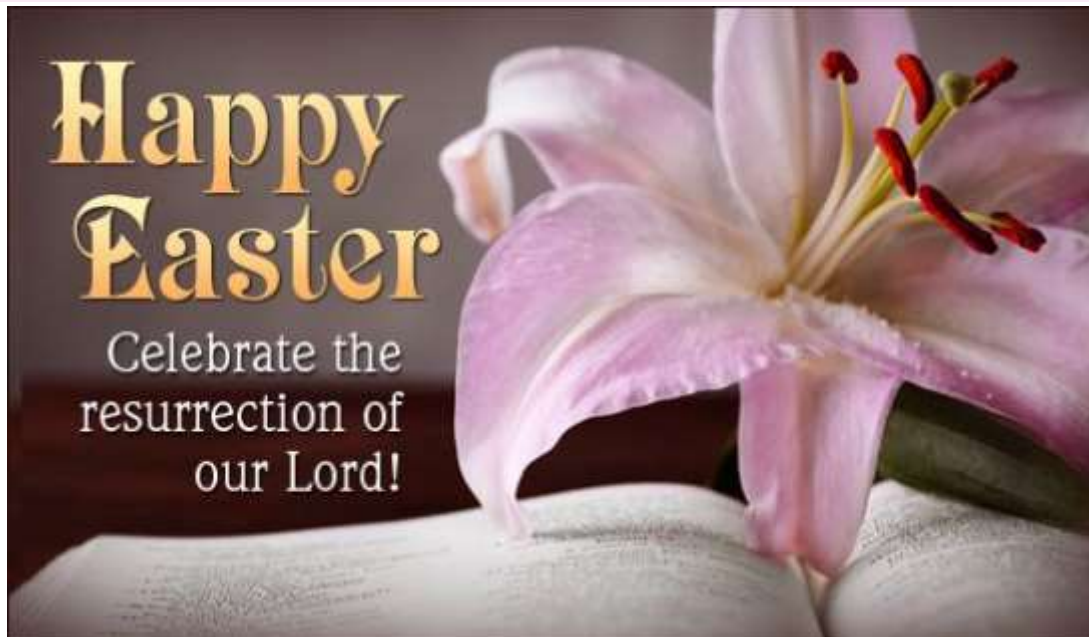


# St. Dominic Catholic Church & School

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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. Roberto Corral, OP, Pastor Pro Tempore  
 Rev. Francis Goode, OP, Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Thomas Saucier, OP, Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Donald Bramble, OP, Prior (retired)  
 Rev. Jude Eli, OP, In residence  
 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  
 Jacque 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>	6:00 AM	Mr. and Mrs. ChangChengTun, †
	8:30 AM	Filomena Andres Lagmay, †
	8:30 AM	Lourdes Navarrete, †
	10:30 AM	Rodrigo "Boy" Cajilig, †
	10:30 AM	Amelia Matias and Family, thanksgiving
	12:30 PM	Dorothy Beldad, birthday
<b>Monday</b>	2:00 PM	Mario Muralles, †
	5:00 PM	Andrew John and Inocencia Silbor, †
	9:00 AM	Felix Robles, birthday
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 AM	Rosa and Eric Vaca
	6:00 PM	Rosalio Ibarra, †
<b>Wed.</b>	8:00 AM	Joseph Mangahis
	6:00 PM	Jose Cuenca, †
<b>Thursday</b>	8:00 AM	Erlinda Kucera, †
	6:00 PM	Oscar Y. Quizon, †
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 AM	Deceased Dominican Laity and Province
	6:00 PM	Deceased Dominican Friars, Parents, Friends and benefactors Pilar and Lourdes Carreon, † Jun Vicente Zipagan, † Luis Rubio, † Matias and Leticia Santiago, †
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00 AM	Eva Sanchez and family
	6:00 PM	Leo Robles, Sr., †

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

**Today's Activities**

Easter Sunday-Office Closed  
No Blood Pressure Screening today

**This week at a glance ...****Monday, April 22, 2019**

Facilities Closed  
Lower parking lot closed  
One Mass only at 9:00 AM

**Tuesday, April 23, 2019**

Blessed Sacrament Board Meeting 10:00 AM  
Adult Ed building  
Spanish Bible Study 7:30 PM St. Mark Room  
RCIA 7:00 pm in the Adult Ed House  
Legion of Mary  
FFPD Meeting 6:00 PM Adult Ed Building

