

December 3, 2023

# St. Dominic Catholic Church & School

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## Mass Times

### Sunday

7:30 AM  
9:00 AM  
11:00 AM  
1:00 PM (En Español)  
5:00 PM

### Monday thru Friday:

8:00 AM  
6:00 PM

### Saturday:

8:00 AM  
5:00 PM Vigil Mass

### Civic Holidays:

9:00 AM only

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays after 8 AM Mass  
Benediction at 5:15 PM

## Reconciliation / Confessions

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 PM  
Domingo 1:00 PM Español  
Or by appointment / O por cita

## Liturgy of the Hours:

Monday-Friday 7:15 AM & 5:30 PM  
Saturday 7:15 AM

## Office hours:

Monday 3:00 PM - 7:30 PM  
Tuesday-Friday 8:30 AM - 7:30 PM  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM  
Sunday 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM

## Marriage (Matrimonio):

Please contact Fr. Peter, Fr. Francis or Fr. Isaiah for information about the process for Catholic marriage preparation. The Archdiocese of Los Angeles requires six months of marriage preparation to be completed before the wedding.

**Infant Baptism (Bautismo de Niños):** Please contact the parish office for information.

## The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

OCIA is a journey for Adults seeking full Communion with the Catholic Church, First Communion and Confirmation and for Adults seeking Baptism. Adults may start the program at any time. For more information call Sr. Joyanne Sullivan, SND, at 323-254-2519.

**The Children's OCIC** is a two year program. For more information call Michelle Pérez or Christina García, at 323-254-2519

**Dominican Community:**

Rev. Peter Rogers, OP, Pastor  
 Rev. Isaiah Mary Molano, OP, Prior  
 Rev. Francis Goode, OP, Sub-Prior, Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Donald Bramble, OP, Retired  
 Rev. Michael Carey, OP, Retired  
 Rev. Jude Eli, OP, In residence

**Parish Staff:**

Directors of Religious Ed: Christina García & Michelle Pérez  
 OCIA & Adult Education: Sr. Joyanne Sullivan, SND  
 Confirmation/Youth Ministry: Randy de Vera  
 Health Ministry: Mary Lynne Knighten  
 Music Ministry: Rudy Acosta - 323-258-9854  
 Communications: Jay Cooney  
 Secretary: Cecilia Treat  
 Plant Manager: David Lear  
 Lead Maintenance: Jose Vidaurri

**Parish Pastoral Council:**

Joanna Dellosa - Chairperson  
 Josh Daut - Vice Chairperson  
 Bob Hunt - Secretary  
 Evangeline Booth  
 Kathleen Christiansen  
 Silvia Collins  
 Joseph Descalzo  
 Theresa de Vera  
 Mimie Honda  
 Ana Macomber  
 Ofelia Núñez  
 Rocelyn Tecson-Ochoa  
 María Velásquez

**St. Dominic's School:**

2005 Merton Avenue. LA, CA 90041  
 Phone: (323) 255-5803  
 Website: <http://www.stdominicla.us>  
 Principal: Ms. Tiffany Oluwanifise  
 Secretary: Angela Nuño  
 Pre-School / Extended Day Care

