

The Torch



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

St. Dominic
Parish

Delhi Township,
OH

March 2018

Pastor's Desk

Palm Sunday, on March 25, begins the most sacred week of our liturgical year. The Triduum is at the very heart of our Holy Week gatherings. The word is from the Latin and it means "three days." On Holy Thursday, we celebrate Jesus' gift of the Eucharist to us. On Good Friday, we celebrate Jesus' gift of His life for our salvation. At the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday, we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ and our destiny of sharing in God's life for all eternity.

If some of you who get this report each month have not been to St. Dominic for awhile, please consider this an invitation to join us for these three special days. The Spirit of God has been transforming our parish community at each Sunday Eucharist. There are marvelous signs of parishioners growing in the Lord. We invite you to be a part of that. If you have been thinking "I have to get back to Church," trust that that very thought is already the activity and movement of God within you.

Please note the schedule for our Holy Week services. The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening begins at 7:00 p.m. Our Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion is at Noon and 7:00 p.m. The Easter Vigil is on Saturday evening, beginning at 8:30 p.m. This is the high point of our Liturgical Year and our most important gathering as a St. Dominic parish community. There will be two Baptisms and one other will join us in full communion. All three will be confirmed and receive the Eucharist for the first time. This is the highlight liturgy of the year for the St. Dominic parish family. We celebrate it well. Come and be lifted up!

On Easter Sunday, our Masses are at 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:30 a.m. Because of our anticipated overflow crowd at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., we will have an overflow second Mass at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. in O'Connor Hall in the Parish Center. We will fill up the church first and then the ushers will direct the overflow to O'Connor Hall. We will have converted that space into an Easter Chapel.

My hope and prayer this Holy Week is that you will respond with gratitude to the God who gives you the time of your life. And may that gratitude find expression in your giving back to God some of your prime time on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter.

May the Holy Week liturgies fill your hearts with love and gratitude for the salvation that is ours because of Jesus Christ and His Passion, Death, and Resurrection! And may you all have a Happy Easter!

Fr. Jim



Christ Renews His Parish

Women's Weekend – March 10 & 11: What is Christ Renews His Parish and what happens on these CRHP weekends? Christ Renews His Parish is a program designed to bring parishioners together in Christ. The process includes some group discussion, some prayer together, and some reflections by team members on such subjects as: The Fathers' Loving Care for us, Renewal, Discipleship, etc. There is an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We celebrate the Eucharist together. In a relaxed atmosphere, you can expect a new awareness of God's many blessings in your life and an opportunity to respond to Christ's call to a closer and deeper relationship with Him. Call Fr. Chris or Carole at 471-7741 to reserve a spot.

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.

Lyle (Sid) Campbell, father of Tom and Mary Beth Campbell, Paul and Sharon Campbell and Mike and Debbie Campbell.

Bruce Hayes, husband of Connie Hayes and father of Beth Paulsen, Kimberly and Bryan Wallace and Jonathan Hayes.

Carol Schmitz, mother of David and Beth Leber and Michael and Cheryl Leber.

Jerry Cain, father of Brian Cain.

Marvin Grant, father of Jean and James Hemsath, Joseph and Stacie Grant, Nancy and Brian Crabbe, Lori and Michael Farrar, Julie Grant and Linda Grant.

Mary Crane, mother of JoAnn and Jack Franer, Larry and Dottie Crane, Linda and Tom Crane and Lisa Schloemer.

Robert James, father of Kathy and Joe Klosterman, Robert and Judy James and Edward and Chris James.

Margaret Fishburn, mother of Mark and Nina Fishburn, Jayne and Rick Stone, James Fishburn, Bob and Katie Fishburn and Ann and Peter Witte.

Janet Ciolino, mother of Bob and Michele Ciolino, Chuck and Jenny Ciolino, Jr., Diane and Steve Wilson, Theresa and Bob Klein, Mike and Sonja Ciolino, Andy and Mendy Ciolino, Jeff Ciolino and Janet and Paul Czulewicz.

