

The Torch



*"Generations Growing in
Faith for more than 75 years!"*

**St. Dominic
Parish**

**Delhi Township,
OH**

June 2016

Pastor's Desk

A great big Thank-You to all of you who gave your time and worked our Festival this year. It was another special weekend when our parish family came together for fun, fellowship, good food and entertainment. The bonus was that we also raised a few bucks for the work of the Lord. A big Thank-You to Julie Patrick, Joan Mattei, Mike & Martha Queenan and Judy Tensing for their leadership of our Festival project this year!

A big Thank-You to our school teachers and staff and parish school of religion catechists for your excellent ministry to our little brothers and sisters. Another big Thank-You to our PTO leaders this year for your many projects and your overall support of our excellent school staff and teachers. May God continue to bless the work of this important organization in our parish.

A big Thank-You to all of you who minister in so many of our programs and organizations. Your generous service continues to inspire me. Thank you also for your generous financial support of the parish. Thank you to so many for all your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure to the St. Dominic Parish Family.

Remember our parish picnic at Stricker's Grove, Friday, July 22. More information in the July *Torch*. May all our summer projects, vacations, recreation, picnics and fun give praise and thanks to God! Remember our parish family priorities! We followers of Jesus gather every Sunday to give thanks for God's blessings, to receive Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, and then to go forth transformed and energized to bring God's Love to the world! Let's enjoy this summer!

Fr. Jim

May They Rest in the Peace of the Lord

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the following parishioners, as they have entered eternal life.

Patricia Giesting, wife of James Giesting and mother of Mike and Becky Giesting, Glenn Giesting and Peg and Brian Ruff.

William Hickerton, husband of Mary Morris Hickerton and father of Gregory Hickerton, Kimberly Spurlock, Michael and Dianne Hickerton and Diane and Michael Ruehl.

William Remke, father of Stephen and Deborah Remke, Chuck and Peggy Remke, Anna Marie and Barry Bowman and Mary and Mike Kayse.

Joseph Palmisano, father of Garlin and Kristen Smith and Tony Palmisano.

Robert Bien, father of Richard and Jennifer Bien and Christy and Meghan Bien.

Betty Willenborg, wife of John Willenborg and mother of Linda and Marty Morehead, Stephen and Annette Willenborg, Patricia and David Jacob, Joanne and Christian Ahlers and Tony and Carole Willenborg.

Dr. Richard Bruner, father of Jennifer and Eric Sherman and Nicholas and Rebecca Bruner.

Parental Preparation for Infant Baptism

Baptisms take place on the first two Sundays of each month at 1:00 p.m. Parents requesting Baptism of their first child are asked to attend a preparation session. During this time we will look at the history and theology of the sacrament, reflect on our own Baptism, and look at ways to pass the Catholic faith on to our children. Godparents are encouraged to attend as well. **Our next session is scheduled for Sunday, June 12 after the 11:30 a.m. Mass in the church.** Contact Theresa Eagan at 471-7741, ext. 481 with questions about Baptism or to let us know that you will join us on June 12th.



140 Years of Experience "Out the Door"

St. Dominic School is sad to say "Happy Retirement" to four very special teachers. Among the four teachers, they brought 128 years of teaching experience, with 105 years ministering at St. Dominic School. (From left to right in the photo)

Mrs. Elaine Lucas – Mrs. Lucas has taught for 28 years, 22 of them here at St. Dominic. Her favorite memories are all of the wonderful mommy, daddy, grandma, and grandpa helpers, and the awesome kindergartners at St. Dominic School. In retirement, Mrs. Lucas will spend time with her family and eventually help illiterate adults learn to read and write.

Mrs. Janet Kallenberger – Sharing her musical talent for 34 years, Mrs. Kallenberger has taught at St. Dominic for 28 years. Her favorite memories include Arts Days, All School Programs, and often having 60 students in the music class at one time. Mrs. Kallenberger plans to relax, travel, and spend time with her grandchildren.

Mrs. Mary Beth Smith – Her entire 33 years of teaching have been at St. Dominic School. Mrs. Smith has taught the 3rd and 6th grades. Her favorite memories include the 6th grade Renaissance Plays. She plans to travel and spend time with her grandchildren and dogs.

