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# FEBRUARY 18, 2024 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

#### ST. DOMINIC CHURCH

# CINCINNATI, OHIO

Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,

11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.

Monday-Friday: 6:10 a.m.

Saturday: 8:45-9:30 a.m.

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.-noon

Friday: 8:15 a.m. when school in session

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:15 a.m.

or by appointment

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

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- Fr. Benedict O'Cinnsealaigh, Parish Priest 513-922-4460
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# PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New parishioners are invited to contact the Parish Office to register. We ask current members to notify us of any change of address, telephone numbers or other important, relevant information.

# SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is a healing sacrament of the Church. Anyone who is sick or elderly and in need of physical or emotional healing can receive this sacrament. Those who would like to receive the sacrament before a hospital stay or surgery are invited to call the Parish Office to make arrangements. The sacrament is also available to those who may be near death by calling the parish emergency line. Please inform the Parish Office when a member of the parish is hospitalized.

# **CONSIDERING BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

RCIA is the process through which adults are fully initiated into the Catholic faith community. The process provides for different levels of entry. To obtain more information, call the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. o.



OUFEN OF ALL SAINTS

# ST. DOMINIC

Weekend Masses

**Daily Masses** 

**Communion Service** Adoration Confession

# **OUR LADY OF VICTORY**

**Daily Masses** Adoration Confession

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday 8:45 a.m. and II:00 a.m. Monday-Saturday: 8:30 a.m. Monday: 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Monday: 7:30-8:00 p.m. Saturday: 3:30-4:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m.

# ST. AL'S ON THE OHIO

**Daily Masses** Confession

Weekend Masses

#### ST. SIMON THE APOSTLE

Weekend Masses	Saturday 7:00 p.m.
	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Daily Masses	Monday & Friday: 8:00 a.m.
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	

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Weekend Masses	Saturday 3:00 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.
	Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Daily Masses	Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Confession	Saturday: 2:00 p.m.

#### **INFANT BAPTISMS**

Baptisms are usually held on the first and second Sunday of each month, except during Lent. Attendance at a Parent Pre-Baptism Session is required. Call the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. o.

#### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

One of the engaged or his/her parents must be a registered and active parishioner for six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Scheduling must take place at least six months in advance of the wedding. Weddings are not scheduled during Advent or Lenten Seasons. A marriage preparation program is required.

#### **COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Please call the Parish Office to request this service.

#### PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Bulletin due by noon on Monday The Torch due by the 12th of each month



#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 – LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	<b>Communion Service</b>
7:30 a.m.	Doris Huffman
6:45 p.m.	Rosary in Church

#### TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 20 – LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m. Intentions of John Schultheis

# WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21 – LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m. Russ Brogan 8:00 a.m.-Noon Adoration

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22 – THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE

6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m. Albert Ehrman

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23 – LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	John Pohlkamp
8:15 a.m.	Michael Douglas (ANN)

#### SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 24 – LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:15 a.m. Deceased Members of the Otto Family
After Mass: Marian Devotions and Apostolate for the Dying
4:30 p.m. Blake Kamstra (ANN)

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m. John Nguyen
9:30 a.m. TJ Doherty (BR)
11:30 a.m. Dolores Baker
7:00 p.m. For Our Parishioners

# **BULLETIN COVER**

Student Council members representing the St. Dominic student body at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains for Catholic Schools Week.

# FR. BEN'S COLUMN

# Last words of Jesus – forgive sins.

Some time ago I was hearing Confessions and a young third grader came in and began her Confession with these words: "Bless me Father for I have sinned, it's been three months since my last contraction." A little muddled but I knew what she meant. Everyone gets a little befuddled when they go to Confession. So, why go?

Dying declarations are considered so important and trustworthy that they were/are allowed in evidence in English common law. Last words have been significant throughout history. The Confederate General, Stonewall Jackson, in his last delirious moments, is said to have started frantically giving orders to his officers: "Order A. P. Hill to prepare for action! Pass the infantry to the front rapidly!" Then, calmly he said quietly: "Let us cross over the river, and rest under the shade of the trees." Steve Jobs' last words were: "Oh Wow! Oh Wow! Oh Wow!" In his last moments the great Mozart said: "The taste of death is upon my lips. I feel something that is not of this earth."

As he lay dying Pope Saint John Paul II could hear the voices of the young people keeping vigil in St. Peter's Square and he whispered: "I have looked for you. Now you have come to me." Six hours before his death, as he slipped into a coma, the Holy Father was heard to say in Polish: "Let me go to the house of the Lord."

