



Intentions for the Week

Mon 9/18	6:45 AM Terry Segelke (T) 8:15AM †Lawrence Raber
Tues 9/19	6:45 AM For those Friars who have left the Province and the Order 8:15AM Consuelo Ingle (T)
Wed 9/20	6:45 AM Lena Leveriza (T) 8:15AM †Aurora Masbad
Thurs 9/21	6:45 AM Nonie Cruel (T) 8:15AM Teresa Madrigal (H)
Friday 9/22	6:45 AM †Daniel Macapinlac 8:15AM †Woodrow "Hap" Farrell
Sat 9/23	8:15AM †Fr. Victor Cavalli, O.P. 5:00PM †Fr. Victor Cavalli, O.P.
Sun 9/24	7:30AM †Gerry Ursua 9:00AM †Patrick Caurant 10:45AM Myrna Fleming (B) 12:30PM Teresa Madrigal (H) 5:00PM For the People of the Parish

Legend: (†) Memorial (H) Health
(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

**This Week's Flower Intentions
In Honor of
Mitch and Wendi Glaser**



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St. Dominic's is a Catholic
Parish inspired by Dominican
Spirituality. Igniting the Faith
for the salvation of souls.

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 17th, 2017

Sirach 27:30--28:9
Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12
Romans 14:7-9
Matthew 18:21-35

Other Mass readings can be found at
<http://www.usccb.com/bible/readings>

Dominicans & Deacons

Fr. Jerome Cudden, O.P. Pastor
Fr. Corwin Low, O.P. Parochial Vicar
Fr. David Farrugia, O.P. (In Residence)
Fr. Vincent Serpa, O.P. (In Residence)
Rev. Br. Christopher Wetzel, O.P. (Deacon)
Deacon Errol Kissinger
Deacon John Flanagan (Retired)
Br. Matthew Heynen, O.P. (Residency Student)

Schedule of Masses

Weekdays: 6:45AM, 8:15AM
Saturday: 8:15AM Daily Mass
5PM Vigil Mass
Sunday: 7:30AM, 9AM, 10:45AM,
12:30PM (English/Spanish),
5PM (Youth)

1st Sunday of Month: 3PM (Vietnamese)

Weekly Confession/Reconciliation:
Saturdays, 3:30PM-4:30PM In the Church

Parish Office Hours

Closed Mondays

Tuesday-Friday: 9AM-12PM, 1PM-4PM
Saturday: 9AM-12PM
Sunday: 8:30AM-1PM

In case of a priestly emergency after hours, call
707-747-7220 and press "1" to speak with a
priest.

Mass Intentions Schedule:

Mass Intentions for January are open October 1st.
Please make requests in the Parish Office.

Preaching the Good: My Nigerian Story Rev. Fr. Charles Onwordi, O.P.

My country of Nigeria has an estimated population of over 180 million people, of which about 80 million are Christians and 18 million Catholic. In recent times divisions between Muslims and Christians have assumed new dimensions that have led to recurring bloodshed with the Boko Haram group, a fundamentalist Islamic sect that could be likened to Al Qaeda and Isis, trying to establish an Islamic state. Christians have faced very serious persecutions in the North. Lives are lost and church property such as schools, hospitals and churches are burnt down frequently. Ever since independence, the country has been plagued with corruption which has left the masses impoverished. Paradoxically, Nigeria is a country of very religious people. The South is predominantly Christian yet, over the years, there has been a strong surge of Pentecostalism and I fear people are being misled and exploited in the name of religion.

It is against this background that the Dominicans are preaching the Good News in Nigeria through various apostolates that include parishes, chaplaincies, schools, hospitals, farm projects and collaborations with nonprofit organizations to provide food and empower orphans, widows, the indigent, refugees and internally displaced persons. The Dominicans in Nigeria recently got a government license to begin a university. The need for this new apostolate is based on the prevailing situation in the area of tertiary education. In Nigeria, over 75 percent of high school graduates who apply annually to be admitted into colleges fail to gain admission simply because of the limited capacity of our institutions. For this reason, many young people seek university admission outside of the country which only a very small proportion of such can afford. Thus, many qualified youths will not receive a college education.

