St. Dominic Parish

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# 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





### **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Masses for Sunday** | Saturday Vigil 4:30 p.m. Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Masses for Holy Days | See inside for Mass Schedule

<b>Weekday Masses</b>   Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.				
	Friday 7:30 a.m. and 8:15 a.m			
Saturday 8:15 a.m.	followed by Marian Devotions			
	and Apostolate for the Dying			

Holy Communion Service | Monday-Friday 6:10 a.m.

Rev. Benedict O'Cinnsealaigh, Parish Priest Rev. Chris Lack, Parochial Vicar Rev. Michael Cordier, Parochial Vicar Rev. Jim Walsh, Pastor Emeritus Deacon Mark Bardonaro, Parish Administrator Mrs. Jenny O'Brien, Principal Mrs. Karen Brandstetter, Pastoral Associate Mr. Jim Dickman, Music Director Mr. Charlie DeZarn, Business Manager

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#### **Publication Deadlines**

Bulletin due by noon on Monday Monthly report due by the 12th of each month

#### 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.

# APRIL 16, 2023 SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

### MONDAY – APRIL 17 – EASTER WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Betty Rensing (ANN)
6:45 p.m.	Rosary in Church

## TUESDAY – APRIL 18 – EASTER WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service	
7:30 a.m.	Bette Schiller (BR)	

### WEDNESDAY – APRIL 19 – EASTER WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service		
7:30 a.m.	Cletus Schnieders, III		
8:00 a.mNoon	Adoration		

## THURSDAY – APRIL 20 – EASTER WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Joe Vonderahe

## FRIDAY – APRIL 21 – EASTER WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Robert Studt
8:15 a.m.	Intentions of Kiwanis Members

## SATURDAY – APRIL 22 – EASTER WEEKDAY

8:15 a.m.	Don Kahny
After Mass:	Marian Devotions and
	Apostolate for the Dying
2:00 p.m.	Sexton/Pelphrey Wedding
4:30 p.m.	Linda Huellemeir

### SUNDAY – APRIL 23 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 a.m.	Don Reverman
9:30 a.m.	Carol Tenhundfeld
11:30 a.m.	Minnie Dellbrugge (BR)
7:00 p.m.	For Our Parishioners

### 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.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Please pray for the souls of Linda Fisher and Robert Brinkdopke who died this past week. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

# FROM FR. JIM

What a marvelous Triduum celebration of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter. We celebrated the gift of the Eucharist on Thursday evening with procession and Adoration until eleven that evening. Fr. Chris presided and washed the feet of fifteen. We had twelve scheduled, but three others came forward spontaneously. Fr. Chris commented that while it takes humility to wash feet, he has come to realize that it takes even more humility to have your feet washed! On Friday, it is so inspiring to watch the faithful come forward to reverence the cross with love and sorrow!

The Vigil was a glorious celebration of the new life of Baptism! We baptized sixteen adults and children. The adults and older children began in their purple garments. After their Baptisms, they changed into their white garments and processed in to the applause of the congregation! The music was outstanding. Mike Liderbach sang the Exultet in the church lit only by the people's candles. Mike has such a prayerful voice. He helps us pray. Gene Johnson once again touched us with his Easter tradition, "He's Alive!" The choir ended the Mass with a powerful rendition of Handel's "Messiah." Thanks to all the music ministers. Thanks, too, to Lisa Grady, Chris Gilkey, Connie DeBruler, and their college-age families for decorating the church for Easter. Thank you, Robben Florist for all the flowers. Easter dawned glorious! It was great to see people dressed up, and the church filled for all our Masses. Jesus lives and reigns! Alleluiah!



#### Infant Baptisms

Attendance at a Parent Pre-Baptism Session is required. Call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0.

#### **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.

### FR. BEN'S COLUMN

"Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?" Ezekiel 33:10

When I was in college, I read an article in a psychology journal in which the author said that research showed Catholics were generally more psychologically well-balanced than the general population. Generally, Catholics, the article stated, were less likely to seek or to need psychotherapy or counselling. The author went on to say that because of our sacramental system, in particular, our consistent and normative confession of sins and faults, Catholics had a tendency to face their demons and receive guidance on a regular basis. The fact that Confession required reflection, self-examination, acknowledgement of fault, a firm intention to try to do better and change our behavior, led to dealing with our interior issues. Dealing with our interior issues, naturally, led to changing our behavior. The frequent use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, with a deep self-reflection, a recognition of sins and admission of faults, an examination of our intentions and actions, with an intention to live a better life, meant that Catholics were more inclined to live reflective lives, and adjust interior and exterior behavior for the better. This sacramental system guided our human nature, gave us purpose, and formed our way of life leading to a more reflective, purpose-directed, and constantly evaluated way of living. Catholics purged their souls, hearts, and minds and had a greater sense of being freed from the festering bonds of sin. Confession moved us from the mediocrity of settling to the purposeful life which was worth living. Consequently, a more well-adjusted psychologically healthy person resulted.

