

# St. Dominic Catholic Church & School

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## Mass Times

### Sunday

7:30 AM  
9 AM  
10:30 AM  
12 PM  
1:30 PM (En Español)  
5 PM  
7 PM Occidental College  
Herrick Chapel

### Monday thru Friday:

8 AM  
6 PM

### Saturday:

8 AM  
5 PM Vigil Mass

**Civic Holidays: 9 AM only**

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays after 8 AM Mass  
Benediction at 5:15 PM

## Reconciliation / Confessions

Wednesdays 7:45 - 8 AM; 5:45 - 6 PM  
1st. Fridays 7:45 - 8 AM; 5:45 - 6 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:

Monday 3 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. Michael, Fr. Francis, or Fr. Thomas 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 323-254-2519.

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

## Mission Statement

Our mission is to help people have a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ, form them as His disciples and equip them to be apostles.

## Dominican Community:

Rev. Michael Fones, OP, Pastor, Prior,  
 Rev. Francis Goode, OP, Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Thomas Saucier, OP, Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Jude Eli, OP, In residence  
 Rev. Donald Bramble, OP, Retired  
 Rev. Cassian Lewinski, OP, Retired  
 Rev. Denis Reilly, OP, Retired

## Parish Staff:

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Michael Finocchiaro, OPL  
 Dir. Religious Ed: Christina García & Michelle Pérez  
 Adult Education: Sr. Joyanne Sullivan SND  
 RICA: Sor Lidia Hernandez, OP and  
     Sor Yolanda Garcia Zamora, OP  
 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 García  
 Secretary: Cecilia Treat  
 Plant Manager: David Lear  
 Custodian: Aidan Williams

## Parish Pastoral Council:

Joseph Descalzo - Chairperson  
 Jacquie Natividad - Vice Chairperson  
 Mario García, Jr. - Secretary  
 Andrea Martínez - School Liaison  
 Merlie Mae Sotto  
 Jay Cooney  
 Patricia de Vera  
 Michelle Pérez  
 Christina García  
 Rafael Caraveo

## St. Dominic's School:

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

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 AM	Pro Populo
	9:00 AM	Nathaniel and Violeta Carreon, †
	10:30 AM	Claire Garcia, healing
	12:00 PM	Carlo N. Baluyot, †
	1:30 PM	Carmen Velasco, †
<b>Monday</b>	5:00 PM	Rosanna Valencia, thanksgiving
	8:00 AM	Dorota Domantay, †
	6:00 PM	Leonardo De Guzman, †
	<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 AM
	6:00 PM	Socorro and baby Margaret Reyes, †
	<b>Wed.</b>	8:00 AM
	6:00 PM	Antonio Cabalu, Sr., †
	<b>Thursday</b>	8:00 AM
	6:00 PM	Luz Quizon Tiongco, †
	<b>Friday</b>	8:00 AM
	6:00 PM	Deceased Dominican Friars, parents, friends and benefactors
	<b>Saturday</b>	
		Estella Escarcega, †
		Mariano Macaspac, †
		Chester Kordyjaka, †
	8:00 AM	De Vera family, thanksgiving
	5:00 PM	Juan S. Valencia, †

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
Friday:	Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday:	Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

## Today's Activities

Second Collection for St. Vincent de Paul  
Legion of Mary

### This week at a glance...

**Monday, October 15, 2018**

**Tuesday, October 16, 2018**

Legion of Mary  
Spanish Bible study 7:30 PM St. Mark Room  
RCIA 7:00 PM Adult Ed House

**Wednesday, October 17, 2018**

Legion of Mary  
Young Adult Adoration in Church 7:00 pm and meeting  
7:30 PM St. Mark Room  
ALPHA Group Session 7:00 PM Adult Ed Building  
Guadalupanos 6:30 PM St. Luke Room  
Confirmation Team 6:30 PM Upper Hall, Comm. Ctr.

**Thursday, October 18, 2018**

QueensCare Nurse 8:00 AM St. Mark Room  
Divine Mercy 9:00 AM Adult Ed Building  
Communion and Liberation 7:00 PM St. Mark Room

**Friday, October 19, 2018**

Spanish Prayer Group 7:00 pm St. Luke Room  
Light of Jesus Prayer Group 7:00 PM Adult Ed Building

**Saturday, October 20, 2018**

### COMING EVENTS

October 21 Collection for World Mission Sunday  
October 23 Virtus Re-Certification-6:30 pm Adult Ed

#### VIRTUS Recertification Class

There will be a "Keeping the Promise Alive" course offered on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Adult Education Building. Please register online at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org).

To register for recertification you must have completed your last VIRTUS class in 2014 or sooner. If you have not taken a class since 2013, you will need to take the "Protecting God's Children" course (the full three-hour course).