Celebration of the Feast of St. Joseph

Our St. Joseph celebration will take place on Saturday, March 17. We will begin serving at 5:30 p.m. The St. Joseph Table tradition began in Italy in the Middle Ages, as a way of honoring and thanking St. Joseph for his intercession. If you have a devotion to St. Joseph or have asked him to intercede, come and join the celebration in his honor. Of course, you don't need to have a special devotion to St. Joseph in order to join us for a great time. Since the St. Joseph dinner is on Saturday and the rules of abstinence do not apply, as they did in Italy when the tradition began, we will be serving meatballs with the meal, even though the purest of St. Joseph Day celebrations continue to be meatless.

Due to the nature of the dinner, and the overwhelming response in the past, we need to know the approximate number attending, and we do find it necessary to limit the number. Please RSVP by Sunday, March 11, to Deacon Mark at 471-7741, ext. 415. We are asking for a donation of \$10 per adult and \$5 per child to cover the cost of food, soft drinks and coffee. Diners may bring their own wine if they like.

– Vive San Giuseppe

St. Dominic Festival 2018

Plans are underway for this year's Festival. Mark your calendars for Memorial Day Weekend, May 24, 25, 26 and 27. It will be a weekend full of fun! We will still have our popular Baskets and More and Silent Auction items, plus a lot of great food and games for both kids and adults.



Exciting and NEW for the 2018 St. Dominic Festival

- Thursday, May 24, we will start the Festival off with a Texas Hold'em tournament. Cost is \$50 to buy in.
- Friday night, May 25, will be an adult ONLY night (21 years and older). The band, The Naked Karate Girls, will be playing.
- Sunday, May 27, we will be having a Pulled Pork dinner in O'Connor Hall. Mike Davis will be performing on Sunday again this year!

We will be selling Major Award tickets again this year for a chance to win \$10,000. *Only 2,000 tickets will be sold.* We will be mailing Major Award tickets to you early in April.

Festival setup is Tuesday, May 22. This is a huge project that needs to be completed, so that all the inspections can happen before we are able to open on Friday Night. We will gladly take all the help we can get. Many hands help to make the setup easier and quicker. Please consider helping with setup.

If you are interested in helping with setup or would like to work during the Festival, please contact Gary Schloemer at Schloemer7@gmail.com for more information.

Sincerely,

Gary Schloemer, Mark Caskey, and Tony Tedesco

Knights of Columbus Raffle

The St. Dominic-Delhi Knights of Columbus will be selling tickets for the "K of C Super Cash Bonanza Raffle" after all Masses the weekends of March 10-11 and March 17-18. This is a statewide raffle with over \$100,000 in prizes awarded to twenty-five winners. First prize is \$49,680 (payable over ten years), second prize is \$18,780 (payable over five years), and third prize is \$12,720 (payable over five years). There are another twenty-two cash prizes, all paid out when won, ranging from \$4,000 to \$750. Tickets are \$5 each. All money that the council raises with this raffle will be used for charitable works in the parish and community.

The Knights of Columbus is an international organization of lay men with over 1.8 million members worldwide. Described as "the strong right arm of the Church," the order is made up of over 15,000 local councils that serve their parishes and communities. St. Dominic-Delhi Council is a new council, formed on July 2, 2012 to serve St. Dominic Parish and the Delhi community. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your local Catholic Church, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life. All men of the parish who are practicing Catholics, age 18 or older, are invited to join us. Meetings are the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Call Ken Gardner at 451-3079 for more information.



COMMUNITY DINNER

March 15, 2018

5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

In O'Connor Hall

Hope to see everyone there!

St. Dominic St. Vincent De Paul Society

We wish to extend a very big “Thank-You” to all the parishioners of St. Dominic. Because of your generous donations, we provided help to many families. From October through December of 2017, we helped 79 families and 223 adults and children in the St. Dominic St. Vincent de Paul Society service area, which includes Delhi, Sedamsville and Riverside.

