

December 6, 2009 – Second Sunday of Advent

SAINT DOMINIC CHURCH

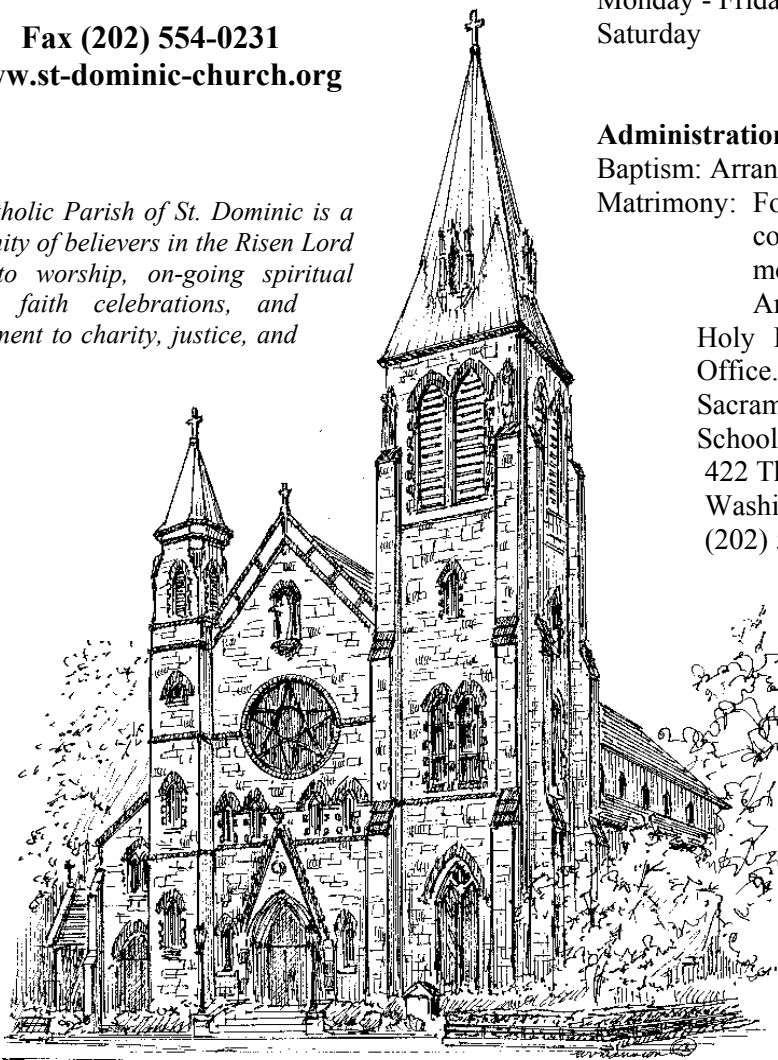
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The Catholic Parish of St. Dominic is a community of believers in the Risen Lord called to worship, on-going spiritual growth, faith celebrations, and commitment to charity, justice, and peace.



Parish Staff

Pastor: Father Gregory R. Salomone, op
Business / Facilities Manager: Ed Von Hagel
Secretary / Administrative Assistant: Denise Marshall
Worship Coordinator: J.C. Cantrell
Finance Council Chair: Rich Santiago
Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Mon-Fri
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Sat., Sun. & Holidays

Celebration of the Sacrament of the Eucharist

Saturday: 12:10 p.m., 5:15 p.m. (Vigil of Sunday)
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:15 p.m. (Spanish),
and 5:15 p.m.
Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. in the Church
(There are no services in the Church on a
Federal holiday)
Holydays: Please see inside bulletin.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday - Friday 11:50 a.m.
Saturday 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Upon request at the Priory

Administration of the Sacraments

Baptism: Arranged in advance.
Matrimony: For registered and active parishioners please
contact the Parish Office. A minimum of six
months preparation is required by the
Archdiocese.
Holy Eucharist at Home: Contact the Parish
Office.
Sacrament of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office.
School: St. Peter's Interparish School
422 Third Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003
(202) 544-1618

Bulletin Deadline

Monday noon, in writing, to
the Parish Secretary, with
your name and telephone
number on the copy. When
Monday is a holiday, deadline
is the preceding Friday.



