

The Torch



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

St. Dominic
Parish

Delhi Township,
OH

October 2021

Pastor's Desk,

Thank you all who participated in our successful Major Award raffle and our Baskets and More project on Sunday, October 10. As we go to press, we do not know the winners.

On the weekend of October 16 and 17 we will observe our Service Days. Our project as a parish and school will be to provide "Blessing Bags" for Homeless Shelters. Drop-off baskets for items will be in the Gathering Place on that weekend.

By the time you receive this Torch we will know what other parishes are in "our family!" I am praying that all this works out well for the people of St. Dominic. Remember you can give your reactions by going to www.BeaconsAOC.org October 1-20.

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.

Daniel Bell, husband of Ellen Bell and father of Jon, Justin, Brandon, Nicole and Kristen Bell.

Thomas Miller, husband of Joyce Ann Miller and father of Deborah and Andrew McDonald and Allison Miller.

Robert Montgomery, father of Robert and Rita Montgomery and Pamela Montgomery.

Jeffrey Cain, husband of Mary Cain and father of Jeff and Carrie Cain, Jennifer and Jim Segbers and Joshua Cain.

Ann Mullins, wife of Edward Mullins and mother of Lisa Florian and Jo Ann Shappelle.

Victoria Neurohr, wife of Helmut Neurohr.

Grief Support Program

Our grief support program is presented by Fr. Chris to help anyone who has lost a loved one in death. It runs for 4 weeks, with each session containing an educational/formational component, as well as time for participants to share and listen. Each subsequent session will build on the previous one, so plan on being there for all sessions, please. No new participants will be accepted after the initial session. The program begins on Monday, November 22 and is scheduled for consecutive Monday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Faith Sharing Room of the Parish Center. If you have any questions or would like to register, call Fr. Chris at 513-471-7741, ext. 419.

Goldenaires Dinner

Saturday, November 13 in O'Connor Hall. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 and includes appetizers, wine, soft drinks, hot tea, coffee, dinner, and dessert. Our entertainment will be Tommy and Hub with songs from the 50s, 60s and 70s. They invite sing-a-longs. This acoustic duo is excellent. *Make checks payable to St. Dominic Goldenaires and send to Mary Ann Schehr at 4307 Valence Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45238.* Reservations must be made no later than October 30. Please RSVP as soon as possible.

Wedding Anniversary Mass



Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th or 70th Wedding Anniversaries in 2021 will be honored at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 24. Invitations to the Anniversary Mass will be mailed to parishioners celebrating those anniversaries. If you did not receive an invitation and will be attending the Anniversary Mass, please call the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. 0 by Monday, October 11.



Memorial Mass

On Tuesday evening, November 2 at 7:00 p.m., all members of our parish who have died this past year will be remembered in a special way at our Memorial Mass. We encourage all families, friends, and fellow parishioners to join us in song and prayer. If you will be attending the Mass to remember a loved one who was not from this parish, please call the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. 0 by October 27 to have them included.

St. Dominic Parish
Financial Report: July 1, 2020 thru June 30, 2021

	2020-2021 Actual	2020-2021 Budget	Variance	2021-2022 Budget
Church Revenues:				
Sundays & Holydays Collections	\$974,768	\$1,000,000	(\$25,232)	\$1,000,000
1F1H1L Rebate	\$7,447	\$13,000	(\$5,553)	\$8,000
Votive Candles & Masses	\$17,124	\$12,000	\$5,124	\$17,000
Interest Earned	\$10,910	\$14,000	(\$3,090)	\$10,000
Festival	\$94,978	\$125,000	(\$30,022)	\$75,000
PSR, Adult Ed., Youth, DRE, LPM	\$426	\$5,000	(\$4,574)	\$4,650
Donations	\$8,867	\$0	\$8,867	\$0
O'Connor Hall	\$80	\$7,500	(\$7,420)	\$6,000
Total:	\$1,114,600	\$1,176,500	(\$61,900)	\$1,120,650
Church Expenses:				
Payroll, Taxes & Benefits	\$472,370	\$521,843	\$49,473	\$497,995
Office Supplies, Insurance, Maintenance, Technology, Utilities & Janitorial	\$131,683	\$143,100	\$11,417	\$124,700
Assessment	\$99,012	\$105,000	\$5,988	\$100,000
Program Outreach	\$167	\$7,300	\$7,133	\$7,300
PSR, Adult Ed., Youth, DRE, LPM	\$11,693	\$11,343	(\$350)	\$13,308
Total:	\$714,925	\$788,586	\$73,661	\$743,303
School Revenues:				
Tuition, Other Revenue	\$1,592,833	\$1,589,599	\$3,234	\$1,610,600
State Reimbursement	\$146,097	\$135,000	\$11,097	\$145,000
Before & After Care	49,855	\$84,100	(\$34,245)	\$75,000
Milk Program	\$0	\$5,600	(\$5,600)	\$3,300
Donations / Other	\$32,643	\$24,200	\$8,443	\$24,200
Total:	\$1,821,428	\$1,838,499	(\$17,071)	\$1,858,100
School Expenses:				
Payroll, Taxes & Benefits	\$1,882,462	\$1,970,895	\$88,433	\$1,995,447
Office Supplies, Insurance, Maintenance, Technology, Utilities & Janitorial	\$214,959	\$248,340	\$33,381	\$231,690
Before & After Care Program	\$55,308	\$85,246	\$29,938	\$76,354
Milk Program	\$3,250	\$9,758	\$6,508	\$3,235
Total:	\$2,155,979	\$2,314,239	\$158,260	\$2,306,726
Operational Results:	\$65,124	(\$87,826)	\$152,950	(\$71,279)
Capital Activity Revenues:				
Fr Grimmelsman	\$65,422			
Capital Donations	\$43,637			
Adopt a Student	\$27,380			
Notes:				

