MENTIONS, MEETINGS, EVENTS & REMINDERS

**Wedding Bells:** St. Dominic rejoices in the celebration of the Christian Marriage of Matthew & McKenzie (Messer) Bartley who were united in marriage on Sat., Nov. 16, 2019, at St. Dominic Catholic Church. May God bless their home with abundant grace always!

**St. Dominic wishes to welcome the newly baptized in Christ:**
~Olivia Ann Leachman, daughter of John & Katherine Leachman, baptized Nov. 9, 2019
~Robert Madison Hale, son of Michael & Catherine Hale, baptized Nov. 10, 2019
~Grayson Giovanni Perez, son of Aldo Perez & Ambre Ruley, baptized Nov. 10, 2019
~Ann Mavis Curtsinger, daughter of Roy & Dawn Curtsinger, baptized Nov. 10, 2019
May this special day mark the start of your spiritual journey & bring you lasting peace and joy.

**Youth Group** members will be in charge of all liturgical roles, at the 4:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, December 7th, followed by a Christmas party in the church basement. However, Youth Group will not fulfill the roles of Eucharist Ministers, so if you have been assigned for the month of December, please do so on 12/7 also.

**St. Vincent de Paul** will meet on Tues., Dec. 3, at 5:30 p.m., St. D Church basement. Anyone interested in the works of SVDP is invited to attend.

**Midnight Mass Intentions:** Please use the white envelopes found in the pews when submitting intentions for Midnight Mass. In order to get the names of those remembered printed in time for the bulletin, please drop envelopes in the collection plate or bring them to the church office by 12/18.

**Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe:** Wed., Dec 11th, Prayers @ 8 p.m., Mass at 9:00 p.m., with festivities to follow in the gym. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Blessing of a Child in the Womb:** In the Catholic Church there is a Rite of Blessing for unborn children. This rite serves to publicly affirm the precious gift of human life and to embrace parents and families as they prepare to welcome the birth of a child. As we celebrate the birth of Christ this Christmas Season, we invite all expectant mothers & fathers to participate in this blessing. Fr. David will conduct the Rite for the Blessing of a Child in the Womb at all Masses the weekend of Dec. 14/15.

**Parish Reconciliation/Penance Service for Advent:** We will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in a communal penance service here at St. Dominic on Mon., Dec. 16 at 6:30 p.m. in preparation for Christmas. Several priests will be available for the sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Kids 4 Jesus** will meet on Tuesday, December 17th* from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. The first hour, we will make Christmas ornaments for residents of Sansbury and listen to the Christmas Story. At 7:00, we will carpool to Sansbury to deliver the ornaments to the residents and sing Christmas carols. Hot chocolate or milk will be provided; each family is asked to bring a dozen cookies or brownies. *This is a change in date due to scheduling conflict.

**School News:** School Advent confessions: 7th & 8th @ 9 AM on Monday; 5th & 6th @ 8:30 AM on Tuesday; 3rd & 4th @ 9:30 AM on Friday. The Preschool Christmas program is at 9:15 AM on Wednesday. Student volunteers from grades 4-8 will visit Springfield Nursing and Rehab @ 3 PM on Wednesday. The 4th and 5th grades will see “The Best Christmas Pageant Ever” at Stage One in Louisville on Thursday. Christmas Campaign donations are due on Friday. Our Christmas program is Friday, Dec. 13th, at 12:45 and 7 PM.

**Collection for Retired Religious:** The collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be held NEXT WEEKEND. Envelopes for this collection can be found at the end of the pews & in your tithing packet. Your contribution is greatly appreciated. Instead of a door collection, ushers will do the special collection immediately following the regular weekend collection.

**Good News!** We are renovating our parish office. The first phase is refinishing the hardwood floors. We need help moving the heavier items (desks, filing cabinets, copier etc.) on Thursday, December 19 from 3 to 6 p.m. Please come out to help! - Fr David

**2019 Catholic Services Appeal:** Our Parish Target: $37,400.00, Our Parish Participation Goal: 113+ households. St. D Contributions to date: $43,130.00 (137 donors). CSA envelopes can be found in the back of church.

**Washington County Holiday Assistance Program:** St. Dominic is hosting a tree for the Washington County Holiday Assistance Program (formerly known as the Angel Tree Program). If this is something that you and/or your family wish to take part in, please take a tag from the small tree on the table in the back of church. The child’s information will be on the front of the tag & drop-off information can be found on the backside. Please return the items with the Holiday Assistance Tag by Dec 9th.
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.