**Wednesday, April 24, 2019**

Legion of Mary  
Bible Study - Story of Salvation 9:15 AM  
Parish Hall  
Young Adult adoration time in church 7:00 PM,  
Meeting 7:30 PM St. Mark Room  
RICA 7:30 PM St. Catherine Room

**Thursday, April 25, 2019**

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

**Friday, April 26, 2019**

Grupo de Oracion 7:30 PM St. Luke Room  
Light of Jesus Prayer Community 7:00 PM  
Adult Ed Building

**Saturday, April 27, 2019**

Children's Faith Formation - School Classrooms  
Fr. Cassian's Book Club 10:00 AM Guadalupe  
Room  
Legion of Mary

**COMING EVENTS**

**April 28** St. Vincent De Paul Bundle Sunday  
**April 28** Devine Mercy Sunday

**Did you Know?**

The Office of Safeguard the Children annually publishes the Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse brochure, which provides an up-to-date listing of the policies, programs, resources, contact numbers and other important information on how the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is working to prevent child sexual abuse.

Copies of the 2019-2020 brochures are available in the parish vestibule.

The lower parking lot, by the parish hall, will be closed on Monday, April 22, for repair work.

There will be no church parking in that lot on that date. The big parking lot will be open for the 9:00 am Mass.

The Parish is closed on Easter Sunday and also on Easter Monday.

**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.

Questions? Call Sr. Joyanne 323-254-2519

### A Message from Fr. Roberto

*On behalf of the Parish and School Staffs and the Dominicans— Laity, Sisters and Friars—  
I would like to wish you and your loved ones a beautiful Easter filled with God's blessings and new life.*

#### An Invitation to Those Who Don't Go to Church Regularly

I would like to take this opportunity to offer a special, warm Easter greeting to those of you who come to Mass only once in a while or perhaps not at all, and I thank you for taking the time to read this note.

I greet you as someone who is looking for meaning and happiness in life, as we all are. Many of us find that meaning and happiness in our lives through our faith and through attending church; many others find their fulfillment in other ways.

There are numerous reasons people do not go to church on a regular basis, and I am sure you have yours. It may be that you have been hurt by the Church – by the institution itself, by one of its priests or ministers or by family members or others whose hypocrisy offended you or whose judgments made you feel unworthy and unwanted.

Perhaps you have been one of those who have experienced the Church as cold and insensitive or as denigrating you in some way. Or you might disagree with some of its teachings or simply consider the Church to be irrelevant to your life and your needs. You might be one of those who have found what you are looking for elsewhere – in another Christian denomination or in a non-Christian religion or belief system. Or perhaps you have just drifted away and don't think about church very much at all and don't feel a need for religion in your life.

Your reason for not attending church regularly is between you and God, and I do not intend here to defend Catholicism or any other religious belief. Every religion, every church, every human organization has a dark side, and the Catholic Church is no exception. The Church is a far-from-perfect expression of God's love, mercy and goodness. Sometimes the Church blocks God's love as much as it reveals it. The Church has a long history, filled with both grace and sin, and we who make up the Church on earth often do not do a very good job of representing God. Nobody does. We need to admit that. Carlo Carretto, a renowned Italian spiritual writer, in his old age, wrote the following Ode to the Church:

*How much I must criticize you, my church, and yet how much I love you!  
You have made me suffer more than anyone and yet I owe more to you than to anyone.  
I should like to see you destroyed and yet I need your presence.  
You have given me much scandal and yet you alone have made me understand holiness.  
Never in this world have I seen anything more compromised, more false,  
and yet I have never touched anything more pure, more generous or more beautiful.  
Countless times I have felt like slamming the door of my soul in your face-and yet,  
every night, I have prayed that I might die in your sure arms!  
No, I cannot be free of you, for I am one with you, even if not completely you.  
Then too – where would I go? To build another church?  
But I could not build one without the same defects, for they are my defects.  
And again, if I were to build another church, it would be my church, not Christ's church.  
No, I am old enough. I know better!*

Perhaps you can relate to some of his sentiments. Whatever your past experience has been with the Catholic Church and with religion in general, I would like to invite you to come back. Try us again. Or, if you have never belonged to the Catholic Church, try us. Maybe this time you will find life in the Church and be able to drink in some of its graces. Maybe this time you will find it in you to forgive the Church for its faults, and see why Jesus picked such an imperfect vehicle to carry on his presence.

Maybe this time you will be able to see in the Church what Jesus saw in it – an imperfect body made up of men and women like you and me, full of sin, full of ourselves, petty, small-hearted, less-than-sincere, miserly, and tainted, but also full of grace, full of Christ, big-hearted, sincere, generous, and pure; a group of men and women worth dying for – and belonging to. Come be with us! Please visit <http://www.catholicscomehome.org/> for more information.



