

# St. Dominic Parish

GENERATIONS GROWING IN FAITH.

*for Over 80 Years*

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

Rev. Jim Walsh, Pastor  
Rev. Chris Lack, Associate Pastor  
Deacon Mark Bardonaro, Parish Administrator  
Mr. Bill Cavanaugh, Principal  
Mrs. Theresa Eagan, Pastoral Associate  
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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.

### Masses for Sunday

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

### Masses for Holy Days:

See inside for Mass Schedule.

### Weekday Masses:

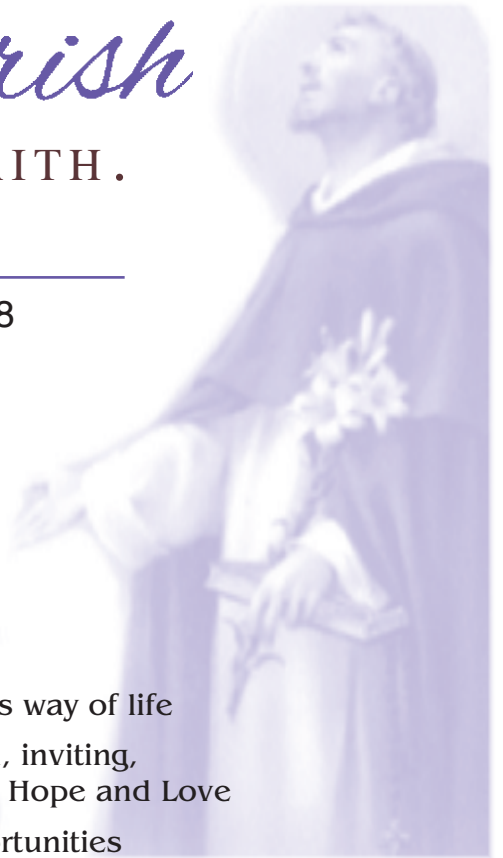
Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m.  
Friday: 7:30 a.m. & 8:15 a.m.  
Saturday: 8:15 a.m. followed by Marian Devotions & Apostolate for the Dying

### Holy Communion Service:

Monday-Saturday: 6:10 a.m.

### Publication Deadlines:

Bulletin: Due by Noon on Monday.  
Monthly Report: Due by the 12th of each month.



**DECEMBER 17, 2017  
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**MONDAY – DECEMBER 18 – LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Mike Schiller

**TUESDAY – DECEMBER 19 – LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Charlene Anter

**WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 20 – LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Leonard Bohnen  
8:00 A.M.-NOON Adoration

**THURSDAY – DECEMBER 21 – LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Theresa Eby

**FRIDAY – DECEMBER 22 – LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Shirley Cochran  
8:15 A.M. No Mass (No School)

**SATURDAY – DECEMBER 23 – LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
8:15 A.M. Carol Thieman  
After Mass: Marian Devotions and  
Apostolate for the Dying  
4:30 P.M. Stephanie Bonfield

**SUNDAY – DECEMBER 24 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

7:30 A.M. Patricia Kraft  
9:30 A.M. Janice Wetterich  
11:30 A.M. Deceased Members of the Maly Family  
3:00 P.M. For Our Parishioners  
5:00 P.M. For Our Parishioners  
11:00 P.M. For Our Parishioners

**IN MEMORIAM**

Please pray for the souls of Virginia MacDonald and Ralph Englert who died this past week. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

**BAPTISMS**

Julia Kate Cowans, daughter of Christopher and Catherine Cowans.

**EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Due to the holiday season, we will have the following early deadlines: information for the December 31 bulletin should be submitted by noon on Wednesday, December 20; information for the January 7 bulletin, should be submitted by noon on Tuesday, December 26. THANK YOU.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

There is still a week until Christmas, but not too early to wish you God's Blessings! What a wonderful mystery we celebrate in this feast of Christmas! An awesome God creates us out of love, and then wants to share our life. God wants to experience what it is to be human, i.e. being born...being dependent on parents....growing.... eating... sleeping...learning.....loving.....suffering....dying. We celebrate the remarkable gift of God's very self in the person of Jesus. It is God's way of being present to us in our humanness, so that we might share in God's divinity. In the gift of Jesus, God has embraced the human race and human history. Christmas is the celebration of that embrace. What is amazing is that God's embrace is not just an embrace of human life, ...but an embrace of my life,...and your life,...an embrace of the lives of my family,...and your family...an embrace of the St. Dominic parish family! The Good News of this feast is that God embraces you...God embraces me...again!

