St. Dominic Parish

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4551 DELHI PIKE, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45238

OUR MISSION

We, the family of St. Dominic Parish, come together as a Roman Catholic community by celebrating the Eucharist as the center of our faith.

- We welcome Jesus Christ into our lives and give witness to His way of life
- Inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to be a warm, inviting, welcoming, and caring community of people, filled with Faith, Hope and Love
- In that Spirit, we provide a meaningful environment and opportunities for worship, education and service to our community





MASS SCHEDULE

Masses for Sunday | Saturday Vigil 4:30 p.m. Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Masses for Holy Days | See inside for Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses | Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m. Friday, 7:30 a.m. and 8:15 a.m.

Saturday 8:15 a.m. followed by Marian Devotions and Apostolate for the Dying

Holy Communion Service | Monday-Friday 6:10 a.m.

Rev. Benedict O'Cinnsealaigh, Parish Priest Rev. Chris Lack, Parochial Vicar Rev. Michael Cordier, Parochial Vicar Rev. Jim Walsh, Pastor Emeritus Deacon Mark Bardonaro, Parish Administrator Mrs. Jenny O'Brien, Principal Mrs. Karen Brandstetter, Pastoral Associate Mr. Jim Dickman, Music Director Mr. Charlie DeZarn, Business Manager

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Publication Deadlines

Bulletin due by noon on Monday Monthly report due by the 12th of each month

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.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY – SEPTEMBER 25 – WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Gene Stagnaro
6:45 p.m.	Rosary in Church

TUESDAY – SEPTEMBER 26 – WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	William Gerdes

WEDNESDAY – SEPTEMBER 27 – SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Bob Maly (BR)
8:00 a.mNoon	Adoration

THURSDAY – SEPTEMBER 28 – WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Joan Sanker

FRIDAY – SEPTEMBER 29 – SAINT MICHAEL, SAINT GABRIEL, AND SAINT RAPHAEL

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6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Intentions of John and
	Peggy Shultheis
8:15 a.m.	Theresa Eby

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 30 - SAINT JEROME

8:15 a.m.	Patricia Reuss
After Mass:	Marian Devotions and
	Apostolate for the Dying
4:30 p.m.	Frank Griffin

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 1 – TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m.	For Our Parishioners
9:30 a.m.	Joseph Schaefer
11:30 a.m.	Tom Nastold
7:00 p.m.	Lori Dulle

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the souls of Mary Ann Brandhorst and William Kiely who died this past week. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. JIM AND FR. CHRIS

Fr. Chris and Fr. Jim will begin their fall Bible Study on Tuesday, October 3 at 7:00 p.m. in O'Connor Hall. There will be six sessions on the Gospel of Mark. Bible Study runs until November 21 with no class on October 17 and 31. Call 513-471-7741, ext. 0 to register by Monday, September 25. If you are unable to join us on Tuesday evenings, we will be recording the session each week. We will email the recording on Wednesday or Thursday to those on our Word on Fire email listing. If you are not signed up for the Word on Fire emails, you can sign up at www.stdominicparish2. flocknote.com.

ST. DOMINIC ANNUAL PET BLESSING

Join us on Saturday, October 7 for our Annual Pet Blessing! Bring your pets (big or small), as we celebrate the wonderful companions God has given us following in the way of St. Francis of Assisi. Meet in the parking lot near the grotto at 9:45 a.m. – the Blessing begins at 10:00 a.m.

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. 0.

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY Special Collection next weekend, September 30 and October 1

Each October, the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

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 come to this sacrament which will be communally celebrated annually. 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. Please call the parish emergency line. Someone will respond to your call. Please inform the Parish Office when a member of the parish is hospitalized.

Considering Entering the Catholic Church?

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 Deacon Mark Bardonaro at 471–7741.

Infant Baptisms

Attendance at a Parent Pre-Baptism Session is required. Call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday, 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., or by appointment.

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.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

FR. BEN'S COLUMN

God is generous with His mercy

There is a charming little village in Ireland called Fore which, in Irish Folklore, has seven wonders associated with it: The Tree that will not burn, the Mill without a mill race, the Water which flows uphill, the Water which will not boil, the Monastery built on a bog, a stone lintel raised by St. Fechin's prayers, and the Anchorite in a Stone. You can go online and look up the meaning of each of these "wonders" by typing in "The seven wonders of Fore." However, local legend has added an eighth wonder, the wall that moved.