If you are not currently receiving monthly VIRTUS bulletins to your e-mail inbox, your VIRTUS account is not active, and you will not be able to register for recertification online. To establish your account, please e-mail Brenda Melendez-Cabrera at [bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org). Please scan your previous VIRTUS certificate(s) and attach them to the e-mail. If you are receiving your monthly VIRTUS bulletins and you read them within the month they are sent, you may qualify for recertification. Please contact Brenda Melendez-Cabrera at [bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org).

## New Bible Study Starting

Beginning **Wednesday, November 7 at 9:15 a.m. in the Adult Education Building**, parishioners will be able to participate in Jeff Cavins' *The Great Adventure Bible Study Series* that has helped hundreds of thousands of Catholics learn to read the Bible.

This series is a fascinating study that takes participants on a journey through the entire Bible. They will go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Using a unique color-coded system, they will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

Central to The Great Adventure is *The Bible Timeline Chart*: a simple, color-coded timeline of Bible history. It divides the entire timeline into 12 color-coded periods and then focuses on 14 books that tell the story in chronological order. Key people and events that advance the story are highlighted so that the newcomer isn't overwhelmed with too much at once. In this Bible Study you will:

Read 14 narrative books of the Bible and discover the amazing story woven throughout Scripture

Learn how the key **people, places, and events** in the Bible fit together to reveal God's plan for humanity

Study the Bible from a **Catholic perspective** and see how our faith is rooted in Sacred Scripture  
See how the events in the Old Testament are **fulfilled in the New Testament** by Christ and the Church

Gain a **greater appreciation for the Scripture** readings you hear during Mass

See how **God reveals himself** to us through Scripture and learn how **God's Word applies** to your life today

Develop a life-long hunger for knowing God in his word and **lay a strong foundation** for further Bible reading and study

For more information, check out our FORMED webpage (<https://formed.org/community>) to see a short video, or contact Manuela Fuertes: 323-257-1964; Catalina Wong: 323-528-5012; or Hermie Bernardo: 323-255-0268.

## Pastor's Corner

Ordinary Income	FY2018	FY2017
Collections	\$139,706.75	\$137,490.64
Sacrament Donations	\$7,317.00	\$10,162.00
Property Rental (net)	\$7,924.51	\$12,651.23
Miscellaneous*	\$3,638.37	\$4,460.00
Total Ordinary Income	\$158,586.63	\$164,763.87

### Operating Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$100,421.69	\$85,695.93
Other Operating expense	\$17,952.19	\$17,924.10
Utilities	\$15,786.30	\$17,356.97
Insurance	\$23,433.26	\$14,178.24
Archdiocesan Assessment	\$16,441.62	\$7,873.76
Total Operating Expense	\$174,035.06	\$143,029.00

**Net Income** - \$15,448.43 **\$21,734.87**

**Pastor's Discretionary fund** \$ 38,615.33

### Investment Activities with Archdiocese:

FY2018

#### Building and Maintenance Fund

Beginning Balance	\$ 87,943.59
Ending Balance	\$ 49,374.73

#### Capital Campaign

Beginning Balance	\$ 271,947.43
Income	\$ 130,000.00
Net Return	\$ 841.50
Expense	-\$55.21
Ending Balance	\$ 402,733.72

#### Bank Account for the Capital Campaign

August 30 Balance	\$ 66,727.60
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#### Total Pledges + Donations for Capital Campaign

\$1,501,968.37 (81%)

A few notes: \$48,000 was removed from Building & Maintenance to pay for the repaving of the main parking lot.

This year we are a month ahead on our payment of our insurance, and last year's August report did not include the archdiocesan assessment (a 10% tithe on our ordinary income).

Beginning this week the bulletin will include a comparison between the parish's average cost per week based on our annual budget and our weekly collection.

### Respect Life Month: Prayer for victims of sexual assault and abuse

During the month of October, which is Respect Life month, each Sunday Mass will be preceded by a prayer for groups of people in need of our prayers for protection and healing. These prayers will also be published in the bulletin for that week, so you can pray for them at home, as well. "Father of endless love, ever caring, ever strong, always present, always just:

You gave your only Son to save us by his Blood on the Cross.

Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace, join to your own suffering the pain of all who have been hurt in body, mind, and spirit by victims of sexual assault.

Hear the cries of those who have been gravely harmed, and the cries of those who love them. Grant them justice for their cause, enlightened by your truth.

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness.

Grant us the courage, wisdom, humility and grace, to act with justice.

May all those harmed by assault and abuse find peace in justice.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen."

