Palm Sunday of The Passion of the Lord
April 14, 2019

Isaiah 50:4-7
Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
Philippians 2:6-11

“Hosanna to the Son of David”

St. Dominic’s is a Catholic Parish Inspired by Dominican Spirituality Igniting the Faith for the Salvation of Souls

Mass Intentions

Sun 04/14
7:30 am (B) Robyn Hu
9:00 am (H) John Henry
10:45 am (D) Benjamin Esposo
12:30 pm (H) Harris Ingle, Jr.
5:00 pm (T) People of the Parish

Mon 04/15
6:45 am (D) Calixto Ereno
8:15 am (D) Valerie Quillin Miller

Tues 04/16
6:45 am (D) Calixto Ereno
8:15 am (D) Sigrid Castro Vargas

Wed 04/17
6:45 am (D) Leo de Joya
8:15 am (D) Benjamin Esposo

Legend: (D) Deceased (H) Health (A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

Due to an overwhelming number of requests, there are no mass intentions currently available.
August Intentions open on May 1st.

In Observation of Lent
No Altar Flowers
Flower Intentions are available for June & July.

Student Learning Expectation Award for Thought

Third Scrutiny in preparation for Sacraments

2019 Vacation Bible Camp
The best week of the summer!

ROAR!
June 17 - 21
(K-5th Grade)

Early Registration
April 21-May 19
Registration closes June 2
Register or Volunteer at: stdombenicia.org/vbc

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(707) 747-7220 www.stdombenicia.org @stdombenicia
Pastor’s Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Although innocent, Jesus was betrayed with a kiss, falsely accused, mocked, abandoned by His peers, beaten and tortured. While He would be justified in wiping out all those involved, Jesus, as He was nailed to the Cross, says, “Father, forgive them, they know not what they do.” There is nothing we can do to prevent God from offering us His forgiveness.

However, we also see in the Gospel the human rejection of God’s offer. One of the thieves refuses to take responsibility for his actions. He does not repent. In fact, he mocks Jesus. All the thief is interested in is getting off the cross and getting away with his crime. Yet, there is no such thing as easy grace.

The other thief, the Good Thief, recognizes his sin, asks for forgiveness and it is immediately given to him. Repentance and asking for forgiveness are all that is needed to have any sin forgiven. Once this was done, Jesus told him his reward will be Paradise.

So, if there is a sin in your life or you feel distant from God, please know there is nothing you have done that would merit God condemning you if you ask for God’s forgiveness. Please feel free to speak with one of the priests or me if you are feeling away from God and want to return to His loving grace.

Happy Passion Sunday,

Fr. Jerome

Schedule of Masses

Monday - Friday
6:45 am and 8:15 am Daily

Saturday
8:15 am Daily
5:00 pm Vigil

Sunday
7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:45 am
12:30 pm Spanish / English
5:00 pm Youth

1st Sunday of Month
3:00 pm Vietnamese

Weekly Confession

Saturday
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
In the Church
Or by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Open to the public
7:00 am - 8:00 pm daily
In the Adoration Chapel

Tuesday
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm
In the Church

Seder Meal  
Tickets On Sale Now!
Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00 pm  
doors open at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall

Tickets may be purchased as a table of 8 only. They are $10 each seat plus a potluck contribution for the table, which may be salad, white rice, colored boiled eggs, cookies, red wine or $3 extra for table service, as specified on the tickets. Full table of 8 for $86.

Tickets are now available in the parish office.

Check out our website for more information  
www.stdombenicia.org

Parish Financial Report  
7/1/2018-03/31/2019

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Upcoming Events

Opening the Word
Lent Through Easter
Mondays, March 11th - June 10th at 9:15 am
In the Ministry Center Siena Room

Seder Meal
Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00 pm
In the Parish Hall

Holy Triduum & Easter
See Ad to the right

Divine Mercy Dinner
All are welcome
Sunday, April 28th at 6:00 pm
In the Parish Hall

Arguments for the Existence of God
with Br. Patrick Rooney, O.P.
Tuesday, April 30th
9:15 am & 7:00 pm in Parish Hall

Holy Triduum Liturgies

April 18th ~ Holy Thursday
In the Church
Tenebrae 8:15 am
Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7:00 pm
Reposition to follow in the Parish Hall
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until The
Farewell Discourses of Jesus Christ at 11:30 pm

April 19th ~ Good Friday
In the Church
Tenebrae 8:15 am
Seven Last Words of Christ 12:00 pm
Veneration of the Cross & Communion 2:00 pm
Bilingual Veneration of the Cross & Communion 4:00 pm
Veneration of the Cross & Communion 7:00 pm

April 20th ~ Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil
In the Church
Tenebrae 8:15 am
Service of Light (Courtyard) & Easter Vigil Mass 8:15 pm
Reception to follow in the Ministry Center

April 21st ~ Easter Sunday Mass Times
Sunrise Mass at St. Dominic’s Cemetery 6:30 am
(If Inclement weather Mass will be in the Parish Hall at 7:00 am)
7:00 am In the Church
9:00 am & 11:00 am
In the Church and the Parish Hall
12:30 pm (Bilingual) In the Church

All Hands on Deck for Easter!