From my unprofessional interpretation of what I have witnessed in my life, it seems to me that the selfish are never satisfied. This is a general rule. It really doesn't matter what we are seeking - the selfish person never finds fulfillment, never has enough. In marriages, the selfish person turns the other person into an object or a servant to satisfy his/her needs; in seeking financial gain, there is no point when a selfish person says - "it is enough"; in politics or power, a selfish person always seeks their own good while promising the good of others - but rarely providing what they promise. In life, the selfish person sees all others, all opportunities, all situations, all circumstances in life, as opportunities for themselves to being fulfilled, complete, the top, the best. But they never find completion or fulfillment. Much of the time, they are left feeling alone, empty, abandoned and pointless - in spite of all they have. Jesus once said: "What does it profit a man if he gains the whole world."

It seems to me that Jesus is always trying to get us to change our perspective and preoccupation with ourselves. Serve rather than be served, give rather than receive, forgive seventy times seven times, search and you will find, there is a general sense that we are called to live generously and that living generously will bring its own reward. Any married person can tell you that the fastest way to failure in marriage is selfishness on the part of one of the spouses. I can't tell you how many times people have spoken to me about how they hate the place where they work as it is full of resentment, gossip, mean-spiritedness, and hostility. Generally, they are describing a place where there is no generosity or compassion, no sense of living to help the other, or a genuine sense of seeking what is best for the other. Generosity blesses a marriage, a home, a community, a place of work, a parish, a person's life.

Jesus says that true blessing comes from caring for others first, seeking their good first, giving rather than receiving is the better path and leads to a richer life and richer rewards. What's the point in inheriting the things of this world but being miserable because the things of this world can't fulfill us? Seek to serve, not to be served – this is the key to a truly fruitful life.

In today's readings, the prophet Isaiah tells us to seek the Lord God while He might be found. And where is God to be found. In mercy, in generosity, in forgiveness. In fact, God will grant mercy to the wicked if they turn to Him. How do we turn to the Lord? When we ourselves show mercy, forgiveness, and generosity. To reinforce the message, Jesus tells the very strange parable of the workers in the vineyard. The story is not about who got paid what and if this was justice, or fairness. It is an insight into the generosity of God toward all of us. After all, who can repay God for any offense committed against Him? What would we pay, how much, for how long? It would be impossible for us and so we could never be saved. But God Himself paid the price for our redemption – He gave His Son to save His sons and daughters, His children. It's hard to comprehend this sort of mercy, generosity, and love as the prophet Isaiah said of God: "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts." It seems God moves a wall, not to exclude us, but to include us. He asks us to do the same for each other. For mercy is a gift freely given, not a prize won or earned.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Invitations were mailed last week to parishioners celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th or 70th Wedding Anniversary in 2023. We will honor the couples at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 15. A short reception will follow the Mass for family and friends in O'Connor Hall. If you did not receive an invitation, let us know so we can include you in the celebration. **Please RSVP by October 7 at 513-471-7741, ext. 0 if you will be attending and your number of guests.**

JOIN CATHOLICS ACROSS OHIO IN PRAYING A 54-DAY ROSARY NOVENA



Issue 1 is an extreme amendment on the Ohio ballot this November that threatens the health and safety of women, the rights of parents and the lives of preborn babies up to 9 months.

Join Catholics across Ohio in praying a 54-Day Rosary Novena for the protection of human life and dignity and the defeat of this dangerous amendment.

This week, the Sorrowful Mysteries will be prayed each day.



 Sign up for a daily email reminder with Novena prayer by scanning the QR code or going to www. pray54ohio.org.

Yard signs are available in the Gathering Place advocating a "NO" vote on Issue 1 in the upcoming election.



OUR FUTURE DEPENDS ON YOU – Please remember St. Dominic in your Will and estate planning. Our legal title is St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church.

GOLDENAIRES

ANNUAL DINNER – Saturday, November 11, 5:30 p.m. in O'Connor Hall. Join us for hors d'oeuvres, wine, soft drinks, dessert, and dinner (catered by Humbert's Meats). Our entertainment is Denny Duval, headline Piano Bar Entertainer with Holland Cruise Line and Jaggs Steak House. The cost is \$20.00 per person. Please send your check made payable to St. Dominic Goldenaires, with the names of those attending and your phone number to: Judy Tensing, 625 Covedale Avenue, #2, Cincinnati, OH 45238. There is limited space, so get your reservation in early, but they **must be** <u>received</u> **no later than Friday, November 3.**

SIP AND STOP SCAMMERS – Have you ever received a call asking for your information and you're unsure if it's a scam? There are thousands of email scams. How do you know if you've received one? Sip your coffee and listen to an officer from the Delhi Police Department for the latest information to protect ourselves from Online and Telephone Scammers. Monday, September 25 at 11:00 a.m. in the Convocation Center at Our Lady of Victory.

