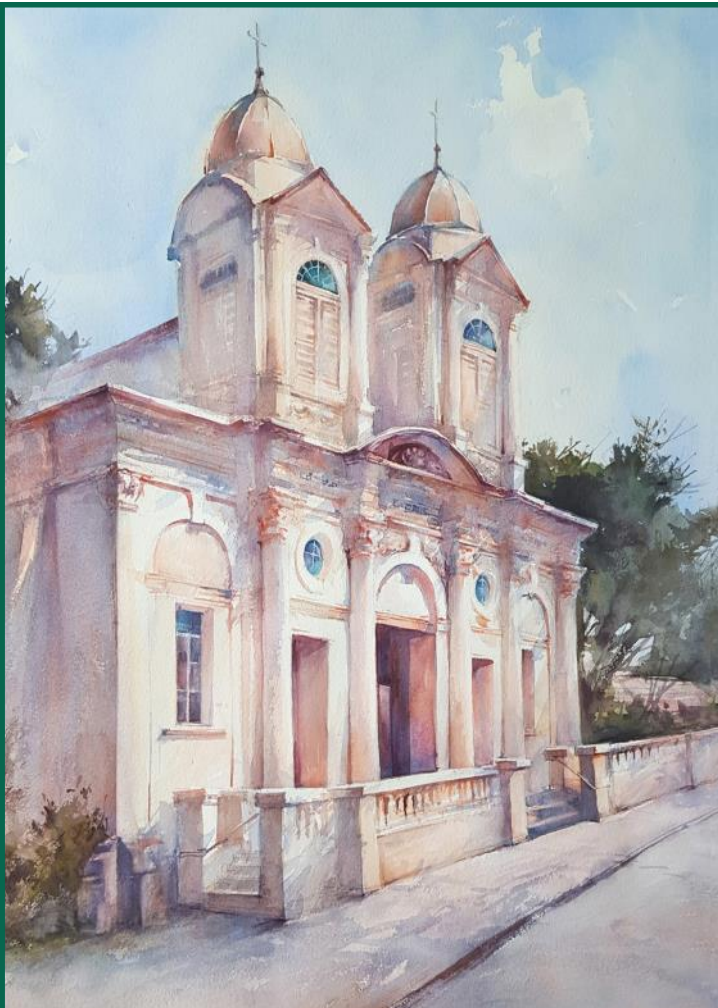


15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 16, 2023

Is 55:10-11
Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14
Rom 8:18-23
Mt 13:1-23

“The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.”



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

Altar Flowers for Health of Siong Beng & Conrado Tan

Mass Intentions

Sun	07/16	7:30 a.m.	(T) OLMC Lay Carmelite
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Juan & Carmen Espinosa
		11:00 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Javier Quiroz
Mon	07/17	6:45 a.m.	(B) Michael Bernabe
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Linus Lorica
Tues	07/18	6:45 a.m.	(B) Michael Gabriel Altera
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Jean Mont-Eton
Wed	07/19	6:45 a.m.	(B) Matthew Javier Bernabe
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Peter Lee
Thurs	07/20	6:45 a.m.	(R) Renato Asercion
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Tommy Thompson
Fri	07/21	6:45 a.m.	(R) Renato Asercion
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Lydia Leveriza
Sat	07/22	8:15 a.m.	(R) Jackie Daniel
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Artur & Lourdes Cardoso
Sun	07/23	7:30 a.m.	(A) Rowaldo & Antonio Saulog
		9:00 a.m.	(I) People of the Parish
		11:00 a.m.	(R) The Bettencourt Family
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Jose Trinidad Gomez

Legend:

(R) Repose of the Soul (H) Health (I) Prayerful Intention
(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

Mass Intentions

September 2023 Intentions Opens August 1

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



Vickie Dorsch, Arlene Saitz, Sherry Thomas, Pat Droszcz, Barbara Helms, Maria Lupe Sanchez, Greg Gormley, Joshua Chavez-Carroll, Colin Larkin, Jerry Schilz, Pauline Soop, Alma Johnson, Lee Schaffner, Barbara Flores, Rob Lustan, Nita Calvo, Mel Gaoen, Sean Daly, Russell & Jackie Ho, Laura Carnes Dietrich, Lisa Santini, Liz Thurin, Rosie & Don Klatt, Aurora Basilio, Leonor Cruel, Mark Nees, Lilian Fajardo, Margaret Lobo, Gregory Quillin, Albert Tan Co, Ron Pearman, Patricia Weber, Bernice Cure, Margaret Haddad, Donna W., Gladys Haddad, Julia Haddad, Pete & Dorothy Szabo

