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#### **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

Weekday Masses | 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

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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. ST. DOMINIC CHURCH CINCINNATI, OHIO

#### DECEMBER 4, 2022 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### **MONDAY - DECEMBER 5 - ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 a.m. Communion Service7:30 a.m. Mary Berting

6:45 p.m. Rosary in Church

#### **TUESDAY - DECEMBER 6 - ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m. Noemi Lubbers

#### WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 7 - SAINT AMBROSE

6:10 a.m. Communion Service

7:30 a.m. Ray Baur 8:00 a.m.-NOON Adoration 4:30 p.m. Jim Steinhaus

## THURSDAY - DECEMBER 8 - THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

6:10 a.m. NO Communion Service
7:30 a.m. Linda Huellemeier
8:15 a.m. Donald Taylor (BR)
7:00 p.m. The Intentions of the Flinchum Family

#### FRIDAY – DECEMBER 9 – ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m. Bob Sahnd (BR) 8:15 a.m. NO Mass

#### SATURDAY - DECEMBER 10 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:15 a.m. Jack Ehrman

After Mass: Marian Devotions and

Apostolate for the Dying

4:30 p.m. Bob Auer

## SUNDAY – DECEMBER 11 – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Frank Backscheider Family

9:30 a.m. Intentions of Fr. Jim

11:00 a ma Dam Taylar

11:30 a.m. Don Taylor

7:00 p.m. For Our Parishioners

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

Please pray for the souls of Joan Sanker, Dorothy Poettker, and Robert Greve who died this past week. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Evelyn Marie McNay, daughter of Joseph and Chelsea McNay.

## FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 7, 2022 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 8, 2022 NO 6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m., 8:15 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, December 8 in observance of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

#### **EARLY TORCH AND BULLETIN DEADLINES**

Due to the Christmas holiday, all articles for the January Torch must be submitted by noon on Tuesday, December 6. All articles for the December 25 bulletin must be submitted by noon on Wednesday, December 14. Information for the January 1 bulletin must be submitted by noon on Wednesday, December 21. Thank you!

## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS Collection Next Weekend, December 10 & 11

Lighten the load. An abbot writes, "Your gift helps ease our worldly burdens and allows us to continue living out our mission of seeking God and serving the Church." Donations to next week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection help hundreds of U.S. religious communities to provide for their aging members. Please give generously.

#### ST. DOMINIC 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 last week of November are:

November 28 – #532 Bill Benken November 29 – #931 Amanda Lewis November 30 – #839 Jane Gibbs

#### 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 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

#### **Second Sunday of Advent**

A few years ago, my brother David went with a friend to South Africa for a short visit. In fact, it was his friend's birthday and on the spur of the moment, they took off for an adventure. They were staying in a very nice and safe tourist resort. Because they were adventurous, both are very gregarious (and idiots), they wanted to get out of the resort and experience the "real" South Africa. They "broke out" of the resort and went to a local bar. While there, after a few drinks, they took up a pool game with a couple of black South African chaps. After a while, my brother went to the bar to buy a round of drinks. While he was there, a white guy sidled up to him and said: "You know, you should be careful who you hang out with here." To which my brother replied: "We are careful who we hang out with; that's why we are over there with those guys."

John the Baptist was a man who could not, and would not, be silenced. No matter who the audience was, he was going to speak for God. That's what prophets do; they speak for God, in the midst of the community. John is both a defiant and a heroic figure. In fact, there is something scary about John. Like Herod, we are drawn to him and at the same time, afraid that he might catch us in his eye and speak to us. As a priest, right now, I wonder, if John was standing before me, looking into my eyes, and knowing my heart, what would he say? What would his message to me say? How would he challenge me?