My prayer for you is that you will experience God's personal embrace in new and deeper ways this Christmas! May that experience bring you profound joy and peace and gratitude during this season and throughout the new year! Merry Christmas everyone!

Fr. Jim

**HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE****CHRISTMAS EVE**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24**

3:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. – Children's Mass

11:00 p.m. – Final Mass on Christmas Eve  
(Carols begin at 10:30 p.m.)

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 25**

7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

NO 7:00 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

(Not a Holy Day of Obligation  
No Vigil Mass on December 31)

**MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2018**

6:10 a.m. Communion Service

9:00 a.m. Mass

**GOLDENAIRES**

**Christmas Décor Swap and Brown Bag Lunch** – Tuesday, January 9 at 11:30 a.m. in O'Connor Hall. You bring your items to swap and lunch, we'll provide drinks and cookies! Reserve a seat with Marie at 910-3938 by January 7.

**Lunch and Price Hill Historical Society Building Tour** – Thursday, February 1. SAVE THE DATE! More info in future bulletins.

**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 Theresa Eagan at 471-7741, ext. 481.

**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.

**PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS**

The Parish Office will have reduced hours during the holiday season. Please note these times so you can plan your business accordingly.

Friday, December 22	8:00 a.m.-noon
Monday, December 25	Closed
Tuesday, December 26 through Friday, December 29	8:00 a.m.-noon
Monday, January 1	Closed

**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)  
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Attention, PSR Families: There will be NO CLASSES for students in Grades 1-5 on Sunday, December 24 and Sunday, December 31. Classes resume on January 7 at 10:30 a.m. Students in Grades 6-8 will not have class on Tuesday, December 26 and Tuesday, January 2. Classes resume Tuesday, January 9 at 7:00 p.m. Thanks for your support of our PSR Program. The PSR Staff wishes you and your family a Merry Christmas and Blessings in the New Year. Contact Theresa Eagan at 471-7741, ext. 481, with any PSR questions.

**HOLY HOUR FOR THE DYING**

Join us for the Holy Hour for the Dying on the last Tuesday of each month. We will meet this month on December 26 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 2 of the Parish Center.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

We need several people to help us put Las Vegas ticket sheets in the January *TORCH*. This would be a good opportunity for a retired person, a Boy or Girl Scout, or a confirmation student, to do some community service. If we get several people, it can be done in a few hours. We will need you to be available one morning right after Christmas, depending upon when the final *TORCH* is returned to the Parish Office. If you can help, please call the Parish Office at 471-7741 or Bob Murphy at 451-5047. THANKS IN ADVANCE! (Those people who have helped in the past do not have to respond. They will receive a call asking for their help as soon as we know when the *TORCH* will be ready.)

**VOTIVE LIGHTS**

Envelopes for requesting a Votive Light can be found on the Communion rail near the doors inside Church. On the front of the envelope you can designate an intention. The usual donation is \$2 to cover the cost of the candle. Candles are lit on Thursday for the week. Envelopes may be put in the collection basket on the weekend or brought to the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please call 471-7741, ext. 0.

**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, January 14, 2018, 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 January 14.

**COMMUNITY DINNER**

Our next Community Dinner is scheduled for  
**December 21 in O'Connor Hall from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.**  
Hope to see everyone there!!!

**ST. DOMINIC PARISHIONERS FOR LIFE**

Our Pro-Life Ministry meets monthly on the 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Faith Sharing Room of the Parish Center. This ministry allows people of all ages and abilities to channel their time and energy to benefit Pro-Life causes. One of the Pro-Life causes we support is Pregnancy Center West on Glenway Avenue near Price Hill Chili. For more information and membership, please contact: Theresa Morris (289-7989 or theresam1953@me.com), Marty Berning (680-0046 or regis.ic@fuse.net) or Peggy and Zack Fugman (fugmanp@fuse.net). **Our next meeting is December 18.** Please join us.

**ADVENT CONCERT**

Mike Davis Advent Concert  
with Scripture and Prayer  
Tuesday, December 19  
7:00 p.m. in Church  
**SAVE THE DATE!!**

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS**

Religious give thanks. A religious sister writes, "When we see the generous response of so many thousands of persons to help us, religious men and women, we are left speechless." Senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests across the country send heartfelt thanks and prayers for your donation to last week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection.

**TUITION CREDIT PROGRAM UPDATES**

Hi! I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Rachel Lahni. I am married to Patrick Lahni and we have two amazing kids – Raegan (1st grade) and Alex (pre-k). I will be taking over the Tuition Credit Program. This program has been a great success in the past, thanks to Amy Walter! I hope to continue that success.