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*St. Dominic School*

*faculty, staff and students wish  
you a blessed and joyous Easter!!*

**Blood Drive to benefit the  
Children's Hospital in Los Angeles,  
Sunday, May 19 - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**

Extend your Lenten sacrifice by donating blood to those that need it the most: the children at Children's Hospital

Children's Hospital LA treats nearly 200,000 patients annually, ranging from newborns to 18-years old

The children require 2,000 units of blood and blood components each month. This translates to 1000 donors per month.

Over 90% of the blood transfused at CHLA comes from our donor center. Rarely is enough blood donated to cover patient use.

There is no substitute for blood; human blood is the only source. Without blood donations many of these children wait for their transfusion.

Donating a unit of blood takes only 60 minutes; the actual blood collection takes 5 to 10 minutes.

Nearly 50% of the American population can donate blood, yet less than 3% choose to do so.

**BE ONE OF THE 50% OF AMERICANS WHO CHOOSES TO DONATE BLOOD!**

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Let Christ transform your marriage. Make the decision this Lent to enrich your marriage. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**: April 26-28 in Simi Valley. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Ed and Jo Lara at 818-848-6729 or go online at [www.twocanlove.org](http://www.twocanlove.org) We help make good marriages better.

Un Mensaje de Padre Roberto

*En nombre del Equipo Pastoral de la parroquia y de los dominicos— Laicos, Hermanas y Frailes—  
me gustaría desearles a ustedes y a sus seres queridos una  
Feliz Pascua de Resurrección llena de bendiciones y nueva vida.*

Una Invitación a Aquellos que No Asisten Regularmente a la Iglesia

Me gustaría aprovechar esta oportunidad para ofrecer un saludo especial y cálido esta Pascua de Resurrección a aquellos de ustedes que vienen a misa solo de vez en cuando o tal vez nunca, y les doy las gracias por tomar el tiempo a leer esta nota.

Les saludo como alguien que está en busca de sentido y de felicidad en la vida, como lo somos todos. Muchos de nosotros encontramos el significado y la felicidad en nuestras vidas por medio de nuestra fe y por asistir a la iglesia; otros muchos encuentran su felicidad en otras maneras.

Hay muchas razones porque la gente no va a la iglesia de manera regular, y estoy seguro que tú tienes las tuyas. Puede ser que hayas sido herido por la Iglesia — por la propia institución, por uno de sus sacerdotes o ministros o por miembros de tu familia u otras personas cuya hipocresía te ofendió o cuyos juicios te hicieron sentir indigno y no querido.

Tal vez hayas sido uno de los que han experimentado a la Iglesia como fría e insensible o que han sentido denigrado de alguna manera. O quizá estés en desacuerdo con algunas de sus enseñanzas o, simplemente, consideres a la Iglesia irrelevante para tu vida y tus necesidades. Puedes ser uno de los que han encontrado lo que buscas en otra parte — en otra denominación cristiana o en una religión no cristiana u otro sistema de creencias. O tal vez simplemente te hayas alejado y no pienses mucho en la iglesia y no sientas la necesidad de la religión en tu vida.

Tu razón por no asistir a la iglesia regularmente es entre tú y Dios, y no pretendo aquí defender al catolicismo o a cualquier otra creencia religiosa. Cada religión, cada iglesia, cada organización humana tiene un lado oscuro, y la Iglesia Católica no es una excepción. La Iglesia es una expresión muy imperfecta del amor, la misericordia y la bondad de Dios. A veces, la Iglesia bloquea el amor de Dios tanto como lo revela. La Iglesia tiene una larga historia, de ambos la gracia y del pecado, y nosotros, que formamos la Iglesia en la tierra a menudo no hacemos un buen trabajo de representar a Dios. Nadie lo hace. Tenemos que reconocerlo. Carlo Carretto, un famoso escritor espiritual italiano, en su vejez, escribió la siguiente **“Oda a la Iglesia:”**

