

Intentions for the Week

Mon 2/12	6:45 AM †Roselily Villcarlos 8:15AM †Valerie Quillin Miller
Tues 2/13	6:45 AM †Long Vo 8:15AM †Norman Gonsalves
Wed 2/14	6:45 AM Noer Ibrahim (B) 8:15AM †Ignacia A. Castro 4:00PM Rita Wergowske (T) 7:00PM †Edmundo Espinueva
Thurs 2/15	6:45AM †William Connolly 8:15AM Rolly Tayag (T)
Friday 2/16	6:45 AM Julianna Breece (B) 8:15AM †Jason De Joya
Sat 2/17	8:15AM Nym Bergerson & Family (T) 5:00PM †Sebastian Valderroma
Sun 2/18	7:30AM †The deceased members of the Kollman Family 9:00AM †Diana Yee Sang 10:45AM For the People of Parish 12:30PM †Rolando De Joya 5:00PM Marvin Bernabe (B)

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

**This Week's Flowers in Honor of
Patrick & Ilona Helmholz Anniversary**



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

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time February 11th, 2018

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Psalm 32:7, 1-2, 5, 11
1 Corinthians 10:31--11:1
Mark 1:40-45

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

Dominicans & Deacons

Fr. Jerome Cudden, O.P. Pastor
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 Intention Schedule:

Mass Intentions for May 2018 opened February 1st.
Please make requests in the Parish Office.

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Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, which begins the Lenten season. During Lent we are asked to focus on the three spiritual practices of prayer, fasting and alms giving.

Regarding prayer, I know we all lack for time. However, here are some suggestions to make the best use of the time you have for prayer. When driving in your car, why not turn off the radio and talk to God? When listening to music, why not listen to God-centric music? At work, ask God to allow the "secular" work you do to build up the kingdom of God. Instead of vegging out in front of the TV or Internet, take a few minutes each day to allow the silence of God into your lives. Finally, if possible, stop by a Church for a few minutes each day and say hello to God.

As for fasting, who of us could not skip a meal or snack? Not to sound cliché, but think of all the people in the world who struggle just to get enough calories to survive. Also, by saying no to ourselves from time to time we learn discipline. This discipline in smaller matters allows us to grow in virtue to say no when faced with larger challenges or temptations.

Finally, alms giving. While I know some in our parish struggle financially, we are materially blessed in this area. If you think about it, everything belongs to God and we should be willing to offer it joyfully back to Him. I know when God graces me with temporal goods and I am able to share them with others, it feels good. Also, while I do not believe in karma, it always seems that whatever I give away God always finds a way of giving it back to me.

Lent is such a grace-filled time, so please take advantage of these wonderful spiritual practices

God Bless,

Fr. Jerome

RCIA on Retreat

Please pray for our RCIA
Candidates and Catechumens
who are on retreat this weekend
as they prepare for their
Sacraments.

Parish Events

Br. Matthew's Bible Study: Exodus

Wednesdays, November 15th-February 28th, 7PM

In the Parish Hall or

Fridays, November 17th-February 23rd, 9AM

In the Mary Magdalene Room

Who am I to Judge? Lenten Series

Thursdays, February 1st- March 22nd, 9AM

In the Siena Room

World Marriage Day Mass & Dinner

TODAY Sunday, February 11th, 5PM

Dinner Reception following in Parish Hall with Tickets

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, February 13th, 7PM

In the Church

Ash Wednesday Schedule

Wednesday, February 14th, 2018

Mass & Ashes:

6:45AM, 8:15AM, 9:15AM (School Mass) & 4PM

7PM (In the Church & In the Parish Hall)

Ashes Only: 12:30PM

Stations of the Cross & Soup Suppers

Fridays, February 16-March 23rd, 6:30PM

In The Church with Soup Following in the Parish Hall

St. Patrick's Day Dinner Celebration Committee Meeting

Wednesdays, February 14th & March 7th, 7PM

In the Parish Office Conference Room

Presidents Day

Monday, February 19th, 2018

8:15AM Mass Only

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, February 25th, 8AM-12PM

Find complete event details in Parish Bulletin or online.

