

December 10, 2017

St. Dominic Church and School

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Mass Times

Sunday

7:30 am
9:00 am
10:30 am
12:00 pm
1:30 pm (En Español)
5:00 pm
7:00 pm Occidental College Herrick Chapel

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

Wednesdays 7:45 - 8:00 am; 5:45 - 6:00 pm
1st. Fridays 7:45 - 8:00 am; 5:45 - 6:00 pm
Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Domingo 1:30 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:

3:00 pm - 7:30 pm on Monday
8:30 am - 7:30 pm Tuesday thru Friday
8:30 am - 6:30 pm Saturday
8:30 am - 6:00 pm Sunday

Dominican Community:

Rev. Michael Fones, OP, Pastor, Prior,
 Rev. Francis Goode, OP, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Jude Eli, OP, In residence
 Rev. Michael Chaberek, OP, In residence
 Rev. Dominic De Maio, OP, In residence
 Rev. Donald Bramble, OP, Retired
 Rev. Cassian Lewinski, OP, Retired
 Rev. Dominic De Lay, OP, on Sabbatical

Parish Staff:

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Michael Finocchiaro, OPL
 Dir. of Religious Ed: Christina Garcia &
 Michelle Perez
 Religious Ed Coordinator: Connie Guerrero
 (323) 255-6373
 Adult Education: Sr. Joyanne Sullivan SND
 Confirmation/Youth Ministry: Randy de Vera
 Ministry to the Ill & Elderly: Concie Kibbe, OPL
 Health Ministry: Mary Lynne Knighten
 Music Ministry: Rudy Acosta (323) 258-9854
 Administrative Assistant: Mario Garcia
 Secretary: Cecilia Treat
 Plant Manager: Jesus Mercado
 Director of Development: Greg Cornell

St. Dominic's School:

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 Phone: (323) 255-5803
 Website: <http://www.stdominicla.us>
 Principal: Mrs. Emily Diaz
 Secretary: Angela Nuño
 Pre-School
 Extended Day Care

MASS INTENTIONS



Sun.	7:30 am	Maria Celia Q. Alejandro, birthday
	9:00 am	Sean Kroetz, †
	10:30 am	Pro Populo
	12:00 pm	Francisco Villamor, †
	1:30 pm	Maria Natividad Oviedo and Jose Guadalupe Aguayo
	5:00 pm	Amy Van Dyke, †
Mon.	8:00 am	Zenaida R. Ramirez, †
	6:00 pm	Virginia Chua, †
Tues.	8:00 am	Sabas, Maria, Rudy de la Rosa, †
	6:00 pm	Amado Cruz, birthday
	7:00 pm	Stephanie Ellis, thanksgiving
Wed.	8:00 am	Vicente Ocampo, Jr., †
	6:00 pm	Jacob Thomson
Thurs.	8:00 am	Erlinda G. Tuando
	6:00 pm	Robert Ellis, birthday
Fri.	8:00 am	Rudolfo Alapag, †
	6:00 pm	Deceased Dominican Friars, parents, friends and benefactors
		Esperanza Jacobs, †
		Lourdes Barredo, †
		Doris Bednarczyk, †
		Abner Nayve, †
Sat.	8:00 am	Ellie Bustos, thanksgiving
	5:00 pm	Anna Wood and family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of The Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
Wednesday:	Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday:	Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
Friday:	Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday:	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday:	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Marriage (Matrimonio): Please contact Frs. Michael Fones, Francis Goode as soon as you become engaged for information about the process for Catholic marriage preparation.

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

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults RCIA 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 323-255-6373.

The Children's RCIA is a two year program. For more information call Michelle Perez or Christina Garcia, at 323-255-6373.

Today's Activities

Blood Pressure Today
 Legion of Mary
 Retirement Fund for Religious Collection
 Virgen de Guadalupe Novena

This week at a glance...Monday, December 11, 2017

Bible Study 7:30 PM Adult Ed building
 Living Waters Praying Group 6:30 PM
 St. Catherine Room
 Virgen de Guadalupe Novena 7:00 PM Parish Hall
 St. Vincent De Paul Meeting 7:00 PM St. Mark Room

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

Virgen de Guadalupe Mañanitas 7:00 AM Parish Hall
 Legion of Mary
 RCIA 7:00 PM Adult Ed House
 Virgen de Guadalupe 7:00 PM Spanish Mass and
 7:30 PM Parish Hall celebration