Our total receipts for the fourth quarter were an amazing \$30,125 from the poor box collections, parishioner donations, the school children, and member donations. This total includes over \$20,000 in gifts from anonymous donors.

We especially thank the St. Dominic School children for all the food that they donate each month to help us feed our clients.

We paid out \$14,746 in client aid during the months of October through December 2017. The breakdown is as follows:

Rent & Mortgage Assistance	\$ 4,051
Duke Energy	\$ 2,387
Water Bills	\$ 1,430
Food and Remke & Kroger Gift Cards	\$ 4,068
Beds, Christmas Gift cards and other Services	\$ 2,810

The St. Dominic St. Vincent de Paul Society also sent the Franciscan Mission Office a check for \$135 to have Masses said for the twenty-seven (27) parishioners who died between September 1, 2017 and January 17, 2018.

Once again, thank you so much for your kindness and generosity. Your donations really do make a difference.

Your brothers and sisters in Christ,
St. Dominic St. Vincent de Paul Society



St. Dominic Tuition Credit Program

SUPPORTING THE TUITION CREDIT PROGRAM IS EASY WITH KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS – The Kroger Community Rewards Program was designed to support organizations by simply using your Kroger Plus Card! Sign up right away to start earning rebates for our parish.

- 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 at rachel@lahni.com.

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

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
Alicia Burke
Collin Carrithers
Teagan Charles
Megan Childs
Kaitlyn Dudley
Claire Gibbs
Nick Ruoff
Allison Shattuck
Caleb Sunderman
Mimi Vu
Emma Walter

6th Grade**FIRST HONORS**

Tyler Biggs
Evelyn Brower
Brandon Catanzaro
Hayley Cook
Eabha Delaney
Brody Ferencak
Kaylee Finkelstein
Nick Fitzsimmons
Thomas Hater
Ryan Kunz
Ethan Lipps
Thomas Roth
Carter Sokolis
Nick Tallen
Jayden Teal
Madison Tedesco
Carson Telgar
Ella Vatter

5th Grade**FIRST HONORS**

Grace Awad
Zachary Barnes
Catherine Barron
Sophia Bass
Emery Charles
Arielle Fahrian
Ella Gorczyca
Jonah Habedank
Sami Hasselbeck
Alisa King
Raegan Korb
Kaitlyn Kruessel
Nick Liderbach
Elizabeth Lipps
Michael Montgomery
Anna Murphy
Ben Railey
Adrianna Russ
Adam Schloemer
Carson Siebel
Leni Sullivan
Bella Sweeney
Austin Tettenhorst
Payton Watson
Lexi Wilhoit

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
Brady Telger
Hank Utley
Josh Walter
Isaiah Zerilla

8th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Jack Adams
Maddie Biggs
Grant Hater
Maddie Heideman
Mackenzie Helling
Delaney McCarthy
Annabella Mounce
Anna Railey
Courtney Schweitzer
Marissa Tedesco

7th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Grace Callahan
Grace Ellis
Lindsay Hasselbeck
Shelby Logsdon
Grace Wade
Gabby White

6th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Charlie Baker
Brayden Bass
Emma Bechtel
Andy Dang
Maria Dorr
Gino Hockenberry

5th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Antonio Augustine
Alanah Balter
Topher Helling
Kirra Koch
Carson Wilson

4th Grade**SECOND HONORS**

Amani Althawadi
Melania Bauer
Leanna Smith

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

† Thursday, March 29:
Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m.

† Friday, March 30:
The Passion of the Lord at Noon & 7:00 p.m.

† Saturday, March 31:
Easter Vigil at 8:30 p.m.

† Sunday, April 1: Easter Services
7:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m. (Church & O'Connor Hall)
11:30 p.m. (Church & O'Connor Hall)
NO 7:00 p.m. Mass



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