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

Darla Cady O'Donnell, Bonnie Adams, Christopher Strawbridge, Violeta Sarmiento, Mary Anne Lovelace, Adelfa Raymundo, Carrie Foley, Adelfa Raymundo, Robert Krupp, Marcelo Misleng, James Mazariegos, Marcial Bocaling, Bradley J. Francis, Concepcion Paramo, Stephen Michael Sanchez, Joseph Lindley, Lisa Corsi, Alex Espinosa
~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows



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Pastor's Corner



This Sunday's Gospel about the sower and the seed reminds me of a key lesson I learned while growing up about spreading the faith. I saw many people either revert or convert to the faith in my house through my mother's influence, and her approach showed that

evangelization was a numbers game. Sometimes the seeds of faith we offer land on rocky ground, sometimes they hit soil that receives them for only a little while, but other times those seeds find rich soil. If you spread lots of seeds, even if you know many will not take root, you're bound to get a better harvest than if you were super-sparing. Growing up, I observed that as people got to know my mom, it was not long before her faith manifested itself in her conversations with them. If people showed interest, my mom thought, "Great!" If they signaled disinterest, that did not demoralize her. She did not agonize over how to change the person's mind. She simply kept allowing her faith to emerge in conversations with new people, and while nothing happened with many seeds, many others took root and were fruitful in well-disposed soil.

Christ's image of a sower casting seeds every which way seems to suggest he wants our evangelical lives to be somewhat breezy. He does not want us to be unhelpfully anxious about whether or not our faith is rejected by others. Implicit to the parable is a promise that such rejection indeed will happen. If we are unable to have at least somewhat of a breezy attitude about that, we ought to ask ourselves why. For me, in the past, sometimes the problem was that when it came to making my faith known to others, I was too concerned with a particular person's approval, coveting, to some extent, the flattery of that person's affirmation. Such a divided heart is bad for us and bound to undermine evangelization in some way.

Another reason I imagine Jesus' sower spreads seeds in a seemingly indiscriminate way is that it is often difficult to perceive what kind of proverbial soil we may be dealing with at any given time. Growing up, sometimes I saw people present passionate interest in my parents' faith at one point, and then not long after that interest revealed itself to have been a temporary phase. There have been other times when I offered faithful words to a person who seemed unmoved by what I had said, only to discover later the remark I made had a profoundly helpful effect on the person. It should be no surprise Jesus likens evangelization to a sower who spreads seed in a free and generous way. Soil can be difficult to judge, and evangelization is a numbers game!

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Upcoming Events

Family Movie Night

Mondays, June 5-August 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Parish Hall

July 17:

The Hunchback of Notre Dame

Br. John Paul Series

Theology through Beauty:

The *Summa* in Paint of Blessed Fra Angelico, OP

Wednesdays, June 7-July 26 at 6:30 p.m.
Parish Hall

Young Adult Night

Bible Study & Game Competition

Tuesday, July 20 at 7:00

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study

8:00 p.m. - Pictionary Competition
Parish Hall

Mothers Ministry Meeting

3rd Saturday of Month at 9:00 a.m.

Next Meeting: July 22

Mary Magdalene Room

Blessing of the Mural

Saturday, July 22 at 10:00 a.m.
Church

ADORE - Family Night

Friday, July 28 at 5:30

5:30 p.m. - Parish Hall

6:00 p.m. - Church

Rosary for the Sick & Eucharistic Revival

Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Church & Livestreamed

SAVE THE DATE

Feast of St. Dominic

August 13

SAVE THE DATE

**Fr. Andy's Installation
& Parish Festival**

September 10

**Look for Br. John Paul, young
adults and youth at the
Farmer's Market
downtown on Thursdays!**

FREE  **FREE**

SUMMER MONDAY MOVIE NIGHTS

COME JOIN US FOR THE SUMMER MOVIE NIGHTS ON MONDAYS THIS SUMMER, STARTING JUNE 5, BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY! THERE IS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE! POPCORN AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED. SEE YOU AT THE PARISH HALL!