Growing up in the South-Western city of Lagos, I encountered the Dominicans at an early age as my mum always took my siblings and I to the St. Jude Novena conducted thrice a year in the St. Dominic Parish, a short distance from my home parish. I was fortunate to be able to receive a university education and upon completion I landed a relatively plum job with Chevron Oil but 8 years after graduation from college, I felt I was called to be part of the mission of witnessing to the Gospel.

I joined the Dominicans in 1998 and 11 years after my priestly ordination I have had the privilege of working in parishes in different parts of the nation. We have plenty of vocations and many preachers are needed for the huge task. Our fundamental challenge has been funding basic formation. We turn down many applications because of lack of funds. We are grateful to the parishioners of St. Dominic's of Benicia for past support. It is hoped that through your generous support, you would continue to be part of the missionary activity of the church in bringing the good news and succor to the less privileged in Nigeria.

Parish Events

Grief Support Series

Saturdays, September 16th-October 21st, 11am
In the Aquinas Room

Catholics Returning Home Series

Sundays, September 10th-October 15th, 3:00pm
In the Siena Room

Catechetical Sunday

Sunday, September 17th, All Masses

RE Classes Begin

September 19th/20th

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, September 24th, 8:00am--12:00pm
In the Parish Hall

Dominican Book Club Review Part 1

*How the Catholic Church Built
Western Civilization*

Monday, October 2nd, 9AM & 7PM
In the Parish Hall

Wild Goose Series Begins

Thursday, October 5th, 9:00am-10:30am
In the Siena Room

Blessing of the Animals

Friday, October 6th, 11:15am
In the small parking lot behind the Church

Monthly Cemetery Mass

Saturday, October 7th, 9:30AM
Hillcrest & East 5th Street

Asociación Guadalupeana Tamale Sale

Sunday, October 8th, 8am-2pm
Pick up Pre-Sale Orders in the Parish Hall

Rosary Sunday

Sunday, October 8th
Special Collection for Student Brothers

100th Anniversary of the Miracle at Fatima

Pray the Rosary in Public
Saturday, October 14th, 12pm
Benicia City Park

SDS Halloween Ball & Auction Night

Saturday, October 28th, 5:30pm
The Clock Tower

Find Complete Event Details in Parish Bulletin or Online.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, highly-focused, non-denominational initiative that focuses on 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and grassroots educational outreach. The 40-day time frame is drawn from examples throughout Biblical history.

The campaign will feature a peaceful 40-day prayer vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 990 Broadway Street, Vallejo CA. All prayer vigil participants are requested to pray for peace, pledging to conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner at all times.

The campaign runs September 27th until November 5nd.

St. Dominic's Parish will be responsible for filling the hours of 6am to 6pm beginning on the first Tuesday of the vigil, October 3rd, 2017 in Vallejo.

We know 40 Days for Life has made a difference in Vallejo/Benicia & American Canyon. Our volunteers have made extraordinary sacrifices to expose the abortion industry and to protect children and their mothers from abortion. Here are just a few of the positive results of previous Vallejo campaign(s).

- Nine lives saved from abortion that we know of
- Five Catholic Churches are working together
- Approximately 50 volunteers dedicated themselves as prayer warriors and a few of them pray at the clinic every Wednesday, Thursday & Friday all year round, rain or shine.

Please contact Tony Hensley at tonyh@ctpub.com to sign up for one hour per week during this 40 Day Campaign.

To read about one parishioner's experience during a 40 Days for Life Campaign, visit our website at <http://www.stwww.stdombenicia.org/yup-i-prayed-outside-an-abortion-clinic/>

BACK FOR OUR 9TH YEAR!!!

SUNDAY BREAKFAST



**WITH
The Knights**

Fr. Vilarrasa Council #7268

Sept. 24th Parish Hall 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**SPECIAL RAFFLES!
9 FREE BREAKFASTS!
3 DRAWINGS AFTER 7:30,
9:00, & 10:45 MASSES.
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Get to Know Our New Dominican Brothers In Residence



Br. Matthew Heynen, O.P.

Hi, I'm Br. Matthew, this year's residency student brother. I'm the oldest of five children, and this is my fourth year of formation in the Dominican Order. I lived most of my life in Dixon, just north of us. I spent my childhood going to public

school and playing sports. I played soccer in grade school, cross country in junior high school, and football in high school.