It's interesting that almost the last things Jesus said just before He Ascended into heaven concerned the forgiveness of sin: "Those whose sins you forgive are forgiven them" (John 20:23). Throughout His ministry Jesus continuously reached out to sinners and said, "your sins are forgiven." This was a scandal to the Jews who thought it was blasphemy for Jesus to say such a thing for, according to Jewish belief, only God can forgive sins. So, if Jesus claimed the power to forgive sins, He was putting himself on the same level as God and claiming Divine power. And, of course, they were correct. That was exactly what Jesus was claiming. Not only did He forgive sins, He actually came into the world for that very purpose – to save us from the consequence of sin. As the First Letter of Saint Peter says: "He took our sins upon Himself" (I Peter 2:24).

Forgiveness of sins is so important that Jesus gives the power to forgive sins to His Apostles and their successors. The power to forgive sins, a power that properly belongs to God alone, is passed on by Jesus to His priests because Jesus desires that sin should not have power over us and should not separate us from the love and life of God. Saint John tells us that Jesus gives this power after His Resurrection when he appeared to the Apostles in the upper room. At the same time, He breathed on them, and they received the Holy Spirit (John 20:22-23). This is one of His final acts, one of His final commands, His last actions.

It is a sign of God's love for us that He gave us a way to be cleansed of the sin that separates us from God our loving Father. It's a sign of the importance of this sacrament that Jesus gives it to us as one of His last actions. It is a testament to its importance for Him and it should be just as important for us. This Lent maybe we can make an extra effort to receive this sacrament and be cleansed of what prevents us from entering into God's life and receiving His love.

#### BAPTISMS

Zayden Downing, son of Chris Downing and Kelly Richardson. Ethan Jacobson, son of Douglas Jacobson and Ellie Scherer.

#### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation for Mary, Queen of All Saints will take place on Tuesday, February 20 at Our Lady of Victory. Please keep all the Confirmation candidates in your prayers as they prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit that will help them to grow in their faith and to be faithful witnesses of the Gospel.

#### COLLECTION FOR CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe on Ash Wednesday! If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/ccee. #iGiveCatholicTogether

### MARY, QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS LENTEN ACTIVITIES

#### **Additional Masses**

Our Lady of Victory – 7:00 p.m. every weekday during Lent (except February 20, March 21 and March 22) St. Simon – Noon, every Wednesday during Lent

#### Confessions

- Our Lady of Victory 7:30-8:00 p.m. every Monday; 3:30-4:00 p.m. every Saturday
- St. Dominic 8:45-9:30 a.m. every Saturday
- St. Al's 7:30 p.m. February 23, March 8, and March 22
- St. Simon II:00-II:45 a.m. every Wednesday during Lent
- St. Simon 7:30 p.m. March 1, March 15, and March 29

# Stations of the Cross

- Our Lady of Victory 7:30 p.m. February 23, March 1, March 8, and March 15
- St. Dominic 2:00 p.m. every Friday in Lent except Good Friday
- St. Dominic 9:00 a.m. March 28, Holy Thursday
- St. Al's 7:00 p.m. February 23, March 8, and March 22
- St. Simon 7:00 p.m. March 1, March 15, and March 29

# BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. JIM AND FR. CHRIS

Join Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris during Lent as they study the Gospel of Mark (Part 2). This is a continuation of the Fall Bible Study, but you did not have to attend in the fall to join during Lent. The sessions will be on four consecutive Tuesdays beginning on February 27 at 7:00 p.m. in O'Connor Hall. If you attended in the Fall and picked up the book for Part 2 you do not need to register. If you did not attend in the Fall or did not pick up a book, please call the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. o. Fr. Chris will be recording each session, and we will send it out to all those on our Word on Fire email list each week.

#### LENTEN HOLY HOUR

Come spend an hour in prayer with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Join us on Monday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m. in church for Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction. Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris will also be hearing Confessions during this time.

#### LENTEN CONCERT

Join popular singer and Catholic Evangelist/Educator Mike Davis on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. as he presents "Come Watch with Me: The Perfect Storm". This will be a powerful evening of prayer, meditation and music that is sure to touch the soul on your Lenten journey.

#### LENTEN REGULATIONS FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday, February 14 and Good Friday, March 29, are days of abstinence from meat and days of fasting (that is, limited to a single full meal). Regarding Good Friday, the teaching of the Second Vatican Council should be recalled: Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with an uplifted and clear mind. (Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110.)

The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years of age and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (Canons 97 and 1252).