### Quote of the Week

For the building up of the Church, the Body of Christ, there is a diversity of members and functions but only one Spirit who, for the good of the Church, distributes his various gifts with munificence proportionate to his riches and the needs of service. This diversity exists at the mode of participation in the priesthood of Christ and is essential in the sense that "while the common priesthood of the faithful is exercised by the unfolding of baptismal grace—a life of faith, hope and charity, a life according to the Spirit—the ministerial priesthood is at the service of the common priesthood and directed at the unfolding of the baptismal grace of all Christians." (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith: *Instruction on Certain Questions Regarding the Collaboration of the Non-Ordained Faithful in the Sacred Ministry of Priests*, 2)

**St. John Paul II's Prayer to Our Lady of Evangelization**

O Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of his Church, we are mindful of the role you play in the evangelization of souls who do not yet know Him. We are mindful of how missionaries came with the power of Christ's Gospel and committed the success of their work to you.

As the Mother of Divine Grace you were with the missionaries in all their efforts. And as Mother of the Church you presided over all the activities of evangelization and over the implantation of the Gospel in the hearts of the faithful. You sustained the missionaries in hope and you gave joy to every new community that was born of the Church's evangelizing activity.

You were there with your intercession and your prayers, as the first grace of baptism developed, and as those who had new life in Christ your Son came to a full appreciation of their Christian calling.

We ask you, Mary, to help us to fulfill this mission of evangelization which your Son has given to his Church and which falls to us. Mindful of your role as Help of Christians, we entrust ourselves to you in the work of carrying the Gospel ever deeper into the hearts and lives of all the people. We entrust to you our missionary mandate and commit our cause totally to your prayers.

To Jesus Christ your Son, with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit be praise and thanksgiving forever and ever. Amen!

**Prayers for Evangelization**

Please pray that many parishioners respond to Jesus' invitation to send them to those who do not know Him. Pray that those who will hear the Gospel will respond! You can...

Ask God to open their spiritual eyes (2 Cor. 4:4).

Ask God to give them ears to hear (Matt. 13:15),

Ask God to give them faith to believe (Acts 20:21).

Ask God to give them the will to respond (Rom. 10:9).

Ask God to send Catholics into their lives to witness to them (Matt. 9:38).

Ask God for an opportunity to invite them (Luke 14:23).

Ask God to set them free from spiritual captivity (2 Tim. 2:25-26).

**Save the date for our Parish-wide Advent Retreat.**

December 1, from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. There will be presentations and activities for families and individuals of all ages, and we will use the Parish Hall, Community Center and Adult Education building. The focus will be prayer and our relationship with God during the busy season of Advent.

**Diaconate Formation Information Day**

On Sunday, October 14 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at San Roque Parish, 3200 Calle Cedro, Santa Barbara, 93105 the Office of Diaconate Formation is hosting an information day for those who would like to inquire into the permanent diaconate. This is an opportunity to learn about the qualities of good applicants, requirements, the application process, and the diaconate formation program itself. Those attending will meet members of the formation staff, will have an opportunity to discuss their interest in the permanent diaconate, and the staff will be available for questions. The event is for married couples and single men. Wives are highly encouraged to attend.



Our Sunday Collection for October 7, 2018

\$16,352.00



Approximate Expenses for the week

\$20,474.15

**El Ministerio El Sembrador** invita a todos los jóvenes al Congreso de la Juventud Católica, que se llevará a cabo el 20 y 21 de octubre en el Centro de Convenciones de Los Ángeles, de 8:00 am a 6:00 pm. El evento se llevará a cabo en inglés el sábado y en español el domingo. Por favor, ven y experimenta el poder de Jesucristo resucitado en tu vida, Dios te bendiga siempre. Gracias.

**El Ministerio de Salud** está ofreciendo GRATIS las vacunas contra la gripe para las personas que no tienen cobertura de seguro o acceso a la atención médica el domingo 28 de octubre en el Edificio de Educación para Adultos de 9 am a 3:30 pm. Patrocinado por QueensCare con vacunas proporcionadas a través del Condado de Los Angeles.

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Gál 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 5:1;  
Sal 113 (112):1b-5a, 6-7; Lc 11:29-32  
Martes: Gál 5:1-6; Sal 119 (118):41, 43-45, 47-48; Lc 11:37-41  
Miércoles: Gál 5:18-25; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 11:42-46  
Jueves: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Sal 145 (144):10-13, 17-18; Lc 10:1-9  
Viernes: Ef 1:11-14; Sal 33 (32):1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lc 12:1-7  
Sábado: Ef 1:15-23; Sal 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lc 12:8-12  
Domingo: Is 53:10-11; Sal 33 (32):4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mc 10:35-45 [42-45]

### RETRouvaille



¿Qué está pasando con su matrimonio o relación de pareja?

