



St. Dominic Church

May 12, 2024

Pastoral Staff

Father George P. Schommer, O.P., Pastor
 Father Bede Shippis, O.P., Parochial Vicar

Parish Staff

Pastoral Associate - Margaret Maxwell
 Business/Facilities Manager - Ed Von Hagel
 Music Director - Denny Layendecker
 Assistant to the Music Director - J.C. Cantrell

Parish Pastoral Council

Philip Clarke	Doris Stukes
Jules Hurst	Susan Timoney
Tim Lang	Carrie Traverso
Maggie LaPrairie	

Parish Finance Council

Thomas Bolger	MJ Morrow
Jim Courtney	Carol Pica
Michael Grace	Scott Warady

Celebration of Holy Mass

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.; 5:00 p.m. (Vigil of Sunday)
 Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
 Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.
 (8:00 a.m. **only** on a Federal Holiday)
 Holy Days: See Bulletin or Website

Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday-Friday: 11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
 Thursday: 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
 Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

* Or by appointment through the Parish Office

Liturgy of the Hours—Priory Chapel

Lauds — Mon-Fri: 7:00 a.m. Sat: 8:00 a.m.
 Sun: 7:00 a.m.
 Vespers — Mon-Fri: 5:30 p.m. (w/ Office of Readings)
 Sat-Sun: 5:30 p.m. (Rosary precedes Vespers
 each day at 5:10 p.m.)

Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour

Thursday: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Devotions—Rosary Shrine of St. Jude

Rosary: 11:45 a.m. Monday-Friday
 (not on Federal holidays)
 Scriptural Rosary: 9:45 a.m. Saturday

Administration of the Sacraments

- **Baptism**
 Please contact the Parish Office.
"Parents are obliged to take care that infants are baptized in the first few weeks."
 (Code of Canon Law, 867§1).
- **Matrimony**
 Please contact the Parish Office.
 A minimum of six months preparation is required by the Archdiocese.
- **Holy Eucharist at Home**
 Please contact the Parish Office.
- **Anointing of the Sick or Prayers for the Dying**
 Please contact the Parish Office.

Church & Parish Office Addresses & Hours

Church — 501 6th Street, SW
 Parish Office/Priory — 630 E Street, SW
 Washington, DC 20024
 Phone: (202) 554-7863
 Fax: (202) 554-0231

Web address — www.StDominicChurch.org
 E-mail — Office@StDominicChurch.org
 FaceBook — [stdominicchurhdc](https://www.facebook.com/stdominicchurhdc)

Parish Office Hours
 Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Church Hours
 Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.
 Saturday: 8 a.m.-7 p.m.
 Sunday: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.
 Federal Holidays: 7 a.m.-9 a.m.

Community Fellowship with Coffee & Donuts

Sundays after the 10:30 a.m. Mass,
 in the parish meeting room.



Today is Mother's Day in the secular calendar and it is a wonderful occasion to honor all mothers and express our love and devotion to them. It is also an occasion that directs our attention to Holy Mother Mary – the Mother of Jesus and our Mother as well. For many years in the history of the Church, the month

of May has been dedicated to her honor. Devotion to our Blessed Mother is fitting because Mary always leads us into deeper communion with Jesus her Son. Fitting because Mary prays for us that we may grow in discipleship with the Lord who comes to us in the Holy Eucharist. Fitting because Mary leads all her children on the narrow way of the Lord Jesus into eternal life.

Thinking ahead to eternal life often causes us to look upward toward the heavens. We hope to enter heaven someday. Church architecture can sometimes help us to have a similar experience as the Apostles who witnessed the Ascension of the Lord. Gothic churches, like our parish church, are built with high vaulted ceilings that are painted in blue to depict the heavens. When we walk into such a church for the first time, the vertical lines of the pillars and the high elevation of stained glass grab our attention and draw us to look upward. Our focus moves from the earth to the heavens.

Today, we observe the apostles looking up to heaven as Christ ascends to the Father. Their attention is drawn not only to the miraculous event; their attention is also drawn to ponder their own future. That future is life on high with Christ Jesus. The preface of the Mass today makes clear the point: "he ascended, not to distance himself from our lowly state but that we, his members, might be confident of following where he, our Head and Founder, has gone before."

The joy of the Resurrection of the Lord becomes the hope of our souls as we look up to the Lord ascended into glory. Not only are we given the forgiveness of sins and the gift of eternal life; we are given also the hope of ascending after our own bodily resurrection to be with Christ in heaven. He remains present with us through the gift of the Holy Spirit who gives us personal knowledge of Christ and reminds us of all that he taught us.

Though taken from our bodily sight, we continue to see him with the eyes of faith. We trust in his words: "Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Mt: 28:20).

