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St. Dominic
Parish

Delhi Township,
OH

April 2018



St. Dominic Parish Festival

"BASKETS & MORE" is here!! All the baskets and items will be right out on the grounds. All Festival patrons will have the chance to win great baskets of varying value! All baskets and other items will be raffled off on Sunday night. There will also be a Silent Auction all weekend long with closing bids on Sunday night.

Donations to our "Baskets & More" would be greatly appreciated! Here are some possible donation ideas:

- Trips (do you own a time-share or a vacation home you would be willing to donate?)
- Electronic donations (Fire TV stick with Alexa, Echo, Blue Tooth Head Set, Wii, iPad, Kindle ...)
- Flat screen TV
- Gift certificates to restaurants or stores
- Do you have a business you own and would like to advertise? Consider donating a gift certificate.
- Tickets to sporting events (Reds, Bengals, XU, UC, etc.), movies or Cincinnati attractions (zoo, aquarium, museums, Kings Island)
- Sports memorabilia
- Salon packages
- Hotel packages
- Jewelry
- A talent or service - planting flowers, landscaping services, carpentry, plumbing, baking cakes, hosting a dinner or brunch or hors d'oeuvres party, grass cutting, babysitting, sewing, tutoring, a haircut and style or coloring, DJ a party, musician for a wedding or a band for a party
- And - CASH is always welcome and will be used to create gift baskets, purchase items for the live auction, defray expenses, etc.



We will be happy to arrange to pick up your items or you can drop them off at the parish office. Please mark them for "Baskets & More," include your name, if you want your name acknowledged, and approximate value. If you have any questions, please call Martha Queenan at 471-5683 or Maria Moster at 295-0691.

**Thank you for your generosity and support of
"Baskets & More" and the Festival!!**

Pastor's Desk

Jesus is alive and present in our midst! He is risen! Alleluiah! Happy Easter everyone!

If spring is here, can our Festival be far behind? I am excited about our Festival this year! Gary Schloemer and his team have brought some new ideas and some new energy to our Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Memorial Weekend Festival. On Thursday night, there will be a Texas Hold'em tournament with a buy-in cost of \$50. Friday night, May 25, will be an adult only night (21 years old and older). The band for the evening will be the popular Naked Karate Girls. Trust me, the band does not play naked and they are not girls. I am told that they are very good. I am hoping that this will be an occasion for graduates of St. Dominic on the West side and beyond to gather and reminisce about the "good old days!" We will still have our popular Baskets & More and Silent Auction items, Mike Davis will perform on Sunday evening and our Major Award will be \$10,000. Look for the Major Award tickets to come in the mail early in April. On Sunday, plan on joining us for a dinner in O'Connor Hall. This year, the entrée will be Pulled Pork! This will be a weekend of fun and games and good food for both kids and adults. It's not too early to start praying for good weather! Enjoy the Easter season!

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 Miller, wife of Howard "Butch" Miller and mother of Nicholas and Kathy Miller.

Wilbur Wink, father of Donald and Kay Meier, Kim Ankenbauer, David and Lisa Meier, Eric and Linda Wink, Brian Wink and Sean and Julie Wink.

RCIA News



Lent is a busy time for those in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, or RCIA. During Lent, we enter the period of Purification and Enlightenment, a time of deeper and more intense preparation for celebration of the paschal mystery at the Easter Vigil.

On the First Sunday of Lent, we celebrated the Rites of Sending (here at St. Dominic) and Election (at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral.) The Elect, members of their families and some members of St. Dominic's RCIA team are pictured.

On the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent, the church celebrated the Scrutinies with the Elect (Candidates and Catechumens) who are participating in the parish Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults program, or RCIA. In the three Scrutinies, those preparing for Baptism and Full Initiation into the Catholic Faith are called to examine, or scrutinize, the areas of their lives where they are tempted to sin. Please pray for St. Dominic's Elect, and for all the Elect as they continue their faith journey toward Easter.

If you, or someone you know, want to learn more about the RCIA, either as a parish team member or to begin or complete your initiation into the Catholic faith, please contact Theresa Eagan at 471-7741, ext. 481.

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.



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.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.

Goldenaires

BROWN BAG LUNCH - Friday, April 20 - Plan on joining your friends from 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for a Brown Bag lunch with the St. Dominic Blackhawk Choir. Bring your lunch and we provide drinks and dessert! Please RSVP to Marie Salem at 910-3938 by April 18, so we save you a seat!

PLANNING MEETING - Wednesday, April 25 - Come to Room 1 in the Parish Center at 7:00 p.m. with your ideas for future activities. If you have ideas but are not able to attend the meeting, call Marie at 910-3938 to share your ideas.

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@stdominicdelhi.org or 471-7741, ext. 481 with questions.

St. Dominic Tuition Credit Program



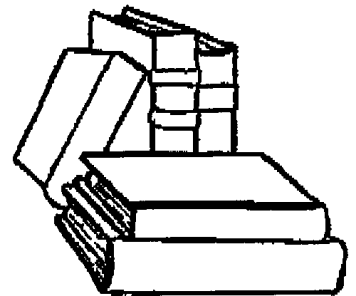
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1. Sign in or create an account at krogercommunityrewards.com.
2. Click on Enroll Now.
3. Under "Find Your Organization" enter 80206 (St. Dominic R. C. Parish School).
4. Click on school name.
5. You'll receive confirmation that you've enrolled.

Your purchases will begin earning rewards within 7-10 business days after registering your Kroger Plus Card. If you have any questions or need help registering, contact Rachel Lahni at 310-0045 or rachel@lahni.com.

St. Dominic PTO Spring Book Fair

Mark your calendars! The Spring Book Fair will be here April 21-22 in the **school library**. Please note the change in venue from previous years. *This year, the Spring Book Fair will NOT be BOGO.* All books will be priced as marked. The Book Fair will be open on Saturday, April 21, after the 4:30 p.m. Mass and will be open after all morning Masses on Sunday, April 22. Please come out to support our PTO with this fun Spring fund raiser for our school library! This is the perfect occasion to stock up on some great books for summer reading! We hope to see you there!



St. Dominic Class of 1973 Reunion

The St. Dominic Class of 1973 reunion will be held Saturday, November 24 from 4:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. at St. Dominic. We would also like to reconnect with students who attended St. Dominic these years but finished their education elsewhere. Please join our Facebook page (St. Dominic Grade School Reunion Class of 1973) and check back often for updates. You can also send an email to: Stdomclass1973@gmail.com or contact Marcia Fields Buelterman at 451-7611 and leave a message with contact information.

Las Vegas Night 2018

THANK YOU for your support of our Las Vegas Night held on February 24, 2018. We netted \$13,140 from this event which will be used for capital improvements in the parish. If you were unable to attend, please consider a donation using the Capital Improvement Fund Envelope in your box of envelopes. **THANK YOU**, too, for your donations throughout the year.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2018 LAS VEGAS NIGHT WINNERS!

First Prize - \$1,000 – Mary DePaoli
 Second Prize - \$500 – Lawrence Smith
 Third Prize - \$300 – Jim Korb
 Fourth Prize - \$100 – Rose Kuley
 Fifth Prize - \$100 – Judith Luebbe

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING COMPANIES AND INDIVIDUALS WHO SPONSORED OUR PARISH LAS VEGAS NIGHT.

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April 19, 2018
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
In O'Connor Hall
Hope to see everyone there!

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