

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
Mr. Jim Dickman, Music Director
Mr. Charlie DeZarn, Business Manager

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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:

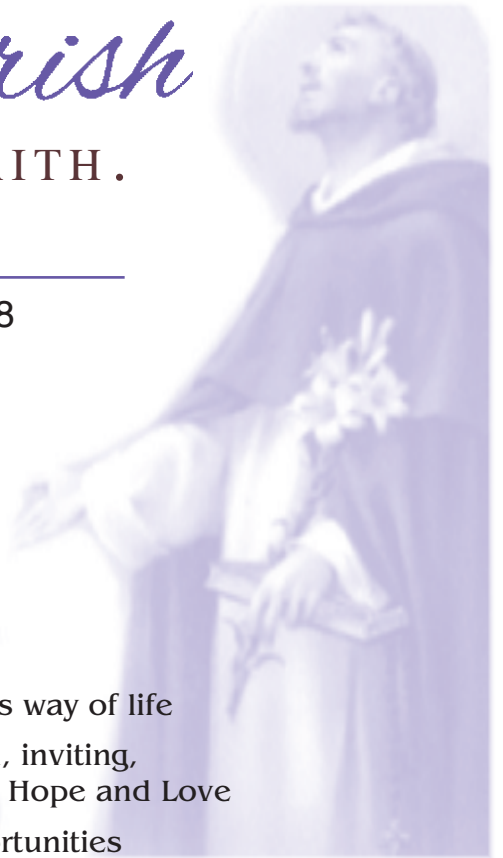
Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m. & 8:15 a.m.
Saturday: 8:15 a.m. followed by Marian Devotions & Apostolate for the Dying

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 3, 2017**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT****MONDAY – DECEMBER 4 – ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Mary Elaine Schoener

TUESDAY – DECEMBER 5 – ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Cindy Durkin (BR)

WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 6 – ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Edgar Willig
8:00 A.M.-NOON Adoration

THURSDAY – DECEMBER 7 – SAINT AMBROSE

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Jeannine Wainscott
4:30 P.M. Mamie Catanzaro

FRIDAY – DECEMBER 8 – THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7:30 A.M. Carol Thieman
8:15 A.M. Nancy and Paul Robben
7:00 P.M. Paul Westrich

SATURDAY – DECEMBER 9 – ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
8:15 A.M. Martha Leussing
After Mass: Marian Devotions and Apostolate
for the Dying
4:30 P.M. Jake Wittich (BR)

SUNDAY – DECEMBER 10 – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 A.M. Marie Absher
9:30 A.M. Joan Wespiser and Harry Kohlbrandt
11:30 A.M. Alvin "Toby" Binder
7:00 P.M. For Our Parishioners

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the souls of Marie DeWald and Jean McCarthy, who died this past week. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

GIVING TREES

Don't forget! The Giving Tree wrapped gifts with the tag **FIRMLY** attached (*and the pink suggestion tag removed*) need to be returned by Noon on December 10. Thank you to all who are working on making Christmas special for children in our community. Any questions, call Joan at 922-6993.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Advent is upon us! We are in preparation for the great feast of Christmas as we remember that Jesus Christ is coming again in glory! Signs of Advent here at St. Dominic are the Advent wreath, the liturgical readings about John the Baptist and from the prophet Isaiah, the liturgical songs, the purple banners in the Gathering Place and the purple vestments at Mass.

Once again, we will be having a communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday evening, December 12, beginning at 7:00 p.m. This is a wonderful way to prepare for Christmas. Come join the rest of us sinners as we celebrate God's mercy and forgiveness.

We will again be blessed by St. Henry's High School Choir performing an Advent concert on December 5 at 7:00 p.m. in church. This group is outstanding and is directed by Eileen Bird (nee Wagner) a St. Dominic graduate. You do not want to miss this!

Mike Davis will offer his Advent evening of prayer, scripture, and music on Tuesday, December 19 at 7:00 p.m. in church. This is an excellent way to get into the genuine Christmas spirit!

May God bless us all and may we have a faith-filled Advent Season!