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

George P. Schommer, O.P.
Pastor

From the Catechism on the Ascension

The lifting up of Jesus on the cross signifies and announces his lifting up by his Ascension into heaven, and indeed begins it. Jesus Christ, the one priest of the new and eternal Covenant, "entered, not into a sanctuary made by human hands. . . but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf." There Christ permanently exercises his priesthood, for he "always lives to make intercession" for "those who draw near to God through him". As "high priest of the good things to come" he is the center and the principal actor of the liturgy that honors the Father in heaven. (CCC 662)

Interested in Joining St. Dominic Parish?

We would love to welcome you into our parish! Visit StDominicChurch.org and on the landing page click on Parish Registration Form. Paper copies of the registration form can be found in the church and in the Parish Office. Be sure to fill out both sides and mail it or email it to the parish office.

Monday May 13	Tuesday May 14	Wednesday May 15	Thursday May 16	Friday May 17	Saturday May 18	Sunday May 19
A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	A.A. Meeting 12 p.m. <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>	Becoming Catholic 10 - 11:30 a.m. <i>Parish Conf Room</i>	Donut Social after the 10:30 a.m. Mass <i>Parish Mtg Room</i>
		Music Ministry Rehearsal 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>	Holy Hour 7 p.m. <i>Church</i>		Blessing of the Fleet 11 a.m. <i>The Wharf</i>	

Sanctuary Candle



For all mothers on this Mother's Day: that through the intercession of Mary they may be strengthened in the vital work of motherhood entrusted to them.

Arrangements to donate the Sanctuary Candle for a week for \$15 or a Mass Intention for \$10, can be made online and in the Parish Office.

Let Us Pray For...

THE SICK AND THE HOMEBOUND:

Dr. Tseghai Berhe, Nora Courtney, Eileen Maturi, and Frances White.

THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICES:

All those serving in our country and around the world.

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

James Golden.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 12

- 5:00 p.m. (Vigil) Jeffrey Joseph Kormos
- 8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. Mother's Day Novena (9/9)
- 5:00 p.m. Rosary Shrine of St. Jude Benefactors

Monday, May 13

- 8:00 a.m. Patrick George Kormos
- 12:10 p.m. † The Holy Souls

Tuesday, May 14

- 8:00 a.m. For the healing of Sue Satorito
- 12:10 p.m. † Janice Olszewski

Wednesday, May 15

- 8:00 a.m. Gerard
- 12:10 p.m. Joyce K. S. Babiak

Thursday, May 16

- 8:00 a.m. Maria Eugenia Lane
- 12:10 p.m. † Deceased member of the Scimeca Family

Friday, May 17

- 8:00 a.m. Carolyn Kiss
- 12:10 p.m. † Jack Kormos

Saturday, May 18

- 9:00 a.m. The Lawrence Gray Family (Living and Deceased)



You're Invited

Solemn

Vespers

The Ascension
of the Lord

Sunday
May 12, 2024
7:00 p.m.

St. Dominic
Church

Reception to follow
in the Parish Hall

501 6th Street, SW
L'Enfant Plaza Metro

SAVE
THE DATES

Sunday, May 12 - Solemn Vespers -
7 p.m. in the Church with Reception following.

Saturday, May 18 - Blessing of the Fleet at the Wharf
11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Fr. George to give the blessing.

Saturday, May 25 - Ordination of Dominicans to
the Priesthood - Basilica of the National Shrine
of the Immaculate Conception.
9:30 a.m.

Sunday, June 2 - Mass with Corpus Christi Procession
10:30 a.m.
Parish Picnic on the North Lawn following the
procession.

Friday, June 7 - Devotions in Honor of the Most
Sacred Heart of Jesus in the Church.
7 p.m.

Saturday, June 8 - Archdiocese Eucharistic Congress
Mass & Procession - Basilica of the National Shrine
of the Immaculate Conception.
Beginning at 8 a.m.

St. Dominic Catholic Church

The Garden Angels

St. Dominic's Garden Angels work their magic on the Church grounds on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month. Anyone is welcome to join them, whether it be regularly or occasionally, from 9 a.m. to 10:30/11:00 a.m.—meet in the parking lot.



No skill required, just the desire to work in the gardens to beautify our grounds. We do have our own tools, but if you have garden tools that you prefer to work with, feel free to bring them. All we ask is that you bring your own gardening gloves.

If you have any questions, please call or email the Parish Office.

Church History



The first 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

Offertory

Week Ending May 5, 2024

Received	\$5,897
Budgeted	\$3,846
Deficit/Surplus	\$2,051

Electronic Giving Options



Faith Direct



venmo

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, Venmo or by giving it to one of the priests. Your generosity enables the parish to assist the poor with one-meal gift cards, rent assistance, utility assistance, and other important, local social concerns and organizations.