While I was growing up I dreaded going to Sunday school and thought church events of any kind were boring. It wasn't until my senior year of high school that my home parish church hired a very good youth minister. He initially had to coerce me into going to a young adult group at a bar in town. However, at this young adult group I was introduced to the Catholic intellectual tradition. It was through learning about St. Augustine and St. Thomas Aquinas that I realized I wanted to study philosophy through a Catholic lens.

After high school, I studied philosophy at St. Mary's College in Moraga. I was initially planning to get a job teaching high school English after I graduated. However, after my sophomore year I went to Italy for my summer vacation and spent three weeks with the Benedictine monks at the Monastery of St. Benedict in Norcia. It was there that I fell in love with the Catholic religious tradition. Monastic chant, the prescribed structure of daily life, and the total service to God and His church all profoundly struck me. I distinctly remember one of the monks telling me that I came across like I had a religious vocation. It was this interaction that made me realize that I should seriously pursue a religious vocation. However, as much as I loved the monastic traditions of the Benedictine Order, I still felt called to something more evangelical. Benedictine monks completely devote themselves to prayer and work at their monastery.

After returning to school, a diocesan priest took me to St. Albert's Priory, the house of formation for the Western Dominican Province, in Oakland. It was through meeting the brothers and witnessing their zeal for intellectual studies, chanting the Divine Office, and preaching for the salvation of souls that I realized I wanted to join the Dominican Order. Immediately following the summer after my graduation from college, I entered the novitiate for the Western Dominican Province. I hope that I am eventually able to both teach theology at the seminary level and minister in parishes.



Reverend Br. Christopher Wetzel, O.P.

I was born in San Diego and grew up in Los Angeles, the oldest of six children of two very loving Catholic parents. As a child, I loved math and science and hoped to be an engineer when I grew up. And so

when I went to college (California Institute of Technology), I majored in Applied & Computational Mathematics and Economics. But during college, I started to take my Catholic faith seriously: I began to pray the rosary and go to daily mass and regular confession. It was at this point that I began to feel that God might be calling me to some kind of service to the Church. My first job after college was in Dayton, Ohio, where I worked for two years as a scientific researcher for a small defense contractor. Although I enjoyed my work greatly, I continued to feel that God was calling me to dedicate my life to more direct service to Him.

I began looking around at various religious communities, but after some online research I found that the features of religious life I was seeking were to be found in the Order of Preachers: Prayer, Common Life, Study and Preaching, the four pillars of Dominican Life. And so I applied to the Western Dominican Province and entered the novitiate in the summer of 2009, and I have been very happy ever since. As many of you know, I was assigned here to Benicia for my residency year a few years ago, so I am so happy to be able to return to serve you as a deacon and then as a priest after my ordination on June 22nd, 2018.



**Come Home
to the Catholic Church,
there's a place for you here!**

Catholics Returning Home Begins Again Soon!

St. Dominic's offers "Catholics Returning Home" for those who have been away from the Catholic Church for awhile and would like answers to questions about the Church today and how they can return to the faith. This six-week series is for non-practicing Catholics, as well as for those who are seeking answers to questions and doubts about their faith and the Church. Sessions are structured in a support-group format and participants are free to attend as many or as few events as they wish.

**Catholics Returning Home
Meets Sundays, Sept. 10th-Oct. 15th
3:00pm-4:30pm, In the Siena Room
St. Dominic's Ministry Center**

For more information contact Gaye Rose or Theresa Schneider at 707-747-7220 or email comehome@stdombenicia.org

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration Needs:

FRIDAY 3 PM (Weekly or alternating weeks)
Call Rori Basilio @ 748-1481

SATURDAY 12 AM (Every 3rd week of the month)
Call Ed Miller @ 853-5910

SATURDAY 3 AM (Weekly or alternating weeks)
Call Euly Le Gro @707-315-2338

SATURDAY 6 PM ((Weekly or alternating weeks)
Call Lena Leveriza @ 925-980-5422

**Join us every Tuesday 8:00 – 9:00 PM in the Church
for an evening of Eucharistic Adoration.**

Daily Open Hours in Chapel:

Open to the public 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM in the Adoration Chapel

Scheduled Adorer Hours Only:

8:00 PM – 7:00 AM in the Adoration Chapel

If you are interested in becoming an adorer (assigned or substitute) or have questions, please call: Shirley Cortez at 208-2004 or Joji Holzwarth at 704-8779.



ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL
A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL AUCTION NIGHT IS OCTOBER 28TH, 5:30-11PM AT THE CLOCK TOWER!

Our parish school is planning its most important fundraiser of the year. This year's Halloween Ball/Auction Night **needs the support of the parish community to help reach our fundraising goals!**

You are invited to purchase tickets to attend, buy a table with a group of friends or your ministry team, or simply make a contribution to our School with an auction item donation. Help us continue to offer an exceptional academic and faith-filled education for our parish families.



We are still seeking donations to help make a successful year. If you have a connection and can help us acquire, or you yourself can donate, any of the following types of new items, our students would be eternally grateful!

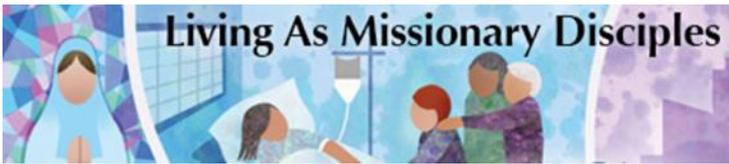
- Sporting event tickets (A's, Raiders, Niners, Giants, Warriors, Cal Bears, Stanford, or St. Mary's!)
- Travel opportunities (timeshare weeks or rental)
- Play or concert tickets
- Hosted dinners or themed parties
- Virtual reality headset
- High-end wine or wine tasting
- Meeting or outing with a celebrity or signed photos, jerseys, etc.
- Special Services, gift certificates or gift cards
- Designer purses or sunglasses
- Favorite restaurants

Visit SDSHalloween.com for tix and details!

Donated items can be dropped off at the school office, or can be picked up by request. Please contact Linda Overton at sdsauction@aol.com

Purchase Tickets at

WWW.SDSHALLOWEEN.COM



This Sunday the Church celebrates Catechetical Sunday on September 17, 2017. Our 2017 theme will be "Living as Missionary Disciples." Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday?

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated the third Sunday in September as Catechetical Sunday to acknowledge the importance of the Church's teaching ministry and to honor those who serve the Christian community as catechists.

What Does the Word "Catechetical" Mean?

The word might be more familiar than you think. Many Catholics have used the word "catechism" for years, and they know it has something to do with the compendium of the Church's teachings. The root word, "catechesis," is from a Greek word meaning "to echo, or resound." Catechesis is the act of resounding or bringing the Church's teachings to the world. A catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church.

Why do we have a special day set aside to celebrate our catechists?

Catechesis is a distinct and special ministry in the Church. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church makes clear, "Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church's life . . . her inner growth and correspondence with God's plan depend essentially on catechesis" (no. 7). This ministry of teaching in the name of the Church has a profound dignity, which is why it is fitting that we set aside a day to highlight this ministry and invite the entire church community to think about our responsibility to share our faith with others.

How are parents, the primary catechists of their children, recognized on Catechetical Sunday?

Parents are truly the primary catechists of their children. They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation. This is why the rite of blessing of catechists used on Catechetical Sunday includes an optional blessing of parents and guardians.

Are you thinking of becoming a catechist? Are you a former catechist looking to become active again? Or are you a catechetical leader, looking for a new way to help our families' children better understand our faith. Our Religious Education Program (K-7) is always looking for good-hearted people within our community who want to be involved in shaping the minds and hearts of our future. Here are some reasons to consider.

Top Reasons to Become a Catechist

- You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.
- By virtue of our Baptism, we are empowered to share in Jesus' ministry.
- Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News and encounter good role models of faith.
- You have much to share with those you'll teach, and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.
- Today's catechetical textbooks/resources offer outstanding support. The lesson plans are done for you!
- Catechists are the People of God in our community that are stepping up to volunteer in places like our classrooms, ministries, and in Children's Liturgy.
- Being a catechist does not require years of study. To fill most of the roles of our catechists it just takes time and willingness to serve.
- You'll be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus. We are not forming theologians - we are forming disciples!
- You will be handing on a 2000-year-old Tradition that changes lives.
- It's our job: Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations."

P.S. If you are considering the invitation to serve as a catechist, please send an email to Deacon Errol Kissinger at ekissinger@stdombenicia.org and share what you're thinking or ask any questions you may have. I know there are lots of great catechists in our community who know how much of a blessing it is to grow in faith by sharing it with others.