December 1, 2019 ~ First Sunday of Advent

HOPEFUL EXPECTATION
Our liturgical year begins with the season of Advent—a time of hopeful expectation of the coming of the Lord. On the First Sunday of Advent we look forward to the end of time when we will awaken to the dawn of Christ’s new day. Today we hear Isaiah speak of a day when God’s power will have brought universal peace and God’s Word will have instructed all people, radiating God’s “light” (teachings) into all of human society. Only when humanity walks “in the light of the LORD” (Isaiah 2:5), when all people desire to be instructed “in [God’s] ways” (Isaiah 2:3), will the world be set aright and our deepest longings fulfilled. The reading from Romans calls us to “awake from sleep” for this final “day is at hand” (Romans 13:11, 12). Together this Sunday’s scriptures proclaim our Christian faith that Jesus is the One who will finally come to fulfill God’s plan of salvation.
December 1, 2019
First Sunday of Advent

St. D Prayer List:
Unborn & Elderly, U.S. Military,
Addictions, Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz,
Anonymous, Omar Sanchez, Larry Smith,
Bill Devine, Rose Hale, Natalie Stone, Len
Spalding, Frank Peters, Geraldine
Spalding, Colleen Cambron, Angela
Robinson, Dennis Newton, Corbin Noel,
Marian & Wade Elliott, Cheyenne Phillips,
Carolyn Green, Julie Anders, Gary & Susan
Hale Montgomery, Mike Wheatley, Anna
Ibarra, Susan Cruse, Mike Conrad, 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
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
Dec. 2-8, 2019
Monday: Advent Weekday
8:30 a.m. Ricky Buckler, Casey Jones
Tuesday: St. Francis Xavier
5:30 p.m. Clarine Carrico
       Betty Lou Montgomery
Wednesday: Advent Weekday
NO MASS on Wednesdays
Thursday: Advent Weekday
5:30 p.m. Danny, Lissa, Mary Dee
          & Dan Logsdon
Friday: Advent Weekday
8:30 a.m. Martha Parrish Elliott
Saturday: St. Ambrose
8:30 a.m. Simeon Montgomery
4:30 p.m. Nora Smith
Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent
8:30 a.m. Charlie, Christine &
         Phil Hamilton
10:30 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. P.S. Barber
          Joe David Barber
2:00 p.m. (Spanish Mass) For the Parish

$\$ Weekly Collections $\$

November 24, 2019
Sunday Collection: $6,013.00
During the Week: $315.00
Automatic Withdrawal: $0
Total Received: $6,328.00

Fiscal Year TITHING Contribution Summary
*July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020*
Tithing Contributions: $350,376.83
Tithing Budget: $313,007.00
Overage/ Shortage: $+37,369.83
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. Wassie Parrott  
Wed. NO MASS  
Thurs. Belle Sutton  
Fri. School  
Sat. Rita Rust  

**Eucharistic Ministers**
Mon. Joe David Clements, Mary Ann Hale  
Tues. Martha Ann Hardin  
Wed. NO MASS  
Thurs. Ione Pinkston  
Fri. School  
Sat. Jerry Mudd, Wassie Parrott

**Liturgical Role for Next Weekend**

**Gift Bearers**
4:30 p.m. Youth Group  
8:30 a.m. Joe & Susan Smith  
10:30 a.m. Louis & Betty Carol Barber

**Lectors**
4:30 p.m. Youth Group  
8:30 a.m. Lucinda Effner  
Ruth Ann Cocanougher  
10:30 a.m. Lisa Burkhead  
Anne Margaret Taylor

**Servers**
4:30 p.m. Youth Group  
8:30 a.m. Claire McCain  
Jon-Tate Smith  
Dylan Mattingly  
10:30 a.m. Ethan Walker  
Cater Hilton  
Evan McIlvoy  
Dalton Smith

Monthly Liturgical Roles

**Purificator Washing Committee Member – DEC.**
Teresa Lynn

**Altar Caretakers – DECEMBER**
(wk. 1) Ann Grigsby  
(wk. 2) Rita Clements  
(wk. 3) Colette Hill  
(wk. 4) Mary Lou Robertson

**Euch. Min. to the Sick & Homebound – DEC.**
(Group A) Phyllis Bastin  
(Group B) Tammy Osbourne  
(Group C) Sr. Mary Louis Yurik

**Weekend Eucharistic Ministers – DEC.**
4:30 p.m. Phyllis & Bobby Bastin  
Angela Young, Mary Ann Hale  
8:30 a.m. Teresa Lynn, Cheryl Mattingly  
Katie Simms, Lucinda Effner  
10:30 a.m. Wassie Parrott, Lynn Foster  
Mary Lou Robertson  
Sara Buckman

**Weekend Ushers - DECEMBER**
4:30 p.m. David Hudson, Charlie Hahn  
Brian Borders, Stephen Hale  
8:30 a.m. John Parrott, Frank Wilkerson  
Rick Greenwell, Keith Nash  
10:30 a.m. Josh Walker, Chris Welch  
Tony Smith, Hammy Robertson

**Weekend Greeters - DECEMBER** *(Breezeway entrance & Bell tower)*
4:30 p.m. Michael & Linda Smith  
8:30 a.m. Claire, Patrick & Will McCain  
10:30 a.m. Paul & Wendy Brady

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.?