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Pastor's Corner

With the last days of the chronological year and the first days of the Church liturgical year, we get very busy about very many things. It's important for us to start our "faith" year on a positive note so I encourage you to make your priorities not wait until January 1, but to start them now so that by January 1 they will be built into your schedule. Some things to consider for this are time for personal prayer, for Scripture study and/or reading, for spiritual reading of the Church documents, especially those issued by the Holy See, for taking stock of the needs of the parish community and for seeing if you have the gifts that can help to fulfill those needs, especially in the needs of serving at the liturgy. The parish always has need of liturgical ministers, those who serve at the celebration of the Eucharist on the weekends as well as during the week. Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, acolytes, folks who just want to be available as "fill in" for these roles in an "as needed" situation.....All these ministries take little or no time out of your schedule since you're at Mass already anyway. In addition, we are in need of parishioners who are able and willing to take on leadership roles in our Social Justice Outreach ministry. What better gift to give during this special season than the gift of your talents for service to the parish!

On Tuesday, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. This holyday is a holyday of obligation every year since it is the patroness of the United States. It might be appropriate on this feast day that we pray for our nation and especially for those in the military who continue to provide the security to allow us the many freedoms that we enjoy. The Masses for the holyday begin on Monday evening at 5:15 p.m. and continue on Tuesday at 8 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. There will be no confessions in the church on Tuesday, December 8.

Please note that the original Advent/Christmas brochures that were placed at the entrances of the church last week had a number of errors. They have been corrected and are currently available at all the Church entrances and on our website.

Worship J.C. Cantrell, Chair

Out of solemn respect for the liturgy and courtesy for everyone, please silence/turn off all electronic devices and cell phones when you arrive in the church.

Our lay liturgical ministries are always renewed when parish members volunteer to serve the community as Ushers, Acolytes, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Music Ministers. **We need the assistance of more volunteers to serve. Please contact JC Cantrell to volunteer as a parish Usher, Acolyte, Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, or Music Minister** (JC Cantrell, 703-569-4231 or via e-mail: music@st-dominic-church.org).

Please open your Breaking Bread Book and sing:

Mass Proper	Organ Masses	Ensemble
Gloria	#927	#899
Holy	#876	#904
Memorial Acc A	#877	#905
Amen	#878	#909
Lamb of God	#879	#910

Liturgical Notes for the 2nd Sunday of Advent

Let us rejoice for the Lord is near!

When you entered the church last week, everything was "new" — the liturgical year, the books in the pews, the Advent Wreath, the liturgical colors — all new with the change of the year and liturgical season. All of these elements, along with the structure of our church building, the stained glass windows, the candles, etc. collectively create our liturgical environment. This environment supports our prayers and our spirits as we gather for communal celebrations such as Mass or Reconciliation, or we come for private prayer or adoration.

The color of vestments and other decorations that is assigned for a particular season, solemnity, feast, or memorial is established by the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM). *White* is the color of joyful celebration (though it is the color of mourning in some Asian nations), so it is used for celebrations of the Easter and Christmas seasons, other celebrations of the Lord, and solemnities and feasts of the saints who were not martyrs. Because of its associations with blood, *red* is used on Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, Good Friday, other celebrations of the Lord's Passion, and celebrations of the martyrs. Because *red* is also associated with fire, and thus with the Holy Spirit, it is worn on Pentecost and on feasts of the apostles and evangelists. *Violet* or *purple* is used during Advent and Lent and at some funeral liturgies. Because of the sources for purple dyes, many churches use a different shade of purple for Advent (commonly bluish-purple) than for Lent (commonly reddish-purple). Rose may be used on the 3rd Sunday of Advent and the 4th Sunday of Lent.

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WANTED: Singers to join our Parish Choir! The St. Dominic Choir is re-forming and we need your voice! Please consider joining the choir (or ensemble) — now is the time for us to get our voices ready to sing God’s Christmas Praises!