Regarding the obligatory days listed above, there are frequent questions about the degree of seriousness of the matter. The teaching of the Holy Father may be simply paraphrased: the obligation to do penance is a serious one; the obligation to observe, as a whole or "substantially," the penitential days specified by the Church is also serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard; failure to observe an individual day of penance is not considered serious. People should seek to do more, rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord's call to penance and conversion.

#### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The St. Dominic Bereavement Ministry is looking for people to join our ministry. We meet with families during a deeply emotional time and assist them with planning a Mass for their loved one. The meeting with the family can take one to two hours while you help them plan the readings, music, and other parts of the Mass. On the day of the funeral Mass, we are responsible for preparing the altar and church for Mass. Our current ministers will guide new members in this rewarding ministry. No experience is needed. Please reach out to Joyce Waller at 513-910-3996 or call the Parish Office for more information.

NEXT SATURDAY **FEBRUARY 24, 2024** ST. DOMINIC LAS VEGAS NIGHT ST. DOMINIC GYM 8:00 p.m.-MIDNIGHT (Doors open at 7:30 p.m.) Admission: \$10.00/person or \$15.00/couple

MAJOR AWARD DRAWING **IST PRIZE: \$10,000.00** 2ND PRIZE: \$1,000.00 3RD PRIZE: \$500.00 Chances: \$20.00 each or 6 for \$100.00 Must be 21 or older to attend.



If you would like to volunteer, go to: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084 CAFAD2AABF85-stdominic1 or scan the QR code. Most of the positions do not require you

to know about "gaming" and only last two hours.



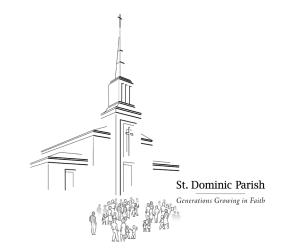
Major Award – The drawing will take place on Saturday, February 24, at the Las Vegas Night. Tickets can be purchased online until Wednesday, February 21 by scanning the QR



We hope to see everyone there!!!

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Offering a Mass for a special intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. Masses are offered for many reasons: In remembrance of someone deceased; A living person who is sick or suffering; A living person who is celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or another special moment in their life; In thanksgiving to God (including the Lord Jesus or the Holy Spirit); or a special prayer intention. We have several daily Masses over the next few weeks that we do not have a Mass Intention scheduled. If you would like to schedule a Mass, stop in the Parish Office, or call 513-471-7741, ext. o.



#### OUR FUTURE DEPENDS ON YOU.

Please remember St. Dominic in your will and estate planning. Our legal title is St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church.

#### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

		<u>2023-2024</u>
2/II/24	\$	16,612.72
Year to Date (33 Sundays)	\$	659,141.25
	Current Y	ear to Date
Actual	\$	659,141.25
Budget	<u>\$</u>	632,000.00
Variance to Budget	\$	27,141.25

Thank you for your support of our Parish. May the Lord continue to bless you in your generosity!

#### **ST. DOMINIC NEWS**



BE A BLACKHAWK! St. Dominic School is offering online registration for the 2024-2025 school year for Preschool, Kindergarten, and Grades 1-8. For additional information, or to arrange for a personal tour, please call Jennifer O'Brien, Principal at 513-251-1276, ext. 420. EdChoice Scholarships are accepted, and financial aid is available. Hamilton

County Daycare vouchers will be accepted for Preschool. To enroll your child for St. Dominic School please use the following link https://secure.gradelink.com/2787/enrollment. For questions regarding registration and EdChoice call the school office at 513-251-1276, ext. 422.

#### MARY, QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS NEWS

SOLEMN EUCHARISTIC BENEDICTION is held on the first Sunday of the month at Our Lady of Victory and the third Sunday at St. Al's on the Ohio from 3:00-3:30 p.m. Join us on March 3 at Our Lady of Victory and March 17 at St. Al's.

DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY – Are you interested in joining a daytime Bible Study? We will follow the program used by Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris with prayer, discussion and the commentary recorded by Fr. Chris from the Tuesday evening Bible Study. We will meet on Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at St. Simon's Plagge Hall. We will begin on February 20 with an introduction and meet for five consecutive weeks. If you would like to join this group, please contact the Parish Office at parishoffice@ stdominicdelhi.org or 513-471-7741, ext. 0.

