Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise.



On Wednesdays:

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal 6:30 PM

Parish Council:

Generally meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 6:30 P.M., September - May, no meeting in December. Minutes are always available upon request.

Alcoholics Anonymous:

Tuesdays, 8:00 PM St. D <u>Cafeteria</u>

St. Vincent de Paul:

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 5:30 PM Holy Rosary

CONFESSION

Tuesdays & Thursdays 5:00 PM (Before 5:30 PM Mass) Reconciliation

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursdays at 6:00 PM
(after the 5:30 PM Mass)
& on Sundays from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
There will be no Adoration on Dec. 16th.



Powerful things can happen when the people of God stand together in prayer. Prayers of many have been answered while others are still in need of prayer. Contact the parish office at 336-3569/stdom@stdomparish.org if a person's name needs to be added.

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Please see inside cover for Weekday & Weekend Mass Times, Intentions & Liturgical Roles.



We will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in a communal penance service here at St. Dominic on Mon., Dec. 13th, at 6:30 p.m. in preparation for Christmas. Several priests will be available for the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Prayer List:

US Military Perry Carrico Rita Mann Bess Havdon Sr. Marilyn King John Crawford Britt O'Brien Seth Benningfield Billy Parrott Cassie Robinson Ted McNeal Catherine Clements Helen Parrott Reco Bishop Sueanna Graves Rose Marie O'Daniel Beth Hellmann Fr. Kevin McGrath Margaret Faye Martin Olivia Montgomery Colin Walker LeAnn Carrico Grace Harris Julie Fagan

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Weekday Liturgy	MONDAY 8:30 AM	TUESDAY 5:30 PM	WEDNESDAY NO MASS	THURSDAY 5:30 PM	FRIDAY 8:30 A.M.	SATURDAY 8:30 AM
INTENTION	Mary Martha Barber	Freddie White	N/A	Eugene Graves Abell & Jerry Parrott	Pat Mudd	Tom & Nancy Cambron
LECTOR	Katie Simms	Mary Ann Hale	N/A	Lisa Burkhead	SCHOOL	Cathie Velotta
SACRISTAN/ EUCH. MIN.	Hamilton Simms	Belle Sutton	N/A	Martha A. Hardin	SCHOOL	Joe David Clements

Weekend Liturgy	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	SUNDAY	
Month of <u>DECEMBER</u>	<u>4:30 PM</u>	<u>8:30 AM</u>	10:30 AM	
INTENTIONS	(4th) For the Parish (11th) For the Parish (18th) For the Parish (25th) N/A	(5th) Foster Smith Family (12th) Jim & Fanny Rudd (19th) Bob Barber (26th) For the Parish	(5th) C.H. Haydon (12th) Charlie, Christine & Phil Hamilton (19th) Melvin Graves (26th) Bob Goodlett & Luckett Clements	
LECTORS	Lori Tucker	Jerimy Fletcher	Theresa Mattingly	
	Todd Smith	Glenn Mattingly	Sr. Gen Durcan	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Nancy Edelen	Joe David Clements	Phil Chatigny	
	Dianne Kelly	Lucinda Effner	Mary Lou Robertson	
USHERS	Stephen Hale, Steve Kelly Joe Kelly, Bruce Fenwick	Sam & Thomas Mudd Chuck Abell, Joe Smith	Chandler Ballard Daniel Carney Rodney & Hayden Dean	
ALTAR SERVERS	Carter O'Cull	Ashtin Cambron	Anna Leigh Mattingly	
	Lily Hale	Volunteer Needed	Jack Coulter	
GREETERS	Dianne Simms	Mike & Cheryl Mattingly	Alison Simpson Family	
GIFT BEARERS	Tommy & Karen Begley Family	Justin & Ashley Cambron Family	Josh & Jacqueline Walker Family	
SACRISTANS	RISTANS Rachel Fenwick		Volunteer Needed	
CANTORS	WK 1. Fran Carrico	WK 1. Jordan Mudd	WK 1. Becky Schmidt	
	WK 2. Jordan Mudd	WK 2. Helen Warren	WK 2. Becky Schmidt	
	WK 3. Elyssa Greathouse	WK 3. Helen Warren	WK 3. Anna Hamilton	
	WK 4. N/A	WK 4. John Patrick Brown	WK 4. Becky Schmidt	

Month of DECEMBER

Altar Society

- WK 1. Mary Lou Robertson
- WK 2. Volunteer Needed
- WK 3. Rita Clements
- WK 4. Colette Hill

Purificator Committee

Mary Rudd

Homebound Eucharistic Ministers

- (A) Susan McCain
- (B) Katie Simms

Spanish Mass: Sundays at 2:00 PM - (Intention) Presider's Intention

Fr. David will conduct the Rite for the **Blessing of a Child in the Womb** at all Masses **this weekend**. 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. We invite all expectant mothers & fathers to participate in this blessing.