Pathways to Family Faith Formation

Faith formation at St. Dominic's happens in many places within our community. St. Dominic's School, our Parish Religious Education (RE) Program, Liturgy of the Word for Children, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, Adult Scripture Study, Sacrament Preparation, and our Home School families are all examples of where continuous learning is happening within our community. The following is an update of what is happening within our Parish RE Program which provides faith formation to our local (K-7) public school community.

For Family

St. Dominic's Office of Faith Formation uses the phrase *flipping the classroom* to affirm the undisputed fact that religious education can only thrive if conversations of faith begin FIRST in the home.



The home is the *crucible* where religious identity is experienced, witnessed and made *real* in the midst of the family. The classroom is flipped in the sense that the home is the primary classroom and parents are the primary teachers. Parishes, clergy, and religious professionals are resources for the family.

For Students

Students now have eBooks, providing unlimited web-based access to their classroom textbook electronically through a multitude of electronic devices anytime, anywhere.



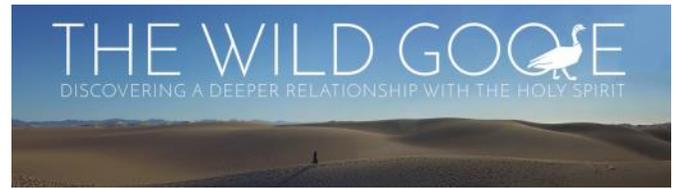
Students, with the supervision of their parents, are to set-aside at least one hour weekly at home to discuss chapter themes, primarily through story telling.

For Parents

New this Fall, parents will receive a weekly email with a link to a fun-based quiz (with answers) about what their child is learning in the classroom that week.



With eAssessments, parents find it fulfilling to re-experience the joy of our faith through the wonder and awe of their children. Moreover, eAssessments provide parents a wonderful confidence to not only share their faith but also teach by example that faith is truly a life-long journey.



Wild Goose Series on the Holy Spirit

*The Wild Goose** is a work of the Holy Spirit, which is awakening in the hearts of all those participating in God's love and transforming power.

Beginning Oct 5th, Deacon Errol will facilitate discussion groups on The Wild Goose, fourteen independent segments dealing with different experiences of the Holy Spirit.

**Thursdays, Oct 5, 2017-Jan 11, 2018,
In the Siena Room, 9:00-10:30AM**

The Wild Goose series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit, and as you come to experience God's presence and power, this very same Spirit will transform you and bring you freedom.

For further questions, please contact Deacon Errol Kissinger at ekissinger@stdombenicia.org or call (707) 335-4674.

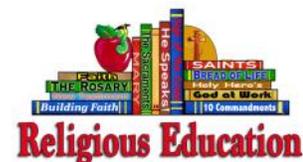
**These sessions count toward SDS Stewardship.*

Religious Education News

**Mandatory RE Family Orientation
September 16th, 10am-Noon
In the Parish Hall**

Classes Begin:

- September 19th, Tuesday Session (Kinder thru 2nd Grades Only), 4:00PM-5:00PM
- September 20th, Wednesday Session (1st thru 7th Grades), 7:00PM-8:00PM



**Don't Miss RE Open House
will be Sunday, October 8th**

For more information about registration and the religious education program, please visit us on the parish website at:

<http://www.stdombenicia.org/religious-education/>

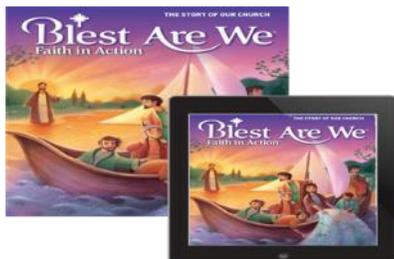


Confirmation preparation includes foundational religious education as well as opportunities for evangelization and discipleship.

FOUNDATIONAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Readiness for the Sacrament of Confirmation includes a firm knowledge of the Catholic faith.

STUDENTS: Students who attend a Catholic school receive their foundational education through the school they attend. Students who do not attend a Catholic School are enrolled into the *Blest Are We* program- *The Story of Our Church*. These students have access to a physical book as well as an eBook, providing them unlimited web-based access to their textbook through a multitude of electronic devices anytime, anywhere. Students will complete periodic chapter reviews with the assistance of their parents.