I'm pretty sure that as Catholics have fallen away from the frequent use of Confession, the number seeking counselling and psychotherapy has increased. Sad really, when God said through the Prophet Isaiah: Why pay for what is freely available, come to the water and drink (Is 55:1-2).

All of this is no surprise to us as we believe that we are not simply a physical being, but a spiritual and material being made up of body, soul, and spirit. The body and the soul are created to live in harmony with each other and the soul "informs," or directs, the body, heart, and mind. In the Garden of Eden, this harmony between body and soul was perfect, but after the Fall, that harmony was broken. What was once easy and natural, became difficult. Sin, the turning away from God and therefore turning away from God's love, grace, light, and our very purpose in life and destiny, weighs us down and crushes us beneath its terrible weight. Sin never seems heavy when we are being tempted to commit it, but it certainly drags us down when it festers in our hearts and souls after we have given into it.

The human soul, the human heart, is made to be loved by God and to love God. Without this love, cut off from this love, it can never find its completion, it can only fester and waste away. It becomes resentful, bitter, moody, anxious, demoralized, and lost. This is not what God wants for us and so God, a merciful Father, reaches out from heaven and In his book "Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week" the late Pope Benedict XVI, God rest His gentle soul, puts Confession within the context of Jesus washing the feet of His disciples. From the earliest times, the Church understood that before we entered the Eucharist, we needed to confess our faults/ sin. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are washed clean and are made righteous (restored to God). But we fail to maintain this righteousness so occasionally we need to be cleansed, but not completely, only our feet. We did not need to be Baptized again but we did need to be made righteous, to be made whole. Pope Benedict states: "The point is this: guilt must not be allowed to fester in the silence of the soul, poisoning it from within. It needs to be confessed. Through confession we bring it to the light, we place it within Christ's purifying love. In confession the Lord washes our soiled feet and over again prepares us for the table of His fellowship" (p. 74). In fact, Confession allows us to live again free of the poison and crushing weight of sin pressing us down.

Mercy is a gift of compassion, forgiveness, and reconciliation – it is not deserved but freely given and freely taken. In the Merchant of Venice, Shakespeare called it "dew from heaven" when Portia said: "The quality of mercy is not strained; It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven upon the place beneath. It is twice blessed; It blesseth him that gives and him that takes: It is an attribute of God Himself (Merchant of Venice Act IV, Scene I).

Mercy is a gift from God to us. It is a sign of a great soul when you see a person being merciful to others. Mercy is a "dew from heaven" that we can share with others.



We would like to thank everyone who participated in the 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Your generous gifts have impacted thousands through six important Catholic ministries right here in our Archdiocese. Additionally, 50% of all pledges in excess of our parish goal will stay in our parish, so please be as generous as you can. For more information or to donate online, please visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA.

OUR PARISH PROGRESS REPORT					
As of 4/5/23 GOAL: PLEDGED					
Our Lady of Victory	\$39,729	\$46,578			
St. Dominic	\$45,718	\$17,459			
St. Simon	\$13,067	\$14,112			
St. Al's	\$10,377	\$7,279			
St. Vincent de Paul	\$10,221	\$6,600			

#### **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS TRAINING DUE: APRIL 29

Everyone registered with SafeParish should have received a training video. The training bulletin must be completed by April 29 to remain active and in compliance with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Child Protection Policy. <u>If you</u> have a bulletin past due, you are not permitted to work/ volunteer with children, according to the Archdiocesan policy.

If all bulletins are not completed by the due date of April 29, you will not be able to participate as a coach, chaperone, room parent, etc. for year-end activities in May and over the summer. Even if you only volunteer during a single sports season, or at certain times during the school year, it is important to keep the account in an active status.

If you did not get the bulletin, check your spam, or junk mail. You can also sign into your account at www. aocsafeenvironment.org. Go to the Training Tab and click on the "Due" link to see which bulletins are due and their due date. If you have questions, please contact Deacon Mark Bardonaro, Safe Environment Coordinator at deaconmark@stdominicdelhi.org.

#### PARISHIONERS FOR LIFE

**Free Beer and Chips!** Just kidding, but you will get free information about all Pro-Life matters. Our ministry needs a youth infusion. If you're under 60, you're qualified to be the "youth" of our ministry. We'll even take anyone over 60. Please come check us out. You won't be disappointed. Besides, maybe God is calling you to come check us out on **Monday, April 17 from 7:00-8:00 p.m**. Meetings are on the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. (3M7) by/in the parish Faith Sharing Room. Questions can be directed to Marty Berning at 513-680-0046 or mberning@ beanstalkinvest.com.