¿Piensan que ya no hay nada en común? ¿lo que al inicio de su relación les atrajo de su esposo/a en estos momentos los está separando, son como unos desconocidos viviendo bajo el mismo techo.

Están tolerando y mostrándose indiferentes el uno al otro?

La falta de comunicación, violencia física y emocional e infidelidad entre otras actitudes, son las causas que están destruyendo los matrimonios. Existe la ayuda Retrouvaille, es el programa que está diseñado para profundizar y sanar su matrimonio y familia. Rompan esas cadenas que han venido cargando desde el inicio de sus vidas, sus hijos, nietos, y futuras generaciones serán los beneficiados.

Para mayor información por favor comuníquese con Adolfo y Dora Rubio a este teléfono: 818-367-4198 o 818-823-8912.

Muestro próximo fin de semana será en Octubre 19, 20 y 21, 2018.

### Presentaciones del Sacramento del Matrimonio

El Padre Tom Vandenberg, de la Arquidiócesis de Seattle, tendrá 2 presentaciones acerca del matrimonio y la importancia en la vida cristiana. Estas presentaciones serán el lunes y martes, octubre 22 y 23, a las 7:00 pm en el salón parroquial. Las presentaciones serán en Inglés y son apropiadas para parejas casadas, comprometidas, así como también para personas viudo/as o divorciado/as; en efecto, cualquier persona interesada en el matrimonio encontrarán estas pláticas muy interesantes. Todos están invitados.

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY  
2018-2019

**SCHOOL STUDENT NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY**  
The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color, national origin, and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, medical condition, sex, or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single-sex schools.

While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of services may not always be available to them. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional, academic, and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student's needs.

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Emily Diaz, Principal - St. Dominic School

**St. Dominic's Young Adults**

***Wednesday, October 17th - Lectio Divina (Man & Woman)***

7:00-7:30 PM Adoration in the Church

7:30-9:00 PM Meeting in the St. Mark Room

In anticipation of Fr. Tom Vandenberg's two-night talk on the Sacrament of Marriage, we'll do *Lectio Divina*-reading from the Bible about man, woman, and marriage.

***Sunday, October 21st - Third Sunday Mass + Brunch***

Come to the 10:30 AM Mass and join the St. Dominic's Young Adults outside in front of the church after Mass to head to a nearby restaurant.

***Mon.-Tues., October 22nd-23rd - The Sacrament of Matrimony***

We're delighted to co-host the two-night talk *A Pearl of Great Price: The Sacrament of Matrimony* by Fr. Tom Vandenberg of the Seattle Archdiocese! This will be OPEN TO ALL in the Parish Hall from 7:00-9:00 PM on Monday and Tuesday, October 22nd-23rd.

**For more info:** [saintdominics.org/young-adults](http://saintdominics.org/young-adults)

**Facebook:** @StDominicYAM

To connect with us, email [ya@saintdominics.org](mailto:ya@saintdominics.org).

**Presentations on Marriage**

We are delighted to welcome Fr. Tom Vandenberg to our parish community as he helps us explore the Sacrament of Matrimony, focusing especially on what distinguishes it from all other marriages. He will give two presentations, on **Monday and Tuesday, October 22-23 at 7 p.m.** in the parish hall. Fr. Vandenberg is a priest of the Archdiocese of Seattle, ordained in 1962. In addition to parish work over these years, he was also the Archdiocesan Director of the Catholic Youth Organization and has also worked in both the Cursillo and Marriage Encounter movements. A published author, his latest book, *A Pearl of Great Price; The Surprising Sacrament of Matrimony*, was selected for the Seattle University *Search for Meaning Book Festival* in February of 2015. This book will be on sale in the parish hall after his presentations. He has been a Keynote Speaker at the National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministers in 2010, a presenter at the Mid-West Catholic Family Life Conference in 2012, and last year he gave the Keynote Address at the North American Worldwide Marriage Encounter Convention.

Father's presentations will address the following issues in a straight forward, serious, yet refreshing way:

- The difference between the Sacrament of Matrimony and a simple marriage. What difference does it make?

- The importance of Matrimony to the life of the Church

- The unique spirituality of married couples

- The relationship between the Sacrament of Matrimony and Holy Orders

- What our married couples have to say to the church, especially at this time of polarization

- Why our married couples are a sign of hope for our church

These presentations are appropriate for all married and engaged couples as well as those who are widowed or even divorced. In fact, any person interested in marriage will find the evening worthwhile, married or not. High school students are also welcome. If you come, prepare to laugh at unexpected times. The evenings are informative, inspiring and fun.