Doors Open 6:00 p.m. Refreshments Provided

Movie 6:30 p.m.

FREE

JULY 17:
THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME
JULY 24:
THE WAY OF ST. JAMES
JULY 31:
HORTON HEARS A WHO
AUGUST 7:
THE BIBLE COLLECTION, PAUL
AUGUST 14:
STAR WARS: THE LAST JEDI

JUNE 5 - AUGUST 14, 2023

FAITH **ST. DOMINIC'S** **FUN**
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MINISTRIES

Confirmation

YR I Confirmation Registration for the 2023-24 school year will begin in July. The online registration form will be posted on the church website under the confirmation tab. For more information, please contact Lisa at ltoomey@stdombenicia.org.



Theology through Beauty: The *Summa* in Paint of Blessed Fra Angelico, O.P. Series with Br. John Paul

We will contemplate the core mysteries of the Christian Faith through the paintings of Bl. Fra Angelico, OP, the patron saint of artists. Pope St John Paul II describes this 15th-century Dominican best. "Spiritual son of Saint Dominic, he expressed his "summa" of the divine mysteries with his brush, just as Thomas Aquinas enunciated it with theological language." This will not be abstract theology but a practical school of prayer and meditation on Scripture with the help of this great artist who contemplated the Sacred humanity of Jesus Christ and shared the fruits of his contemplation. The beauty of his art can practically heal the wounded imagination and deepen our relationship with Jesus and Mary.

Wednesdays
June 7 - July 26, 2023
6:30 p.m.
Parish Hall
July 19:

Death on a Cross
Tuesday, July 25 (Moved to Tuesday):
The Resurrection

Summer Singers

11:00 a.m. Mass: Our 11:00 a.m. choir is taking a summer break after Sunday's (June 11) Mass. During summer months, we invite everyone who likes to sing to join our Summer Singers for uplifting and simple hymn singing! We'll gather at 10:30 a.m. by the choir stalls every Sunday - come and join us!

Young Adult **BIBLE STUDY &**

Game Competition



ST. DOMINIC'S
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WITH BR.
JOHN PAUL

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Bible Study

8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Pictionary

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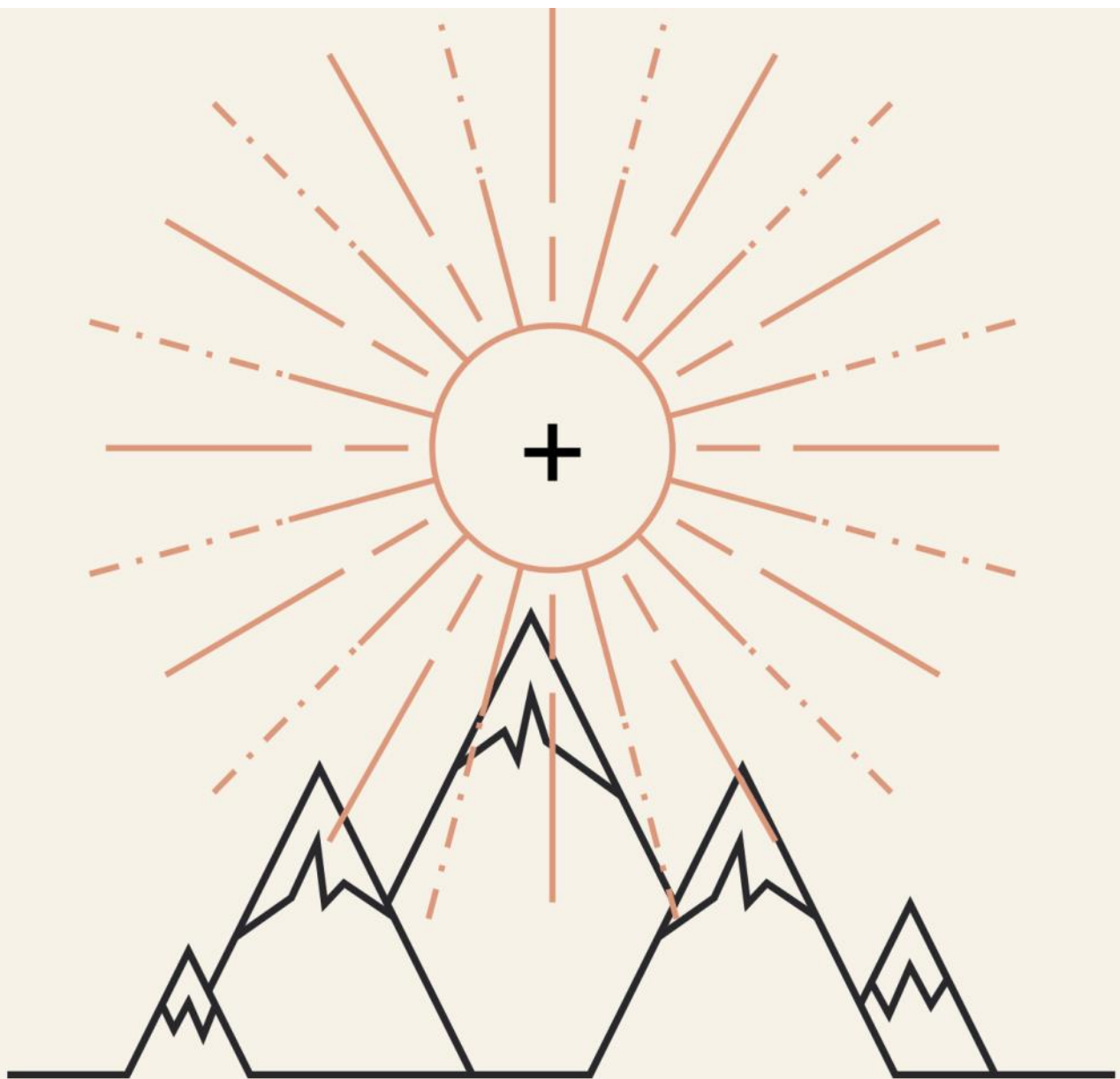
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PARISH HALL