Order Today

AHG Popcorn Fun-raising!

Our St. Dominic's American Heritage

Girls (AHG) are taking orders for Popcornopolis flavored popcorn after Masses this weekend, February 10th & 11th. Orders may also be placed in the Parish Office between February 7 - March 7.



Popcorn orders will be available for pick up after Masses the weekend of March 24 & 25 or in the parish office after March 25, so they will be here before Easter. You can use them in Easter baskets or as a fun treat to share with family, friends & hosts! Please, help our parish troop raise money to offset operating costs and troop trips like camping!

For more info about AHG email AHGBenicia@gmail.com



Living out the Gospel here at St. Dominic's Parish

Your gift is
**the heart
of mercy**
in Northern California

Today we join with all the other parishes in our Diocese for the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal. The Annual Catholic Appeal is our annual tradition that connects us to thousands of people who need our help every day. Our generous gifts to the Appeal help our children find safety and hope, families break through desperate situations, marginalized individuals find the strength to rebuild lives of dignity, students in economically challenged communities remain in Catholic School and seminarians prepare for priestly service in our parishes. We may not be social workers, yet we are at the heart of mercy when we put our resources in the hands of social service programs and parish ministries that help lift people out of poverty.

Your gift will make a difference in someone's life. 25% of what you give is returned to our parish to assist people in our own community that need our help. As in years past, this money will be split between our St. Vincent de Paul ministry and tuition assistance at St. Dominic School. Last year we were able to give both ministries close to \$3,500 each. This year our goal is to give each of them at least \$5,000.

Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, really does make a difference. Please prayerfully consider what you can give as you read the testimonial from a St. Dominic School parent who currently receives tuition assistance.

"To this day, I treasure the time I spent in Catholic school. I believe it gave me the foundation I need to get through life's trials and tribulations, knowing that God is always by my side. My education has guided me long since my school days and helped me to become the person I am today.

When deciding where our children would go to school, we chose St. Dominic School. We made many sacrifices to make it work because I knew in my heart this education was worth more than a trip to Disneyland. When I suddenly became a single parent, the thought of my children losing the only school they had known was terrifying. I prayed that I would find a solution so they could continue at St. Dominic. I prayed as I never had prayed in my life for God's will, and whatever he had planned, I would accept. I decided I could not allow my pride to stand in the way of my children's education so I humbled myself and asked for help. God answered in a way I did not expect and I was blessed with tuition assistance so I could keep them at St. Dominic School.

Today, my children continue to thrive and are excelling in their education, faith, community, and giving back. My favorite part about them being at St. Dominic is that they do not have to be afraid to talk about God or church, and when they have questions, someone is always nearby to help. I know I am their first teacher in faith, but school should be a safe place for that too. At the end of the day isn't that what we want for our children? For them to have what they need without worry, and allow them to grow up with the tools they will need to guide them in their future. That is what Catholic education has given me and my children. With a grateful and humbled heart, I thank you for continuing to support Catholic education, and especially St. Dominic School."

Youth Ministry News

February ECHO Bible Series: There will be a teen Bible gathering on Tuesday, 13th, 20th, and 27th from 7:00-8:00 PM in the Siena Room. All are welcome.

40 Days for Life: There will be a teen Right to Life gathering on Friday, February 23rd, and March 9th & 23rd from 7:30-8:30 PM in the Siena Room. This focus group is led by Adriana Vree, a youth advisory council member. Join us for conversation and activities as we support 40 Days for Life.

Knots 4 Love: There is a Knots 4 Love gathering scheduled for Wednesday, February 28th from 7:00-8:00 PM in the Siena Room. All are welcome to help make blankets for those in need.

