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Rev. Trumie C. Elliott, Pastor

Weekend Masses: Saturday @ 4:30 p.m. & Sunday @ 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses: See bulletin for this week's Mass schedule

Spanish Masses: Sunday @ 2:00 p.m.

Confessions: Saturday 3:30 – 4:00 p.m. or anytime by request

Mission Statement of St. Dominic Church

As members of St Dominic Church, we are called through our baptism to give witness to the presence of the Holy Trinity by accepting the Gospel message of Jesus Christ as part of our daily lives. Our mission is to proclaim the Gospel; to teach and share our faith; and to show the love of God to all through our daily lives.

February 14, 2016 ~ First Sunday of Lent

JESUS AND THE DEVIL

The devil tempted Jesus by quoting scripture, as today's Gospel reminds us. Try a self-serving miracle. Try selling out. Try dazzling the audience; people are gullible, after all. Try all these easy ways. The tempter tries to urge Jesus onto the slippery slope, attempts the old soft-soap, the snake-oil solutions that are always readily at hand. The devil knows better, but is powerless to do better, much less be better. The devil is evil personified, who senses in Jesus the stronger, truly attractive presence of holiness.

Evil is exposed and engaged, we are reminded in this Sunday's Gospel. Evil knows the jig is up. The undoing of lies begins with Jesus, who takes up the work of soul-healing and world-healing. This Lent, the Church invites us to enter into this renewing, re-creative work and be made whole again.

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR

PRAYERS: Unborn & U.S. Military, Addictions, Elderly, Linda Nallia, Madeline Keene, Barbara Dean, Penelope Ash, Lauran Coulter, Larry Hutchins, Connie Allen, Matthew Wilkerson, Bob Black, Baby Violet Ehringer, Roy Pike, Nick Hollingsworth, Tom Mudd, Maggie Mudd Hayden, Gertrude O'Bryan, Fred Hollingshead, Helen Parrott, Judy Mudd, Sarah O'Bryan, Bradlee Aguilar, David Devine, Pee Wee Nally, Patricia O'Bryan, Darrell Smith, Kyle Logsdon, Sue Carter, Richard Stover, Theresa Carey Coppelock, Donnie Parrott, Russell Buckman, Brent Mattingly, Parker Beam, Andrew Osborne, Mary Peterson, Annie Boone Rouston, Jeanne Hanley, Mollie Kennedy, Janet Mattingly, Mike Grigsby, Carol Carrico, Benny Lewis, Jonie Cambron, Madison Wheatley, Nora Smith, Charlotte Buckman, Charles Smith, Kathleen Pinkston, Tony Clements, Colin Patrick Walker, Fanny Rudd, JoAnn Cambron, Perry Carrico, Cassie Robinson, Juanita Reed, Terri Hill, Delena McMichael, Janet Boone, Parker Thompson & Charlotte Russell.

Let us also pray for our own parish members and others, who are in assisted living or nursing homes, especially: Audrey Edelen, Dorothy Graves, Catherine Spalding, Ruth Burns, Joe Cambron, Lloyd Haydon, Bear Keene, Fred & Rita Edelen.

Our church always prays for and cares for our sick sisters and brothers at home, in hospitals, and in nursing homes. If any who are sick want to ask in faith for the church's prayers, the Sacrament of the Sick or Holy Communion, please do not hesitate to call our parish office to let Fr. Pepper and our ministers to the sick and homebound know your need. You are always in our hearts, minds and prayers as we celebrate the Eucharist at St. Dominic.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Feb. 15-21, 2016

Monday: Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Powell Boone

Tuesday: Lenten Weekday

5:30 p.m. Edd Graves

Wednesday: Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Jamie George

Thursday: Lenten Weekday

5:30 p.m. In Thanksgiving-

**Joey Smith & Heart Donor Family-
6 Year Transplant Anniversary**

Friday: Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Leo Mattingly

Saturday: Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Margaret Mudd

4:30 p.m. For the Parish

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. Dickie Taylor

10:30 a.m. JoAnn Arnold

Spanish Mass @ 2 p.m.