GOLDENAIRES BB RIVERBOATS CAPTAIN'S LUNCH – Back by popular demand the Goldenaires are sponsoring a BB Riverboats Captain's Lunch Cruise, on Wednesday, June 12. Board at 11:00 a.m. and sail from 12:00-2:00 p.m. The cost is \$45.00 per person for a two-hour cruise, full hot buffet, gratuity, and banjo entertainment. All seating is reserved. A bar is available to purchase soft drinks and alcoholic beverages. Make checks payable to St. Dominic Goldenaires, and mail to Janice Noble, 5535 Timber Way Drive Cincinnati, OH 45238. Reservations are due on Wednesday, April 3, (required by BB Riverboats). When sending your reservation, mention if you will be meeting us at the boat (IOI Riverboat Row, Newport, KY 41071) or if you need to carpool. If you have any questions, call Janice at 513-503-6754.



OLV MUSICAL FINDING NEMO JR. CHARACTER BREAKFAST – Join Nemo and his friends for breakfast at the Coral Reef Café on Saturday, March 2 from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Convocation Center at OLV. Your reservation

includes: breakfast; games/crafts; character meet and greet; and a sneak peek performance by *Finding Nemo Jr.* characters. For reservations, click on the QR Code or go to https://www. showtix4u.com/event-details/80502. If you have any questions, contact Erin Pille at epille1313@gmail.com or 859-620-4842.



**PROJECT RACHEL** – A ministry of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati that serves anyone who has experienced the loss of a child due to abortion. Individuals can engage in this ministry for healing through one-on-one conversation with peers, consultation with a priest (including in Spanish), support groups, retreats for mothers who lost a child, and a day of reflection for anyone (father, grandparent, friend, etc.). Go to https://projectrachelohio.org/ or call the Project Rachel Help Line at 513-784-0531 for information. All conversations and emails are confidential. Next retreat: March 8-10, 2024.

FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT - The Caregiver Assistance Network provides education, support, and resource information for family caregivers. Whether you need support right now or are just planning for the future, we are here for you. We offer support groups, self-care classes and individual coaching. This year, we are also starting a Caregiver Peer Mentoring program where we will match current and former caregivers together so they can offer each other additional support, insight, and perspective. Join us as we encourage and learn from each other, discussing topics such as self-care, communicating with family, tools and resources for aging in place and how to choose between long-term care options. If you are interested in being a Peer Mentor, being matched with someone for individualized support, or would like information on our support groups and self-care classes, please contact our Caregiver Careline at 513-869-4483 or email us at can@ccswoh.org or visit https:// www.ccswoh.org/get-help/senior-caregiver-support-services/. The Caregiver Assistance Network is a program of Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio funded through the Council on Aging.

CINCINNATI CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB – Invites single Catholics to a wine and cheese gathering on Sunday, February 25, 2:00 p.m. at Anchor Hall, Knights of Columbus (3617 Glenmore Avenue). Reservations suggested; please call Don at 513-574-8573 or Larry at 513-520-1323.



WALKING WITH JESUS IN LENT – Saturday, February 24 from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The retreat will be facilitated by Sandra Hartlieb and held at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse. Walk with Jesus along the Sea of Galilee, through Samaria and on the road to Calvary. Meet the Resurrected Jesus with fresh insight, hope and joy. The retreat will include guided discussion, small group sharing, hands-on activities, simple movement – adapted for all to participate – quiet time and prayer. Fee: \$50.00. To register or for additional information, please contact the Spirituality Center 513-347-5449 or spirituality. center@srcharitycinti.org.

# SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Ist Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 2nd Reading: Romans 8:31b-34 Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

LITURGICAL MINISTERS					
	LECTORS	MASS COORDINATORS	SERVERS SCHEDULE	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER CAPTAIN
Saturday, February 24 4:30 p.m. Second Sunday of Lent	Mary Jo Reiners	Judy Luebbe	Will Fettig Nick Fettig	Peggy Cappel Judy Luebbe	Amy Stevens
Sunday, February 25, 7:30 a.m. Second Sunday of Lent	John Troken	Amy Luken	Lauren Childs Hayden Gorczyca	Bobbi Honnert Linda Meyer	Amy Luken
Sunday, February 25, 9:30 a.m. Second Sunday of Lent	Carolyn Davis	Joe Knochelman Joan Knochelman	Charlie Gibbs Gianna Servizzi	Rebecca Gibbs Joey Starkey	Peter Gibbs
Sunday, February 25, 11:30 a.m. Second Sunday of Lent	Rose Stertz	Rose Stertz	George Goins Mackenzie Stryker	Ken Enginger Meg Morris	Beth Weaver
Sunday, February 25, 7:00 p.m. Second Sunday of Lent	Marty Berning	Joe Middendorf			Joe Middendorf

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