Looking ahead....there will be a youth gathering – Nighttime Capture the Flag – on Saturday, March 3rd from 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Please contact Lisa at ltoomey@stdombenicia.org to register for youth events.

Looking for additional ways to go deeper into Lent?

Please visit the Teen Ministry page on the parish website at www.stdombenicia.org.

Select Faith Formation, then Teen Ministry.

Upcoming teen opportunities are listed by date.



Confirmation News

YR I Confirmation: There will be a small group gathering on Monday, February 12th & 26th from 7:00-8:00 PM at the small group locations.

YR II Confirmation: There will be a small group gathering tonight February 11th and again on February 25th from 6:15-7:30 PM at the small group locations.

~LENT 2018 ~

#40DAYSMAKEITCOUNT

With Lent nearly upon us, here are some ways to think outside of the box to have a meaningful Lent. These ideas, and more, can be found on the LifeTeen website at LifeTeen.com.

Here are a few suggestions from Dom Quaglia, LifeTeen Blogger:

1. Text a different person every day for the 40 days. Affirm them, tell them how they make your world a better place, and ask how you can pray for them. Then, actually pray for them.
2. Set an alarm on your phone every day reminding you to pray. At that time, stop whatever you're doing and pray.
3. Read Scripture every day, and then post on social media daily about what stood out to you from that scripture. This will be a sacrifice especially since a lot of our friends may not know about our faith.
4. Set three different timers, spaced evenly throughout the day. At each one, stop and reflect on your day since the last timer and all that has happened. Try to see God in each moment, be mindful of His presence along the way, and thank Him.

Join the St. Patrick's Day Celebration Committee

The annual St. Patrick's Day and Anniversary of St. Dominic's Parish Celebration will be held on Saturday, March 17th at the Clock Tower ! That's right, on St. Patrick's Day this year!

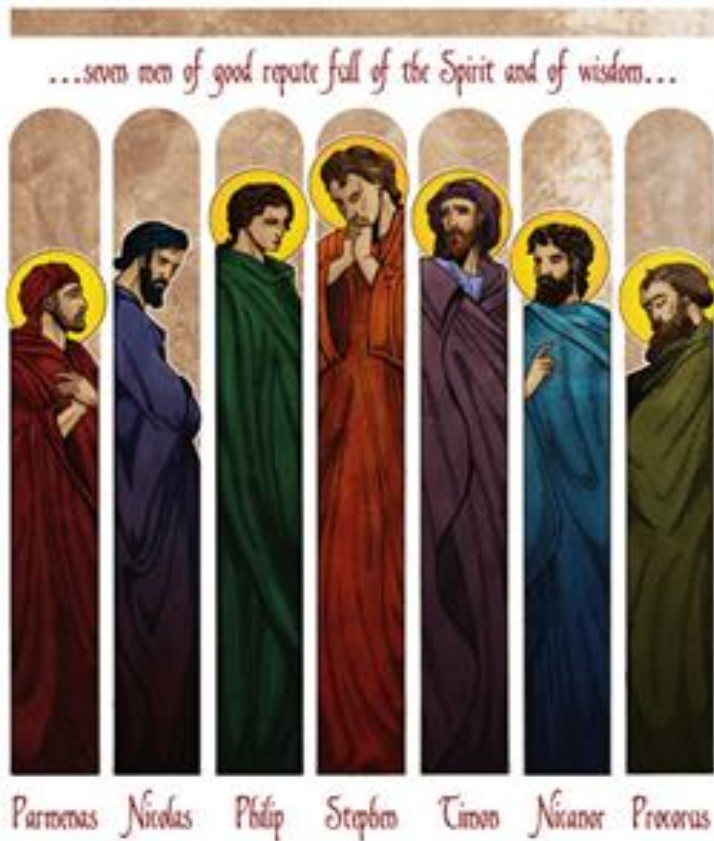
The committee is always looking for "short duration-high impact" parish volunteers for set up, decorations, and parents to supervise our student volunteers!

