# Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 11, 2024

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 1 Cor 10:31—11:1 Mk 1:40-4<u>5</u>

"I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation."

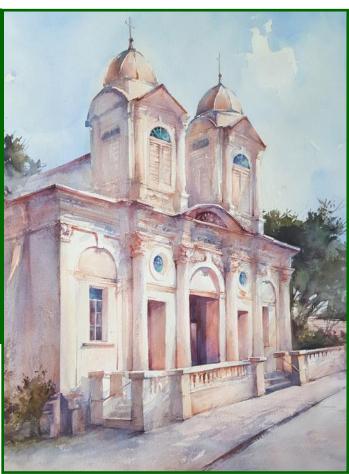


St. Dominic's is a Catholic Parish Inspired by Dominican Spirituality Igniting the Faith for the Salvation of Souls

### Altar Flowers in Memory of John Ruszel Mass Intentions

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Sat	02/10		(R) Steven Sarnicola		
Sun	02/11		(T) People of the Parish		
			(R) Michael Diepenbrock		
			(T) Our Lady of Lourdes		
			(H) Rolando Cortez		
Mon	02/12		(R) Leo Mangoba		
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Alex Espinosa		
Tues	02/13	6:45 a.m.	(H) Joji Holzwarth		
			(R) de Joya & Masbad Families		
Wed	02/14		(T) People of the Parish		
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Brothers & Sisters of the		
			Dominican Laity		
		4:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish		
		7:00 p.m.	(R) Deceased Family of Dominicans		
Thurs	02/15	6:45 a.m.	(T) Rolando Tayag		
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Kenneth Rogers		
Fri	02/16	6:45 a.m.	(H) Zenaida Tan		
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Ed Gonzales		
Sat	02/17	8:15 a.m.	(T) Sr. Young Lang Mary Christina Kwon		
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Artur Cardoso		
Sun	02/18	7:30 a.m.	(R) Dr. Gil Wergowski		
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Harry Case		
		11:00 a.m.	(R) Christopher Strawbridge		
		1:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish		
Legend:					

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



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



Marsha Morse, Tim Tatom, Sean Salvatin, John Lydon, Rolando Cortez, Paul Cruel, Joshua Oehler, Meredith Morrow, Laura Starkey, Cheena Gutierrez, Maria de Fatima Pereira, Eileen Hayes, Barbara Donley, Cecilia Tan, Sherry Thomas, Barbara Helms, Greg Gormley, Joshua Chavez-Carroll, Colin Larkin, Jerry Schilz, Pauline Soop, Alma Johnson, Lee Schaffner, Barbara Flores, Rob Lustan, Nita Calvo, Mel Gaoaen, Sean Daly, Jackie Ho, Laura Carnes Dietrich, Lisa Santini, Liz Thurin, Rosie & Don Klatt, Aurora Basilio, Leonor Cruel, Mark Nees, Lilian Fajardo, Albert Tan Co, Ron Pearman, Patricia Weber, Bernice Cure, Margaret Haddad, Monika Pangelinan, Gladys Haddad, Julia Haddad, Pete & Dorothy Szabo

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

John Joseph Varni, Justavo Tiburcio, Dennis Silveria, Sue Hayes, Matthew Colucci, Gloria de Castro, Victoria Montgomery, Harlon Moore, Elda Slaviero, Darrell Perry, Mark Meagher, Olivia Curran, Larry Whitney, Brigitte Michael, Elizabeth McWalters, Apolonia Reyes, Cecelia Siu, Ross Martino, Maria Lupe Sanchez, James Donahue, Russell Ho, Robert Coronado, Andrew Kinane, Jack Curran

~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows













### **Pastor's Corner**



Well, with this Sunday is World Marriage Day in the Catholic Church! Marriage is a very important sacrament for us to promote and celebrate, because good, healthy marriages and families are so essential to a flourishing society. This is because an ideally thriving society has at its core the Church, and, as Catholics,

