



St. Dominic Catholic Church

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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.

March 6, 2016 ~ Fourth Sunday of Lent

A SUNDAY FOR REJOICING

Today's Gospel story of the prodigal son is a favorite of many. We can identify with all the major figures and their crisscross of emotions. The father's initial grief over his young son's avarice is turned to relief at his return. The son's grief over his loss of fortune, family, and friends is turned to delirious joy at the sight of his father.

We understand the eldest son's bewilderment over his father's generosity. For the older son, virtue seems not to be its own reward. For all his honorable toil and loyalty, there seems to be no celebration. The father, however, is prodigal in his forgiveness and mercy. He expects the same generosity from his older son. He wants all to rejoice when the lost one is found.

This is a Sunday for rejoicing. It's time to pause, consider, and encourage one another. We are the prodigal children heading home. We are the elder siblings waiting with the eager Father, who scans the horizon. In Christ Jesus we are reconciled to the Father and one another. In his death and resurrection we have passed over. We are a new creation. In this we rejoice.

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Unborn & U.S. Military, Addictions, Ruby Stetson, Elderly, Len Spalding, Linda Nallia, Madeline Keene, Barbara Dean, Luran Coulter, Larry Hutchins, Pam Mulligan, Clara Logsdon, Johnathon Gerton, Connie Allen, Shawna Sandberry, Bob Black, Roy Pike, Nick Hollingsworth, Tom Mudd, Maggie Mudd Hayden, 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 Coppock, Donnie Parrott, Russell Buckman, Brent Mattingly, Parker Beam, Andrew Osborne, Mary Peterson, Annie Boone Routon, 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

Mar. 7-13, 2016

Monday: Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Margaret Johnson

Tuesday: Lenten Weekday

5:30 p.m. Mrs. L.C. Rawlings

Wednesday: Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Ronnie Coulter

Thursday: Lenten Weekday

5:30 p.m. NO MASS

Friday: Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Paul K. Mudd

Saturday: Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Lydia Robards

4:30 p.m. For the Parish

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. Foster Smith

10:30 a.m. Flo Cambron

Spanish Mass @ 2 p.m.

\$\$ Weekly Collections \$\$

February 28, 2016

Sunday Collection: \$6,847.00

During the Week: \$205.00

Automatic Withdrawal: \$13,494.99

Total Received: \$20,546.99

**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: \$514,920.89

Tithing Budget: \$484,645.00

Overage/ Shortage: \$+30,275.89

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: \$1,270.00

Weekly Preservation Campaign Contributions: \$966.10

Capital Campaign Building Fund Loan Balance: \$561,951.09

Amount of Monthly Payment: \$15,066.64

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the first steps to a Catholic wedding takes place in the parish rectory, as the newly engaged come forward to “set a date.” We owe this scenario to reforms made by the emperor Charlemagne late in the eighth century. He required that nobles and commoners alike have public weddings, and also required that marrying couples be examined for factors that would block a marriage, such as previous marriages or close kinship. The pope was more conservative, however, and resisted the emperor’s creativity. It was enough for the pope that the couples exchange consent.

That tradition is passed on to this day, to some couples’ surprise. In 866, Pope Nicholas ruled that a marriage was legal and binding even without a liturgy or public celebration. After that, it was the consent of the couple, not the blessing of parents or priest that made a marriage “count.” If consent was lacking, such as through abduction or fear, then the marriage could not “take.” Charlemagne got a great deal done, but he was a political flash in the pan, and the empire had virtually collapsed by the year 1000. Europe broke into a checkerboard of princedoms and languages, and at last all marriages came under the church, the glue holding the known world together. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

CHARACTER

A simple judge of my character is how I treat a person who can do absolutely nothing for me. -Anonymous

Liturgical Roles (Weekdays)

Lectors

Mon. Belle Sutton
Tues. Catherine Clements
Wed. Mary Ann Hale
Thurs. NO MASS
Fri. School
Sat. Wassie Parrott

Eucharistic Ministers

Mon. Julee Jones
Tues. Betty Carol Barber
Wed. Belle Sutton
Thurs. NO MASS
Fri. School
Sat. Catherine Clements

Liturgical Roles (Next Weekend)

Gift Bearers

4:30 p.m. Justino Hernandez & Family
8:30 a.m. Maura Walker
10:30 a.m. Fabian Cambron

Lectors

4:30 p.m. John Cecconi Sr., Lori Tucker
8:30 a.m. Martin Murphy, Colette Hill
10:30 a.m. Tammy Sallee, Anne M. Taylor

Servers

4:30 p.m. Marcus Romero, Joey Libby
Pablo Hernandez
8:30 a.m. Katelyn & Kathryn Noel
Kayleen Taylor
10:30 a.m. Monica Keene, Josh Burkhead
Andrew Blandford

Liturgical Roles (Monthly)

Altar Caretakers for MARCH

Patricia Bishop (wk. 1), Sheila Thomas (wk. 2)
Monica Osborne (wk. 3), Missy Hamilton (wk. 4)

Purificator Washing Committee Member for MAR.

