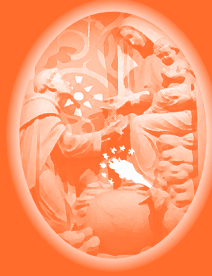


The Torch



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

St. Dominic
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June 2017

Pastor's Desk

A great big thank-you to all of you who gave your time and worked our Festival this year. It was another special weekend when our parish family came together for fun, fellowship, good food and entertainment. The bonus was that we also raised a few bucks for the work of the Lord. A big thank-you to Julie Patrick and Joan Mattei for leading our Festival project this year, and to Mike and Martha Queenan and Judy Tensing, who took on the "Baskets and More" booth.

Another big thank-you to our school teachers and staff and parish school of religion catechists for your excellent ministry to our little brothers and sisters. Thanks to our PTO leaders this year for your many projects and your overall support of our excellent school staff and teachers. May God continue to bless the work of this important organization in our parish.

Thank You to all of you who minister in so many of our programs and organizations. Your generous service continues to inspire me. Thank you also for your generous financial support of the parish. Thank you to so many for all your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure to the St. Dominic Parish Family.

Remember our parish picnic at Stricker's Grove, Friday, July 28. More information in the July *Torch*. May all our summer projects, vacations, recreation, picnics and fun give praise and thanks to God! Remember our parish family priorities! We followers of Jesus gather every Sunday to give thanks for God's blessings, to receive Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, and then to go forth transformed and energized to bring God's Love to the world! May you have a blessed summer! See you in church!

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.

Guy Richard Hilvert, Sr., husband of Linda Hilvert and father of Guy and Renee Hilvert, Craig and Cheryl Hilvert and Christina Hilvert.

Rita Murray, mother of Dianne and Bill Schneider, Carol and Gordon Yetter, Dan and Nancy Braun and Don and Carolee Braun.

Sandra Lagaly, wife of Don Lagaly and mother of Mike Rottenberger, Lisa and Scott Maples Lagaly, Ryan and Alethea Longano and Rachael and Gordy Messmer Longano.

Alanis Gehm, daughter of Eric and Melissa Gehm and Andrea Hilton, sister of Kevin, Mia, Lexy, Quentin, Jaymie, Austin, Collin, Tory, Lacey and Cheyanne.

Christina Lack, daughter of Jeff and Celia Lack, mother of Lilly, and sister of Michelle and Matt White and Monica and Philip Smith.



COMMUNITY DINNER

June 15, 2017
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
In O'Connor Hall
Hope to see everyone there!

Goldenaires

Belterra Park Casino - We are planning a trip to the Casino on August 15 or 17 **BUT**, before we make final arrangements, we need to know how many people are going. On our last trip in February, we lost money, as we did not have enough people who went with us to pay for the bus. From now on, the people who drive themselves, will pay a \$10.00 fee. Please call Mary Ann (251-6144) or Maureen (451-5657), ASAP if you intend to go. When we find out if we have enough people to fill the bus, we'll proceed with arrangements. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins and July *Torch*.



Look for more information in the weekly bulletin and the July TORCH.

St. Dominic Parish Family Picnic

Who? All Parishioners Are Invited!

What? Free Admission

Where? Stricker's Grove

When? Friday, July 28



2017 Wedding Anniversaries

Married couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (25, 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, 75) in 2017 are invited to request a congratulatory certificate from Archbishop Schnurr. They may request a certificate in two ways:

1. Visit the Archdiocesan Office for Marriage & Family Life website at <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/family-life/>
2. Call the Office for Marriage & Family Life at 421-3131, ext. 2653.

These certificates will be sent to St. Dominic for distribution at our Anniversary Mass in October.

Golden Anniversary Mass - In addition to receiving a certificate from Archbishop Schnurr, married couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2017 are invited to a Golden Anniversary Mass on August 12, 2017, 4:30 p.m. at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Bishop Joseph Binzer, 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, 50th, 60th, 70th or 75th Wedding Anniversary in 2017, please contact the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0, no later than June 16.

St. Dominic Bridge Marathon

Congratulations to the 2017 Winners!

1st: Grace Pedoto & Joyce Beckenhaupt

2nd: Ruth Schwallie & Peggy Broviac

3rd: Grace Hayes & Celeste Bergen

4th: Rita Balzano & Pat Emmett

Thank you to all who participated. Proceeds from the Bridge Marathon will be given to the St. Dominic PTO.

May Crowning

The students and staff at St. Dominic School paid homage to the Blessed Mother, Mary, with May Crowning. Ministering on the May Crowning court are: 8th graders Lauren Fitzsimmons and Sabra Charles and 1st graders Meredith Breeden, Anna Shattuck, Gabby Gatherwright and Alexis Waller. The school is also praying decades of the Rosary during the month of May to honor Mary.