we consider the family the, "Domestic Church." It is certainly true that families can help us to grow in holiness. Three weeks ago, I had the privilege of assisting at the wedding of a friend of mine in Sacramento at Sacred Heart Parish where I was a parishioner as a young adult. This friend was becoming a Lay Dominican around the time I was discerning my vocation with the Western Dominican Province. It was such a joy to serve at her wedding because for as long as I have known her, she has had a deep desire for the kind of shared community life that either vowed religious life or marriage and family can provide. She observed that living with people to whom one had to be accountable in a spiritual way was a valuable means to becoming more aware of one's character flaws and having an incentive to work with God's help to correct them. This is because when we live with people, they indeed very often do encourage us to smooth out the personal rough edges that can make us difficult people with whom to live. Additionally, living with people who annoy us sometimes can provide many occasions on which to die to ourselves and grow in patience, which can give us extra resilience that ends up being helpful in the face of future difficulties in life. Also, learning to love people through good times and bad enables us to love more deeply. Both married life, as well as community life bound by religious vows are meant to offer us these opportunities for character growth. This is not to say, of course, that all people in marriages and religious communities necessarily utilize these opportunities for growth. For example, it is not uncommon even for people who identify as devoutly Catholic to treat the unbreakable nature of the marriage bond as cause for license to slack off from being the best versions of themselves for their spouses. I always plead with the couples I prepare for marriage to commit to striving to be the best versions of themselves for their spouses every day when they wake up each morning. I remind them the grace of their sacramental marriage bond will be key to making this goal a reality. Many couples enter into marriage seeking a "happily-ever-after." The impulse to strive for this is good, so long as the ultimate happily-ever-after husbands, wives, and kids are reaching for is Heaven!

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# **Upcoming Events**

SVdP Hawaii Raffle Ticket Sales Saturday & Sunday, February 10/11 After All Masses

#### Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 14 6:45 & 8:15 a.m. Masses 12:30 p.m. Prayer Service with Ashes 4:00 & 7:00 p.m. Masses

Annual Catholic Appeal
Saturday & Sunday, February 17/18
At All Masses

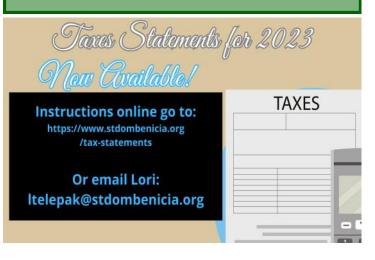
Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper
Fridays, February 16 - March 22
6:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross in Church
Followed by Soup in the Hall

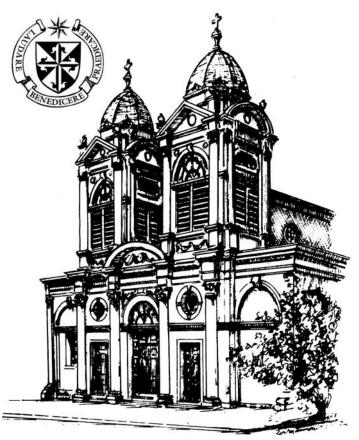
February 16 - St. Dominic's School
February 23 - Hospitality
March 1 - Knights of Columbus
March 8 - Laity / Adoration
March 15 - St. Vincent de Paul / Gabriel Project
March 22 – Asoc. Guadalupana

Mini Retreat with Br. Anselm Saturday, March 9 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Church

St. Dominic's 170th Anniversary & St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday, March 16
Mass at 5:00 p.m.
Followed by Dinner at the Benicia Clock Tower
Tickets go on sale at all Masses starting
March 2/3 & 9/10





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170 Gyears





# **Coffee Hour Fellowship**

Sundays after 11:00 a.m. Mass Parish Hall 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

### **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

This will be our last week for coffee and fellowship, we will take a break during Lent. Please join us for Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper on Fridays instead!

We look forward to starting back up again sometime after Easter, thank you!







### **CONFIRMATION**

Please keep the YR II Candidates for Confirmation in your prayers as they anticipate receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, April 19th. Come Holy Spirit!

### YR II CONFIRMATION

**Monday, February 26,** 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Teen Gathering - Church

### YR I CONFIRMATION

**Monday, February 26,** 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Teen Gathering - Church

## **Youth Ministry - Winter**

Wednesday, February 28, 6:00 p.m. Teen Leadership Meeting

Wednesday, February 28, 7:00 p.m.
Creative Art Workshop

Saturday, March 2, TBA Teen Game Night Competition



We understand during these times it has been especially difficult for those grieving.
You are not alone. We are here for you.
St. Dominic's Grief Group is having a new series of sessions, come to one or all 6 weeks!

Saturdays February 24 - March 30, 2024 11:00 a.m.

In the Ministry Center - Aquinas Room

We are also available by phone or email.

Please reach out to Patti Erickson
at grief@stdombenicia.org or call 650.455.3766.







WATCH APPEAL VIDEO

Annual Catholic Appeal helps us bring Christ's saving mercy to our brothers and sisters 25% comes back to our parish for our own outreach to those in need. On the weekend of February 17-18, 2024 we will have the opportunity to offer ourselves as companions to those who suffer emotional, physical and

spiritual poverty. Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, makes a difference in someone's life. Catholic Charities can respond to the greatest needs in our communities. Seminarians receive support as they prepare to serve our local parishes. Catholic schools in economically-challenged neighborhoods can provide tuition assistance.