Music Rehearsals for Christmas: The combined music ministry has committed to serving both the Christmas Vigil Mass and Christmas Midnight Mass. We welcome parishioners and extended visitors to join with us even if only for Christmas. Attendance at a minimum of THREE of the COMBINED rehearsals below is necessary so that we can better serve our community. The time we dedicate to rehearsal is our “early gift” to the Christ-child.

- **THURSDAY** Dec. 10 – COMBINED MUSIC MINISTRY CHRISTMAS REHEARSAL: 7:30 p.m.
- **WEDNESDAY** Dec. 16 – COMBINED MUSIC MINISTRY CHRISTMAS REHEARSAL: 7:30 p.m.
- **THURSDAY** Dec. 17 – COMBINED MUSIC MINISTRY CHRISTMAS REHEARSAL: 7:30 p.m.
- **WEDNESDAY** Dec. 23 – COMBINED MUSIC MINISTRY CHRISTMAS REHEARSAL: 7:30 p.m.

Attention Parish Worship Commission: Our next meeting will be Monday December 7 at 6:30 p.m. (immediately following the 5:15 Holy Day of Obligation Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception). We will meet in the parish conference room.

All new Parish Lectors (or those interested in serving as Lectors) please contact JC Cantrell to schedule an orientation/coaching session (JC Cantrell, 703-569-4231 or via e-mail: music@st-dominic-church.org)

Schedule for Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
Sat. Dec. 5 - Vigil		
5:15 p.m.	M. Farinelli	L. Sarmiento* C. Daly
Sun. Dec. 6 - Second Sunday of Advent		
8:00 a.m.	A. Monteiro T. Ocampo	H. Morgan* R. Morgan J. Darlington
10:45 a.m.	T. Ramstack T. McCormack	R. Branson* N. Brown E. Branson
5:15 p.m.	J. Flowers M. Moy	E. Maturi* A. Artusa N. Schlorb

Weekly Mass Intentions	
Sun. Dec. 6 – Second Sunday of Advent	
8:00 a.m.	Shrine
10:45 a.m.	Intention of Donor
12:15 p.m.	Irene Marcinko (d)
5:15 p.m.	For the People of the Parish
Mon. Dec. 7 - St. Ambrose, bishop and doctor of the Church (M)	
8:00 a.m.	Shrine
12:10 p.m.	Johann Zarfler (d)
5:15 p.m.	Holyday Vigil Mass For the People of the Parish
Tue. Dec. 8 - The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary (S)	
8:00 a.m.	Intention of Donor
12:10 p.m.	For the People of the Parish
Wed. Dec. 9	
8:00 a.m.	Intention of Donor
12:10 p.m.	Edwin J. Reavey, Jr. (d)
Thu. Dec. 10	
8:00 a.m.	Intention of Donor
12:10 p.m.	Matthew Sexton (d)
Fri. Dec. 11	
8:00 a.m.	Intention of Donor
12:10 p.m.	Intention of Donor
Sat. Dec. 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe (F)	
12:10 p.m.	Confraternities of St. Dominic
5:15 p.m.	For the People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: **Second Sunday of Advent**
[6] Bar 5:1-9/ Phil 1:4-6,8-11/ Lk 3:1-6
- Monday: [181] Is 35:1-10/ Lk 5:17-26
- Tuesday: **The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary (S)**
[689] Gn 3:9-15, 20/ Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Lk 1:26-38
- Wednesday: [183] Is 40:25-31/ Mt 11:28-30
- Thursday: [184] Is 41:13-20/ Mt 11: 11-15
- Friday: [185] Is 48:17-19/ Mt 11:16-19
- Saturday: [690A] Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a
12:1-6a, 10ab/ Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47 or
any rdgs from the Common of the BVM
[707-712]
- Sunday: **Third Sunday of Advent**
[9] Zep 3:14-18a/ Phil 4:4-7/ Lk 3:10-18