Through the generous support of our parishioners, we were able to provide just over \$60,000 in financial assistance for our school families. Additionally, we continued to replace aging floor tiles in several classrooms; we were able to air condition most of the school prior to the start of the 2020-21 school year. We had planned and budgeted for a Fall Festival during October 2020 and a Spring Festival May 2021, however, we had to cancel both events due to Covid. Instead, we held (3) Major Awards/Split the Pots during the fiscal period which netted us over \$92,000 mitigating more than two-thirds of the potential revenue loss.



Let Your Service Shine!

*Help us Celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the
Archdiocese of Cincinnati with a Day of Service for Others*

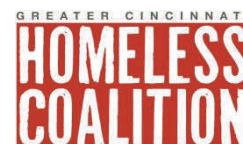


St. Dominic Parish and School will be collecting items for Blessing Bags to donate to homeless shelters. We are asking each parishioner to bring in one of the suggested items which will be donated to Bethany House. School Students will be bringing in items for the Greater Cincinnati Coalition for the Homeless and Tender Mercies. Feel free to send more items if you have them. The Student Council will be helping to assemble the bags.

<u>Suggested Items for Blessing Bags</u>			
<u>Bedroom</u>	<u>Bathroom</u>	<u>Kitchen</u>	<u>General Household</u>
Pillows	Shower Curtain/Liner/Rings	Tupperware	Laundry Basket
Twin or Full Size Sheet Set	Waste Basket	Glassware/Mugs	Broom/Dustpan
Twin or Full Size Comforters	Toilet Brush/ Plunger	Mixing Bowls (plastic)	Cleaning Supplies
Mattress & Pillow Bed Bug Covers	Towels (hand, wash, body)	Silverware/Kitchen Utensils	Laundry Detergent
Twin & Full Size Air Mattress		Dish Towels/ Pot Holders	Dish Soap
		Can Opener	Pack of Paper Towels
		Salt & Pepper	Mop/Bucket
		13x9 Pan	Pack of Toilet Paper

Please consider sending a card or note of encouragement to include in the Blessing Bag.

**Items can be dropped off in the bins in the Gathering Place
October 16 & 17, 2021.**



Bishop Barron's Sacraments Series with Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris

Fr. Chris and Fr. Jim will be offering the Bishop Robert Barron series "The Sacraments" this fall beginning on Tuesday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m. in O'Connor Hall. For seven Tuesdays we will discuss the Sacraments. We will view videos by Bishop Barron followed by a discussion with Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris. You can join us any Tuesday evening. No need to register. If you are unable to join us on Tuesday evenings, we will be recording the session each week. We will email the recording on Wednesday or Thursday to those on our Word on Fire email listing. If you are not signed up for the Word on Fire emails, you can sign up at www.stdominicparish2.flocknote.com.

Beacons Of Light:

Pastoral Planning for Our Third Century

Beacons Update: Be Heard, Stay Informed, Sign Up – Beacons of Light, the archdiocese-wide pastoral planning process currently underway, will impact every parish in the archdiocese, including ours. To stay on top of the latest developments on Beacons of Light, sign up for the free monthly Beacons Update newsletter at www.CatholicAOC.org/Beacons.



Review And Comment on Draft "Families Of Parishes"

Make sure your voice is heard! Beacons of Light, the archdiocese-wide pastoral planning process currently underway, will result in all parishes being grouped into "Families" under the leadership of one pastor. **A draft of this plan will be shared for public comment October 1-20 at www.BeaconsAOC.org.** Do not miss this opportunity to provide your input to this important initiative which will shape the future of our archdiocese.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for Children



St. Dominic's RCIA process continues year-round. Because of this, adults and children can begin at any time. Most who come to the Catholic Church as adults do so because God has called them through other people. If you know someone who may be interested in the Catholic Faith, ask him or her to call us, or ask if he or she would like for you to call and make the first "contact." While new Inquirers can join St. Dominic's RCIA process at any time, because of our lingering "school year mindset," many people begin to consider inquiring about the faith as the new school year begins. Now is a great time to reach out and mention becoming Catholic to someone you know who may be considering it! Contact Karen Brandstetter at 513-471-7741, ext. 481 or kbrandstetter@stdominicdelhi.org for more information about St. Dominic's RCIA.

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The Community Dinner is BACK!!!

Join us

Wednesday, October 20

5:00-6:30 p.m.

We hope to see you there!!

*Please look for updates or changes on the
Parish website www.stdominidelhi.org
or in the weekly bulletin.*

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