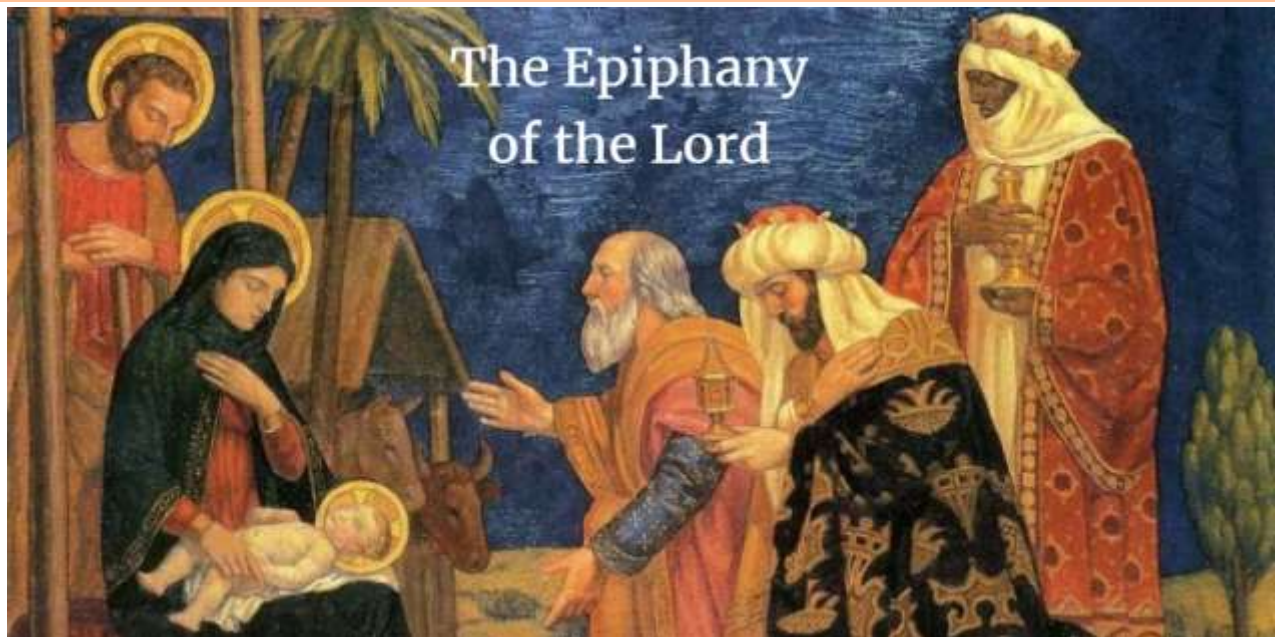


St. Dominic Catholic Church & School

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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 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 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
 RCIA & Adult Education: Sr. Joyanne Sullivan SND
 RICA y Ministerios Hispanos: Sor Lidia Hernandez,
 OP y 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:

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	7:30 AM	Pro Populo
	9:00 AM	Susing Alcantara, for good health
	10:30 AM	Remegios Lavilla Rochford, †
	12:00 PM	Agatona and Eulogio Serrano, †
	1:30 PM	Mariana and John Macomber, birthdays
	5:00 PM	Jaime Batungbacal, †
Monday	8:00 AM	Beatrice and Francisco Mendoza, Sr.
	6:00 PM	Teodora Ellis, birthday
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Marilyn Dee and Milagros Lopez, birthdays
	6:00 PM	Alfredo Ortega Sr., †
Wed.	8:00 AM	Floro and Terry Manglicmot
	6:00 PM	Aurea Conducto, special intention
Thursday	8:00 AM	Angel P. Santos
	6:00 PM	Jocelyn Pijano, †
Friday	8:00 AM	Hernandez Family, thanksgiving
	6:00 PM	Deceased Dominican Friars, Parents, friends and benefactors
Saturday	8:00 AM	Rudolfo Alapag, †
	5:00 PM	Victor M. Alabanza and Juanita P. Hidalgo, †
		Helen Murcia Ortega, †
		Justin Aglipay, †
		Asuncion Perez, †
		Amanda Bancod Herrera, †

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72: 1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Today's Activities

Legion of Mary

This week at a glance [...]