Back in October we had a fund raiser at Panera Bread which brought in \$183. Thank you to all that made it out to help support our school! We plan on doing more events in 2018. If you have ideas or contacts you'd like to share, I can easily be reached at rachel@lahni.com.

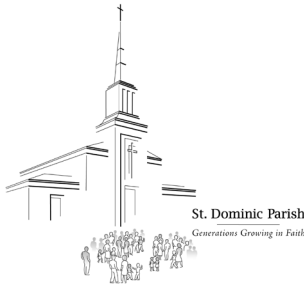
You can also help support our school by having your Kroger Rewards card linked to St. Dominic School. Kroger is the largest source for this program, so please spread the word. You don't need to be directly associated with the school for us to benefit. Just sign in or create an account with Kroger, once signed in, you can enroll or update your Community Rewards under your Account Settings. Use your Reward card as normal and that's it!

Another great way to earn money for our school is through Shoparoo. Shoparoo is a very simple app that allows you to take pictures of your receipts. St. Dominic earns points from that which translates into dollars for the school's Tuition Credit Program. It's very simple to use. You can find more information at [www.shoparoo.com](http://www.shoparoo.com).

**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. Pre-registration is required. Find training locations, registration details and steps to create your VIRTUS user account at [www.VIRTUS.org](http://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@stdominicdelhi.org](mailto:teagan@stdominicdelhi.org) or 471-7741, ext. 481, with questions.



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**

Offertory Collection Week of 12/10/17:	\$ 17,298
Feast of the Immaculate Conception:	\$ 1,682
<b>FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2017-JUNE 30, 2018</b>	
Actual Year to Date:	\$ 427,914
Year-to-Date Budget:	\$ 416,300
Over Budget by:	\$ 11,614
Retirement Fund for the Religious:	\$ 4,663

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

**ST. DOMINIC NEWS**

**ST. DOMINIC YOUNG ADULT GROUP** – Please join us for our next young adult meeting on December 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Faith Sharing room. The Young Adult Group was formed to allow young adults to learn and grow in their faith and create a personal relationship with Jesus. All young adults ages 18-25 are invited. Pizza and drinks will be provided.

**ST. DOMINIC PTO BOOK FAIR** – Thank you to everyone who came out and supported the Fall Scholastic Book Fair! The Book Fair was a HUGE success and we sold over \$5,900 worth of books. We earned over \$2,500 worth of books for our classrooms and school library. This would not have been possible without the support of our school and parish families! Thank you and we hope to see you in the SPRING for our BOGO Book Fair, where everything is buy one get one FREE!



**SCRIPTURE READINGS  
 FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24**

- 1st Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14 a, 16
- 2nd Reading: Romans 16:25-27
- Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 23 & 24**

	<b>SERVERS SCHEDULE</b>	<b>GIFT BEARERS</b>	<b>LECTORS</b>	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (Captains names are listed first.)</b>
<b>8:15 a.m. Saturday</b>	Kristin Bizailon Alicia Burke			
<b>4:30 p.m. Saturday</b>	Megan Childs Kamara Chowning	Matthew Shields Family	Pat Cusick	Louise Shields, Matt Shields, Amy Stevens, Kathy Wandstrat, Connie Ashby, Bob Busam, Lauren Fitzsimmons
<b>7:30 a.m. Sunday</b>	Kaitlyn Dudley Caroline Hafner	Cookie Lamphier	Karen Holtgreffe	Paul Backscheider, John Burns, Sabra Charles, Bobbie Honnert, Evan Honnert
<b>9:30 a.m. Sunday</b>	Grace Ellis Lindsay Hasselbeck	Luebbering Family	Debbie Henderer	Lori Thai, Jan Bonomini, Mark Bruns, Kelli Doerman, Terry Doherty, Nancy Gibbs, Caitlyn Thai
<b>11:30 a.m. Sunday</b>	Claire Gibbs Vivian Watson	Joe and Mary Lynn Knochelmann	Fred Meyer	Kathleen Meltebrink, Meg Morris, Patrick Morris, Carol Niehaus, Margie Roedersheimer, Mary Lou Hausman, Kayla Hess
<b>7:00 p.m. Sunday</b>			NO 7:00 P.M. MASS	NO 7:00 P.M. MASS





## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

We congratulate all our 8th Graders who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, December 7. Please pray for them as they continue their journey of Faith!