Fr. Jim

EARLY BULLETIN AND DEADLINE

Due to the holiday season, we will have the following early deadlines: information for the December 24 bulletin should be submitted by noon on Wednesday, December 13; information for the December 31 bulletin, should be submitted by noon on Wednesday, December 20. Please submit information for the January *Torch* by noon Thursday, December 7. THANK YOU.

MEN'S SOCIETY LOTTERY

The tickets have been sold, and now is the time when the winners are drawn! The winning ticket numbers for the final week of November are:

Monday, November 27	#874	Terry Doherty
Tuesday, November 28	#066	Bert Grote
Wednesday, November 29	#609	Patti Fellingner
Thursday, November 30	#411	Dan Cassedy

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.

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.

AN EVENING OF SONG AND PRAYER

Please join us on Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 p.m. as we welcome the St. Henry District High School Chamber Choir from Northern Kentucky. This renowned choir is under the direction of Ms. Eileen Bird. You won't want to miss this joyful and uplifting evening of song and prayer!

GOLDENAIRES

SAVE THE DATES – Tuesday, January 9, Christmas Décor Swap and Brown bag lunch. **Thursday, February 1**, Lunch and Price Hill Historical Society Building Tour. More info in future bulletins.

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.)

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.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Offertory Collection Week of 11/19/17:	\$15,940
Offertory Collection Week of 11/26/17:	\$14,681

FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2017-JUNE 30, 2018

Actual Year to Date:	\$388,368
Year-to-Date Budget:	\$379,500
Over Budget by:	\$ 8,868

Catholic Campaign for Human Development \$2,075

Thank you for your support of our Parish.

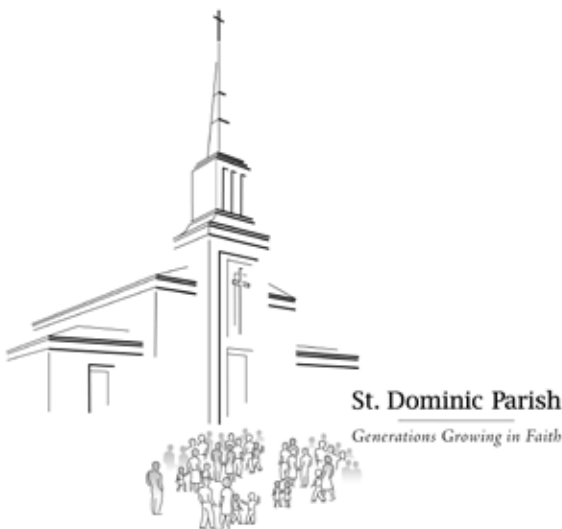
May the Lord continue to bless you in your generosity!

ST. DOMINIC NEWS

PTO SUPER SPLIT-THE-POT – Wouldn't you like to win CASH right before the holidays? The St. Dominic PTO is doing a Super Split-the-Pot. Tickets are on sale now until the drawing on December 15. Tickets are \$5 each and the winner gets half of the pot! Questions? Please contact Sarah Dorr at 257-7272 or Jennica Bass at 283-3505.

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.

A PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT – Christmas is coming soon! Consider purchasing a Gathering Place paver for the person in your life who is hard to shop for. Pavers are the gift that lets your mother, father, grandparent, child, or spouse know how cherished they are. Order forms are available at the doors of church or on the parish website at www.stdominichelhi.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.**



Our future depends on you.

Please remember St. Dominic in your will and estate planning.

Our legal title is St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church.

MISCELLANEOUS

DELHI SENIOR CENTER (647 Neeb Road) has a dance on the first Sunday of each month from 2:00-5:00 p.m. There is live music by Nelson. The cost is \$6 per person and includes beer, soft drinks, potato chips, pretzels and popcorn. Everyone is welcome. **The next dance is scheduled for Sunday, December 3.** The Delhi Senior Center also has *free* Line Dancing on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. *Come and have fun!*

ADVENT CONCERT – Join us as popular singer and Catholic Evangelist Mike Davis presents his Advent concert that is sure to fill your spirit with the joy of the season and the coming of the Christ child. Bring your family and friends to an incredible night of music, prayer and reflection. All concerts listed below begin at 7:00 p.m. No charge for admission. Freewill donations.