Monday, January 7, 2018

Saul to Paul Men's group 7:00 PM CC Upper Hall

Tuesday, January 8, 2018

Blessed Sacrament Confraternity 8:30 AM
Parish Hall

RCIA 7:00 PM Adult Ed House

Spanish Bible Study 7:30 PM St. Mark Room

Wednesday, January 9, 2018

Legion of Mary

Bible Study 9:15 AM Adult Ed Building

Young Adult Ministry Adoration in church 7:00 PM;

Meeting 7:30 PM St. Mark Room

Confirmation Year One 7:00 PM Lower Hall

Confirmation Year Two 7:00 PM Upper Hall

Hispanos en Accion 7:30 PM Guadalupe Room

Health Ministry meeting 7:30 PM Adult Ed Building

Thursday, January 10, 2018

QueensCare nurse 8:00 AM

Divine Mercy Ministry 9:00 AM Adult Ed Building

L.O.V.E. Ministry meeting 4:30 PM St. Mark Room

Communion and Liberation 7:00 St. Mark Room

Bereavement Group Meeting

7:30 PM Guadalupe Room

Friday, January 11, 2018

Legion of Mary

Grupo de Oracion 7:00 PM St. Luke Room

Light of Jesus Prayer Community 7:00 PM Adult Ed Building

Saturday, January 12, 2018

Legion of Mary 10:30 AM St. Luke Room

Dominican Laity 8:30 am Lower Hall

Bereavement Group Meeting

9:30 AM Guadalupe Room

COMING EVENTS

January 13	Mexican Breakfast
January 19	VIRTUS class
January 27	Filipino Breakfast

FORMED News

Don't forget we have FORMED still – an online service free to members of the parish where you can watch informative videos, entertaining movies, listen to ebooks, be inspired by and learn about your Faith. There are resources in English and Spanish. Just go to <https://saintdominics.formed.org> and use our parish code Q77WZR. It's a great resource. For example, every week on the main page, you'll find a five minute teaching on the Sunday gospel which will help you understand the scriptures better. Under the "community" tab, you'll find special materials selected by our parish FORMED team for us. This week you can find recordings of the concert that preceded the 11:00 p.m. Christmas eve Mass.

RESPECT LIFE ROSARY

Tuesday, January 22nd, 2019 marks the 46th anniversary of the Roe V. Wade Supreme Court decision. The Knights of Columbus San Gabriel Valley Chapter will once again hold their annual walking Respect Life Rosary in front of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Building located at 125 S. Grand Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91105. This peaceful one-hour event will begin at 12-noon and should conclude by 1PM. All are invited to attend and pray the Rosary. Contact: David Flores at (626) 422-3211 or legisperitis@yahoo.com, or Tim O'Donnell at (818) 731-4983 or jayod@verizon.net for further information.

Quote of the Week

What are you doing, O Magi? Do you adore a little Babe, in a wretched hovel, wrapped in miserable rags? Can this Child be truly God? ... Are you become foolish, O Wise Men ... Yes, these Wise Men have become fools that they may be wise.

Saint Bernard of Clairvaux



Pastor's corner

Nearly 50% of us make New Year's resolutions, but less than 10% actually keep them. 4,000 years ago, Babylonians promised to pay their debts and return borrowed objects. Romans named January after the two-faced god Janus, who looked simultaneously into the past and future, so January 1 was logical moment to examine the past and resolve to change.

Confession is better than New Year's resolutions. In this sacrament we examine our past, recognize how we've fallen short of the mark of who we are meant to be, *confess our faults to God through a priest, and receive God's grace to help us change – something the resolution statistics indicate we don't do well on our own!*

Why confess to a priest? Because Jesus forgave sins and wanted that ministry to continue through His Body, the Church. As soon as He is resurrected in the Gospel of John, he sends his apostles into the world, just as His Father had sent him. He breathes the Holy Spirit upon them and says, "whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." (John 20:23-24). This power implies that Jesus' delegate knows what the sins are, which indicates an oral confession of sins – or else how would the apostle know what to forgive or retain? The forgiveness comes from the Blessed Trinity, not the priest. The prayer of absolution ends, "I forgive you *in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. That invocation of the Trinity is not simply the sign of the cross that ends a prayer, but a statement of who, in fact, is doing the forgiving. It is a statement that the priest is the "conduit" God wishes to use to help the penitent experience His forgiveness and the grace to fulfill their resolution "to amend my life and avoid the near occasion of sin." So why not make regular confession your New Year's Resolution?*



December 23, 2018
Collection

\$15,823, 50



Approximate Expenses for the Week

\$20,474.15



Online giving made easy for the Fr. Paul Scanlon, O.P., Community Center
Interested in making your campaign gift/pledge online?
Go to <https://saintdominics.org/donate> or call the Parish Office 323-254-2519 to learn more.