Our St. Dominic School Tuition Assistance & St. Vincent de Paul ministries receives support for another year. Prayerfully consider what you can give this year.

# ENTER TO WIN A TRIP TO HAWAII!

TICKETS ONLY \$10.00 EACH

Each ticket supports the Poor through the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society

Tickets on Sale After Masses
February 10/11 & April 6/7

Drawing: April 26th, 2024





If you would like to be part of our community, we meet the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Contact Tom at SVdP@stdombenicia.org For questions or more information

If you have questions or need assistance, please call 707-746-1773

# Rachel's Vineyard Healing Retreat February 16-18, 2024

Those who choose abortion are our daughters, sons, husbands, wives, sisters, brothers, relatives, friends & members of our parish communities. The impact and pain of abortion hurts - even years after the experience. If you or a loved one have been hurt by abortion, this weekend is for you! Come and experience God's healing love and forgiveness in a safe, nonjudgmental environment. Open to men and women.

For more information please call (916) 733-0161 or <a href="mailto:projectrachel@scd.org">projectrachel@scd.org</a>. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



Vallejo/Benicia/American Canyon CA – Beginning February 14th thru March 24th 2024, the highly successful 40 Days for Life campaign returns to Vallejo with 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach. St. Dominic's Parish will be responsible for filling the hours of 6am to 6pm beginning on the first Wednesday of the vigil February 14th. Please consider giving 1 hour per week praying in the public right of way in front of Planned Parenthood located at 303 Sacramento St. Vallejo, CA. You can sign up online at <a href="https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/vallejo">https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/vallejo</a>. You can set up your own login credentials and sign up for any hour of any day during the vigil. Please contact me if you have any questions.

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 the previous Vallejo campaign(s).

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

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, highly-focused, nondenominational 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. All prayer vigil participants are requested to pray for peace, pledging to conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner at all times.

CONTACT: Tony Hensley 707-246-9076

E-mail: tonyh@ctpub.com

# Pregnant? Worried and confused? We're here to help you.



The Gabriel Project® offers hope and assistance to any woman experiencing a crisis pregnancy. We respect all life and see the birth of each child as a fresh expression of the unfailing love of God. Our concern is not only for the unborn child, but also for each and every mother in need.

gabriel@stdombenicia.org



Catechetical Foundations is an eightmonth program for anyone who wishes to deepen their understanding of the Catholic Faith and then to pass it on to others. We would like to invite any parishioners who aspire to serve as catechists and all parents to participate. This formation is designed to help participants not only to impart knowledge of the faith, but to make disciples of Jesus Christ. At the completion of the course, participants can use this formation toward Certification with the Diocese of Sacramento.

For more information, see: https:// www.scd.org/catecheticalfoundations.

First gathering: Friday, February 28 Mary Magdalene Room Fee: \$160 per person To sign up, please contact Dn. Errol Kissinger at ekissinger@stdombenicia.org

MUSIC NOTES
February 11, 2024

Organ music for 7:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses:

Prelude: A Pleasant Thought by Florence Price
To highlight contributions African American composers
made to liturgical music, this piece by Florence Price
brings a quiet mood of prayer and gratitude. Florence
Price was a prolific composer who composed over 300
works and was the 1st black woman to have a
symphony performed by a professional black
symphony (Chicago Symphony Orchestra). Her works
only now are beginning to be widely performed, and
that includes her church music.

Postlude: Prince of Denmark's March, commonly called
the Trumpet Voluntary, was written around 1700 by the
English composer Jeremiah Clarke, the first organist of
the then newly-rebuilt St Paul's Cathedral. Popular
as wedding music, the march was played during
the wedding of Lady Diana Spencer and Prince
Charles at St Paul's Cathedral in 1981.

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# Parish App Feature-of-the-Week



- Daily Mass readings
- · Official NAB(re) version
- Easily bookmark readings to reread at a later time

Readings

Learn more or download our parish app at myparishapp.com

\*Available on Apple and Android Phones

Lenten Retreat at St. Joseph Vacaville February 16 (6:30 - 8:45pm) & 17 (9:00am - 12:30), 2024

"Mark your calendars! St. Joseph Parish in Vacaville is having a Lenten Retreat led by Dr. John Bergsma from St. Paul Center We encourage you to participate in this Lenten Renewal Retreat."