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

Visual Bible Study 9:15 AM St. Mark Room
 Legion of Mary
 Young Adult Ministry 7:30 PM St. Catherine Room
 Confirmation Year One 7:00 PM Church
 Confirmation Year Two 7:00 PM Church

Thursday, December 14, 2017

Divine Mercy 9:00 AM Adult Ed Building
 L.O.V.E. Ministry 4:30 PM St. Mark Room
 Communion and Liberation 7:00 PM St. Mark Room

Friday, December 15, 2017

Advent Evening Retreat 7:00 PM Upper Hall

Saturday, December 16, 2017

Junior Legion of Mary 10:30 AM St. Catherine Room
 Ushers Monthly Meeting
 Posadas 6:30 PM Parish Hall

Requiescat in Pace Jesús Mercado

On Tuesday, December 5, while the Latino community was praying the sorrowful mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary as part of the novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Jesús Mercado, our custodian for 13 years died of pneumonia in Kaiser Hospital after a long illness. He was the one who set up for many events in the parish hall and other rooms, who emptied the garbage, who mopped the floors and cleaned up after us. He always had a smile, was respectful, and kind. May he rest in peace, and may **his wife, Nilda and his sons find comfort in the Lord's** mercy.

The rosary for Jesús will be on Friday, December 15 at 7 p.m. and his funeral will be the following day, Saturday, December 16, at 10 a.m. There will be a reception in the parish hall from 1-4 p.m. the same day.

Visual Bible Study

A Video-Based Study of Sacred Scripture

“OVERVIEW OF THE GOSPELS”

(From the Catholic Way Bible Study with Lavinia Spirito)

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

9:15 to 10:30 AM St. Mark Room

Advent Retreat

Everyone is invited to join the Divine Mercy Ministry group in the church, on Thursday, Dec.14, for a morning of prayer and reflection, with Fr. Michael Chabereck, O.P. The Retreat will start with the 8:00am Mass, and will conclude at 11:30am with a potluck lunch. The Retreat is free for all to attend.

Quote of the Week

St. John (the Evangelist) ...speaks of “believing” Jesus and “believing in” Jesus. We “believe” Jesus when we accept his word, his testimony, because he is truthful. We “believe in” Jesus when we person-ally welcome him into our lives and journey to-wards him, clinging to him in love and following in his footsteps along the way.

COMING EVENTS

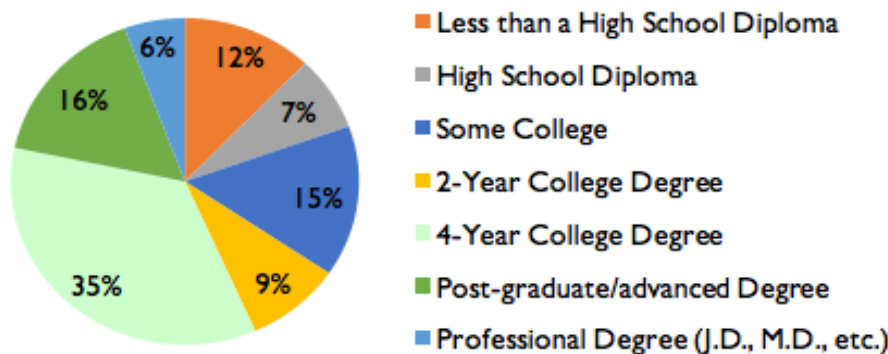
December 17-23 Posadas
 December 22 Simbang Gabi Mass

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners: I have asked the parish council to work with me on developing a pastoral plan for our parish in order to prioritize our time and resources and give us a roadmap for the next few years in light of the universal Church's mission, and the mission of our pastoral region in the Archdiocese. In order to plan for the future, we have to understand where we are right now, so that is the purpose of the first survey we gave in October. In the upcoming months we will roll out other surveys. I ask your assistance in filling them out, because the more responses we collect, the more accurate our picture of our parish today.

In the month of October, the Parish Pastoral Council administered the first of these surveys to gather some information about our demographics and parishioner involvement. Over 450 responses were gathered – just over 21% of our Sunday Mass attendance.

