

March 15, 2026

# 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 - 7:00 PM  
Tuesday-Friday 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
Closed 1:00 PM— 3:00 PM  
Open 3:00 PM— 7:00 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM  
Sunday 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM

## Marriage (Matrimonio):

Please contact Fr. Isaiah Mary, Fr. Francis, or Fr. Andrew Thomas 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 Breanna Rivano or Jaylene Romero, at 323-254-2519.

### Dominican Community:

Rev. Isaiah Mary Molano, OP, Pastor-Prior  
 Rev. Francis Goode, OP, Sub-Prior,  
 Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Andrew Thomas Kang, OP,  
 Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Michael Carey, OP, Retired  
 Rev. Jude Eli, OP, In residence

### Parish Staff:

Directors of Religious Ed: Breanna Rivano and  
 Jaylene Romero  
 OCIA & Adult Education: Sr. Joyanne Sullivan, SND  
 Confirmation/Youth Ministry: Randy de Vera  
 Music Ministry: Rudy Acosta - 323-258-9854  
 Director of Operations—Evangeline Booth  
 Secretary: Cecilia Treat  
 Lead Maintenance: Jose Vidaurri

### Parish Pastoral Council:

Joanna Dellosa - Chairperson  
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### St. Dominic's School:

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 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	Tony and Jose Alvarado, †
	9:00 AM	Julian Soto, birthday
	11:00 AM	Cleofe and Constancio Canarias, †
	1:00 PM	Pro Populo
	5:00 PM	Vivian Jimenez Beutel, †
<b>Monday</b>	8:00 AM	Julie Cucue, Birthday
	6:00 PM	Joe Pompilio, †
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 AM	Leticia Valdez, †
	6:00 PM	Albino & Teofista Argenal, †
<b>Wed.</b>	8:00 AM	Todd Encarnacion, Birthday
	8:00 AM	Michael Domingo, Birthday
	8:00 AM	Carmelita & Virgil Tan, Wedding Anniv.
	8:00 AM	Rev. Msgr. Jeremias R. Rebanal, †
	8:00 AM	Richard "Dick" Newby, †
	8:00 AM	Felisa M. English, †
<b>Thurs.</b>	6:00 PM	Naomi Sempelz, Birthday
	8:00 AM	Jose Daus, †
<b>Friday</b>	6:00 PM	Steve Hogan, †
	8:00 AM	Vicente Sy, †
<b>Saturday</b>	6:00 PM	Deceased Friars, Parent, Friends and Benefactors
	8:00 AM	Leonardo Labitonia, †
	8:00 AM	Dorothy Henderson Thanksgiving
	8:00 AM	Julian Garma, Birthday
	8:00 AM	Miriam Stanziale, Birthday
	8:00 AM	Emilia Ines Mapo, †
	8:00 AM	Eduardo Sumbingco, †
5:00 PM	Alberto Reyes Jr., Birthday	

### Readings for the week of March 15, 2026

<b>Sunday:</b>	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
<b>Monday:</b>	Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/ Jn 5:17-30
<b>Thursday:</b>	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
<b>Friday:</b>	Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
<b>Saturday:</b>	Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/ Jn 7:40-53

## Pastor's Corner

By Most Reverend Fr. Isaiah Mary Molano, OP

### Confession Series-Part III

#### How do you make a good confession?

Because Confession is so individualized now, it is hard to evaluate if a person is confessing well. So here are some (non-comprehensive) *practical* tips to make sure that you are giving proper honor to the Sacrament:

1) Examine your conscience carefully

Confession is not a normal conversation. It is a moment where the Holy Spirit has a unique opportunity to speak to your heart, to heal and improve you. You must come in prepared for this encounter. There are so many examinations out there, just pick one and go for it. Spend as much time as you need to ask those probing, open, uncomfortable questions so that you can heal and improve as a Christian and as a human being. *Confession will only be as fruitful as your preparation.*

2) Confession is not therapy, confession is not spiritual direction

Again, Confession is not a normal conversation. Confession is where you *confess your sins to God and receive penance and forgiveness*. Confession is often therapeutic, it is oftentimes a place where a priest can offer good spiritual tidbits for your edification. Yet *Confession is not therapy, and confession is not spiritual direction*. Most priests do not have a degree in psychology or psychotherapy. Some priests may be open to have a regular, 30-60 minute conversation to discuss how to improve one's friendship with the Lord Jesus. However—and I understand why people would do this—confession is not that time nor place. Confession is when you confess your sins to God.