Mrs. Terri Murray – With 33 years of teaching experience, Mrs. Murray has taught Social Studies and Mathematics to 7th and 8th graders at St. Dominic for 22 years. Her favorite memories include when the students had to plan their journey by wagon train and pack their wagon with needed items in order to survive on the Oregon Trail. She also loves when former students come back to visit and recite or sing the Preamble to the Constitution. Mrs. Murray will relax and enjoy retirement spending time with grandchildren and traveling.

Mr. Skip Roos – Also retiring this year is Mr. Carl "Skip" Roos. He has been the business manager for St. Dominic Parish for 12 years. When retired, Skip plans to attend daily Mass, serve as a Eucharistic Minister for a hospital, travel, and work on the project list for family.

TOTAL STEWARDSHIP - "A Way of Life"

Who is a Catholic Steward?

"One who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord."



Treasure



PRAYER



MINISTRY

We Thank You!!!

For Sharing Your Treasures With Your Parish Community

We, your Parish Staff, are certainly grateful for all the gifts that you have bestowed on All of Our Parish Family. You certainly have shared your treasures – your prayers, your time and talents, and your financial treasures with Your Parish Community. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We pray that each of you, our Parishioners, are grateful and tell the Lord, daily through prayer, that you thank Him for all His gifts, great and small.

As Mother Teresa had said,

***"It's not how much we give,
but how much love we put into giving"***

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sacrificial giving means: *Letting go of our financial treasures.* It requires us to make a true sacrifice by giving up something else. We should not look at giving as making a "contribution", but a "commitment" to God.

Sacrificial giving is a total free will offering without the desire for public recognition, or the expectation of a return. We are called to return our love to God unconditionally, just as He loves us unconditionally.

THE WIDOWS OFFERING

Jesus looked around and saw rich people dropping their gifts in the Temple treasury and he also saw a very poor widow dropping in two little copper coins. He said, "I tell you that this poor widow put in more than all the others. For the others offered their gifts from what they had to spare of their riches; but she, poor as she is, gave all she had to live on."

Luke 21:1-4

THE PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL

Then Jesus told them this parable: "There was once a rich man who had land which bore good crops. He began to think to himself, 'I don't have a place to keep all my crops. What can I do? This is what I will do,' he told himself; 'I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, where I will store the grain and all my other goods. Then I will say to myself, Lucky man! You have all the good things you need for many years!'" But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night you will have to give up your life; then who will get all these things you have kept for yourself?'

And Jesus concludes, "This is how it is with those who pile up riches for themselves but are not rich in God's sight." Luke 12:1-4

AWARENESS IS

"THE BEGINNING OF SPIRITUAL LIFE"

GRATITUDE IS

"THE BEGINNING OF TOTAL STEWARDSHIP"

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER IS

"SPENDING TIME COMMUNICATING WITH GOD"

STEWARDSHIP OF MINISTRY IS

"ACTION – IN THE SERVICE TO OTHERS"

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE IS

"SACRIFICIAL GIVING – TO OTHERS IN NEED"

Remembering that everything we possess and earn is not ours, but gifts from God, who is the Creator of all things, and that we are merely stewards of God's resources, He calls each and every one of us to give according to the gifts we have been given. We are called to give our "First Fruits" in gratitude to God, and not what is merely leftover. He asks us to give our time, talents, and treasures. He calls us to give all 3, not just one in place of the others.



REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH FAMILY...

Have you considered remembering St. Dominic Parish in your will through a planned gift? Just as you remember loved ones in your will, you can make provisions to leave a charitable bequest to your parish family. As you write or review your will, please consider leaving a special gift to your parish family. In this way, you will help to ensure that our parish can continue to carry out our mission and remain financially viable for generations to come, as many of our Parishioners have done in the past – God Bless Them in Their Generosity!!

A suggested form for your bequest that you may give to your attorney, which can easily be added to your current will or written into a new one, may read as follows:

"I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to the Archbishop of Cincinnati, his successors in office, title, and trust, as such Archbishop, as Trustee for St. Dominic Church, 4551 Delhi Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45238, ____ % (or ____ dollars) of my estate for the sole general purpose benefit of St. Dominic Parish."

May God Bless You for remembering your parish in this very special way!

FOR DONORS AGED 70 ½ OR OLDER FINANCIAL INCENTIVE EXTENDED

Under the extended, and permanent, charitable IRA legislation, if you are 70 ½ years of age, or older, with individual retirement accounts (IRAs), the permanent Act provides a simple, tax-friendly option to contribute to the Parish and other charities.