As an exercise for Advent, reflecting on John the Baptist, I would suggest that we do three things or ask three questions:

- 1. We are all called by God to be like John the Baptist, a prophet. In fact, at Baptism we are anointed "prophets." A prophet speaks for God in the world. Is that something I do or is that something I am afraid to do? Is the world any better for my presence, for my voice? Do I stand up for what is right, just, compassionate, and merciful? Or am I a silent, useless dumb bell (making no sound). Do I raise my voice, lend my support, and join in the fight for what is right, for what God wants despite the obstacles?
- 2. In the midst of my family and friends, do I speak for God or am I afraid to be the voice crying in the wilderness because I don't want to be in the wilderness. Am I afraid to lead my family? Or am I willing to be an inspiration for my children? If John was speaking to your heart, how would he challenge you? What would he say?
- 3. John was a heroic figure because he did what was right even in the face of what was difficult, in the face of danger and persecution. He was willing to fight and suffer for what he believed. As a parent, am I a heroic figure for

my children? Do they learn from me what is right, just, fair, and courageous? Do they see in me a heroic figure who is a leader worth following or someone they want to be like? As a father or mother, am I courageous, heroic, adventurous and brave?

The world needs heroes, our families need heroes, our country needs heroes, our Church needs heroes. Today, that call is addressed to us. There is still a brood of vipers out there willing to poison every heart with their own venom. We should ask if we are one of them, or do we stand up to them!

#### **ADVENT HOLY HOUR**

Come spend an hour in prayer with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Join us on Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m. in church for Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction. Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris will also be hearing Confessions during this time.



Thank you to all who took a tag from one of our Giving Trees. Wrapped gifts need to be returned next weekend on December 10 and 11 with the nametag FIRMLY attached and the *orange suggestion/request tag removed*. If you still would like to participate in this worthwhile program, you may make a monetary donation. Contributions can be mailed to the Parish Office or placed in an envelope marked "Giving Tree" and dropped off at the Parish Office. Checks should be made out to St. Dominic Parish with "Giving Tree" written on the memo line. If you have any questions, please call Joan at 513-922-6993.

## ADVENT CONCERTS Mike Davis' Advent Concert with Scripture and Prayer

Tuesday, December 6 7:00 p.m. in Church.

Mercy Alumnae Choir Tuesday, December 20 7:30 p.m. in Church



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## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20, 2022

 Weekly Collection:
 \$14,857.00

 WeShare Online Giving:
 \$5,944.00

 Total:
 \$20,801.00

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT Collection:

 Collection:
 \$ 1,277.00

 WeShare Online Giving:
 \$ 180.00

 Total:
 \$ 1,457.00

**WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27, 2022** 

 Weekly Collection:
 \$ 9,001.00

 WeShare Online Giving:
 \$ 3,812.00

 Total:
 \$12,813.00

Thank you for your support of our Parish.

May the Lord continue to bless you
in your generosity!

#### ST. DOMINIC NEWS

**PTO HOLIDAY SPLIT-THE-POT** – The St. Dominic PTO is hosting a holiday Split-the-Pot. Tickets are \$5.00 each. The drawing will be held on December 9 at the Secret Santa Shop. Contact Emily Musonza at 513-364-4569 or Amanda Newland at 513-675-6792 to purchase tickets and answer any questions.

**STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS** – If you wish to receive a statement of your contributions for 2022, please drop the WHITE card found in the November/December envelope mailing in the collection on Sunday or bring it to the Parish Office. You can also contact the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. 0 or parishoffice@stdominicdelhi.org to request a statement.

#### MARY, QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS NEWS

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA – Ladies of Victory Breakfast with Santa will be Saturday, December 10 from 9:00 a.m.-noon. The cost is \$5.00 a person or \$25.00 a family. This includes a Dunkin donut, drink and visit with Santa and his reindeer. Game Tickets and Craft Tickets will be for sale: \$.50 a ticket or 12 for \$5.00. We will also have a Santa gift shop so kids can purchase wrapped gifts. Each gift is \$2.00. To register for this event please go to www.olvdelhi.org and click on the "Breakfast with Santa" banner. If you have any questions, please email bonnick.jennifer@principal.com or lhendererer0601@gmail.com.