\$\$ Weekly Collections \$\$

February 8, 2016

Sunday Collection: \$9,533.00

During the Week: \$460.00

Automatic Withdrawal: \$0

Total Received: \$9,993.00

****Tithing amount needed weekly for the 2015/16 budget:
\$13,847.00**

Fiscal Year TITHING Contribution Summary

(July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016)

Tithing Contributions: \$466,056.42

Tithing Budget: \$443,104.00

Overage/ Shortage: \$+22,952.42

Annual Budget: \$720,044.00

****These figures reflect only the Sunday collections as part of the Parish Budget. It does not indicate the budget or income of St. Dominic School or other parish organizations.**

Campaign

Weekly Orig. Capital Campaign/ BFOH Contributions: \$0

Weekly Preservation Campaign Contributions: \$303.89

Capital Campaign Building Fund Loan Balance: \$575,722.35

Amount of Monthly Payment: \$15,066.64

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today Lent begins. Ash Wednesday initiates the forty days of the Lenten fast, but since Sundays are not tallied in the days of fasting, today is the solemn opening of the forty days of Lent. The Church has work to do today, principally the calling forward of those chosen (the proper word is elected) for the Easter sacraments. Some of those who have been catechumens may now make a transition to a new way of life as the “elect.” For them, this Lent will be a time of “purification” and “enlightenment.” For us who accompany them, it is a time of helping them discerns God’s call and prepare for new life.

This year, while the readings from the third year of the Lectionary cycle are usually read, they are set aside on certain Sundays for the benefit of the elect. We turn then to the readings from Year A, and we give those who journey to the font of baptism three extraordinary companions. In the Gospels for those days, we meet the woman of Samaria and the man born blind, and we come to the tomb of Lazarus three days after his death. Many bishops celebrate the Rite of Election on or near today, affirming God’s choice for these new faithful, and also offering them the solidarity of many companions. In 2013, over 38,000 adults entered the baptismal waters in the United States, a remarkable testimony to the vigor of our tradition of receiving and nurturing adult faith.

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Liturgical Roles (Weekdays)

Lectors

Mon. Rita Rust
Tues. Joyce Boone
Wed. Betty Carol Barber
Thurs. Martin Murphy
Fri. School
Sat. Belle Sutton

Eucharistic Ministers

Mon. Shirley Barber
Tues. Catherine Clements
Wed. Reba Hamilton
Thurs. Wassie Parrott
Fri. School
Sat. Mary Ann Hale

Liturgical Roles (Next Weekend)

Gift Bearers

4:30 p.m. Sarah & Joey Libby
8:30 a.m. Rita Kay Taylor & Family
10:30 a.m. Joe Arnold & Family

Lectors

4:30 p.m. Rita Rust, Lori Tucker
8:30 a.m. Chuck Abell, Sarah Downs
10:30 a.m. Lisa & Matthew Burkhead

Servers

4:30 p.m. Mary Medley, Sam Cecconi
Joshua Curtsinger
8:30 a.m. Rodrigo Lozano, Ben Whitney
Hunter Hall
10:30 a.m. Raegan & Ava Abell
Lakin Osbourne

Liturgical Roles (Monthly)

Altar Caretakers for FEBRUARY

Shirley Barber (wk. 1), Tina Borders (wk. 2)
Lou Ann George (wk. 3), Betty Carol Barber (wk. 4)
Purificator Washing Committee Member for FEB.
Martha Hinton

Euch. Min. to the Sick & Homebound for FEB.

Reba Hamilton (Group A), Betty Montgomery
(Group B), Belle Sutton (Group C)

Weekend Eucharistic Ministers for FEB.

4:30 p.m. Agnes & Richard Keene
John & Rita Cecconi
8:30 a.m. Cheryl Mattingly, Katie Simms
Betty Devine, Linda Parrott
10:30 a.m. Sara Buckman, Fabian Cambron
Phil Chatigny, Lucinda Effner

Weekend Ushers for FEBRUARY

4:30 p.m. Forrest Carrico, Bruce Fenwick
2 Volunteers
8:30 a.m. Jacob Graves, Kenny Graves
Jerry Grider, Tim Grigsby
10:30 a.m. Scott Mudd, Greg Greathouse
Michael Hale, Chris Brady

Weekend Greeters for FEBRUARY

4:30 p.m. Leo & Regina Carrico
8:30 a.m. Jack, Grant & Mary Matherly
10:30 a.m. Lisa Burkhead & Family

MENTIONS, MEETINGS, EVENTS & REMINDERS

Thanks: I would like to thank St. Dominic parish members for all the visits, phone calls, card and prayers during my illness. Special thanks to the card ministry, Fr. Pepper, and Ione Pinkston & Joyce Boone of the Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound. I feel blessed to be a part of the St. Dominic Church Family. ~ Fanny Rudd

Night of Knights: Just a note of thanks to everyone who helped with the planning, set-up & clean-up of Night of Knights. A big thanks goes out to all those who attended, donated items for the silent auction, and made appetizers. Once again, this year's event was a great success. Congratulations to this year's award winners: Hall of Fame – Glenn Mattingly & Keith White, Knight Award – Debbie Murphy & Alumnus of the Year – Kathleen Abell.