Under the law, you may be able to make a gift using IRA funds without tax complications. So, if you are considering a tax-free gift from your IRA to St Dominic Parish, you may find the information below helpful.

You may contribute funds this way if:

- ❖ *You are 70 ½ or older at the time of the gift*
- ❖ *Your gift(s) is \$100,000 or less for the year to all qualified charities, including St. Dominic Parish*
- ❖ *You make the gift(s) by December 31, 2016 for tax year 2016*
- ❖ *You transfer funds directly from an IRA or Rollover IRA by transferring the gift outright to one or more 501(C)(3) public charities – like St. Dominic Parish*
- ❖ *The above rules, unless changed, will also be for future years to come!*

You can easily make a gift while you are living and able to witness the benefits of your generosity. While you will not pay income tax on the amount, you also do not incur a charitable deduction.

Quite a few of our generous Parishioners have already taken advantage of the opportunity to give in this way.

Also, be sure to contact your tax professionals and your IRA custodian, if you are considering a gift under this law. Please feel free to contact the Parish Business Manager at 471-7741, ext. 417, if you would like more details about this opportunity.

Goldenaires

Picnic in the Park – Thursday, June 23, noon-2:30 p.m. Join us at the Gazebo in the Delhi Floral Gardens. You can enter the Floral Gardens from Greenwell Avenue. The cost is \$7 and reservations are **needed by June 21** to Marie Salem, 157 Palisades Pointe #4, Cincinnati, OH 45238 or the Parish Office. May pay at the door. Cost covers food, drinks, shelter rental and games and prizes. Some may want to car-pool from St. Dominic parking lot. Rain location O'Connor Hall. A short quarterly planning meeting will take place at the picnic. There will be no July meeting due to busy summer schedules.

Taft Museum – Tuesday, August 16 – Final arrangements have been made. The cost will be \$26 and covers the Museum ticket, bus and the driver's tip. We will leave the "Park n' Ride" on Delhi Pike next to the Waffle House at 10:00 a.m. and return about 2:00 p.m. Please send your cash/check to Maureen Vonderahe, 5659 Treeview Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45238 or you can drop it off at the parish office. We still have several tickets left. If you have any questions, you can call Maureen at 451-5657 or Mary Ann at 251-6144.



2016 Wedding Anniversaries

Couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th, 70th and 75th Wedding Anniversaries during 2016 should contact the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0 no later than June 17.

For those celebrating their Golden Anniversary in 2016, Most Reverend Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr will be the principal celebrant at the Mass at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral on Saturday, August 27, at 4:30 p.m. for those parishes located in Hamilton County.



Community Dinner

Our next Community Dinner is scheduled for
June 16 in O'Connor Hall, from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.
 Hope to see everyone there!!!

St. Dominic Bridge Marathon

Congratulations to 2016 Winners

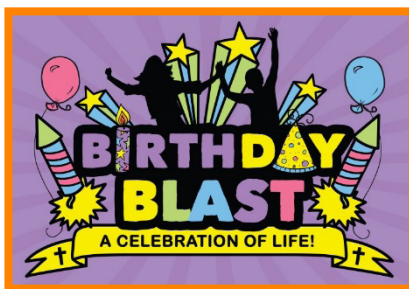
1st: Joyce Beckenhaupt & Grace Pedota	2nd: Marilyn Stoeckle & Joy Lyons
3rd: Grace Hayes & Celeste Bergen	4th: Carol Thieman & Ruth Hilvert

The proceeds from the marathon will be given to the St. Dominic PTO. We will start playing bridge again in October on the first Monday of each month October through May. If interested, please contact Muriel Cook at 451-3316.



Bundle Sunday

Are there items cluttering up your home that you know someone else would likely be able to use? Don't you wish there was an easy way to connect your items to those who want them, without going out of your way? You're in luck! St. Vincent de Paul will have a truck in the parking lot after Masses on June 25 and 26 to accept your tax-deductible donations of gently used clothing and household items. **Clear your clutter by bringing items you no longer use and help needy families.** Receipts for tax purposes will be provided.



Vacation Bible School

We will hold Vacation Bible School again this summer for children entering Kindergarten through 4th Grade. VBS will take place Monday-Friday, July 11-15, from 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. The theme of this year's VBS is "Birthday Bash – A Celebration of Life" focusing on Discovering, Respecting, Protecting, Serving and CELEBRATING Life via songs, crafts, scripture and saints! Watch the weekly bulletin, parish website and *The Torch* newsletter for registration details. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us at Vacation Bible School!