<u>Tithing Contributions</u> for this past weekend (also includes tithing conofferings tributions during the week &/or ACH, etc.): \$28,053.44



REJOICE: The prophetic writings we hear in today's scriptures call us to rejoice and celebrate the goodness of God. Zephaniah, Isaiah, Saint Paul, and John the Baptist in Luke's Gospel all follow the rich tradition of the Biblical prophets, a tradition that reaches full expression in Jesus. The prophets warn that human failings have truly disastrous consequences. All are summoned to repent, and to change their lives. Today we hear the Good News that God's gracious love exceeds and overcomes all human corruption. God has not given up on us. Indeed, God keeps pursuing us, and eagerly seeks to reconcile with us. God's initiative to set the world aright culminates with Jesus, whose coming John the Baptist announces. John's prophetic message summons us to join in God's reconciling work, by living generously and justly in our daily lives. As we rejoice in God's grace, we then extend the fruits of this grace to all. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Not Ready? No Problem! While Advent is a beautiful time to prepare for the coming of the Lord, we often get so caught up in all the things we do to prepare for Christmas that we forget Advent all together. The readings remind us that in spite of the stress we may feel thinking about how close Christmas is, we are called to rejoice for the Lord is near. The stress we feel may be from fear: Fear that I won't get the shopping done by Christmas, fear that people won't like the gifts I bought, or fear that I forgot someone that should be on my list. But did you ever notice how much easier it is when you have someone to shop with you, or write the Christmas cards, or decorate the tree? "Shout for joy...fear not!" says the prophet Zephaniah in the first reading. (Zeph 3:14) He tells us the Lord is not coming to punish us for waiting till the last minute to put up the tree. The prophet says the Lord is in our midst, we are not alone. "He has turned away your enemies" (Zeph 3:15), enemies like fear, doubts, and loneliness. And as if that wasn't good enough, he says that the Lord rejoices over us! How many times have you wondered if you could ask the Lord for help? Zephaniah reminds us that the Lord is happy to help. And St. Paul says the same thing in the second reading: "Have no anxiety at all...make your requests known to God." (Phil 4:6) That is where Advent comes in. We can look forward to the Lord's presence in our lives. We can be confident of his love for us. That is why faith and hope are central to the theme of Advent. Our faith in God's love for us gives us hope that he will support us in our weakness and fill us with the joy he has over us. Tom Schmidt, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Weekly Scripture Readings

Monday: Memorial of St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr, Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church, Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, & 23; Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17 **Saturday:** Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

4th Sunday of Advent: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

<u>Midnight Mass Intentions:</u> If you desire to submit intentions for the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass (@ 11 PM), please use the envelopes **provided in the breeze-**



way. In order to have the names of those remembered printed in time for the bulletin, envelopes need to be turned in by <u>Friday</u>, 12/17. Envelopes can also be dropped in the collection basket or brought to the church office. All contributions for Midnight Mass Intentions will benefit Holy Rosary/St. Dominic Cemetery.



Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12, 2021

AN ADVENT PRAYER

May the God of peace make us completely holy. May God keep us blameless in spirit, soul and body for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Forever faithful is the One who calls us—God our Father! Expectant, let us live in joyful hope for the revelation of the glory of our God and Savior, Christ Jesus! To him be glory forever! Come, Lord Jesus! Your grace be with us all. Amen. —From *Come*, *Lord Jesus* by Lucien Deiss, CSSp, copyright 1976, 1981, Lucien Deiss. Published by World Library Publications. p. 127



Christmas Eve: 4:30 PM & 11:00 PM
Christmas Day: 9:00 AM, Spanish Mass at 11:00 AM.
Liturgical Roles for Christmas will be posted in the
December 19th bulletin.

CSA WEEKLY UPDATE FOR ST. D:

St. D Parish Goal: \$46,900, Contributions to date: \$28,290.00
St. D Parish Family Participation Goal: 159, Family Participation to date: 101
Envelopes can be found in the pew, you may also contribute on line at www.archlou.org/donate-today/.

<u>Youth Group</u> will meet on Monday, December 13th in the <u>school cafeteria</u> from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for Christmas party. Each **family** needs to bring an appetizer or dessert, and each **member** can bring a \$5 gift for Christmas game. Also, on Sunday, December 12th, please be in the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. to carpool to Harmony Way to pass out candy with Santa Claus during this neighborhood's Christmas lights event.

Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.

Matthew 11:10