DESSERTS, DETECTIVE AND DRONES – On Monday, October 9, detectives from the Delhi Police Department will be on hand to discuss their Drone program and how it helps protect you and your neighbors. Join us at 6:00 p.m. in O'Connor Hall for an informative evening and delicious desserts.

MARY, QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS WOMEN'S CRHP THANK YOU

I want to thank all those who helped prepare and direct the Mary, Queen of All Saints Family of Parishes Women's Christ Renews His Parish retreat, which was held at St. Simon the Apostle last weekend. From what I heard from those who participated, it was a wonderful experience and the location was perfect. It's a great privilege to be the pastor of a parish community where people take care of each other and make so many wonderful things happen. Building the faith life of our sisters and brothers is a gift God won't overlook, sharing His grace is a special privilege and blessing.

Fr. Ben

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

Weekly Collection:	\$	10,246.00	
WeShare Online Giving:	\$	4,171.00	
Total:	\$	14,417.00	
Thank you for your support of our Parish.			
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May the Lord continue to bless you in your generosity!

MARY, QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS NEWS

30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – On September 29, Fr. Ben will celebrate his 30th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination. To mark the occasion, Fr. Ben will celebrate Mass at Our Lady of Victory at 6:30 p.m. followed by a party in the Convocation Center from 7:30-9:30 p.m. with music, food, and no speeches. All are welcome to attend, bring a dish, or snacks. Children are welcome to attend, but be aware, beer will be available for the adults.



PARENTAL PREPARATION FOR INFANT BAPTISM – 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, October 1 at St. Dominic Church after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Contact Karen Brandstetter at 513-471-7741, ext. 481 to register for the Baptismal Preparation session on October 1.



JOIN US FOR THE FEAST OF ST. LUKE – Wednesday, October 18, 6:30 p.m. in St. Dominic Church. Learn about the man and the life of the third Gospel author, and the only one to capture events like the Annunciation and the Presentation, all while praying a short Rosary! Led by Dave Staples, School of Faith. The program will last about 40 minutes.

HOXWORTH BLOOD DRIVE – The St. Dominic-Delhi Knights of Columbus will host a Community Blood Drive on Wednesday, October 4 from 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. in O'Connor Hall. To schedule an appointment, please visit www.hoxworth.org/groups/stdominickofc or call Hoxworth at 513-451-0910. All donors will receive a Halloween T-shirt! Please park in the lower level parking lot and enter O'Connor Hall from there.

ST. DOMINIC-DELHI KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING – Skylor Miller, Delhi Township Administrator, will speak at the Knights of Columbus meeting on Thursday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m. in O'Connor Hall. He will be speaking about the Delhi Towne Square Development and other current topics in the Township.

MISCELLANEOUS

FALL RAFFLE FUNDRAISER – The Ladies' Society of St. Joseph Church in North Bend is holding a fall raffle fundraiser with winners to be drawn on Tuesday, October 17. All prizes are valued at \$100.00 or more. Raffle items include restaurant gift cards, cash, baby items, home decor items, a handmade afghan and quilt, a spa day basket and more. Chances are \$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00 and the deadline for ticket sales is Sunday, October 15. Tickets can be purchased after all weekend Masses (3:00 p.m. Saturday or 9:30 a.m. Sunday) in the gathering space of the church. For more information and to purchase tickets, please contact the parish office at 513-941-3661. Thank you for your support!

HEALING SERVICE – September 27 at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center (5440 Moeller Avenue, Norwood, OH 45212). Rosary 6:45 p.m. Mass at 7:15 p.m. Healing Service after Mass. Come to Jesus for Healing.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

1st Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28 2nd Reading: Philippians 2:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1

	LECTORS	MASS COORDINATORS	SERVERS SCHEDULE	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER CAPTAIN
4:30 p.m. Saturday	Amy Stevens	Mike Queenan Martha Queenan	Charlie Gibbs	Mike Queenan Martha Queenan	Connie Ashby
7:30 a.m. Sunday	Vi Bronner	Vi Bronner John Burns	Lauren Childs Charles Family	Clinton Backscheider John Burns	Linda Meyer
9:30 a.m. Sunday	Janet Rosenthal	Joe Knochelman Janice Noble	Addilyn Bass Hayden Gorczyca	Katie Bezold Janice Noble	Sr. Maureen Heverin
11:30 a.m. Sunday	Rose Stertz	Pat Clark Dan Clark	Nick Fettig Will Fettig	Joan Buzek Ken Enginger	Lisa Autenrieb
7:00 p.m. Sunday	Mike Fitzpatrick	Jim Gerdes			Jim Gerdes

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