3) Emotions—even anger—are not sinful

Many priests would mention that a penitent would say, "Father, I was angry at so-and-so". Emotions are part of our human nature. In this way, emotions are not good or bad, rather, they are an opportunity to do good or bad things. If someone cuts you off on the highway, and you begin to get angry, you are given a choice—one towards, and one away, from virtue. It is not the emotion that is good or bad, it is the action that the emotion fuels—that may be good or bad.

4) No stories, just sins

Often, not always, a penitent would rationalize or minimize their sins to the priest so as to save their own conscience. Jesus knows what you did wrong (and right). In fact, Jesus knows the sin, and everything surrounding the sin, better than you do. Please simply tell the priest your sins. If the priest needs more information to evaluate the gravity of your sin, he will ask.

5) Confess only *your* sins, please.

We aren't in the ancient Church anymore, where a penitent would tell confess their sins to the entire community before Mass. Remember, your confession, your sins. You are not here to repent for your spouse or family member. If you want them to come to confession, you should invite them to attend to confession with you.

6) Be sincere, be repentant

*Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.* Your confession will only be as fruitful as your examination. Related, your confession will only be as fruitful as your repentance. Confident in God's mercy, what are you going to do to change? Do you understand the patterns that you fall into that causes sin to occur? It is wonderful to confession and renew your friendship with Jesus—so what are you going to do to make this friendship real?

7) Be considerate of your brothers and sisters

Ideally, a confession should only last 5 minutes, if not less. Please be considerate of your brothers and sisters in Christ—and of the priest!

This was not meant to be a comprehensive list on how to confess well. I pray and hope that your devotion to this Sacrament grows, so that you may—albeit slowly—become the saint you are called to be!

## Esquina del Pastor

Por Most Reverend Fr. Isaiah Mary Molano, OP

### Serie Confesiones– Parte III -¿Cómo se hace una buena confesión?

Como la confesión es ahora tan individualizada, es difícil evaluar si una persona se está confesando bien. Así que aquí tienes algunos consejos prácticos (no exhaustivos) para asegurarte de que estás honrando el Sacramento como es debido:

#### 1) Examina tu conciencia con atención

La confesión no es una conversación normal. Es un momento en el que el Espíritu Santo tiene una oportunidad única para hablar a tu corazón, sanarte y mejorarte. Debes venir preparado para este encuentro. Hay muchísimos exámenes, simplemente elige uno y adelante. Dedique todo el tiempo que necesite a hacer esas preguntas profundas, abiertas e incómodas para que puedan sanar y mejorar como cristiano y como ser humano. *La confesión solo será tan fructífera como tu preparación.*

#### 2) La confesión no es terapia, la confesión no es dirección espiritual

De nuevo, la confesión no es una conversación normal. La confesión es cuando *confiesas tus pecados a Dios y recibes penitencia y perdón*. La confesión suele ser terapéutica, y muchas veces es un lugar donde un sacerdote puede ofrecerte buenos consejos espirituales para tu edificación. Sin embargo, *la confesión no es terapia, y la confesión no es dirección espiritual*. La mayoría de los sacerdotes no tienen un título en psicología ni en psicoterapia. Algunos sacerdotes pueden estar dispuestos a mantener una conversación regular, de 30 a 60 minutos, para discutir cómo mejorar la amistad con el Señor Jesús. Sin embargo—y entiendo por qué la gente haría esto—la confesión no es ese momento ni ese lugar. La confesión es cuando confiesas tus pecados a Dios.

#### 3) Las emociones—incluso la ira—no son pecaminosas

Muchos sacerdotes mencionaban que un penitente decía: "Padre, estaba enfadado con fulanito". Las emociones forman parte de nuestra naturaleza humana. De este modo, las emociones no son buenas ni malas, sino una oportunidad para hacer cosas buenas o malas. Si alguien te corta el paso en la autopista y empiezas a enfadarte, te dan una elección: una hacia la virtud y otra alejándose de la virtud. No es la emoción lo bueno o malo que es bueno, es la acción que alimenta la emoción—puede ser buena o mala.

#### 4) No hay historias, solo pecados

A menudo, no siempre, un penitente racionaliza o minimiza sus pecados ante el sacerdote para aliviar su propia conciencia. Jesús sabe lo que hiciste bien (y mal). De hecho, Jesús conoce el pecado, y todo lo que lo rodea, mejor que tú. Por favor, simplemente cuéntale tus pecados al sacerdote. Si el sacerdote necesita más información para evaluar la gravedad de tu pecado, lo pedirá.