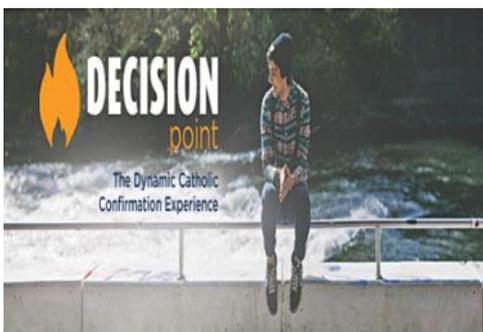


PARENTS: Parents are able to re-experience the joy of the Catholic faith by having access to the *Blest Are We* program and working with their Candidate on chapter reviews. This is an opportunity for parents not only to share their faith but to also teach by the example that faith is truly a life-long journey. Parents have access to the ebook which includes a variety of online resources.

EVANGELIZATION & DISCIPLESHIP

Candidates who prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation attend weekly Mass and participate in parish gatherings that deepen their understanding of the Gospel. They grow as intentional disciples through a variety of opportunities, including participation in the *Decision Point* program. This aspect of confirmation is for all candidates,

regardless of the school they attend.



STUDENTS: Through small group gatherings, *Decision Point* evangelizes young Catholics for the Sacrament of Confirmation in a dynamic way, by teaching and inspiring them to respond and cooperate with God's grace in their daily lives. Evangelization begins with a personal and powerful conversation that fosters conversion of heart, mind, and soul.

PARENTS: You will receive an email with the *Decision Point* video clips your student will view during confirmation preparation.



Teen Confirmation

YR I Confirmation Registration:

Teens who will be in the 8th grade or above are eligible to register for Confirmation preparation. Registration is available online at www.stdombenicia.org Please select: Faith Formation, then Confirmation. Scroll down to the heading: YR I Confirmation 2017-18 Online Registration. Parents who have registered their teen into confirmation will receive updates regarding the parent/teen orientation meetings that will take place in September.

YR II Confirmation:

The YR II parent/teen orientation meeting will take place on **September 18th and September 21st at 7pm in the Parish Hall**. Parent/teen will only need to attend ONE of these meetings.

Teen/Youth Ministry

- Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 24th ~ **Make a Sundaes Night in the Parish Hall**. The celebration begins after the conclusion of the 5:00pm Youth & Young Adult Mass. All are welcome!
- There will be a **Mother ~ Daughter Tea** on Saturday, September 30th at 3:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please register at ltoomey@stdombenicia.org.

ST. DOMINIC'S CHURCH BENICIA YOUTH MINISTRY 2017-18



St. Dominic's is blessed with a diverse community of generous and inquisitive teens. Recognizing that there is no, one program or activity that nurtures young people to live as intentional disciples of Christ, we offer youth a variety of gatherings to help them grow in faith.

Teen ministry opportunities are multidimensional and point back to the eight components of youth ministry:

**ADVOCACY ~ CATECHESIS ~ COMMUNITY LIFE ~ EVANGELIZATION
JUSTICE & SERVICE ~ LEADERSHIP ~ PASTORAL CARE
PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**Discipleship is expressed in many ways.
All are welcome.**

For a calendar of events, details & links to information please go to:

WWW.STDOMBENICIA.ORG

Select Faith Formation, Teen Ministry

For more info email Lisa at Itoomey@stdombenicia.org

Find St. Dominic's Catholic Confirmation & Teen Ministry Group on FB

6-Week Grief Support Series

Meets
Saturdays,
Sept. 16th-Oct. 21st

Understanding Grief and Getting Help

If you, or someone that you love, is grieving a loss, we want to offer support for the journey.

Our 6-week series is highly respected throughout Solano County, led by trained facilitators for peer-to-peer support on the stages of grief.

Saturdays, Sept. 16th– Oct. 21st at 11AM

In the Aquinas Room

Ministry Center at St. Dominic's.