THURSDAY - JULY 20, 2023

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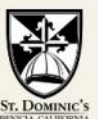
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F O R T H E F A M I L Y

Friday, July 28, 2023

5:30 p.m. Snacks/Potluck - Parish Hall

6:00 p.m. Holy Half Hour - Church

MOTHERS@STDOMBENICIA.ORG



Chant Camp

*Children learn to sing
our Catholic sacred music!*



Ages 9-17

July 31 - August 4, 2023

9:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

At St. Dominic's, Benicia

This unique singing camp is led by Mary Ann Carr Wilson, a trained music teacher and expert in vocal performance. Mary Ann excels in teaching groups of young people to sing and gain confidence through team vocal training, music instruction, and fun team building activities.

Camp offers kids:

- ✦ A fun way to learn the unique style of Gregorian chant
- ✦ Interactive instruction on the Mass
- ✦ Confidence through team vocal training
- ✦ A special Mass on Friday, followed by pizza party



Mary Ann Carr Wilson

To sign up or for adult volunteers email Lori
ltelepak@stdombenicia.org.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - Livestreamed
 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m. (Spanish/English)

First Sunday of month Vietnamese Mass – 3:00 p.m.

Daily Mass

Monday – Friday: 6:45 a.m.

Monday – Saturday: 8:15 a.m. - Live-streamed

Confession Times

Tuesday & Thursday 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

Saturday 3:30 p.m.

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Mike & Sara Monahan - emhc@stdombenicia.org

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Shannon Carter - gift@stdombenicia.org

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♦ St. Vincent de Paul

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Our ministries are back to their regular monthly meetings on campus. Please email and find out more about them and how you can join! They look forward to hearing from you.

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PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

7/1/2022-5/31/2022

	YTD	YTD	+/-
	Actual	Budget	Budget
Sunday Offertory	\$ 906,308	\$ 969,583	\$ (63,276)
Second Collections:			
<i>Building Improvement</i>	\$ 43,769	\$ 36,667	\$ (7,102)
<i>Faith Formation</i>	\$ 9,871	\$ 8,892	\$ 979
<i>SDS Tuition Assistance</i>	\$ 22,851		
<i>St. Vincent de Paul</i>	\$ 71,585		

Total Operating Income \$ 1,099,677 \$1,165,000 \$ (65,323)

Operating Expenses \$ 1,218,166 \$1,164,437 \$ 53,729

Net Income/Loss \$ (118,489) \$ 563 \$ (119,052)

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