### Friday, February 16, 6:30pm - 8:45pm

- Mass Conversion: How I Discovered the Eucharist and the Catholic Church
- Confession as Spiritual Warfare: My Protestant Journey to Confession and Its Importance for Lent

### Saturday, February 17, 8:15am - 12:30pm

- Daily Mass
- Science and Faith: How Modern Discoveries Provide

Evidence of a Supernatural Mind

- Can I Be Holy?: A Personal Plan for Lent - God's Plan for the Family: Family Habits for Happiness Now and Eternally

### **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.

### **Confession Times**

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Saturday 3:30 p.m.

### Ministries at St. Dominic's

Adoration

Euly Legro - adoration@stdombenicia.org

**♦** Choirs

Dr. Cyril Deaconoff - cdeaconoff@stdombenicia.org

♦ Consolation/Grief

Patti Erickson - grief@stdombenicia.org

♦ Dominican Laity

Dirk Fulton - domlaity@stdombenicia.org

♦ Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Mike & Sara Monahan - emhc@stdombenicia.org

♦ Gabriel Project

Sandy Scafani & Maria Padrones - gabriel@stdombenicia.org

♦ GIFT - Growing In Faith Together

Shannon Carter - gift@stdombenicia.org

♦ Guadalupana Association

Patricia Chavez - guadalupana@stdombenicia.org

♦ Hospitality

Kristina Ruiz - hospitality@stdombenicia.org

♦ Knights of Columbus

Dan Swienton - beniciaknights@gmail.com

**♦** Mothers Ministry

Jamaila Pasternack - mothers@stdombenicia.org

♦ Lectors Ministry

Amar Lagrimas - lectors@stdombenicia.org

♦ Lazarus Ministry

Ann Espinosa - lazarus@stdombenicia.org

♦ Parish Pastoral Council

Kaitlin Demers - ppc@stdombenicia.org

♦ RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Fr. Gregory Liu, O.P. - gliu@stdombenicia.org

♦ St. Dominic School

Penny Ogden - pogden@sdschoolbenicia.org

St. Vincent de Paul

Tom Carroll - svdp@stdombenicia.org

♦ St. Dominic's Cemetery

Lisa Sarnicola - Isarnicola@opwest.org

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.

### **Parish Office**

475 East I Street, Benicia
Current Office Hours
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Deacon

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**Music Director** 

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**Teen Ministry** 

**Children's Sacraments** 

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Preschool Director

# Parish Financial Report 7/1/2023-12/31/2023

	,	YTD Actual	ı	YTD Budget	E	+/- Budget
Sunday Offertory	_	460,644		487,500		(26,856)
Christmas Second Collections:	\$	20,442	\$	24,750	\$	(4,308)
Building Improvement	\$	22,752	\$	25000	\$	(2,248)
Faith Formation	\$	5,225	\$	5,500	\$	(275)
SDS Tuition Assistance	\$	6,102				
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	34,320				
Total Operating Income	\$	652,777	\$	646,125	\$	6,652
Operating Expenses	\$	710,594	\$	973,343	<u>\$</u>	37,251
Net Income/Loss	\$	(57,817)	\$	(27,218)	\$	(30,599)

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Accident Attorney Mark Basil Pappas, Esq. (707) 567-8206 mbpappaslaw@comcast.net	Law Offices of Barnum & Avila Employment Law (707) 745-3747, www.rmblaw.com	Sarita's Garden Consulting www.saritasdrygardenconsulting.com (707)-892-0851 First step in gardening!		
All Souls Cemetery & Funeral Center FD2286 Funeral, Mortuary, Cremation & Burial. (707)-644-5209 cfcsSacramento.org	Law Offices of Thomas R. Healy Wills/Trusts/Estate Planning/General Practice (707) 553-7360	Shutters and More Bill Simpson, Parishioner (707) 746-8187		
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David Galligan, Broker Twin Oaks Real Estate 231 First Street 707-319-5397 Text/Call DRE#00847290	Passalacqua Funeral Chapel John Passalacqua/Greg Silva, Directors (707) 745-3130	Up2Code Plumbing Owner Mike Pitta - 24 hour service (707) 751-1714		
Hamann Real Estate, 513 First Street Tim and Jeannie Hamann/Broker-Owners (707) 246-6567 DRE01348061	Reyes Electric Co. & Design LIC#32877 Residential/ Commercial (707) 747-6818	Warring & Assoc. Realtors Bill/Diane Brokers/Owners, 829 First St. (707) 746-6990		
Richard Joyce, O.D. Optometrist Exams, Glasses, Contacts (707) 745-6266, 874 Southampton Rd.		Tim Wright - Carpentry Work 30 years Exp - References Available (707) 319-5357		
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY	Feb 04: Building Improvement Feb 11: SDS Tuition Assistance Feb 14: Ash Wednesday	Feb 18: Building Improvement Feb 25: Faith Formation		

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