December 4 – St. John Catholic Parish,
509 Harrison Avenue, Harrison, Ohio

December 6 – Our Lady of Victory,
810 Neeb Road, Cincinnati, Ohio

December 11 – St. Mary Parish,
7721 North Main Street, Camden, Ohio

December 14 – Holy Guardian Angels Church,
405 U.S. Hwy. 52, Cedar Grove, Indiana

December 15 – St. Ignatius,
5222 North Bend Road, Cincinnati, Ohio

December 19 – St. Dominic

December 20 – St. Joseph Church,
25 E. Harrison Avenue, North Bend, Ohio

CHRISTMAS IN BETHLEHEM – A family celebration of the light of the season at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center, December 4-January 5, featuring an outdoor starlit stable scene, crèches from around the world, and a poster display of approved Marian apparitions. In addition, we plan choral concerts, a family ornament making afternoon and a family movie night. For details, see www.olhsc.org or call 351-9800.

FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES offered by the Sisters of Charity Spirituality Center on Friday, December 8, at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendars as we provide an evening of relaxation and fun with some popular movies of our time. Our movie this month is “The Polar Express.” The program will be held at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse (5900 Delhi Road). There is no fee for this program, but registration is requested. Please contact the Spirituality Center 347-5449 or spirituality.center@scharitycinti.org to register or for additional information.

“PRAYER IN THE LIFE OF THE DISCIPLE” – Sean Ater, Director of the Office for the New Evangelization in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, will be speaking on “Prayer in the Life of the Disciple” at Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Tuesday, December 12 at 7:00 p.m. in Trinity Hall. The presentation will have elements of a workshop and give special attention to Lectio Divina or the spiritual reading of scripture. Admission is free. For more information, go to www.lourdes.org or call 922-0715.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

1st Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
2nd Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14
Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – DECEMBER 7 & 8

	SERVERS SCHEDULE	GIFT BEARERS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (Captains names are listed first.)
4:30 p.m. Thursday	Brody Hollander			
7:00 p.m. Friday	Jason Childs Luke Schwartz			

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 9 & 10

	SERVERS SCHEDULE	GIFT BEARERS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (Captains names are listed first)
8:15 a.m. Saturday	Kendal Hart Rebecca Ochs			
4:30 p.m. Saturday	Brandon Cron Jackson Gutzwiller	Amy Stevens	Amy Stevens	Louise Shields, Matt Shields, Kathy Wandstradt, Connie Ashby, Bob Busam, Pat Cusick, Mary Jo Reiners
7:30 a.m. Sunday	Carly Caskey Becky Veid	Karen Holtgreffe	BC Charles	Paul Backscheider, John Burns, Sabra Charles, Bobbie Honnert, Evan Honnert
9:30 a.m. Sunday	Heather Cook Marie Specker	Sharon Philpot	Michelle Smith	Jerry Luebbering, Andrea Moeder, Bob Murphy, Elaine Murphy, Janice Noble, Jim Noble, Jessica Rimmel
11:30 a.m. Sunday	Kyle Gutzwiller Jacob Gutzwiller	Renee Wheatley	Paul Brinker	Beth Weaver, Mara Weaver, Jenny Berndsen, Dan Clark, Pat Clark, Joe Crabb, Jen Dugan
7:00 p.m. Sunday			Jerry Krumplebeck	Elena DelaCalzada

CHRISTMAS FLORAL DONATIONS



This Christmas Season, we are accepting donations to help offset the cost of decorating the church. Please consider honoring your special loved ones by helping us to prepare a fitting and very beautiful place to welcome the Lord. Donors and their loved ones will be listed in the bulletin and *The Torch* soon after Christmas. You may place your donations in the Sunday Collection, please mark your envelope as "Christmas Flower Donation" or bring your gift to the Parish Office. Please submit all donations by Friday, December 15.

Name: _____

Amount: _____

In Memory of: _____

I wish to have my gift noted in the bulletin and *The Torch*

I prefer my donation remain anonymous