#### 5) Confiesa solo *tus* pecados, por favor.

Ya no estamos en la antigua Iglesia, donde un penitente decía confesar sus pecados a toda la comunidad antes de la misa. Recuerda, tu confesión, tus pecados. No estás aquí para arrepentirte por tu cónyuge o familiar. Si quieres que vengan a confesarse, deberías invitarlos a que asistan contigo a confesarse.

#### 6) Sé sincero, sé arrepentido

*Sé perfecto, como tu Padre celestial es perfecto.* Tu confesión solo será tan fructífera como tu examen. Relacionado con eso, tu confesión solo será tan fructífera como tu arrepentimiento. Confiado en la misericordia de Dios, ¿qué vas a hacer para cambiar? ¿Entiendes los patrones en los que caes y que hacen que ocurra el pecado? Es maravilloso confesarse y renovar tu amistad con Jesús—¿qué vas a hacer para que esta amistad sea real?

#### 7) Sé considerado con tus hermanos y hermanas

Idealmente, una confesión debería durar solo 5 minutos, si no menos. Por favor, sé considerado con tus hermanos y hermanas en Cristo —¡y con el sacerdote!

No pretendí dar una lista exhaustiva de cómo confesarse bien. Rezo y espero que tu devoción a este Sacramento crezca, para que puedas —aunque sea lentamente— convertirte en el santo que estás llamado a ser.



My name is Akeime Weeks and I am in my 5<sup>th</sup> official year as the Theatre Arts instructor and Academic Decathlon Chair at St. School. I transitioned from parent volunteer to staff after my child Leigh's graduation in 2020. I am a career artist with 30 years experience in theatre, television, and film, most notably at The Mark Taper Forum and Ahmanson Theatre, Walt Disney Feature Animation, and PBS American Experience.

I honed my teaching practice at Shakespeare Center of Los Angeles' award winning Will Power to Youth program for 17 years as a Mentor Artist and Dialogue Facilitator for underserved youth in the Los Angeles Area. I recieved my training at both USC in their BFA Arts program as well as Cal State Los Angeles

### Academic Decathlon

On March 7th, 20 junior high students represented St. Dominic School at the annual San Fernando Region Academic Decathlon competition. They have been studying together since September; learning how to collaborate, support one another, and uplift each other when things get hard. Their commitment was on full display at St. Genevieve High School as they powered through Logic, Individual Subjects, and Super Quiz. Their grit and tenacity proved that they are young people to be reckoned with, and when results were announced we came home with a single medal for Fine Art.

Accepting results with grace is also a powerful lesson, and discovering just how close we came to medals with a ranking of fourth overall is simply fuel for these amazing young people to come back even stronger next year!




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# LENTEN MISSION CONFERENCE

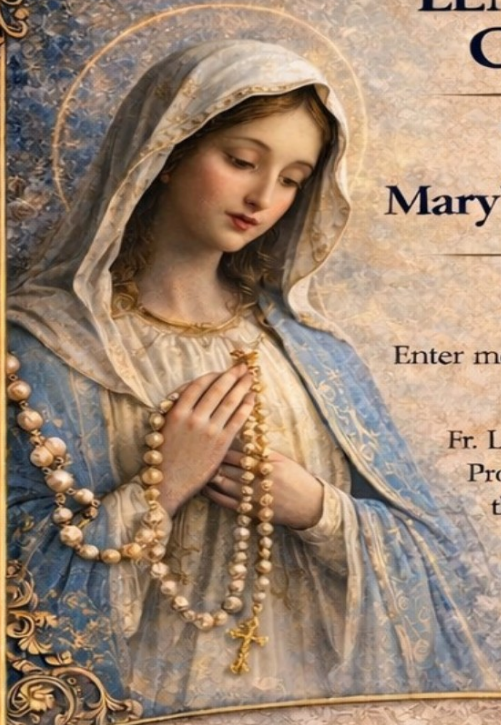
## The Rosary: Mary's Perennial Peace Plan

### AN INVITATION

Enter more deeply into the mystery and power of the Holy Rosary this Lent.