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Pray for ... Preston Adams, Bob Bark, Rita Barksdale, Daniel Brochier, Brownlee/Marshall Family, Joan Cody, Dan Collins, Jose Cordova, Genevieve Cromer, Thomas Cromer Jr., Mark Russell Davis, Maxine Davis, Edward C. Dever, James Early, Juanita Eaton, Marie Helena Ferrira, Richard J Fanning, Irene Fields, Lorraine Fleming, Elizabeth Fuller, Ely Frias, Bette Glickert, Peggy Gooding, Pete Grelish, Joanne Grobe, Vivian Hardrick, Jean Hazou, Billie James, Thomas Jackson, Marilyn Jarvis, Margaret Kelly, Kathleen Lake, Presley Lawrence, John Leino, Stacy Lombard, Emily Mandell, Jackie Manotas, Richard Medcalfe, Jody Mosesso, Daniel Metzlar, Jerry Mulvihill, Christine Nguyen, Ann Nguyen, Scottie O'Neal, Maryann Peterczak, Ana Petkova, Maia Petkova, Theresa Puzuppo, Bernice Scott, Deloris Saltis, Patrocinio Sandoval, Clementina Sandoval, John Soos, Colleen Stanford, Mitchell K. Teasley, Agnes Timcheck, Carol Marie Tucker, Arturo Velen, Matthias B. Vogel, Mary Davis Williams, Hattie Wilson, Cheryl Yates, Loli Zimbrano, and the sick of the Parish and Priory.

**Social Justice & Community Service
Cecilia Daly, Chair**

Please leave your donation for the Northwest Pregnancy Center in front of the altar for the blessing. If you see any donations in the vestibules or pews, please take them to the altar so they can be blessed, too. Thank you for helping young families who have chosen life.

Grocery bags are available at the church doors for the food drive next weekend. The food will be donated to the families served by the South Washington/West of the River Family Strengthening Collaborative.

Thank you to everyone who donated pies for S.O.M.E.'s Thanksgiving Day meal. Despite the short notice, we received more than 60 pies. St. Dominic's will continue our 25+ year tradition of providing meals for S.O.M.E. on January 30. Watch future bulletins for details.

If you are still interested in participating in the Prison Ministry Angel Tree Program, please contact Cecilia at cecilia@st-dominic-church.org or leave a message at the priory.

Pray for Our Military ...

- LT Johnathan Willis, USN, grandson of June Jaeger
- 2d Lt James Cantrell IV, USAF, son of JC & Mary Lou

**Catechesis
Mary Moran, Maryalice Locke, Co-Chairs**

Bible Study — Parish Hall
Sundays — 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
Bible Study will resume after Christmas

Inquiry/R.C.I.A. — Classes are held on Tuesday evenings from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the parish meeting room.

- **Dec. 8 - No Class (*Immaculate Conception Holyday of Obligation*)**

Movie Seminar — Enjoy the Religious Movie Seminar every Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. now through March 28 in the parish meeting room.

- **Dec. 6 - Quo Vadis - Robert Taylor, Deborah Kerr and Peter Ustinov (1951)**
- **Dec. 13 - Quo Vadis - Conclusion**

Learn from viewing films, documentaries, handouts, and discussions, while sharing food and companionship. Spanning the gamut from biblical epics to controversial modern films, the seminar will judge how well the art has conveyed the truth.

**Parish Finance Council
Rich Santiago, Chair**

Offertory Collection 11/29/2009	\$5,058.86
Deficit Reduction 11/29/2009	\$150.00

**Total Contributions for the
Month of November**

Offertory Collection	\$30,193.19
Deficit Reduction Collection	\$2,422.20
Offertory — Faith Direct	\$4,235.00
Deficit Reduction — Faith Direct	\$720.00

Faith Direct sign-up — If you are interested in making your contributions (offertory and any special collections) by either electronic funds transfer (EFT) or credit card, you can:

1. Fill out and submit a *Faith Direct* form found at the church entrances, or
2. Go to the *Faith Direct* website at www.faithdirect.com and use Church Code "DC117."