St. Dominic school

Come learn about our community!
 Tour classrooms & meet current students, teachers and parents.
 Upcoming Open Houses:
 Sunday, January 27, 2019, 10:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 Thursday, February 7, 2019, 9:00 a.m.
 RSVP Here: bit.ly/OPN1819
 Or call the office to schedule a private tour!
 323-255-5803 www.stdominicla.us



Seasons of Hope
Bereavement Group to Begin

If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. Prayer, scripture, faith sharing and fellowship. It meets for six weeks, at two different dates and times. They will meet on Thursdays and Saturdays beginning on Thursday, January 10 at 7:30 pm and again on Saturday, January 12 at 9:30 am.

For more information you can call the parish office at 323-254-2519.



Dates & Times: (Place: Guadalupe Room)

Thursdays - 7:30 - 9:30 pm

January 10, 17, 24, 31
February 7, 14

Saturdays - 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

January 12, 19, 26
February 2, 9, 16

Provincial Chapter

Fr. Michael is a delegate to the Western Dominican Provincial Chapter, which begins January 4 and will last between two to three weeks. Please pray for the twenty friars who will be gathering in chapter to elect a new Provincial and Provincial Council and review the legislation that guides the life of the brothers in the Province.

The Cabrini Literary Guild will hold its annual Day of Recollection retreat at the Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra on Thursday, January 10th.

For reservations, please contact:
Lilia Maljanian at 818.484.7137 or Mary Andrade at mary-andrade@att.net
Sacred Heart Retreat House
920 E. Alhambra Road
Alhambra, CA

Support Our Capital Campaign

As we approach the end of the year, NOW is a great time to make tax-deductible charitable contributions. Currently we are at 82% of our goal of \$1.855 million dollars in terms of actual cash on hand and pledges. We need 60% of our total (\$1,113,000) in CASH before we can receive a "bridge" loan from the Archdiocese to begin the actual work on the second part of our rebuilding of the Community Center. We currently have \$535,400.85 in cash in our investment pool and savings account.

Two-thirds of our parishioners have *not* contributed to the capital campaign! We cannot complete our campaign without your participation. This is a project that will provide much-needed meeting space and space and resources for consistent evangelization programs that we need to help people meet Jesus and conform their lives to the Gospel.

Here are some tips regarding charitable giving from a couple of our parishioners who are involved in accounting and financial planning:

1. Contribute "APPRECIATED ASSETS", such as stocks or share in mutual funds. Provided you've OWNED the property for more than ONE year, you can deduct its FULL VALUE in most cases. NEITHER you or the charity has to pay tax on the appreciation.
2. DON'T donate property that has declined in value since you acquired it. The charity won't get to deduct the built in loss when it disposes of the asset.
3. Take advantage of a charitable tax break for IRA owners age 70 ½ or older. You can transfer up to \$100,000 PER YEAR from your traditional IRA DIRECTLY to charity. Such charitable transfers COUNT as part of your REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION. But unlike other payouts, these direct gifts are NOT included in your taxable income. The IRA-to-charity strategy can be a good way to get tax savings from charitable gifts for taxpayers NOT taking charitable write offs because of higher standard deductions.
4. DON'T waste the annual gift tax exclusion of \$15,000 each done without having to pay GIFT TAX or tap your lifetime estate & gift tax exemption of \$11,800,000 each person.

La Epifanía del Señor

6 de enero de 2019

Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén,
 porque ha llegado tu luz
 y la gloria del Señor alborea sobre ti.
 — *Isaías 60:1*



ENCUENTRO CON DIOS

Los espléndidos Reyes Magos –destellantes, majestuoso y solemnes–, salen hoy de las páginas de Mateo y van rumbo a nuestra iglesia. Solamente Mateo nos habla de esta grande e interesante historia para que podamos ver la luz y saber que el niño que visitaron los Reyes Magos era el cumplimiento de la profecía, el rey cuyo mensaje llega hasta la tierra natal de estos magos y mucho más allá, hasta nuestra época.

