

The Torch



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

**St. Dominic
Parish**

**Delhi Township,
OH**

May 2018

Pastor's Desk

Our St. Dominic Festival is fast approaching. I continue to be amazed at how much organization, hard work, and collaboration go into this annual event. We are blessed each year by many generous people who chair the booths and work the Festival. All of this is coordinated by Gary Schloemer, who has generously stepped up and volunteered to run the Festival.

Please support our Major Award ticket sales. Tickets have been mailed out to parishioners.

First Prize this year is \$10,000 cash

Second Prize is \$1,000

Third Prize is \$500

The chances are \$20.00 each. Only 2,000 tickets will be sold.

We count on our Festival as a significant part of our yearly budget which funds our educational and spiritual programs at St. Dominic. The success of the Major Award plays a major part in the overall success of our Festival. Please support our Major Award this year and plan on joining us on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend for fun and games, rides, food, music and fellowship.

On Thursday night there will be a Texas Hold'em tournament with a buy-in cost of \$50. Friday night is an Adult Only night (21 and older). The band for that night is the popular Naked Karate Girls. We will have our popular Baskets and More and Silent Auction items and Mike Davis will perform on Sunday evening. On Sunday, plan on coming for a pulled pork dinner in O'Connor Hall. There will be fun and games and good food for all!

Life is a Festival! Come join us at St. Dominic!

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.

Amy Schoster, mother of Tiffany and Jason Chastang and Carri Craft.

Parental Preparation for Their Infant's 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, May 20 after the 11:30 a.m. Mass in church. Contact Theresa Eagan at 471-7741, ext. 481 with questions about Baptism or to let us know that you will join us on May 20.



2018 Wedding Anniversaries

Married couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (25, 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, 75) in 2018 are invited to request a congratulatory certificate from Archbishop Schnurr. Visit the Office for Marriage and Family Life at www.catholiccincinnati.org or call 421-3131, ext. 2621, before June 22 to request your certificate.

These certificates will be sent to the St. Dominic Parish Office. We will keep them until our Anniversary Mass celebration in October.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASS - In addition to receiving a certificate from Archbishop Schnurr, married couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2018 are invited to a Golden Anniversary Mass on August 4, 2018, 4:30 p.m. at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr, Celebrant. Registration for the Mass occurs during the certificate request (above).

ST. DOMINIC ANNIVERSARY MASS - Here at St. Dominic, we will also celebrate our Anniversary Couples. This usually takes place in October at 9:30 a.m. Mass. If you will be celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, 70th and 75th Wedding Anniversary in 2018, please contact the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0 no later than June 15.



A Perfect Gift

Mother's Day and Father's Day are coming soon! Consider purchasing a Gathering Place paver for your mother, father, grandparent, or spouse to let them know how cherished they are. Order forms are available in the racks at the doors of church and the parish website at www.stdominicedelhi.org. (Click on Ministries/General Parish Ministries/Gathering Place Walkway). You can also stop in the Parish Office to order a paver. The 4 x 8 bricks allow 3 lines with 13 characters per line and cost \$40. The 8 x 8 pavers allow up to 6 lines with 13 characters per line and cost \$75. **If you have any questions, call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0.**

Welcome

After months of preparation and prayer, members of St. Dominic's RCIA entered the church at the Easter Vigil on March 31. We are excited for them to join us!

The following received the sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil: **Debbie Backscheider** and **Michaelanne Coors**. **Ashley Hiatt** became a member in full communion with the Catholic Church, via her Confirmation and receipt of the Eucharist for the first time at the Easter Vigil.

If you know someone who may be interested in learning about the Catholic faith, now may be the time to encourage him or her to ask the questions and perhaps become part of our RCIA process. Call Theresa Eagan at 471-7741, ext. 481 for more details.

Goldenaires

PICNIC AT DELHI FLORAL GARDEN GAZEBO - Save the date! - Tuesday, June 12, 11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. We provide meat, drinks, supplies and games. You bring sides, snacks and desserts. The cost is \$5. Reservations to Marie Salem at 910-3938 by 5:00 p.m. on June 10.

