Mentions, Meetings, Events & Reminders

Christmas Mass Schedule: Christmas Eve at 4:30 p.m. & 11:00 p.m., Christmas Day at 9:00 a.m., with Spanish Mass at 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Lectors: Julee Jones (Mon.), Christmas Eve/Day (See center section of bulletin), No Mass Thursday, Wassie Parrott (Fri.), Rita Rust (Sat.)

Weekday Eucharistic Ministers: Jerry Mudd & Katie Simms (Mon.), Christmas Eve/Day (See center section of bulletin), No Mass Thursday, Bell Sutton & Shirley Barber (Fri.), Betty Carol Barber & Perry Carrico (Sat.)

Retired Religious Collection Contributions: $1,123.00

The Parish Office will be closed Dec. 24-26 for Christmas, but we will be open on Monday & Friday. Also, the Parish Office will be closed from Dec. 30-Jan. 3 due to the refinishing of the floors.

Special Thanks: Just a note of thanks for the many acts of kindness shown to us at the passing of our loved-one, Thomas Nelson Ball. The cards, prayers & phone calls have been deeply appreciated. ~Rudy & Bettie Jane Ball

Weekend Liturgy Sign-in Sheet: Just a reminder, if you are serving as a lector, server, eucharistic minister, usher, gift bearer or greeter this weekend at Mass, please sign the sign-in sheet in the back of church. This helps us to know what vacant roles still need to be filled prior to the start of Mass.

School News: Merry Christmas! Classes will resume on Monday, January 6th. Class spelling bees for 4th-8th will be January 7th. Penny Day is January 8th, with proceeds to benefit the Elizabeth Ministry of St. Dominic Parish. The school spelling bee is January 10th.

Youth Group will meet on Wednesday, January 8 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. in the church basement. If you are interested in the ski trip to Perfect North, plan to attend as we will be setting the date.

Kids 4 Jesus will meet on Thursday, January 16, 2020 from 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

2019 Catholic Services Appeal: Our Parish Target Goal: $37,400.00, Our Parish Participation Goal: 113+ households. St. D Contributions to date: $46,355.00 (150 donors). Thank you for supporting this year’s Catholic Services Appeal!

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Christmas

A young mother, her eyes shining with fatigue, who is arranging her hair; a father who finds himself alone with his wife and baby, straightening the stable to make himself useful in some way; shepherds who bring cheese and perhaps also some curdled milk; sheep who look at their shepherds while bleating; a donkey who is eyeing his manger changed into a cradle; an adorable swaddled baby whom one calls Savior, Christ and Lord: This is the manifestation of the goodness and the tenderness of God. This is the most fantastic birth in the history of humanity, the one which changed the face of the world! This is how far God humbled and compromised himself with us! This is Emmanuel!

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 22, 2019 ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent

TRUST IN GOD

On this final Sunday of Advent our scriptures focus on the historical birth of Jesus, who is son of David and Son of God, child and king, Jesus and Emmanuel.

Isaiah the prophet begs Ahaz to ask for a sign, to allow God to offer him reassurance of the survival of the Davidic dynasty. The king hypocritically refuses to “tempt the LORD” in that way (Isaiah 7:12), but the prophet foretells the birth of a son, an heir to the throne, who will prove the Lord’s enduring protection of God’s chosen lineage on the throne of David. The child will be called Emmanuel.

Matthew’s reference to this history in his description of the birth of Jesus highlights the contrast between the faithless refusal of trust shown by Ahaz, and the complete trust in God shown by Mary and Joseph in bringing about the birth of Jesus Christ.
December 22, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Advent

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Dec. 23-29, 2019

Monday: Late Advent Weekday
8:30 a.m. Betty Lou Montgomery
Powell & Joyce Boone

Masses for Christmas

Tuesday, Dec. 24th
4:30 p.m. Vigil of Christmas
P.S. Barber & C.H. Haydon Families
11:00 p.m. Mass at Midnight
Multiple Intentions - (see insert)

Wednesday, Dec. 25th
9:00 a.m. Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ
For the Parish
11:00 a.m. Spanish Mass en Espanol
La Navidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo
Bob Noe Haydon

Thursday: St. Stephen
5:30 p.m. NO MASS

Friday: St. John
8:30 a.m. Martha Vize
Scout & Helen Smith
Saturday: The Holy Innocents
8:30 a.m. Luckett Clements
4:30 p.m. Freddie White
Sunday: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
8:30 a.m. Sidney Medley
10:30 a.m. Francis “Sambo” Smith
2:00 p.m. (Spanish Mass) For the Parish


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. You are always in our hearts, minds and prayers as we celebrate the Eucharist at St. Dominic.

### Weekly Collections ###

December 15, 2019
Sunday Collection: $7,714.17
During the Week: $284.90
Automatic Withdrawal: $15,813.83
Total Received: $23,812.90

Fiscal Year TITHING Contribution Summary

*July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020*

Tithing Contributions: $415,104.82
Tithing Budget: $357,723.00
Overage/Shortage: $+57,381.82
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.**
**Liturgical Roles for Christmas Eve & Day**

**Lectors**
- 4:30 p.m. Theresa Mattingly, Chris Welch
- 11:00 p.m. Colette Hill, Lisa Burkhead
- 9:00 a.m. Peter Boone

**Eucharistic Ministers**
- 4:30 p.m. Michele Welch, Ione Pinkston
  - Betty Carol Barber
  - Elyssa Greathouse
- 11:00 p.m. Dennis & Rita Rust
  - Amy Mudd, Angela Young
- 9:00 a.m. Perry & Anna Carrico
  - Rita Clements, Volunteer

**Gift Bearers**
- 4:30 p.m. Louis & Betty Carol Barber
- 11:00 p.m. Madeline & Mary Claire Borders
  - Josh Burkhead
- 9:00 a.m. Chris & Veronica Durham

**Ushers**
- 4:30 p.m. Wesley Smith, Nick S. Smith
  - Michael McCain, Brian Mattingly
- 11:00 p.m. Jason & Samuel Mudd
  - Glenn Mattingly, Martin Murphy
- 9:00 a.m. Jerry Grider, Joey Maupin
  - 2 Volunteers Needed

**Servers**
- 4:30 p.m. Jon-Tate Smith, Claire McCain
  - Emma Mattingly, Anthony Taylor
- 11:00 p.m. Anne Scott Mudd, Nick Smith
  - Thomas Mudd, Anaiah Prater
- 9:00 a.m. Volunteers Needed

**Greeters**
- 4:30 p.m. Tabitha & Dalton Smith
  - Abby Smith & Family
- 11:00 p.m. Cassie Michalski & Family
- 9:00 a.m. Veronica Durham & Family

**Liturgical Roles for Next Weekend**

**Lectors**
- 4:30 p.m. Julita Leachman, Lori Tucker
- 8:30 a.m. Jack & Grant Matherly
- 10:30 a.m. Sr. Gen Durcan, Sr. Marilyn King

**Gift Bearers**
- 4:30 p.m. Rachel Fenwick & Family
- 8:30 a.m. Joe & Susan Smith
- 10:30 a.m. Todd Smith, Norma Jean Smith

**Servers**
- 4:30 p.m. Haydon Carney, Lily Hale
  - Celeste Graves, Eliz. Hernandez
- 8:30 a.m. Alex Whitney, Adelle Hood
  - Claire McCain
- 10:30 a.m. Laura B. Redmon, Camden Abell
  - Thomas Mudd, Evan McIlvoy

**Monthly Liturgical Roles**

_Purificator Washing Committee Member – DEC._
- Teresa Lynn

**Altar Caretakers – DECEMBER**
- (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