Marylyn Boone

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

John Boyd Reed (Group A), Steve & Vicki
Mattingly (Group B), Dianne Kelly (Group C)

Weekend Eucharistic Ministers for MARCH

4:30 p.m. Cindy Begley, Bonnie Hamilton
Dianne Kelly, Volunteer
8:30 a.m. Pam & Jack Breunig
Bob & Rose Goodlett
10:30 a.m. Mary Ann Hale, Rose Haydon
Perry & Anna Carrico

Weekend Ushers for MARCH

4:30 p.m. Joe Kelly, Steve Kelly, 2 Volunteers
8:30 a.m. Larry Hamilton, Glenn Mattingly
Andy & Jack Matherly
10:30 a.m. Curry Haydon, Jonathan Jones
Bryan Mattingly, Joey Maupin

Weekend Greeters for MARCH

4:30 p.m. Steve & Dianne Kelly
8:30 a.m. Tommy & Mary Ann Fallis
10:30 a.m. Joe Paul & Vickie Brady

MENTIONS, MEETINGS, EVENTS & REMINDERS

Adult Bible Study: Mondays @ 6:30 p.m. in the church basement, September-May, weather permitting. Please join in! Contact Colette Hill with any questions @ 859-481-4950.

Thanks: A note of thanks to our church family, friends, relatives and neighbors who offered so many acts kindness and prayers during my recent surgery, especially Joyce Boone & family, SVDP, Fr. Pepper, St. D students, and the Burg Hamilton clan. ~Paul Smith & Family

Church Cleaning: Just like a home, the Lord's house needs a good cleaning too! So please join us on Tues., Mar. 8 @ 9 a.m. Please contact Betty Carol Barber 336-9950 with any questions. Bring your cleaning rags, broom, mop and bucket. The more hands the lighter the work. The Lord's house looks forward to seeing you!

St. D Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service: Mon., Mar. 21 @ 6:30 p.m. Mark your calendar to attend!

St. D PTO will be hosting a My School Color Run on March 19th in Springfield. 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 for details, to register and donate online! Thank you for your continued support of St. D PTO!

Youth Group will meet this Wednesday, March 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym for volleyball and pizza! Hope to see everyone Wednesday night!

Kids 4 Jesus: Thursday, March 17 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Each child needs to bring a bag of wrapped candy for our Easter egg hunt!

St. Dominic School Annual Fund Appeal: Our 2016 AFA is now under way. Your support of the AFA is vital to the present and future of our school as we strive to meet current operating expenses and contribute 10% of our campaign totals to the Fr. Blandford Endowment. Thanks to all alumni, parishioners, friends and community partners for your generosity through the years. Total as of 3/3/16: \$10,685.00

School News: Terra Nova testing for grades 3, 5 and 7 begins Tuesday. We will be testing Tuesday through Thursday of this week and Tuesday through Thursday of next week. The GRADE assessment for 2nd grade has been postponed from March 15-17 to March 22-24.

Benediction & Eucharistic Adoration: All are invited to join St. Dominic School students and faculty for this Lenten observance at church on Wed., Mar. 9 @ 1:45 p.m.

St. D Registration: Enrollment for K-8 classes for the 2016-17 school year has begun. 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.

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. 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

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry (Springfield): Every Friday during Lent from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Habitat for Humanity Tasting Bash: Thursday, March 21 from 5:30-7 p.m. @ St. Joe Parish Hall, Bardstown, KY. Cost: \$12 in advance or \$15 at door. Come and enjoy the great food & drink. There will be door prizes, a raffle & silent auction. Call Paul Cermola with any questions @ 859-481-7111. Gaming License #EXE0000267

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

~Stewardship Reflections~

“He said to his father in reply: ‘Look, all these years I served you.....yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up you property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.’ ” Luke 15:29-30

The father practiced God's version of generosity – unearned and unconditional. A steward sees a need and responds without asking questions concerning whether it is deserved or not.

Other Announcements

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.

SVDP Sewing Circle will meet on Mon., Mar. 21st at 1:30 p.m. at St. Rose School. Anyone interested in learning to make prayer blankets and pillowcases is welcome to attend. Call Marion for more info 336-0807.