Committee Meets Wednesday, February 14th and Wednesday, March 7th at 7PM in the Parish Office/Rector's Conference Room!

Contact Joe Thurin at jmt1687@yahoo.com if you are interested.



Who is a Deacon?



Deacons share in Christ's mission and grace in a special way. The deacon is called not to the priesthood, not to offer sacrifice, but to *diakonia*, service. The sacrament of Holy Orders marks them with an imprint ("*character*") which cannot be removed and which configures them to Christ, who made himself the "*deacon*" or servant of all. Among other tasks, it is the task of deacons to assist the bishop and priests in the celebration of the divine mysteries, above all the Eucharist, in the distribution of Holy Communion, in assisting at and blessing marriages, in the proclamation of the Gospel and preaching, in presiding over funerals, and in dedicating themselves to the various ministries of charity.

Since the Second Vatican Council the Latin Church has restored the diaconate "*as a proper and permanent rank of the hierarchy*," while the Churches of the East had always maintained it. This permanent diaconate, which can be conferred on married men, constitutes an important enrichment for the Church's mission. Indeed it is appropriate and useful that men, who carry out a truly diaconal ministry in the Church, whether in its liturgical and pastoral life or whether in its social and charitable works, should "*be strengthened by the imposition of hands which has come down from the apostles. They would be more closely bound to the altar and their ministry would be made more fruitful through the sacramental grace of the diaconate.*"

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers

Eucharistic Ministers prayerfully serve the people of St. Dominic's by distributing the Body and Blood of Christ during Eucharistic celebrations.

Would you like to join this ministry this year? Training is less than one hour and we'd like you to serve at just one Mass per month!



Qualifications: A fully initiated Catholic, having celebrated the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and First Eucharist.

The EM retreat has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 10th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the church. Br. Matthew will begin with a talk followed by Fr. Jerome's training.

Any parishioner who is interested is welcome to join us as we are in need of more ministers.

Email Jo Ann Talken, EM Coordinator at EMHC@stdombenicia.org



February 25/26

Our Fr. Vilarrasa Council #7268

Knights of Columbus

will be taking up donations after all the Masses for their

**INTELLECTUAL
DISABILITIES DRIVE**

AND AFTERWARDS

ON SUNDAY

COME FOR BREAKFAST

in the Parish Hall

8:00 am - 12:00 noon



Proceeds will go towards Tuition Scholarships for our Parish Kids!



Join us for an Hour of Contemplation in front of the Blessed Sacrament, Tuesdays 8-9 PM In Church

CURRENT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION NEEDS

MONDAY 12 PM
(Weekly or alternating weeks)
Call James Werder @ 853-3107

WEDNESDAY 1 AM
(Once every six-week rotation = 8x a year)
Call Marie Earp @ 548-0899

THURSDAY 1 PM
(Every 2nd week = 12x a year)
Call Millie Resendes @ 246-9015

FRIDAY 10 AM
(Every 2nd & 4th weeks)
Call Colleen Haight @ 644-1337

SUNDAY 2 PM
(Once every five-week rotation = 10x a year)
Call Amy Collins @ 567-0808

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Hours:

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

Scheduled Adorer Hours Only: 8PM – 7AM in the Adoration Chapel

If you have questions about Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Shirley Cortez @ [707-208-2004](tel:707-208-2004) or Joji Holzwarth @ [707-704-8779](tel:707-704-8779).

“Blessed are those who mourn: they shall be comforted” (MT 5:4)

Grief is a normal human reaction; an emotional, spiritual and physical response to a great loss. Grief is a process, a journey, that takes the mourner from the initial shock to acceptance of the reality of the loss.