Help is Needed
Saturday, April 20th
9:00 am in the Church

Looking for volunteer opportunities? Setting up our church environment for Easter Liturgy is a big job, lots of hands make light work. All are welcome!

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps the Christians in the Holy Land.

Your Support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic Schools and offer religious education. The Pontification Good Friday Collection helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

God Bless your generosity!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday.
Pilgrimage to Turkey & Greece
September 16-27, 2019
With Fr. James Moore, O.P.

Join us as we visit some of the cities of St. Paul’s letters and travels: Ephesus, Corinth, and Troas. We will also visit Patmos, where St. John was taken up to heaven, and six of the seven churches mentioned in the Book of Revelation chapter 2-3: Ephesus, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Laodicea, and Philadelphia. On our pilgrimage we will visit the Church of the Virgin Mary, the House of Mary, and the Tomb of St. Luke. We will also visit the Hagia Sophia, which is one of the Seven Wonders of the World, in Constantinople. Other cities we will visit include Athens, Delphi, and Troy.

Complete details available online at stdombenicia.org
Mondays with Deacon Errol
March 11th - June 10th
9:15 - 10:30 am
Ministry Center Siena Room

~Meets SDS Catechism Requirement~
Welcome to Opening the Word, a program offering prayer and insights for the Sunday Readings. Featuring a variety of experienced presenters including Dr. Tim Gray, Jules Miles, Dr. Scott and Annie Powell, Dr. Edward Sri, and Dr. Ben Akers, the videos are designed to facilitate thought and discussion for personal faith formation or in the context of a group meeting. Personal Prayer Journals and a group Leader’s Guides are also available to make the most of these Sunday Readings.

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Tamale Sale
Pre-order today!
Deadline: Sunday
April 28, 2019
Semi-Annual Tamale Sale!
All sales are by pre-order
Pick-Up: Sunday, May 5th
In the Parish Hall, 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Placing Orders:
Patricia Chavez at 707-642-4513 or
Antonio Gomez at 707-333-0146 or
guadalupana@stdombenicia.org

This fundraiser benefits St. Dominic’s Church, Guadalupana Ministry and our celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe.
$20/dozen Cash or Checks

Thank you for your support!
Palm Sunday
Of the Passion of the Lord

This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, the beginning of Holy Week. We gather to celebrate the beginning of Jesus’ passage from life to death to new life: the Paschal Mystery. Like all the other liturgies of Holy Week, the liturgy of Palm Sunday has an interesting history.

The origin of the liturgy of Palm Sunday can be found in writings from the fifth century. The diary of Egeria the Pilgrim describes a day in which Christians of Jerusalem used to gather in the early afternoon on the Mount of Olives for a lengthy liturgy of the word. Then, toward evening they would go in procession into Jerusalem, carrying palm or olive branches. The first time that we hear of a liturgy similar to what we celebrate this weekend is in the eighth century.

The custom of blessing palms was found in writings in the middle of the eighth century. It is interesting to note that palm and olive branches were only obtained in southern countries. The practice was adapted to include green and blossoming branches of other trees in countries where palm and olive branches were not available. Ponce de Leon, the Spanish explorer, arrived at the territory known today as the state of Florida on Palm Sunday in 1513. He named the area “Florida” because of the abundance of flowers and because flowers were the substitutes for palms in his native country of Spain.

Trust in the power of the blessed palm branches led to some interesting practices throughout the years. For example, people often ate the buds and shoots of the blessed palms to ward off sickness. Farmers planted palm branches in the forms of crosses in the field or burned them there to ward off storms. People also fastened blessed palms to the crucifixes in their homes in order to protect residents from adversity. It took many years for people to understand that these objects held no magical powers but were symbols meant to express and stimulate faith, hope and love.

The text of the Byzantine Vespers tells of the dualistic nature of this liturgy. “Passing from one divine feast to another, from palms and branches, let us now make haste, O faithful, to the solemn and saving celebration of Christ’s passion. Let us behold him undergo voluntary suffering for our sake, and let us sing to him with thanksgiving a fitting hymn: Fountain of tender mercy and haven of salvation, O Lord, glory to you!”

Francisco Ortiz
Music Director
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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Retired

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

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Please remember the following recently deceased

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

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**American Heritage Girls**

**Troop CA1214**

**Bring a Friend Day**

May 15th at 4:00 pm

In the Ministry Center

Girls ages 5-18 who want to have a great time with friends, participate in fun activities, earn badges and serve in their community. You are welcome to visit our amazing troop and check it out. We meet the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month during the school year.

For more information email: AHG@stdombenicia.org

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**Together We Do More**

God bless the generous donations of our parishioners. St. Vincent de Paul was able to help the needs of our Benicia community during the month of March 2019.

- 77 calls assisting 261 individuals
- Food: 62 deliveries
- Lodging Assistance: $195
- Rent Assistance: $300
- Utility Assistance: $2,437
- Misc. Assistance: $388
- Totals for those served: $4,966

Delivered 21 large bags of donated clothing to the prison ministry for those released from the Solano County jail. Additionally, we provided $1,000 to the SVdP Conference in Guerneville to help replace their flood damaged food pantry.
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