 6:30
8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall at St. Dominic Church, 630 E
Street, SW Washington, DC 20024 (L’Enfant Plaza metro
stop):

Part I: Climate Change
June 12 - Years of Living Dangerously
June 19 - Years of Living Dangerously/Acid Test
June 26 - They Killed Sister Dorothy

Cancellations

- No Eucharistic Holy Hour this Thursday June 16th.
- No Eucharistic Holy Half Hour and Confessions this
  Thursday June 16th. (Young Adults group will still
  meet in the Parish Meeting Room.)

Jubilee Reflection – Tenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

“One activity that pulls together a lot of the
Corporal Works of Mercy is that of peacemaking.
During the twenty years that I worked in Africa,
I worked a lot in refugee advocacy — There wasn’t a day
went by that people didn’t come knocking on the rectory
doors looking for some kind of help. Wherever you have
wars and conflicts, you have hungry people, thirsty
people, unjustly imprisoned people, sick people,
children who are stuck in limbo with no way to go
forward. That’s why peacemaking is such an important
activity, and is, in reality, the incarnate God at work.
How can WE become ‘mercy incarnate’ in our own
lives? How can we make a space for people to sit down
and talk through their differences?” Listen to the rest of
this reflection from Fr. Frank Wright at mercy.adu.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).

Updating the Weekday and Weekend Lay
Ministers of the Mass Schedule
(Online: http://www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/
StDominicChurch )

Attention All Lay Ministers of the Mass (Extraordinary
Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC), Acolytes, Lectors
and Cantors) — All Lay Ministers of the Mass who have
provided us an email address should receive an email
this week asking you to review your availability for July
and August. By updating your availability, we can create
a more accurate schedule for all Lay Ministers of the
Mass. The updated schedule will be created and posted
on-line the following week. Once the schedule is created,
if your personal commitments change and you need a
substitute, please use the on-line tool to notify other vol-
unteers of the vacancy. If you do not receive an email,
please contact JC Cantrell: music@stdominicchurch.org.
Reminder: The on-line version of the schedule is always
up-to-date. You can view it on your personal computer
(url above), or smartphone (using the MSP app) or on
the monitor installed in the sacristy.
**The Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Sun. June 12** — Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **8:00 a.m.** Deceased Members of the Scimeca & Torrelli Families
- **10:30 a.m.** Shrine
- **5:00 p.m.** Jonathan Bigony (D)

**Mon. June 13**

- **8:00 a.m.** St. Anthony Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church
- **12:10 p.m.** Alfred Zarfler (D)
- **12:10 p.m.** Bridget & Thomas Griffen (D)

**Tues. June 14**

- **8:00 a.m.** Alfred Zarfler (D)
- **12:10 p.m.** Bridget & Thomas Griffen (D)

**Wed. June 15**

- **8:00 a.m.** Alfred Zarfler (D)
- **12:10 p.m.** Madeline C. Panis (D)

**Thurs. June 16**

- **8:00 a.m.** Alfred Zarfler (D)
- **12:10 p.m.** Fr. Quigley, O.P. (D)

**Fri. June 17**

- **8:00 a.m.** Alfred Zarfler (D)
- **12:10 p.m.** Fr. Maurice du Castillon, O.P. (D)

**Sat. June 18**

- **9:00 a.m.** Fr. Leo Zonneveld, O.P. (D)
- **5:00 p.m.** Catherine Anne Christopher (D)

**Sanctuary Lamp Burning In the Sanctuary this Week**

- **In Memory of:** St. Dominic Church Dominican Priest

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

**Liturgical Ministers**

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

**Sun. June 19** — Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Pray for the Sick**

Deacon John Briscoe, Deboara Brownlee, 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, Barbara Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Sheila Scott, Cynthia Wilder, Mary Davis Williams, and the sick of the Parish and Priory.

**Social Justice & Community Service**

**Capitol Hill Pregnancy:** Thanks to everyone who donated items for the Capitol Hill Pregnancy Center in front of the pulpit. The next collection will be 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:**

- **August 7th** — Celebration of the feast of our patron, St. Dominic.
- **October 9th** — 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,
**Weekly Parish Calendar 2016**

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**Faith Direct**

Did you know that June 20 – the first day of summer – is National eGiving Day?

St. Dominic Church can take particular joy in this celebration, as the response to eGiving in our church has been wonderful.

To build on this success, I am setting a National eGiving Day Challenge. My goal is for St. Dominic Church families to put envelopes on a permanent summer vacation and make the switch to eGiving. This is especially important in the summer months, when many families may be out of town some weekends and St. Dominic Church does not receive their envelopes. It’s easy for people to forget to catch up once they’re back, and our weekly offertory can fluctuate as a result – making it harder to predict how much we will have to sustain our year-round ministries.

The more families who welcome the beginning of summer by taking this National eGiving Day Challenge, the more consistent and predictable our offertory will be month after month – and this will help us do even more to spread Christ’s love throughout the community.

Being part of this challenge is simple: Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: DC117

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.

**Church History & Maintenance …..continued**

please email Cecilia at social@stdominicchurch.org or call the parish office at 202-554-7863.

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**History:** St. Joseph holding a lily is depicted on the Grand Altar Window on the left hand side of Christ. The lily symbolizes purity. St. Joseph is the patron saint of the universal church and the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph. - Courtesy of Mary Moran.

**St. Peter School News**

CYO Track Congrats!

Congratulations to Dagny Fisher, Mary Kozeny, Regan Fisher and Teddy Kozeny - all of whom qualified to compete in the CYO Track Championship event on May 21st. A special congratulations to Dagny for placing 2nd in both the 800 and 1600 meter runs and to Mary for placing 4th in the 1600. Well done!

**Knights of Columbus**

Support Religious Liberty—Join the Knights of Columbus in praying the rosary outside the Capitol building on Friday, June 24th at 7pm in support of religious liberty. See the Facebook page (http://bit.ly/1TQOjel) for more information and to RSVP.

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