How would you describe your level of education? (n=461)

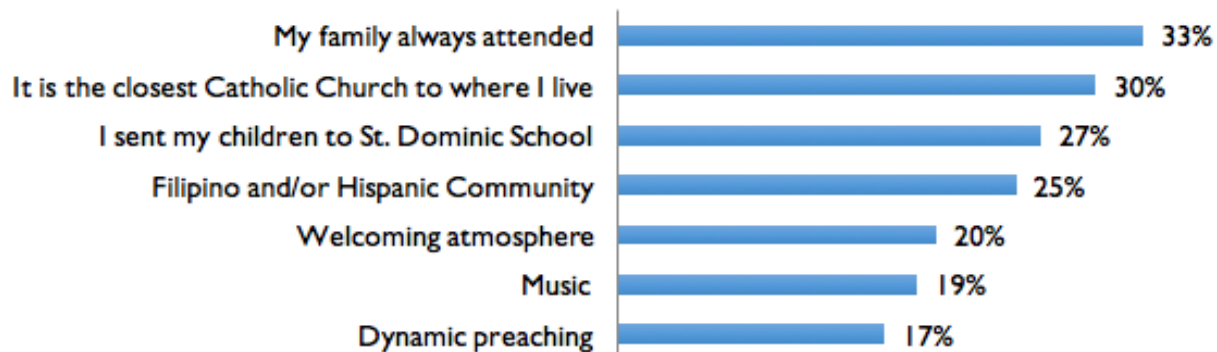


The survey indicates that our parishioners are well-educated. 57% of the respondents have at least a 4-year college degree, and 22% have advanced or professional degrees. This compares with 30.4% in the general Eagle Rock population who have a four-year degree or more. The percentage of those with less than a high school diploma includes the elementary and high school students who took our survey! Still, this is less than the 21% of adults in Eagle Rock as a whole who do not have a high school diploma.

We are blessed with a population that, because of their education, have a lot to offer the larger community in terms of the ability to analyze and respond to problems we find in our neighborhoods and challenges we face as a parish community.

What attracted you to begin attending St. Dominic's? (n=437)

The survey allowed respondents to give several reasons why they chose to start attending St. Dominic's. Below are the most common responses. The most common reasons reflect convenience, connections and culture, with some aspects of our liturgy, as well. We might all make an effort to welcome people we do not recognize. You never know when someone is returning to Mass for the first time in a long time, or attending their first Mass ever.



I am sharing these summaries in the interest of transparency. The parish council believes that the data we will gather in this and future surveys will be useful in planning and using the resources we have. In the coming months we will be rolling out more surveys for the parish, and we hope that you will help us collect the data we need to better serve you and the rest of the community. Next week I will share our third and final data sets.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Please note that the 4th Sunday of Advent is December 24, and our 5 p.m. Mass will be a Family vigil Mass for Christmas, *not a Sunday Mass*. Since both Sundays and Christmas are holy days of obligation, you should go to TWO Masses: Sunday *and* Christmas! We will have six Masses for Sunday and eight Masses for Christmas.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23 5 PM Vigil

December 24 7:30, 9, 10:30 AM, noon, 1:30 PM (español)

Christmas Masses

December 24 5 PM Family Christmas Vigil Mass

7 PM Christmas Concert

7:30 PM Mass (Contemporary Choir)

11:15 PM Christmas Concert

Midnight Mass (Traditional Choir)

December 25 7:30, 9, 10:30 AM

Noon (español)

1:30 PM (English)



Los Angeles Religious Education Congress 2018 – Not just for Religious Educators

The Religious Education Congress is ready to enrich and revitalize us once more.

March 15 (Youth Day) and March 16-18 (Adult Days)
Anaheim Convention Center

All are welcome to attend if you have never before attended Congress, it promises to be a wonderful experience. The Congress, sponsored by the office of Religious Education of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, offers a variety of opportunities for personal faith enrichment.

The weekend begins with Youth Day, gathering high school age youth to celebrate and strengthen their Catholic faith through workshops and prayer opportunities. The weekend continues with 3 days focused for adults offering over 300 workshops, covering topics of interest from spirituality and personal development to biblical studies, theology and catechesis – there is a topic of interest for you. Other highlights include various prayer opportunities including liturgies and Sacred Space, Film Showcase and noontime and evening concerts.

Do not miss out! Register now for this spirit-filled and enriching weekend! You may access the Registration Guidebook online and register by visiting www.RECongress.org. To obtain a Registration Guidebook, contact your parish religious education office or call the RECongress information line at (213) 637-7348.

