**Mentions, Meetings, Events & Reminders**

**St. Dominic "Steak" Fall Social** will be held on Sat., Sept. 21st, 4-8 p.m. Volunteers are needed to work various 2-hour time slots; please see the sign-up sheets in the breezeway of church to sign-up. Raffle Ticket/Money, Prize Booth, Jar Booth, Lottery Ticket and Chocolate Wheel items should be turned in at the Church Office by Wednesday, September 18th. Cakes, Pies, Cookies, & Cupcakes can be taken to the St. D Parish Community Center/Gym from 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. the day before, or after 9:00 a.m. on the day of the Social. Thank you for taking part in this year’s social. It’s always been a big success; let’s make it even bigger this year!

**Altar Society Dues** are being collected. Every parish family is asked to contribute $10. Please use the red & white envelope found in your September/October tithing packet. These dues help with the cost of candles, bread & wine, linens, vestments, altar cloths, decorations for holidays/special occasions, general laundering expenses, etc. Special thanks to the women of our parish who devote their time and talent to create an altar that exemplifies the glory to God.

**Parish Bookkeeper:** St. Dominic Church in Springfield is seeking a Parish Bookkeeper. This position is full-time (30 hours per week). We are a medium size parish with approximately 500 families; a school and pre-school with 225 students; multiple school and parish related organizations, and a school cafeteria. The bookkeeper reports to the pastor and performs all financial bookkeeping and accounting functions, in accordance with archdiocesan financial standards. Familiarity with PDS Ledger, Paycor, Excel, Word and Outlook Express is strongly desired. Candidate must have 3 to 5 years of experience in bookkeeping/accounting, possess excellent organizational skills, maintain confidentiality about parishioners, volunteers and staff, and be an active Catholic. Send resume to stdom@bellsouth.net.

**Hurricane Relief:** Next weekend, we will take up a door collection for hurricane relief. Hurricane Dorian has caused massive destruction in the Bahamas. To support our brothers and sisters in this area, please consider making a donation. Checks should be made payable to St. Dominic.

**Bible Studies:** Wednesday Morning Bible Study meets from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the parish office meeting room. Monday Evening Bible Study meets from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the church basement.

**School News:** Our first PTO meeting of the year is Monday at 6:30 PM. Students with a parent in attendance will receive a dress down pass to use on Tuesday. Special Friends Lunch with the 7th grade is at 11:35 AM on Tuesday. Penny Day is Wednesday. We are donating our Penny Day proceeds to Corbin’s Crew.

**Operation Christmas Child** is a project of Samaritan’s Purse, an international relief organization. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to provide shoe boxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. These gifts are shipped outside the U.S. to children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine, and disease; and to children living on Native American reservations in the U.S. Since 1993, more than 100 million boys/girls in over 130 countries have experienced God’s love through the power of simple shoe box gifts from OCC. Samaritan’s Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver the gifts and share the life-changing Good News of Jesus Christ. St. Dominic will have an opportunity to participate in OCC. More details coming in the weeks ahead!

**You Know What Happens When We Assume (a pastoral note from Fr David)**

My Mom and Dad have been happily married 37 years and so you know they must have overcome many obstacles together. For example, their third son, Steven, has Autism and there came a point when he was too disruptive to attend church with the family. They came up with a plan: Mom stayed home with Steven while Dad went to an early Mass. And Dad watched Steven while Mom attended a later Mass. This went on for a while, and people started wondering why Mom and Dad weren’t sitting together at Mass anymore. Eventually, Mom heard a rumor- was it true that her marriage was falling apart? Mom was a bit confused at first, and then she laughed it off, shook her head, and went on. She had more important things to worry about than rumors.

Rumors start with a question, grow with an assumption, and spread through the sin of gossip.

I share this story because I’ve heard rumors about the reason Rosemary is retiring. Is she too incompetent? Can she not get along with Father? No, no and no. Rosemary is not retiring. At her own initiative, she is taking a new position that better suits her personal goals for career and family. I’m happy for her and I support her. And I’m happy to say she isn’t letting the rumors bother her. She’s got more important things to do.

Despite the rumors, Rosemary is doing just fine. But there’s one more thing to consider: Nobody is as badly affected by rumors as the people who generate them. So, here’s a tip: if you don’t know the full story, assume the best!
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.

September 15, 2019 ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LOST AND FOUND

Welcome to “Lost and Found Sunday”! Just in case being in church makes us proudly consider ourselves especially religious, today’s Gospel suggests that we’d be wiser to admit that we’re sometimes lost. Then we’ll eventually be happily counted among Jesus’ “found,” because today Jesus focuses on a lost sheep, lost coin, lost son. Jesus does so because the Pharisees and scribes, proudly considering themselves especially religious, “began to complain” that Jesus “welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So Jesus warns them—and us—to stop judging others. Marvel instead that God’s amazing grace has found us! Indeed, we should become Jesus’ friends lovingly trying to find others. So Exodus asks, if God “relented in punishment” and pardoned us, shouldn’t we forgive fellow sinners graciously? Even Paul admits his “arrogance” as “foremost among sinners.” We too, happy at being “mercifully treated,” should share with everyone else Jesus’ unfailing patience.