For more information contact Joanne Flanagan

707-747-9416 or email consolation@stdombenicia.org

475 East I Street, Benicia.

<http://www.stdombenicia.org/grief-support/>



ST. DOMINIC'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Liturgy of the Word at 9AM Mass Needs Volunteers! All leaders are parent volunteers, **What's involved?**

- Share a simple lesson on the day's gospel reading during the Mass readings and homily (lesson plans provided).
- Coordinate a simple craft or coloring activity
- Sing a song, lead prayer and a children's version of the Creed.
- That's it! Just 20 minutes of sharing God's love and making Mass fun for everyone!



CHILDREN'S
Liturgy of the Word

Email Debi Thurin to join us and pick a week to help!
dthurin@stdombenicia.org

ORDER NOW! **Tamale Sale**
Pre-Order
Now!



Asociación Guadalupana is taking orders now through October 1st, 2017 for the Annual Tamale Sale!

All sales are by pre-order and will be available for pick up on Sunday, October, 8th after Mass in the Parish Hall.

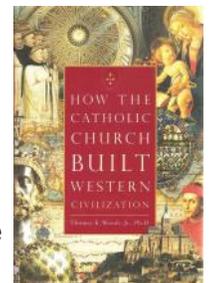
To place your order please call:

- Patricia Chavez
707-642-4513 or
- Maria Luisa Reyes
707-290-4497



Book Club

The Dominican Brothers are bringing back our Book Club! We are selling copies of *How the Catholic Church Built Western Civilization* by Thomas Woods, Jr for \$15, available after Masses this weekend and in the parish office while supplies last. In *How the Catholic Church Built Western Civilization*, you'll learn:



- Why modern science was born in the Catholic Church
- How Catholic priests developed the idea of free-market economics five hundred years before Adam Smith
- How the Catholic Church invented the university
- Why what you know about the Galileo affair is wrong
- How Western law grew out of Church canon law
- How the Church humanized the West by insisting on the sacredness of all human life

No institution has done more to shape Western civilization than the two-thousand-year-old Catholic Church—and in ways that many of us have forgotten or never known.

Discussion dates will be announced in the coming week!

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MAKE A GOOD CONFESSION

The sacrament of reconciliation celebrates a moment of God's forgiveness and healing. When you are sorry for your sins there is no wrong way to "do confession."

Weekly Confession/Reconciliation:

Saturdays, 3:30PM-4:30PM In the Church Or, by appointment contact the Parish Office. For guidance visit:

<http://www.stdombenicia.org/reconciliation/>

Please pray for the recovery of the sick listed in our Book of Intentions and the following:



David & Paula Trejo
John Potter
James Kanne
Ophie Remigio
Teresa Madrigal
Leo De Joya
Dorothy Szabo

Michelle Jenest
Suzy Allen
Emilio Ermio
Gladys Haddad
Delia Roberson
Veronica Arkin

Please remember the following recently deceased parishioners (and their families) in your prayers:

Harry Wassman, Tommy Vogelphol, Patricia Moreira, Norm Koerner, Catherine "Jean" McInerney, Carole Rutherford, Dorothy Lindsay, Jose Gonzales, Alicia Lira, Harry Diavatis, Mathew Newman

Sick or remembrances will be listed for a period of 3 months

St. Vincent de Paul

**Helping Us, Help Others
Hurricane Relief**



As we all know Hurricane Harvey & Hurricane Irma hit Texas & Florida with one of our country's worst disasters ever. St. Vincent de Paul was and is there to help. At this point it is all emergency aid, but as the weeks go by the victims will need household supplies. St. Vincent de Paul will be there. We have a program called "house in a box". House in a box is all the needed supplies to get them started-sheets, blankets, plates, silverware, you get the idea. Each box costs \$1500.00. Any amount that you are able to give will help those in need. Please write checks to St. Vincent de Paul and be sure to write "Domestic Disaster Relief Fund" and turn in to the Parish Office.

Locally

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry are meeting regularly again the First Thursday of the month at 7:00PM in the 5th Grade classroom, so please join us!

To learn more about our ministry and get involved contact svdp@stdombenicia.org. Please consider donating kid-friendly food and snacks to the St. Vincent de Paul pantry. Cereal, peanut butter, jelly, mayo, granola/snack bars, crackers, fruit snacks; just to name a few.

If you know anyone who could use St. Vincent de Paul's help, please have them call [707-746-1773](tel:707-746-1773).

**Please patronize the following businesses owned by members of our parish community.
Their contributions each week underwrite our Parish Bulletin. Thank you!**

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