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 AM	Erlinda V. Coronel, †
	9:00 AM	Bishop Steven Maekawa, O.P.
	11:00 AM	Pro Populo
<b>Monday</b>	1:00 PM	Jose Heriberto Garcia, †
	5:00 PM	Gloria Tengco, †
	8:00 AM	Cesar & Dahlia Velasco, †
	8:00 AM	Lito Serrano, †
	8:00 AM	Avigail Olvera-Godinez, †
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:00 PM	Frank Oshel, †
	6:00 PM	Claire Emerson, Healing
	6:00 PM	Fe & Jesus Morillo, †
	8:00 AM	Aureliano G. Coronel, †
	8:00 AM	Geoffrey Domantay Valdez Birthday
<b>Wed.</b>	8:00 AM	Facundo Jr. & Evelyn Saavedra, †
	6:00 PM	Andrew John & Inocencia Silbor, †
	6:00 PM	Mary Silva, †
	6:00 PM	Ross & Cristina Tiglao
	8:00 AM	Cedric Magaway, †
<b>Thur.</b>	8:00 AM	Wutrich Family, Thanksgiving
	8:00 AM	Geoffrey Domantay Valdez Birthday
	6:00 PM	Neriza Yacas - 80th Birthday
	6:00 PM	Pol & Gloria Tiglao, †
	6:00 PM	Fely & Bobby Uy
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 AM	Leticia U. Arayata, †
	8:00 AM	Adelita F. Sipin
	8:00 AM	Lourdes Elazegui, †
	6:00 PM	Wilcon H. Natividad, †
	6:00 PM	Macomber Family, Thanksgiving
<b>Saturday</b>	6:00 PM	Abby Uy
	8:00 AM	Pro Populo
	10:00 AM	Rufino & Purificacion Gutierrez, †
	6:00 PM	Melchor & Cristina Guemo 35th Wedding Anniversary
	8:00 AM	Ruth Ann Buchanan, †
	8:00 AM	Melanie Requilman & Family Thanksgiving
	8:00 AM	Deceased members of Queen of Apostles, Legion of Mary
	5:00 PM	Lou & Lani Ast, Thanksgiving

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday:	Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37
Monday:	Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday:	Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3 6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8



St. Francis High School will welcome prospective students and their parents to campus for its annual Open House outdoors on Saturday, January 6, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We invite everyone from the community to join us to learn more about the benefits of a Capuchin Franciscan college preparatory education. You can view the campus, interact with our students, teachers and coaches, and participate in panel discussions.

St. Francis High School is a Catholic, college preparatory school for boys in grades 9-12. Since its founding by the Capuchin Franciscan Friars in 1946, it has been committed to enriching the mind and heart, strengthening respect through service and humility, creating a brotherhood, and envisioning men of virtue and peace. It offers a challenging curriculum and many opportunities for extracurricular involvement. St. Francis is fully accredited by WASC and the WCEA. For more information, please call (818) 790-0325.

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

On Saturday & Sunday, November 25 & 26, 2023, the Representative of the Christian Families of Bethlehem, the Holy Land, Mr. Raji A. Saada, brought the Bethlehem hand carved religious articles made of olive wood to your Church, Saint Dominic Church, which is their only source of income due to the political situation and lack of tourism. Once again, the people of your community were very generous.

We are very happy and grateful to Our Lord! Your purchases will allow the Christian Families to improve their lifestyles, promote their indigenous hand crafts, create work, and encourage them to stay in the Holy Land. Special thanks to you Fr. Peter for making all this possible. We are very grateful. We hope you liked our Appreciation Souvenir" from Bethlehem for all your kindness & Support. Also, thanks to all the Priests & Cecilia and every one of your parishioners.



Sunday, November 26, 2023 - the Gospel is Matthew 25:31-46. In this reading Christ the King judges and welcomes to the kingdom those who give drink to the thirsty ... etc.

It is also the annual judgment day for the St. Dominic Conference of St. Vincent de Paul. By the Feast of Christ the King - the downtown office of SVdP asks for the total of home visits and works of Mercy done in a year.

From October 2022 to October 2023 - our group made 26 home visits and assisted 28 people. We assisted with rent for working adults. We also paid DWP bills. Two formerly homeless individuals had their apartments furnished. When one of the recipients was asked what she needed, she replied:

“I really don’t know, I have lived outside so long I have forgotten what people have in their homes.”

SVdP welcomes new members to do the work of God’s kingdom.

For more information -  
Email [oznamfrederic2@gmail.com](mailto:oznamfrederic2@gmail.com)

**Pastor's Corner**

On this first Sunday of Advent, we bless the Advent wreath and light the first violet Advent candle. The three violet and the rose candle represent the four weeks of Advent. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday of Advent, which the Church calls Gaudete Sunday. The first candle of the Advent wreath symbolizes the virtue of hope and remembering the foretelling by the prophets of the birth of Jesus.