Adopt-A-Student Tuition Assistance Program

The St. Dominic Adopt-A-Student Tuition Assistance Program has helped many families attend our exceptional school that may not have been able to afford the full cost of tuition. We have established our tuition rate for the 2018-2019 school year at \$3,166, net of any parish investment, etc. As in the past, **we welcome any monetary gift to the program**, however we have established gift levels as described below for those who wish to sponsor a student:

Platinum Level Gift of \$3,166

Sponsors a student for an entire school year

Gold Level Gift of \$2,375

Sponsors a student for 3 quarters of the year

Silver Level Gift of \$1,585

Sponsors a student for 2 quarters of the year

Bronze Level Gift of \$795

Sponsors a student for 1 quarter of the year

Please consider a contribution to this vital program by participating in any of the levels described above, or **feel free to contribute any amount you are able**. For additional information, or to contribute, please contact the Parish Business Manager, Charlie DeZarn at 471-7741, ext. 417. Thank you for your consideration in contributing to our Adopt-A-Student Tuition Assistance Program.

St. Dominic Vacation Bible School



Are you looking ahead to the end of summer and hoping to find something fun and faith-filled for your children to do? Our Vacation Bible School is perfect!

VBS will be held Monday thru Friday, July 30-August 3, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Our theme for the week is "Marvelous Mystery; The Mass Comes Alive." The goal of this week is to help the children better understand the Catholic Mass and deepen their love for Jesus in the Eucharist.

Registration will be open until July 1st, for children in grades K-4. The fee is \$10 per child. Children going into grades 5-8 may volunteer to help walk the younger students from station to station and encourage the younger kids to participate.

Registration forms will be sent home soon and will also be available online and at the Parish Office. Please watch upcoming bulletins for more information!

VBS is also looking for high school volunteers as well as many **VIRTUS**-trained adults to lead groups from station to station, and to supervise the various stations! If you have completed VIRTUS, and are available each evening from 5:30-9:00 p.m., your help is needed. I promise it is easy and FUN!

If you would like to volunteer your time and talent, contact Linda Gardner at 451-3079 or lmcgardner2@gmail.com or the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0. We have some wonderful parents who have already stepped up to help. If your child needs service hours, we will have spots for them to fill also.

Requirements for Those Volunteering with Children

As a reminder, all volunteers are required to attend one VIRTUS live training session. You can attend this training at any location at a date/time that works best for you. Preregistration is required. Find training locations, registration details and steps to create your VIRTUS user account at www.VIRTUS.org.

The second requirement for volunteers is to complete an online background check request. Payment for this is by credit card or "token" at the time of your online request. Contact the organization for which you volunteer to get information on obtaining a token for payment. To initiate the online background check, sign in to your VIRTUS.org user account, click the "Toolbox" tab then click the selection.com background check link. Contact Theresa Eagan at teagan@stdominichelhi.org or 471-7741, ext. 481 with questions.

THIRD QUARTER 2017-18**1ST HONORS—Q Average of 93% +****2ND HONORS— Q Average of 85-92%****8th Grade****FIRST HONORS**

Jack Adams
Maddie Baker
Avery Barnes
Bridget Barron
Isabella Bass
Jason Childs
Kailee Chowning
Kendal Hart
Rebecca Hater
Cedes Lagdameo
Katie Liderbach
Rebecca Ochs
Julia Redder
Kaitlyn Schloemer
Maggie Utley
Rebecca Veid
Ben Yorgovan

7th Grade**FIRST HONORS**

Lucy Becker
Bailey Broxterman
Collin Carrithers
Teagan Charles
Megan Childs
Kaitlyn Dudley
Claire Gibbs
Nickey Gutzwiller
Nick Ruoff
Allison Shattuck
Caleb Sunderman
Mimi Vu
Emma Walter

6th Grade**FIRST HONORS**

Charlie Baker
Emma Bechtel
Tyler Biggs
Evelyn Brower
Brandon Catanzaro
Hayley Cook
Eabha Delaney
Maria Dorr
Brody Ferencak
Kaylee Finkelstein
Nick Fitzsimmons
Thomas Hater
Gino Hockenberry
Ryan Kunz
Ethan Lipps
Thomas Roth
Carter Sokolis
Nick Tallen
Jayden Teal
Madison Tedesco
Carson Telgar
Bella Tirado
Nick Tolbert
Ella Vatter

5th Grade**FIRST HONORS**

Grace Awad
Catherine Barron
Sophia Bass
Emery Charles
Arielle Fahrian
Ella Gorczyca
Jonah Habedank
Johnny Hafner
Eddie Jones
Alisa King
Kaitlyn Kruessel
Nick Liderbach
Elizabeth Lipps
Caleb Logsdon
Michael Montgomery
Anna Murphy
Ben Railey
Adrianna Russ
Adam Schloemer
Carson Siebel
Leni Sullivan
Bella Sweeney
Austin Tettenhorst
Nora Utley
Payton Watson