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**Comunidad Hispana
Padre Eugenio Cahouet, O.P.**

**Segundo domingo
Tiempo Adviento
06 de diciembre 2009**

Estimada Comunidad Hispana:

Por medio de una colección de símbolos básicos gozos imperativos, el capítulo 5 de Baruc en la primera lectura quiere lanzar al pueblo de Dios un mensaje de esperanza: la vida y la felicidad son aun posibles, después de la amargura y la obscuridad que ha experimentado. Hay allí una frase similar al de Isaías, que vincula este pasaje con nuestra evangelio, “Dios ha ordenado rebajarse a todo monte elevado y rellenarse a los barracos, hasta velar la tierra; para que Israel camine segura bajo la gloria de Dios”.

En el evangelio Juan Bautista toma esa frase cuando invita a preparar el camino del Señor, cumpliendo así su papel de profeta del adviento. El pasaje dedicado al Bautista en el evangelio significa el contexto político que le sirve de marco el año 150 de Tiberio, un punto verificado en la historia humana cuando La Palabra de Dios suscita al último de los profetas y se segura se encarna luego en el Hijo, Jesucristo. Y esa palabra no regresará a Dios vacía; sino que pasará por la historia transformándola, como había escrito el Segundo Isaías en la última de sus páginas (Is 55, 10-11).

Para poder percibir y descifrar esta presencia de Dios en los dinamismos muchas veces incomprensibles de la historia es necesaria la voz del profeta. Juan Bautista, recogiendo el eco de la antigua profecía, apunta su dedo hacia el sentido profundo de la historia. Según la versión lucana, el Bautista, al citar las palabras de Isaías añade también el ultimo verso: “**Y todos verán la salvación de Dios**” (Lc 3, 6). Los ojos de todos se abrirán y podrán advertir en los acontecimientos la mano de Dios que actúa y salva.

Pero, anticipando la predicación de Cristo, el Bautista anuncia también que es indispensable que se reciba “**EL BAUTISMO DE CONVERSIÓN PARA EL PERDÓN DE LOS PECADOS**”.

Hay en adviento tres personas principales: Juan Bautista, María y JESUS. Pero hoy Juan toma el centro del escenario para prepararnos en la misa por la venida del Señor, que llega a navidad y continuamente a nosotros. (Según C. Soltero *Al* 211)



Facilities Calendar

Sun. Dec. 6 Second Sunday of Advent		
11 a.m.– noon	English Class	Parish Hall
6:30 p.m.–	Movie Seminar	Parish Hall
Mon. Dec. 7		
Noon - 1 p.m.	AA Meeting	Parish Hall
6:30 p.m.-	Parish Worship Commission	Parish Conference Room
Tue. Dec. 8		
Noon - 1 p.m.	AA Meeting	Parish Hall
Wed. Dec. 9		
Noon - 1 p.m.	AA Meeting	Parish Hall
Thu. Dec. 10		
Noon - 1 p.m.	AA Meeting	Parish Hall
Fri. Dec. 11		
Noon - 1 p.m.	AA Meeting	Parish Hall

Community Information

**Bishop McNamara High School
Christmas Fine Arts Festival**

Friday and Saturday, December 11-12 – 7:00 p.m.
Bishop McNamara High School Auditorium
Admission \$7.00 presale and \$10.00 at the door.
Come and enjoy an entertaining, energetic, Yuletide fun-filled night of music, dance, theatre, and art.
Tickets are on sale now!
Questions? – Call BMHS Fine Arts Director Anthony Conto 301-735-8401 ext 120

Catholic Alumni Club—CAC of Washington, DC, an organization of 200 single Catholics in the Greater Washington area, is sponsoring a Singles Christmas Dinner Dance on Saturday, December 12, at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 9707 Rosensteel Avenue, Silver Spring, MD. Cocktails & Dinner: 7:15 - 9 p.m.; Dancing: 9 p.m. – 1a.m.. Music by DJ. Preceding Mass at 6 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist on 10103 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring. Cost is \$42 for dinner/dance with RSVP by December 5. Cost for admission to the dance only is \$25 and no RSVP is needed.

For information, contact Michael Coogan at 301-916-6336 or via email at dance@dcsinglecatholicpro.org or visit us at www.DCsingleCatholicPro.org.

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