The grief journey varies in duration with each individual. There are ups and downs, but the journey is seldom short. To understand the complexities of the Grief process, **please join us!**

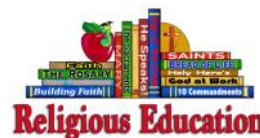


Grief Support Series
Saturdays, February 10th—March 17th
at 11AM in the Aquinas Room.

Email consolation@stdombenicia.org for more information.

RE & Children's Sacrament Prep

Weekly Religious Education classes (Tue/Wed) are back in session for 2018 with the following breaks in observance of the Holy seasons:



Easter Break

No Class Mar 27-28, 2018
No Class Apr 03-04, 2018
Classes end May 22-23, 2018

Children's Sacrament

Please keep in your prayers all the children who received their Sacrament of First Reconciliation and are preparing to receive their First Holy Eucharist.



Any questions or concerns contact Deb Thurin at 335-4688 or dthurin@stdombenicia.org

New Lenten Series

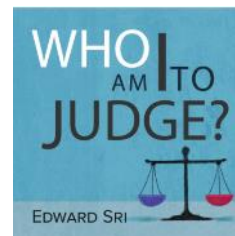
Mark your calendars for a new Lenten series, “Who Am I to Judge?”

Led by Deacon Errol with video presentations featuring Edward Sri

Thursdays, February 1—March 22, 9AM-10:30AM, In the Siena Room

In this small group study, attend eight sessions featuring Edward Sri. We'll explore the classical view of morality and find that it's not merely a set of guiding principles for theoretical situations—it is an entire way of life. Topics by session:

1. Don't Impose Your Morality on me
2. Recovering the basics: virtue and friendship
3. Real freedom, real love
4. The lost “art” of living
5. Engaging moral relativism
6. “I disagree” doesn't mean “I hate you”
7. Exposing the mask: What Relativism often covers up
8. What is truth? Answering common questions



**These sessions count toward SDS Catechism Hours*

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

John (Sherm)
Passalacqua
Kim McElhaney
Gladys Haddad
Maria Bongco
Andy Moelk
Ricky Campbell

Mildred Dubas
Diane Rieschick
Gloria Peterson
J. Raymond Kim
Leo De Joya
Dorothy Szabo
Suzy Allen



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

Diane Wassmann, Sr. Claire Herlihy, OP, Brian Ferrucci, William Gilbert, Timothy Smock, Maria Del Resugio, Augusto Duran, Beverly Bettencourt, Fr. Patrick LaBelle, OP, Ofelia Remigio, Daphnie Anies, Bernadette Lintao, Rogelio Cruz, Ian Brooks, Gail Krehlik, Lucille Medolari, Shirley Ribera, Andy Adao Lorico, Jr., Norman Gonsalves

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

SVDP Needs

Please help us stock our pantry this winter. We are in need of mayo, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, canned vegetables, canned fruit, soups, beef stew, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, fruit cups, etc.



If you know anyone who could use St. Vincent de Paul's help, please have them call **707-746-1773**.

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry meets the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the 5th Grade classroom. To learn more about our ministry and get involved

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT
7/1/17-1/31/18

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	+ / - Budget
Sunday Offertory			
Envelopes & Loose	\$ 394,551	N/A	N/A
Electronic Giving	\$ 215,158	N/A	N/A
Total Sunday Offertory	\$ 609,709	\$ 583,333	\$ 26,376
Restricted Donations:			
Building Improvement	\$ 31,873	\$ 26,250	\$ 5,623
Faith Formation	\$ 7,105	\$ 7,000	\$ 105
St. Dominic School	\$ 9,212	N/A	N/A
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 48,535	* N/A	N/A

*Includes Fire Relief

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

A & S Chem Dry 707-748-7726 Anthony & Shelly Trevino <i>Serving St. Dominic's Parish for 18 years!</i>	Hamann Real Estate 513 First Street Tim and Jeannie Hamann/Broker-Owners 707-747-9300	Re/Max Real Estate Maria Gema Rapolla-(707)333-9858 426 First Street- Servicio en Español
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