**Spiritual Adoption Program** – Baby's 8th Month. "Thank you for praying for me. I am 8 months old now. I've got long fingernails and I'm busy getting ready for my birthday. I can't wait to see my Mom and Dad. Thanks to you and your prayers, I'll see them soon."

#### CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Next week our parish will take up a collection for the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



**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 WEEK OF APRIL 9, 2023					
Weekly Collection: \$ 20,886.50					
WeShare Online Giving:	\$	5,866.00			
Total:	\$	26,752.50			
GOOD FRIDAY:	\$	1,072.00			
Thank you for your support of our Parish. May the Lord continue to bless you in your generosity!					

### **ST. DOMINIC NEWS**

**ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** – We invite new and prospective families to our Spring Fling Open House on Wednesday, April 19 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Families will be able to tour our school and enjoy games, prizes, shaved ice and more!

WALK-A-THON NEWS – The official kick-off for our St. Dominic School Walk-a-thon has begun. This is a major fundraiser for our school. The walk is scheduled for Friday, May 12. If you are interested in donating to our walk, there will be students collecting money after all Masses next weekend, April 22 and April 23. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

SOCCER SIGNUPS NOW OPEN - St. Dominic Soccer registration is currently open for all boys and girls from pre-school through 8th grade! Sign up on the St. Dominic Athletic website (https://leagues.bluesombrero. com/Default.aspx?tabid=786383). First through eighth grade registration will close on May 6, and Pre-school and Kindergarten will close on June 11. The 2023 season will run from late July through early November. For more details on St. Dominic's program, an information page can be found here at https://leagues.bluesombrero. com/Default.aspx?tabid=801774. All skill levels are welcome! Additionally, we are also always looking for volunteer coaches, so if you are interested, independent of your experience, please reach out, or sign up through the registration process. If you have any questions, please contact Peter Gibbs, St. Dominic Soccer Coordinator, at st.dominic.soccer.delhi@gmail.com.

#### ST. DOMINIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME -

The St. Dominic Athletic Association congratulates Tim Vale and Bill Angel as the 2023 inductees into the St. Dominic Athletic Hall of Fame. Tim and Bill served St. Dominic Athletics as coaches and coordinators for over a decade, generously giving their time and talent to help many St. Dominic students grow as athletes and people. The induction ceremony will take place at the Athletic Association General Meeting on Friday, May 5, in the Gym. All are invited to attend and honor Tim and Bill. For questions or details, please contact Mark Goins at 513-240-2260 or mgoins@fuse.net.

# MARY, QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS NEWS

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** - Join us for a Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; Divine Mercy Chaplet, Scripture reading and homily, and Rosary. Sunday, April 16 at St. Aloysius on-the-Ohio from 3:00-4:00 p.m.

**GOLDENAIRES** – **Friday, May 12, Behringer Crawford Museum Tour (Devou Park)**. "A Hidden Gem." The tour includes two temporary exhibits: "The Art of Fashion" featuring one-of-a-kind illustrations, advertising clothing & accessories in local newspapers from 1945-1965 and vintage dresses, coats, hats and other haute couture; and "Kentucky Craft Luminaries: Sharing the Stories" with local Kentucky artists. We will be carpooling from the Bearcat Storage parking lot next to Walgreen's on Anderson Ferry at 9:30 a.m. The cost is \$7.00, plus your lunch at Ft. Mitchell Public House. Reservations by Friday, May 5 and make checks payable to the Goldenaires and send to Judy Tensing, 625 Covedale #2, 45238. 513-451-2028.

**Quarterly Core Planning Meeting** – Wednesday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 2 of the Parish Center. Please text Marie with suggestions (or to volunteer) at 513-910-3938.

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 23**

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33; 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21; Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

	SERVERS SCHEDULE	LECTORS	MASS COORDINATOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS CAPTAIN
4:30 p.m. Saturday	Will Fettig Michael Thompson	Mary Jo Reiners	Mike Queenan Martha Queenan	Mike Queenan Martha Queenan	Amy Stevens
7:30 a.m. Sunday	Elliott Durban Wesley Durban	John Trokan	Vi Bronner John Burns	Clinton Backscheider Bobbi Honnert	Vi Bronner
9:30 a.m. Sunday	Hayden Gorczyca Brody Singler	Micki Priestle	Lennie Sullivan Joan Wichmann	Peter Gibbs Sr. Maureen Heverin	Janet Rosenthal
11:30 a.m. Sunday	Liam Barron Gianna Servizzi	Jenny Berndsen	Rose Stertz Nancy Wellbrock	Meg Morris Dave Tensing	Nancy Wellbrock
7:00 p.m. Sunday		Marty Berning	Christelle Middendorf		Christelle Middendorf

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR APRIL 22 & 23

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