Kids 4 Jesus: Thurs., Feb. 18th from 6-7:30 p.m. Each family needs to bring a 2-liter soft drink or a jug of juice or punch.

Lenten Penance (Repentance)/Days of Fasting & Abstinence:

Fasting Days: Ash Wednesday & Good Friday - Fasting means eating only one meal that day. Two other smaller meals may be eaten which together would not equal a whole meal. The law of fasting binds all those from 18 to 59 years old.

Days of Abstinence: Ash Wednesday, All Fridays of Lent & Good Friday - Abstinence means not eating meat (beef, pork, chicken, etc.) For this purpose fish, eggs, & cheese are not considered meat. The law of abstinence binds all who are over 14 years old.

Operation Rice Bowl: Hungering for the Journey, Join our parish community—and more than 13,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. The program invites Catholics to live in solidarity with our poorest and most vulnerable brothers and sisters through the three Lenten pillars of praying, fasting, and almsgiving. Pick up your rice bowl from the main entryway of church. Lenten sacrifices change lives. Rice Bowls are generally collected on Holy Thursday. Go to www.crsricebowl.org to learn more about taking a journey throughout the forty days of Lent.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry (Springfield): Every Friday during Lent from 4:30-7:30 p.m. All you can eat - Adults: \$9, Children 6-12: \$5, Children 5 & Under: Free, All Carry-outs: \$8

New KC Members: St. Dominic wishes to congratulate several St. Dominic Parishioners who have recently become members of Knights of Columbus: Charlie Haydon, Wesley Smith, Jimmy Taylor & Jason Buckman.

A Great Read! If you've not already picked up a copy of *Beautiful Mercy*, a book about experiencing God's unconditional love so we can share it with others. It's a great companion for the Year of Mercy called by Pope Francis. Grab a copy for your family today on your way out of church. Special thanks to the donor who purchased these books for our church family!

Youth Group meeting will be Wednesday, March 9th at 7:00 p.m. We will meet in the gym for pizza and volleyball.

5th Sunday SVDP Collection: For those who like to contribute to SVDP using the 5th Sunday Collection Envelope, it was brought to our attention that the Jan./Feb. tithing packet did not include this envelope. So if you wish to make a donation please use one of the white envelopes found at the end of the pew. Your support of this ministry is always appreciated.

School Board: 2/17 @ 6:30 p.m.

School News: No school Monday (Presidents' Day); this is a records day for teachers. The final collection date for Box Tops has been extended to TUESDAY, 2/16. Students in grades 5 and 8 will take the NCEA-ACRE (Religion) assessment beginning next week. The 2nd trimester ends on Thursday, 2/18. Students in Junior Beta Club will travel to Louisville for their state convention Wednesday – Friday. Calendar change: K/7 will not host 4:30 Mass on 2/20.

St. D PTO will be hosting a My School Color Run on March 19th in Springfield. Early registration fee is \$25.00 (ends 3/1/2016) and late registration fee is \$35.00. Early registration includes run/walk registration, individual color packet, race bib, and My School Color Run T-shirt. Late registration includes run/walk registration only. The Color Walk/Run is a 3.08 mile course; during the race participants are doused with color at various stations ending with one final color celebration at the finish line. You can visit stdominiccolorrun.eventbrite.com to register and donate online! Or stop by the school for a registration or sponsor form. Thank you for your continued support of St. Dominic PTO!

Registration: Enrollment for K-8 classes for the 2016-17 school year begins February 22. Call, stop by or email the St. Dominic School office if you are interested in scheduling a personalized tour or if you would like to pick up a pre-enrollment packet. Call 859-336-7165 or email Mrs. Breunig at pbreunig@stdominicalem.org.

~Stewardship Reflections~

"Therefore, I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you,
O Lord, have given me." Deuteronomy 26:10

The origins of the theology of stewardship are found in this passage from the Old Testament. Stewards return the first fruits of their labors to God, not the leftovers. This practice is a reminder to always place God first in our lives.

Other Announcements

St. D Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service:

Mon., Mar. 21 @ 6:30 p.m. Mark your calendar to attend!

Parish Council: Thursday, April 28 @ 6:15 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul: TBA

IGA Receipts, BOXTOPS for Educations & Campbell's labels are all fundraisers for our school. We ask that you continually save them and drop them in the wooden boxes in the back of church.

Site: For a wonderful site about family life visit

www.foryourmarriage.org.