We are in need of adult volunteers. There are several ways you can help: as a group leader, presenting lessons, leading a craft, etc. All volunteers must be compliant with the Archdiocese Decree on Child Protection (VIRTUS). If you would like to help with VBS, contact Linda Gardner at lgardner@stdominicdelhi.org.



St. Dominic Parish Family Picnic

Who? All Parishioners Are Invited!

What? Free Admission

Where? Stricker's Grove

When? Friday, July 22

Look for more information in the weekly bulletin and the July TORCH.

THANK YOU!!!

The Baskets & More Committee would like to thank the following merchants and individuals who donated to the 2016 Festival. Thank you for your generosity and support of St. Dominic Parish.

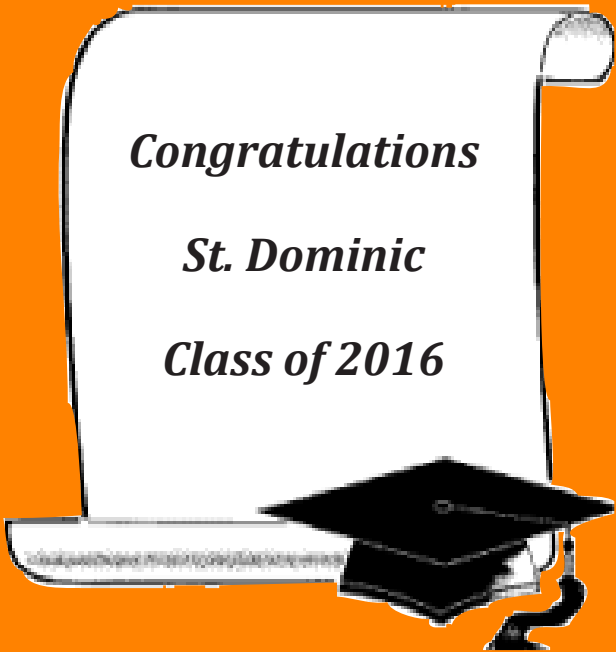
Paul & Barb Ammann	Kahny Printing
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Arby's	Kroger Company
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Axis Alleys at Newport on the Levee	Father Chris Lack
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Tom Backs	Jerry and Mary Luebbering
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Bishop Joe Binzer	Nature's Corner's Greenhouses
The Bonbonerie	Newport Aquarium
Bonefish Grill	Nick & Tom's
Bridgetown Finer Meats	Sr. Patrick Ann O'Connor
Brose Tours	O'Reilly Auto Parts
Marilyn Brunemann	Outback Steak House
Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar	Papa John's
Chandler's Burger Bistro	Panera Bread
Cheesecake Factory	Perfect North
Chick-Fil-A	Primavista
Cincinnati Art Museum	Fran Rappoport
Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park	Mike & Martha Queenan
Cincinnati Reds	George & Carolyn Robben
Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra	Robben Florist
Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden	Alice Roch
Coca-Cola Refreshments	Rock Bottom Restaurant and Brewery
Coney Island	Rolf Monument
Andrea Cooley Lindsay Photography	Ruth's Chris Steak House
Covedale Center for the Performing Arts/Incline Theater	St. Dominic Parish Crochet Group
Delhi Hills Par 3 Golf Course	Frank and Marie Salem
Delhi Pet Center	Bob Sanker
Dewey's Pizza (Newport on the Levee)	Joe & Lois Scherer
Diane's Restaurant	Schoolbelles Uniforms
Dollywood	Seton High School
Elder High School	Skyline Chili
F & N Goode Chicken Tenders	SmithScapes LLC
Fabulous Furs	Julie & Michael Spohr
Firehouse Nursery	Springdale Cleaners
First Watch	Rose & Butch Stertz
Fleming's Fine Jewelry	Rosemary Sweeney
Ron & Betty Fraley	Taft Museum of Art
Friedhoff Florist	Judy Tensing
Mark & Nancy Gibbs	T.G.I. Friday's
Graeter's	The Children's Theatre
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Humbert Meats	Wardway Fuels
Inner Blessings	Warsaw Federal Savings and Loan
Izzy Kadetz	Wild Birds Unlimited
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Jet's Pizza	Willie's Sports Café
Jim & Jack's Riverside Sports	Wishbone Tavern

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