4th Grade**FIRST HONORS**

Leah Becker
Jackson Bogner
Casey Broxterman
Colin Broxterman
Simon Burke
Caitlin Childs
Alex Coffman
Caleb Dreiling
Mary Gibbs
Chase Goins
Zach Hartung
Eva Hater
Elizabeth Kennedy
Wyatt Krommer
Kara Lively
Shelby Luebbering
Carmen Morano
Connor Muhlenkamp
Courtney Muhlenkamp
Payton Rampello
Josh Sanders
Lucas Schroer
Jadyn Smith
Hank Utley
Josh Walter
Kaylee Whitacre
Lizzie Williams
Isaiah Zerilla

8th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Maddie Biggs
Grant Hater
Courtney Schweitzer
Megan Thompson

7th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Grace Ellis
Gabby Flores
Lindsay Hasselbeck
Gabby White

6th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

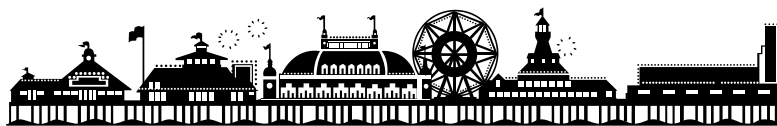
Rose Cooper
Nick Wade
D.J. Philpot

5th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Zachary Barnes
Mairead Beverley
Liam Eckhoff
Sami Hasselbeck
Raegan Korb
Tony Thomas

4th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Riley Bryant
Carter Carrithers
Megan Hogel
Leanna Smith
Aubrey Weller



St. Dominic's Memorial Day Festival Silent Auction and Baskets & More

Not only do we have these great items, but we're hoping to add others. Maybe some generous person(s) will donate a weekend getaway to a KY or OH Park Lodge. Maybe someone could help with a Bengals package or a Reds package.

What would you like to buy and at the same time have all the proceeds go to St. Dominic? You can buy a week's vacation in a gorgeous home on Anna Maria Island and the money goes to St. Dominic. It's like getting double value!

Silent Auction Items – Some of the items to be offered are:

- * Three-bedroom, three bath (ensuite), private home, the Blue Bayou (sleeps six), with pool and spa on Anna Maria Island, Florida (near Bradenton). It is canal front with a boat dock and just two blocks from the Gulf and beach. Choose a mutually agreed upon week from May through September 2019. For more details, check out their website: www.islandreal.com/booking/blue-bayou-229-chilson-ave/1019. (Donated by Bill & Patty Cook)
- * Dinner with Bishop Joe – Enjoy a gourmet dinner for six adults at the home of Tom and Joan Mattei. If you attended Bishop Joe's Lenten Lecture on Discipleship, you'll understand just how interesting and entertaining he can be with his personal life stories. This is a very relaxing and enjoyable evening with friends.
- * Cookout with Fr. Jim, Fr. Chris and Deacon Mark – A group of 6 adults can have a great time grilling and chilling in Fr. Jim's home. Unwind with Sammie and her pals and enjoy a tasty grill-out.
- * Italian Dinner with Fr. Jim, Fr. Chris and Gourmet Cook Deacon Mark – Be wined and dined with an Italian dinner fit for a king and his court at Fr. Jim's home. This meal, including an antipasto appetizer, pasta and meat courses, and dessert, is sure to please a group of six adults. It's almost as good as the camaraderie!
- * Romance Package at Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza – 1-night stay, dinner and breakfast for two
- * Golf and Lunch for three with donor at Western Hills Country Club
- * Delhi Swim Club Membership
- * Sports Memorabilia

Baskets and More Raffle – Just a very few of our baskets include:

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| * Lottery Ticket Shirt | * \$300 Money Tree |
| * Elder & Seton spirit wear | * Playhouse in the Park tickets |
| * Dine at Home in Delhi | * Dollywood tickets |
| * Elder Afghan | * Etched "Elder" Stone |
| * King's Island tickets | * Riverbend tickets |
| * Season tickets to Elder Basketball 2018-2019 | * Dining Gift Cards |
| * Smithscapes \$500 landscape plan or 10-12 ft. tree (planting included) | |

AND MANY MORE!!!

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COMMUNITY DINNER

May 17, 2018

5:00 p.m. to

6:30 p.m.

In O'Connor Hall

Hope to see everyone there!

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