In Advent we are waiting for the first coming of Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary and dwelling among us in His human nature. During this Advent season, we are called to not let secularization and materialism of our society get in the way of truly contemplating and anticipating the beautiful celebration of Christmas that starts on Christmas Day, not on Halloween! This Advent season is the time to anticipate the coming, or advent, of Jesus and wait until Christmas Day to celebrate the coming of Jesus.

May we spend this Advent Season opening our hearts to God's love and may the light of Christ penetrate the darkness of sin that surrounds us, and at times may invade our soul. May the Advent wreath remind us to prepare our hearts and souls for the coming of Jesus.

**Preparing an Advent wreath at home:**

You can use a small wreath for a table in your home. You can purchase a simple metal ring with 4 candle holders, and 4 Advent candles to put inside the wreath. There are several websites that give instructions on how to make your DIY wreath at home.



**Confession Schedule  
St. Dominic Church**

Wednesday - December 20  
After the 8:00 am Mass  
Every Saturday - 3:30 to 4:30 pm



**Other Parishes**

**Holy Family, Glendale**

Monday, December 4 - 7:00 pm

**Incarnation**

Monday, December 11 - 7:00 pm

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Wednesday, December 13 - 7:00 pm

**St. Bede**

Monday, December 18 - 7:00 pm



## Rincón del Pastor

En este primer domingo de Adviento, bendicimos la corona de Adviento y encendemos la primera vela violeta de Adviento. Las tres velas violeta y la rosa representan las cuatro semanas de Adviento. La vela rosa se enciende el tercer domingo de Adviento, que la Iglesia llama domingo de Gaudete. La primera vela de la corona de Adviento simboliza la virtud de la esperanza y el recuerdo de la predicción de los profetas del nacimiento de Jesús.

En Adviento esperamos la primera venida de Jesús, nacido de la Virgen María y habitando entre nosotros en su naturaleza humana. Durante este tiempo de Adviento, estamos llamados a no dejar que la secularización y el materialismo de nuestra sociedad se interpongan en el camino de contemplar y anticipar verdaderamente la hermosa celebración de la Navidad que comienza el día de Navidad, ¡no en Halloween! Esta temporada de Adviento es el momento de anticipar la venida o adviento de Jesús y esperar hasta el día de Navidad para celebrar la venida de Jesús.

Que pasemos este tiempo de Adviento abriendo nuestros corazones al amor de Dios y que la luz de Cristo penetre en las tinieblas del pecado que nos rodea, y que a veces invada nuestra alma. Que la corona de Adviento nos recuerde que debemos preparar nuestros corazones y almas para la venida de Jesús.

### **Preparar una corona de Adviento en casa:**

Puedes usar una corona pequeña para una mesa en tu casa. Puedes comprar un simple anillo de metal con 4 candelabros y 4 velas de Adviento para poner dentro de la corona. Hay varios sitios web que dan instrucciones sobre cómo hacer tu corona de bricolaje en casa.



### **Adult Confirmation classes will begin on Thursday, January 12, 2023.**

All sessions will be zoomed, and the sessions time is 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

You must be 18 years or older, have made First Communion. We need a photocopy of your Baptismal and First Communion certificates. The fee is \$25 dollars.

Confirmation forms are found on our website under Sacraments and also found in the parish office.