Nosotros también nuevamente podemos ver y entender. Al igual que estos magos, nuestros santos patronos en este día, vemos en el niño recién nacido al rey del universo y la luz del mundo. Como los Reyes Magos, encontramos dentro de nosotros una nueva fe y una nueva vida. Como ellos, regresamos a casa por una nueva ruta.

Se nos pide terminemos esta temporada festiva renovados y consientes de la presencia de Dios entre nosotros. Se nos pide encontrar a Dios donde se le puede encontrar, que estemos atentos y listos para, con asombro, inclinarnos en adoración y ofrecer nuestras ofrendas.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Levántate y brilla, Jerusalén, porque sobre ti se levanta (Isaías 60:1-6).

Salmo — Que te adoren, Señor, todos los pueblos (Salmo 72 [71]).

Segunda lectura — El misterio se ha dado a conocer, que los no judíos han de compartir en Cristo Jesús la misma herencia (Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Evangelio — Vinieron unos Magos de Oriente preguntando: "¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que ha nacido?" (Mateo 2:1-12).

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Es tiempo de añadir los reyes magos al pesebre. En 1448 llegaron los pesebres italianos a las iglesias españolas, pero no fue hasta que el Rey Carlos III le regaló un pesebre a su hijo en el siglo XVIII que el uso de pesebres se expandió en los hogares. Desde entonces, el uso de nacimientos llega al continente americano en donde se convierte en la decoración principal para las fiestas navideñas.

Así como en todo país latinoamericano el montaje del Belén es una tradición, lo es también en Venezuela. Con el pesebre venezolano llegan también aguinaldos, parrandas, Misas y patines. ¡Sí! ¡Patines!

Desde la mitad del siglo pasado los venezolanos celebran la época navideña con "patinadas". Estas "patinadas" normalmente se hacen por las mañanas y muchas calles están cerradas a los autos hasta las 8 a.m. para que niños y jóvenes puedan disfrutar de los patines, bicicletas y otros juguetes que les regala el niño Dios. Por eso, muchos niños duermen con un "cordoncito" atado al dedo gordo de los pies, que cuelgan por la ventana para que los despierten los que pasan patinado.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Giz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Sal 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Martes: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4, 7-8; Mc 6:34-44

Miércoles: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Sal 72 (71): 1-2, 10, 12-13; Mc 6:45-52

Jueves: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lc 4:14-22a

Viernes: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Sal 147:12-15, 19-20; Lc 5:12-16

Sábado: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
 Domingo: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Sal 29 (28):1-4, 3, 9-10 o Sal 104 (103):1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Hch 10:34-38 o Tit 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lc 3:15-16, 21-22



Adult Confirmation Begins January 31, 2019

Adult Confirmation will begin on Thursday, January 31 at 7:30 pm in the Adult Ed Building. This is a 9 week course and will end on March 28. Must be 18 years or older.

Registration forms are in the parish office. You will need to bring a copy of your baptism and a copy of your First Communion.

The fee for Adult Confirmation is \$50.00.

St. Dominic's Young Adults

The young adult group is taking a break from December 13th-January 8th. **Adoration and meetings will resume on** Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

Sending gratitude for all those who have helped with the group over the last couple of years and prayers for a joyful and blessed 2019!

For more info: saintdominics.org/young-adults

Facebook: @StDominicYAM

To connect with us, email ya@saintdominics.org.

Becoming Catholic

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults is a journey for Adults seeking a relationship with Jesus through Full Communion with the Catholic Church, includes Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. The meetings are held on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Adult Center. For more information please call Sr. Joyanne at 323-254-2519

Adult Confirmation meetings will start on January 31. These 9 week sessions are designed for those Catholics who, having received Baptism and First Communion and wish to have a deeper relationship with Jesus as disciples and proclaimers of the Word through the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Questions? Call Sr. Joyanne 323-254-2519



St. Dominic's QueensCare Parish Nurse is Jeanne Campoy-De Guzman, RN.

Parish Nurse hours are 8am to 12:30 pm, last patient is at 12 noon.

VIRTUS

“Protecting God’s Children”

January 19, 2019

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

If you would like to volunteer for the Church, and have not taken the Virtus Class, one is being offered on January 19. This is the full Virtus 3 hour class. This information has been given to the Archdiocese to be made available to other parishes. The class has limited space so it is important that you register as soon as possible. Registration must be made on line.

If you have let your Virtus lapse, (have not renewed within the 4 year period) then this is the class you need to take to become active again. Please sign up as soon as possible.