*Cuánto tengo que criticarte, mi iglesia, y, sin embargo, ¡cuánto te amo!  
Tú me has hecho sufrir más que nadie y, sin embargo, debo más a ti que a nadie.  
Quisiera verte destruida y sin embargo, necesito tu presencia.  
Tú me has dado mucho escándalo y sin embargo sólo tú me has hecho comprender la santidad.  
Nunca en este mundo he visto algo más débil, más falso,  
y sin embargo nunca he tocado nada más puro, más generoso o más hermoso.  
Incontables veces he querido cerrar la puerta de mi alma en tu cara, y sin embargo,  
¡todas las noches, yo he rogado que me podría morir en tus brazos seguros!  
No, no puedo estar sin ti, porque yo soy uno contigo, aunque no por completo.  
Luego, también — ¿dónde iría? ¿A construir otra iglesia?  
Pero yo no podría construir una sin los mismos defectos, porque son mis defectos.  
Y de nuevo, si yo fuera a construir otra iglesia, sería mi iglesia, no la iglesia de Cristo.  
No, soy bastante viejo. ¡Yo sé mejor!*

Tal vez puedas relacionarte con algunos de estos sentimientos. Sea cual sea la experiencia que hayas tenido en el pasado con la Iglesia Católica o la religión en general, me gustaría invitarte a volver. Haz la prueba de nuevo. O, si nunca has pertenecido a la Iglesia, pruébanos. Quizás esta vez encontrarás vida en la Iglesia y serás capaz de beber algunas de sus ricas gracias. Quizás esta vez podrás perdonar a la Iglesia por sus errores, y ver por qué Jesús escogió un vehículo tan imperfecto para continuar su presencia.

Quizás esta vez podrás ver en la Iglesia lo que Jesús vio en ella — un cuerpo imperfecto compuesto por hombres y mujeres como tú y yo, llenos de pecado, llenos de nosotros mismos, mezquinos, pequeños de corazón, insinceros, avaros y contaminados, pero también llenos de gracia, llenos de Cristo, grandes de corazón, sinceros, generosos y puros, un grupo de hombres y mujeres por los cuales vale la pena morir — y a los cuales vale la pena pertenecer. ¡Ven con nosotros! Para mayor información, véase <http://www.catolicosregresen.org/>.





St. Vincent de Paul - Bundle Sunday  
April 28 - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

April showers bring ??? The SVdP truck of course - Bundle Sunday. The truck will be parked right here at St. Dominic in the parking lot and you can drop your bundles off.

A lovely Lenten practice is to start a bag for bundle Sunday. Each week place items such as clothing, shoes etc. that you **really do not use or need** in the bag. Your bag will be ready when the truck rolls up on Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup>.

The store does not accept baby carriers or car seats. There is also not room in the truck for really large items. Please call **1 800 974-3571** to schedule a pick up for large items such as refrigerators, sofas or exercise machines. SVdP is a 501C 3 charity so items are tax deductible.

**Please start bundling for Sunday  
April 28, 2019.**

### **CPR/AED/First Aid Class May 11th**

A community CPR/AED/First Aid class (not healthcare provider BLS) will be held on Saturday May 11th from 8:30am to 12:30pm in the Parish Hall. Participants will get a 2-year national certification that meets all OSHA requirements. As a reminder, a person's life was saved at St. Dominic's in January because bystanders trained in CPR and use of the AED responded quickly!

This class will be free for St. Dominic's parishioners, teachers, and school parents (paid for by the Health Ministry from funds raised at the Silent Auction). A \$30 deposit will be required to reserve your spot and will be refunded at the end of the class. No shows will forfeit the deposit, as we still have to pay for the spot. The value of the class is \$67.50 per person, and anyone who is not a parishioner, teacher or school parent at St. Dominic will pay this amount to attend.

A Sign-up sheet will be in the parish office.

Volunteering makes the human heart grow strong. Studies have shown that people who volunteer have better overall health physically as well as emotionally and spiritually.

The lunch program is in need of volunteers to make lunches and serve them to the poor Monday through Friday between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 1:30 p.m. The food is supplied by SVdP funds so all you need bring is willing hands and an open heart.

Drop by the Hall, Monday thru Friday, between 11:00 and 1:30 and see what is involved. If this seems like a good project for you. Either email us at [oznam-frederic2@gmail.com](mailto:oznam-frederic2@gmail.com) or leave your phone number at the office with attention SVdP. We especially need volunteers for Mondays and Fridays.

### **Fr. Cassian's Book Club**

This month we will read and discuss the book *Into the Beautiful North*, a novel by Luis Alberto Urrea.

We will meet at the Guadalupe Room on April 27, 2019 at 10:00 am.



The PCC is seeking volunteers to join our team

To receive your  
**Volunteer Application Packet**

Please contact  
Norma Cano, Client Service Director  
for more info.

818/895-2500 or e-mail  
[norma@pregnanthelp4u.org](mailto:norma@pregnanthelp4u.org)

Please join us in this life-affirming ministry.