Lenten Journey at St. Joe: The answer when teens ask, "Why do I have to go to Mass?" The answer when adults ask, "Why do I get nothing out of Mass?" Teens and adults today are surrounded by distractions: music fills our ear buds, while tweets and posts are constantly checked and updated. We have been conditioned to fill any void or silent moment with noise and stimulation. The goal of "Altar"ation is to pierce our hearts with transformation and appreciate the awesome beauty and mystery of the Mass. Alteration: The Mystery of the Mass Revealed is a five-part study on the Mass that will open up the Mass and the priesthood in a dramatically new way. "Altar"ation uses humor, stories, and small group discussion to capture your attention and instill a deep and lasting love for the Mass. After experiencing the "whys" behind the "whats" of the Mass, we will enter prepared, participate with sincerity and exit with purpose! Teens and adults are invited to take this Lenten journey and experience the Mass like never before. Opportunities available at St. Joseph Church in Bardstown on these dates: Wednesdays: The WOW Room, Joseph Parish Hall-Bardstown February 17th through March 23rd pm (High School Students). Saturdays: Java Joint Café (back room) -126 N. Third Street in downtown Bardstown—February 13 through March 12 (high school through adult). Sundays: Maloney Room at Flaget Hall (St. Joseph Church in Bardstown), March 6, 20, April 3, 17 & 24 from 10:15-11:15 a.m. (high school through adult). There are no costs or homework. Just show up with an open heart and mind. If possible, please call the St. Joseph Parish Office at 502-348-3126 to register so that seating and materials will be available.

Bethlehem High School Super Raffle is under way.

Tickets are \$20 each and may be purchased from any Bethlehem student, online at www.bethlehemhigh.org, or at any of these locations – Boone's Butcher Shop, Bardstown Animal Clinic, Clark Jewelers, Conway-Heaton, Crume Drug Store, Hurst Discount Drugs, Bardstown Medica, Peacock on Third, Bardstown Save A Lot, St Joseph Elementary, Wilson & Muir Bank, 150 Quick Stop, Bloomfield Medica, Handy Food Mart, Culver's, Berger Tire, Sell with Hale, Lebanon Jewelry

and B & B Pharmacy. Winner picks \$25,000, or a 2016 Ford Mustang, or a 2016 Jeep Wrangler. Drawing will be held March 23, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. Gaming License No. 0022

Year of Mercy (February): Mercy is an essential component of healthy relationships, and mercy and reconciliation are tools given to us to heal those relationships when we sin and when we are sinned against. Broken relationships within families are especially painful. In order to move forward, we seek not to forget the past, but to be reconciled to it and to one another and to bear wrongs patiently. During this Year of Mercy, let us seek to cultivate the habits and virtues of prayer, fruitful dialogue, gratitude, forgiveness, and serenity of heart so that we can begin to heal relationships in need of reconciliation. And remember, your parish is here to help. Pope Francis reminds us of the importance of mercy to a joyful life in the document introducing the Year of Mercy (*Misericordiae Vultus*): "To let go of anger, wrath, violence, and revenge is a necessary condition to joyful living....Above all let us listen to the words of Jesus who made mercy an ideal of life and a criterion for the credibility of our faith: 'Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy (9)."

Lenten Divine Mercy Event! We have recently finalized an awesome event for us during Lent! Joan & Dave Maroney, with Divine Mercy for America, will be at Holy Trinity, Fredericktown on Thursday, Feb 18, from 6 to 8pm in the Church. They will give a dramatic multimedia presentation on how the Divine Mercy devotion can transform our country. They lay out a plan that starts with nurturing personal holiness then moves to prayers for our country, cultivating the fruits of the devotion, and sharing this good news. There will also be time for Eucharistic Adoration and Confession. This event, similar to a parish mission, will be a great way to engage the Lenten season and the Year of Mercy called for by Pope Francis. Through this Year, Pope Francis calls us to "contemplate the mystery of mercy...a wellspring of joy, serenity, and peace." We invite you to come learn intriguing little known facts and history surrounding the Divine Mercy revelations given to St. Faustina in Poland in the 1930's. Find hope in the Promises of The Divine Mercy for the US and the world today. Join us and become a more fervent Apostle of Mercy! Note: Joan & Dave are affiliated with the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception who maintain the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, MA. Please spread the word! For more information, go to www.divinemercyforamerica.org.

Catholic Men's Conference will be held this year on Saturday, March 5 at St. Michael's Church (3705 Stone Lakes Drive) from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The theme of this year's conference is "Made for More." Keynotes will be provided by Curtis Martin, Founder and CEO of the Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS), Archbishop Joseph Kurtz, D.D., and Jeff Wright, science teacher at Male High

School. Registration information at
www.cmclouisville.net or contact Linda McLemore at
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