Fr. Lawrence Lew, O.P., Dominican priest and Promoter General of the Rosary, will lead a three-part mission exploring the Dominican heritage and the transforming grace of the Rosary as Mary's instrument of peace for the Church and the world.

Come renew your devotion and rediscover the Rosary as a path to contemplation and peace.



#### ★ ONE-DAY RETREAT OPTION ★ Saturday, March 21

8:00 AM Mass followed by Talk 1, Talk 2, and Talk 3

*(Full-Day Mission Experience)*

Concludes with a **Rosary Procession**

Registration: \$40

#### ★ THREE-DAY MISSION CONFERENCE ★

Monday, March 23 – Talk 1

8:00 AM Mass followed by Talk 1

6:00 PM Session *(repeat of the morning session)*

Tuesday, March 24 – Talk 2

8:00 AM Mass followed by Talk 2

6:00 PM Session *(repeat of the morning session)*

Wednesday, March 25 – Talk 3

8:00 AM Mass followed by Talk 3

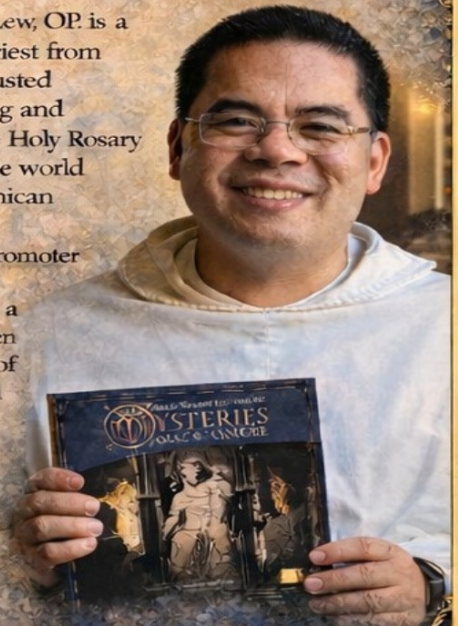
Following the evening session.

- Rosary Procession
- Marian Consecration
- Rosary Confraternity Enrollment

#### About Fr. Lawrence Lew, O.P.

Fr. Lawrence Lew, O.P. is a Dominican priest from England entrusted with preaching and promoting the Holy Rosary throughout the world for the Dominican Order.

He serves as Promoter General of the Rosary and is a popular spoken photographer of sacred art, and author of the acclaimed photo book *Praying the Rosary – This Visible Mysteries* (Ignatius Press)



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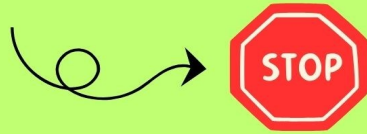
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## ST. DOMINIC'S FITNESS WALK

Come join us on March 18, 2026, Wednesday and every 3rd Wednesday of the month thereafter for our own 5k fitness walk. Meet at the church parking lot at 6:00 - 6:10 pm. Route: St. Dominic's - Las Flores Drive - Townsend Ave - Hill Drive - and back. Please wear appropriate clothing and hydration. Option: Wear reflective vest and flashlight. Let's prioritize fitness for 2026. Come walk with us!

Stop at corners. Put one foot forward and repeat.



### Retiro cuaresmal de la comunidad hispana

Sábado 21 de marzo de 2026  
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
En el Centro Comunitario Padre Pablo Scanlon, OP

Donación \$10.00  
( No incluye almuerzo)

### PENANCE SERVICES in the DEANERY

Incarnation, Glendale  
TUESDAY, MARCH 17th ...  
7 PM Service

St. Bede's  
TUESDAY, MARCH 24th ...6:30 PM Service

Holy Trinity, Atwater Village  
THURSDAY, MARCH 26th ...7:00 PM Service



### Easter Flowers

Help defray the cost of our Easter flowers by donating \$10 in the name of a loved one. The names will be posted on our bulletin boards.



### LGBTQIA+ Outreach

St. Dominic LGBTQIA+ OUTREACH is a welcoming evening where LGBTQIA+ persons share their experience, strength and hope with one another, while also discussing the important issues facing their community today. We meet every Friday at 7:30 pm. All are welcome including families and supporters of this special gathering. For more information please call:

Albert Lanskie at 562-895-5213 or  
Elizabeth S. Taylor, Ph.D. at 626-792-1103.

Soup Suppers every Friday, after the 6:00 pm Mass and the Stations of the Cross.



This week, March 20, is being sponsored by Light of Jesus & Divine Mercy