Celebración en honor de
Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
Parroquia de Santo Domingo



Novena de Rosarios – 3 al 11 Diciembre 2017

7°	Día	Sábado	9 de Diciembre - 7:00pm -	Salón Parroquial
8°	Día	Domingo	10 de Diciembre - 3:00pm -	Salón Parroquial
9°	Día	Lunes	11 de Diciembre- 7:00pm -	Salón Parroquial

Celebrando Las Posadas



*Les invitamos a celebrar esta hermosa tradición recreando la peregrinación de San José y la Virgen María hacia Belén
Diciembre 16 – 23, 2017
7:00pm
Salón Parroquial
Iglesia de Santo Domingo
Si usted quiere patrocinar una posada comuníquese con el Sr. Rudy Vadillo al
323-255-4082*



Que descanse en paz Jesús Mercado
El martes 5 de diciembre mientras la comunidad hispana rezaba los Misterios Dolorosos del Santo Rosario como parte de la novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Jesús Mercado, nuestro encargado de mantenimiento por muchos años, falleció de neumonía en el hospital Kaiser después de una larga enfermedad. Él se encargó de preparar el salón parroquial y otros salones para múltiples eventos de nuestra parroquia, de tirar la basura, trapear los pisos y limpiar todo lo que dejábamos sucio. Siempre lo vimos sonriente, respetuoso y amable. Esperamos que su esposa, Nilda y sus hijos encuentren consuelo en la bondad del Señor. Que descanse en paz.
El rosario para Jesús será el viernes 15 de diciembre a las 7 de la noche y la Misa de funeral será el **sábado 16 de diciembre a las 10 de la mañana. Tendremos una recepción en su honor en el salón parroquial después del funeral, de 1 a 4 p.m.**

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 35:1-10; Sal 85 (84):9ab, 10-14; Lc 5:17-26
Martes: Zac 2:14-17 o Ap 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lc 1:26-38 o Lc 1:39-47, o cualquier lectura del Común de la Santísima María Virgen, nos. 707-712
Miércoles: Is 40:25-31; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Jueves: Is 41:13-20; Sal 145 (144):1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
Viernes: Is 48:17-19; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Sábado: Eclo 48:1-4, 9-11; Sal 80 (79):2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
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Ayuden a cuidar a los ancianos.

“Gracias al apoyo que da el Fondo para la jubilación de Religiosos hoy estamos en una mucho mejor posición para cuidar a nuestros ancianos”, escribe una hermana religiosa. Su donativo ayuda a su comunidad religiosa, y a cientos de otras, a proveer para sus miembros de edad avanzada y planificar para sus necesidades a largo plazo. Les rogamos que sean generosos en la colecta para el Fondo para la Jubilación de Religiosos.



Sr. Joyanne's 10th annual Art Show

December 10, 2017
 Convent next to the Church
 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Special gift items this year, 5x7 coffee table paintings. Perfect for those special Christmas gifts. Credit cards welcomed.

Retirement Fund for Religious
 Help religious communities.
"Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry", writes a religious sister. Your gift to today's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders!

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to our wonderful St. Vincent de Paul Society chapter that you, dear parishioners, help support with your donations every month in which there is a fifth Sunday. Last year, ending in September, our St. Vinnie's members performed the following corporal works of mercy:
 153 visits helping 223 people
 2 prison visits
 50 hospital visits to 14 individuals
 300 meals served with 11,150 people attending
 150 turkeys distributed
 240 toys distributed
 If you are interesting in becoming part of the St. Vincent de Paul team, please contact Mr. Daryl Hubble at [\(323\) 254-2416](tel:3232542416).

For Women of all stages of life, please join us for our **St. Dominic's First Annual**



WOMEN'S SYMPOSIUM

FINDING YOUR CENTER, A WOMEN'S JOURNEY TO DISCIPLESHIP

Presenter: Cathy Roby
 Saturday January 20, 2018
 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
St. Dominic's Parish Hall

Workshop options
Is Jesus the center of your life?
 Presenter: Maria Velasquez MA LMFT & parish member
Discernment with Prayer
 Presenter: Dione Grillo from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Director of Master Catechist Program
Being Present to ourselves and others
 Presenter: Nola Chang, Master Catechist, Speaker and Retreat Director

\$20 fee before Jan. 20. On site the day fee \$25

Contact us at: St.dominicadulted@gmail.com or call the parish office (323)254-2519

Fr. Cassian's Book Club



The new book for reading and discussion on Saturday December 30, 2017 is *The Little Paris Bookshop*, a novel by Nina George.

We meet at the Religious Education Building at 10:00 a.m.