Mass Intentions - Now Available Online

Mass intention for 2024 are available by calling the parish office (202/554-7863), by emailing the parish office (office@stdominicchurch.org), or by visiting the parish website and clicking on the “Mass Intentions” header.



ONLY intentions for “Announced Masses” are available online and payable by credit card. You will still need to contact the parish office for “Unannounced” and “Gregorian Mass” intentions.

CREDIT CARD payments now accepted for ALL transactions.



The 2024 Annual Catholic Services Appeal is still going on! We’re asking parishioners to prayerfully consider making a gift to the Appeal. The theme this year is *United in Purpose* as a poignant reminder that together, in the spirit of Christ, we can enable the charitable works of our Church through its many ministries and services. Please complete a commitment form at Mass, or make your gift from home by visiting give.adw.org. Our goal is that every parish family will participate this year. Your gift will be credited toward our parish goal. Learn more about how the Annual Catholic Services Appeal benefit our parish and serves local people in need at appeal.adw.org.

Lost & Found

Our Lost & Found is located in the Parish Office. To inquire about a lost item, please call the Parish Office at (202) 554-7863 or email us at office@stdominicchurch.org. Items not claimed will be donated or discarded at the end of June.



“He who gives you the day will also give you what is necessary for the day.”

—St. Gregory of Nyssa



Pilgrimage Registration - Deadline Extended

We are thrilled to welcome you to the upcoming **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage**, which will travel through the **Archdiocese of Washington** from June 7 – June 9, 2024.

On Saturday, **June 8, 2024**, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will have a public Mass and Procession in D.C. **All are welcome!**

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington will also have a stationary pilgrimage for those with limited mobility, or other disability, at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine at the same time as the walking Procession.

Please, complete the registration information form by **Saturday, June 1, 2024** — visit [National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Registration - Archdiocese of Washington \(adw.org\)](https://www.adw.org/national-eucharistic-pilgrimage-registration). If you are attending with your family or group, please register each person separately.

Schedule for June 8, 2024

8:00 a.m.: Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

9:00 a.m.: Eucharistic Procession through the Brookland neighborhood of D.C., stopping at The Catholic University of America (CUA), various religious communities, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) building, and ending at the St. John Paul II National Shrine.

12:00 noon: Benediction at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine.

12:30 p.m.: Catechesis on the Eucharist led by Archdiocese of Washington Auxiliary Bishop Evelio Menjivar and a young person from the Archdiocese of Washington.

There will be time at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine for rest and refreshments.

The theme for the Procession will be *Walk with Jesus: To Jesus Through Mary*. Each stop on the Procession will have a short period of prayer and the language at each prayer session will alternate between English and Spanish.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

*St. Dominic
Catholic Church*

**8 A.M. WEEKDAY MASS
SUMMER SCHEDULE**

From May 28 - August 23

**the 8 a.m. Mass
will be held in the
Friar's Chapel**

Entrance mid-block on E Street

**30th Annual Memorial Mass Honoring
the Men & Women of the Armed Forces**

On Saturday, May 18th at 4:30 pm, Mass will be held at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception located on 4th Street and Michigan Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20017-1566. The Principal Celebrant and Homilist will be, The Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D., Archbishop. Parking is limited. Carpooling advised.

*Military personnel are encouraged to be in uniform.
Dress: Civilian - Business Attire | Military - Service
Dress*

*For assigned seating, please register by 14 May 2024 at:
<https://www.milarch.org/memorialmass/laity/>*

*Read more about the event at:
<https://www.milarch.org/memorial-mass-2024/>*

Archdiocese of Washington's Website

The archdiocesan website, adw.org and adw.org/es (Spanish) is updated regularly with current information. Daily news and information about archdiocesan parishes, schools and ministries are also available at cathstan.org and elpreg.org for the *Catholic Standard* and the Spanish-language *El Preconero* newspapers.



St. Patrick Parish

Christ in the City

Adoration and fellowship for young professionals. Holy Hour followed by social hour. Held the second Tuesday of the month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Contact: comms@saintpatrickdc.org.

Women's Evening of Recollection

Adoration and fellowship for women. Held the first Tuesday of the month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Contact: jill@liveyourtalk.com.

Cor Men's Hour

Cor Men's Hour is a monthly gathering for men in our archdiocese who are interested in joining the group every 2nd Saturday of the month for fellowship with fellow faithful men from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m. Coffee and breakfast available. Contact: twfitzgerald@gmail.com.

St. Patrick Catholic Church is located at 619 Tenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20001.



Visit St. Dominic's website!

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, and 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.