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September 15, 2019
24th Sunday in Ordinary

St. D Prayer List:
Unborn & Elderly, U.S. Military,
Addictions, Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz,
Colleen Cambron, Angela Robinson,
Dennis Newton, Corbin Noel, Charlie
Haydon (of Louisville), Marian & Wade
Elliott, Tony Medley (of St. Rose),
Cheyenne Phillips, Carolyn Green, Julie
Anders, Gary & Susan Hale Montgomery,
Mike Wheatley, Anna Ibarra, Susan Cruse,
Mike Conrad, Chuck Smothers, Jimmy
Medley (Burg), Beth Ball Hellmann, Calvin
Haydon, Wheatley Hamilton, Danny
Hardin, Patsy Fenwick, Terry Foster,
Buddy Smith, Bud Schwartz, Michelle
Carrico Smith, Colin Walker, Charlotte
Smith, Debbie Hamilton, Jennifer Jarboe,
Mrs. Paul “Norma Jean” Smith, Sandy
Smith Peterson, Helen Parrott, Moochie
Smith, Sue Carter, Dave Smith, Edwin
Thompson, Ralph Blandford, Richard
Medley, Jamie Cecil & Cassie Robinson.
Let us also pray for our parish members &
others who are homebound, in assisted
living or nursing homes: Audrey Edelen,
Marilyn Watkins, Joann Cambron, Christy
Caldwell & Nancy Hardin.

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 contact our parish office at 336-3569 to
let our Pastor 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
Sept. 16-22, 2019

Monday: St. Cornelius
8:30 a.m. Martha Vize
Tuesday: Weekday
5:30 p.m. Bob Goodlett
Wednesday: Weekday
8:30 a.m. NO MASS
Thursday: Weekday
5:30 p.m. Jim & Fanny Rudd
Friday: St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon
8:30 a.m. Powell & Joyce Boone &
Mike Grayson
Saturday: St. Matthew
8:30 a.m. Tip & Margaret Mudd
4:30 p.m. Hattie Clements &
St. Dominic Class of 1969
Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 a.m. Maurice & John Begley
10:30 a.m. Richard C. Mudd Family
2:00 p.m. For the Parish

$$ Weekly Collections $$

September 8, 2019
Sunday Collection: $6,153.00
During the Week: $470.57
Automatic Withdrawal: $0
Total Received: $6,623.57

Fiscal Year TITHING Contribution Summary
*July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020*
Tithing Contributions: $175,201.06
Tithing Budget: $149,050.00
Overage/Shortage: $+26,151.06
Annual Budget: $775,068.00

**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.**
### Weekday Liturgical Roles

**Lectors**
- Mon. Shirley Barber
- Tues. Perry Carrico
- Wed. NO MASS
- Thurs. Katie Simms
- Fri. School
- Sat. Rita Rust

**Eucharistic Ministers**
- Mon. Belle Sutton, Betty Carol Barber
- Tues. Fabian Cambron
- Wed. NO MASS
- Thurs. Shirley Barber
- Fri. School
- Sat. Perry Carrico, Mary Ann Hale

### Liturgical Role for Next Weekend

**Gift Bearers**
- 4:30 p.m. Joe David Clements
- 8:30 a.m. Kenny Begley, Tommy Begley
- 10:30 a.m. Jason & Sara Buckman & Family

**Lectors**
- 4:30 p.m. Mo Edelen, Bonnie Hamilton
- 8:30 a.m. Jack & Grant Matherly
- 10:30 a.m. Anne Margaret Taylor
  - Sr. Mary Louise

**Servers**
- 4:30 p.m. Celeste Graves
  - Meredith O’Cull
- 8:30 a.m. Claire McCain, Haydon Adams
  - Anthony Taylor
- 10:30 a.m. Andrew Mackin
  - Ashton & Cameron Jones
  - Camden Abell

### Monthly Liturgical Roles

**Purificator Washing Committee Member – SEPT.**
- Mary Rudd

**Altar Caretakers – SEPTEMBER**
- (wk. 1) Rose Goodlett
- (wk. 2) Anna Carrico
- (wk. 3) Anna Abell
- (wk. 4) Nada Mudd

**Euch. Min. to the Sick & Homebound – SEPT.**
- (Group A) Steve & Vicki Mattingly
- (Group B) Martha Ann Hardin
- (Group C) Perry & Anna Carrico

**Weekend Eucharistic Ministers - SEPTEMBER**
- 4:30 p.m. Sandra Goatley, Ione Pinkston
  - Deanna McElroy, Elyssa Greathouse
- 8:30 a.m. Ben Smith, Martha Ann Hardin
  - Maura Walker, Rose Haydon
- 10:30 a.m. Kim Mackin, Susan Spalding
  - Perry & Anna Carrico

**Weekend Ushers - SEPTEMBER**
- 4:30 p.m. Tommy & Christopher Begley
  - Steve Kelly, Volunteer
- 8:30 a.m. Brandon, Logan & Andrew Wilson
  - Jerry Grider
- 10:30 a.m. Brian, Luke & Cole Mattingly
  - James Osbourne

**Weekend Greeters - SEPTEMBER**
- *(Breezeway entrance & Bell tower)*
- 4:30 p.m. Glenn & Sandra Goatley
- 8:30 a.m. David & Pat Smith
- 10:30 a.m. Derek & Alicia Kelly & Family

**What liturgical roles have you &/or your family been asked to fulfill next week/weekend, or for the month? Have you been asked to be a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Gift Bearer, Server, Altar Caretaker, Homebound Minister, Usher, Greeter, Etc.?**