#### PARENTAL PREPARATION FOR INFANT BAPTISM -

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 8 at St. Dominic Church after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Contact the St. Dominic Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. 0 to register for the Baptismal Preparation on January 8.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST - The St. Dominic-Delhi Knights of Columbus are holding a Poster Contest for the students of Mary, Queen of All Saints family of parishes. The theme of this contest is "Keep Christ in Christmas". Each poster must reflect the "Keep Christ in Christmas" message with a visual image. The contest is open to all students between the ages of 5 and 14. Age eligibly is determined by the age of the contestant as of November 1. Contest entrants compete in one of three age groups: ages 5 through 7, ages 8 through 10, and 11 through 14. Entry forms and 11" X 17" paper are available in the school offices or by emailing a request to stdominicdelhi.kofc@yahoo.com. Entries must be returned by Wednesday, December 14, 2022. The posters will then be judged by members of the Knights of Columbus and three winners will be chosen, one in each age group. The winners will receive a certificate and a \$25.00 prize. and their poster will be sent on for possible State and National prizes. If you have any questions, contact Ken Gardner at 513-484-4714 or at stdominicdelhi.kofc@yahoo.com.

ST. DOMINIC MEN'S SOCIETY MEETING – The St. Dominic Men's Society would like to invite all the adult guys of Mary Queen of All Saints family of parishes to our next meeting this Thursday, December 8 at 8:00 p.m. We're a social and service organization that has historically served St. Dominic School and is looking to expand our reach to the rest of the family of parishes. Join us in St. Dominic's Fr. Grimmelsman Hall for food, beer, football, and poker. The entrance is on the driveway behind the gym. Contact Mike Liderbach at 513-240-0770 or lidermike@gmail.com with any questions.

#### **MISCELLEANOUS**

**CINCINNATI SAINT** – Confronting outlaws and injustice, educating children, and caring for the sick are all part of the life story of a local Sister of Charity being considered for sainthood. Sister Blandina Segale served as a missionary, building schools and hospitals in the wild west. When she returned to Cincinnati, she helped immigrants adjust to American life. See how her impact on the lives of people out west and here at home could lead to her canonization. Watch "Sister Blandina Segale: A Cincinnati Saint" December 9 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on WKRC-TV, LOCAL 12.

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11**

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10 2nd Reading: James 5:7-10 Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11



\*\*\* THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION\*\*\* 4:30 P.M. Wednesday, December 7 SERVERS:

Elliott Durban and Joshua Smith

7:00 P.M. Thursday, December 8 SERVERS:

Hayden Gorczyca and Liam Barron

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 10 & 11

	SERVERS SCHEDULE	LECTORS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS (Captains names are listed first.)	MASS COORDINATORS
4:30 p.m.	Chase Goins Josephine Cox	Jerry Krumpelbeck	Matt Shields, Connie Ashby, Louise Shields	Fred Redder
7:30 a.m. Sunday	Hayden Gorczyca Joshua Smith	Jerry Auer	Teagan Charles, Bobbi Honnert, John Burns	John Burns Vi Bronner
9:30 a.m. Sunday	Brian Turner Joshua Walter	Michelle Smith	Renee Kandra, Jerry Luebbering, Evan Kandra	Nancy Gibbs Linda Kasper
11:30 a.m. Sunday	Anna Bogner Grace Awad	Rose Stertz	Meg Morris, Margie Walter, Otto Walter	Nancy Wellbrock Rose Stertz
7:00 p.m. Sunday		Lynn Esmail	Christelle Middendorf	Jim Gerdes

#### 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. You can also make your donation through WeShare. Visit our website at www.stdominicdelhi.org and click the WeShare link on the left side. Please submit all donations by Friday, December 9.

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