Tuition Reduction Program

Thank you - I would like to give a sincere and heartfelt “thank you” to Pam Kent for her help and support with the Tuition Reduction Program over the last several years. Despite her health problems, Pam stepped up to help me when I asked her, and gave 110%. I could not have grown the Tuition Program without her help and support. She was a constant at all the fund raisers, along with her parents. Pam’s vast social network, along with her amazing personality, drew people to the program. Pam, thank you from the bottom of my heart, for all that you have done for the program. It will definitely not be the same without you! Thank you for all that you do and all that you give, you are truly AMAZING!!

- Amy Walter

Thank You for Supporting the Robben Florist Fund Raiser - Thank you to everyone who came out to support the 2-day Robben Florist fund raiser for the Tuition Reduction Program! Because of your support, we raised \$200 for the Tuition Program. Thank you to Kim King, Ron Robben, and their entire staff for hosting this event!

F&N Goode Chick’n Fund Raiser Results - The Tuition Reduction Program would like to thank everyone who came out to support our April dinner fund raiser at F&N Goode Chick’n. As a result of your support, we earned \$253.39 for the Tuition Reduction Program.

The Tuition Reduction Program is in Search of a New Coordinator - The Education Commission is looking for a new coordinator for the Tuition Reduction Program. Anyone who is interested should contact Charlie Dezarn at cdezarn@stdominicdelhi.org or 471-7741, ext. 417.

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.backgroundchecklink.com background check link. Contact Theresa Eagan at teagan@stdominicdelhi.org or 471-7741, ext. 481 with questions.



Baby Shower at St. Dominic School

St. Dominic eighth grade students spiritually adopted two unborn babies to pray for all school year long. They also prayed for all expecting mothers that they would choose to give their child life. To celebrate these babies, they hosted a baby shower where they participated in games and great fun. They brought in donations for the Pregnancy Center West. This opportunity has opened their eyes and hearts to others as well as their continued prayers to those who are in need. We know that the students at St. Dominic School will take this experience with them as they respect all life.



St. Dominic Vacation Bible School



We are looking forward to our 5th Annual Vacation Bible School, to be held on July 10-14, from 6:00-8:30 p.m., each evening! The Vacation Bible School program we have implemented is 100% Catholic! For the past 4 years, we have focused on helping the youth in our parish build their faith. We have learned about the seven sacraments, the Mass, awesome saints, and the Vatican all while having a fun time. This year, we will

be using another program from the Cat. Chat Catholic VBS (www.catchat.ca/vacation-bible-school). We will make crafts, learn some new songs, play games, and eat snacks all while learning more about our Catholic faith!

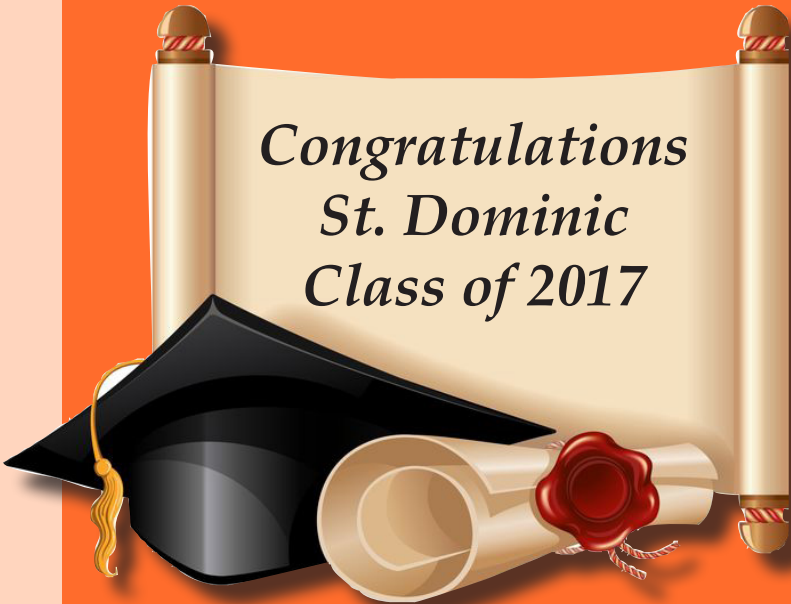
A registration form was sent home with the School and PSR students and is available in the Parish Office or online at www.stdominicdelhi.org (look under "News and Events" for information and registration). The cost for VBS this year is \$5 and each child will need to bring a plain white T-shirt to decorate.

VBS also needs 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.

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***Congratulations
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Class of 2017***

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