**Novena de Rosarios en honor a la Santísima Virgen de Guadalupe**



- Diciembre 3 – 2:30pm – Salón Parroquial - Coro en español
- Diciembre 4 – 7:00pm – Salón Parroquial - Comunidad Filipina
- Diciembre 5 – 5:30pm – Salón Parroquial - Guadalupanos
- Diciembre 6 – 7:00pm – Salón Parroquial - Estudio bíblico
- Diciembre 7 – 7:00pm – Salón Parroquial - Ministros Extraord. De la Comunión
- Diciembre 8 – 7:00pm – Salón Parroquial - Grupo de oración
- Diciembre 9 – 7:00pm – Salón Parroquial - Hospitalidad
- Diciembre 10 – 2:30pm – Salón Parroquial - Todos los grupos y ministerios
- Diciembre 11 – 7:00pm – Salón Parroquial - Lectores

*Celebración en Honor de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe*

*Martes, 12 de Diciembre, 2023*

*6:00 a.m. - Mañanitas a la Virgen en la Iglesia*

*6:00 p.m. - Misa Solemne en Español con mariachi y después de la Misa, ¡acompañenos a seguir celebrando en el salón parroquial!*



**Effective December 1, 2023**, the QueensCare Parish Nurse and Community Health Worker will be at St. Dominic's every other week, instead of weekly. They will be here on November 30th, and in December will adjust to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays from 8:00-12n, which means they will be at St. Dominic's on 12/14 and 12/28. Ana and Miriam have been letting current patients know about this, so they can plan accordingly.

The reason for this is two-fold: 1) our volume of patients has dropped significantly **over time** from having 11-12 patients per Thursday to an average of 5 patients per Thursday and 2) QueensCare Health and Faith Partnership has been given a corporate directive to double the number of sites by the end of the calendar year (12/31/2023). This will also enable them to increase the number of people in need who can benefit from their services.

Since our volume has dropped, they can add another site on the opposite Thursdays. The other site is the de Paul Center, which has numerous underserved community members, and is the primary mission of QHFP to serve. This information has been shared with Fr. Peter, and he has concurred with the necessity of the change.

No other services will change. QueensCare offered a flu clinic this fall, is helping with the Line Dancing Health Promotion Program, and will co-sponsor a health fair with us next year, along with other customary events. We want to thank QueensCare for the 13 years of partnership and ongoing commitment to St. Dominic's church and community.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Mary Lynne Knighten, Health Ministry Director at [knightenmarylynne@hotmail.com](mailto:knightenmarylynne@hotmail.com)

### Parish Raffle



The Parish will be having a Raffle to give away "One" free ticket to the.....

"Pilgrimage to Italy & Croatia, Leaving April 22 to May 5, 2024

**Tickets are available at the parish office!**

The drawing will be held in February at the Filipino Breakfast

### Pilgrimage to Italy and Croatia

Join a 14-day pilgrimage to Italy and Croatia from April 22 to May 5, 2024. Your tour starts at the "Eternal City" of Rome where you will experience The Papal Audience at St. Peter's Basilica and see the famous landmarks of Rome. Continue on to Medjugorje and follow the path to the Apparition Hill where the young visionaries encountered the Blessed Virgin Mary. Step back in time as you enjoy the walking tour of old town Dubrovnik, then take the overnight ferry to Durres to Bari before transferring to San Giovanni. Tour this quaint 11th century town where Padre Pio spent most of his life. Visit the ancient ruins of Pompeii before driving along the world-famous Amalfi Coast. Visit Naples and take a boat excursion to the fabled Isle of Capri and see the famous Blue Grotto. Airport transfer to Rome for a return flight home. . This unforgettable experience is priced at \$5350 per person based on double occupancy and includes round trip airfare from Los Angeles, first class hotel accommodations, daily breakfast and dinner, sightseeing with professional tour guides, bus driver and tour guide gratuities and all entrance fees per itinerary. Travel insurance and other applicable fees are not included. Mass will be celebrated by tour chaplain, Fr. Albert Pragasam, OSM.

Call Tessie Gonzales at (323) 702-7289 or email her at [teresitagonzal6453@att.net](mailto:teresitagonzal6453@att.net)



**FINGERPRINTING - December 16, 2024**

**10:00 am to 4:40 pm**

**Adult Ed Building**



Fingerprinting by appointment only  
Call the Parish Office to register

You **MUST** bring a valid ID  
on the day of fingerprinting