# St. Dominic Catholic Church & School

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#### **Mass Times**

Sunday

7:30 AM

9 AM

11:00 AM

1:00 PM (En Español)

5 PM

#### 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 1:00 PM Español

Or by appointment / O por cita

#### Liturgy of the Hours:

Monday-Friday 7:15 AM & 5:30 PM Saturday 7:15 AM

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# 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

#### **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.

#### Marriage (Matrimonio):

Please contact Fr. Roberto or Fr. Francis, 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 323-254-2519

# **Dominican Community:**

Rev. Roberto Corral, OP, Pastor

Rev. Francis Goode, OP, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Donald Bramble, OP, Prior and Parochial Vicar

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 Hernández,

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

Communications: Jay Cooney Secretary: Cecilia Treat Plant Manager: David Lear Custodian: Jose Vidaurri

#### **Parish Pastoral Council:**

Joseph Descalzo - Chairperson Jacquie Natividad - Vice Chairperson

Mario García, Jr. - Secretary Andrea Martínez - School Liaison

Jay Cooney Patricia de Vera Michelle Pérez Christina García

#### 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 | /:30 AM | Pro Populo |
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9:00 AM Rod Corella Jr., birthday 11:00 PM Nellie D. Teodoro, † 1:00 PM Guillermo Alamillo, †

5:00 PM Trinidad and Guillermo Etrata, †

Monday 9:00 AM Amelia Matias and family,

thanksgiving

**Tuesday** 8:00 AM Etsuko Morohoshi, † 6:00 PM Leon and Emerenciana

Alabanza, †

Wed. 8:00 AM Avelina and Epifania Fuentes, †

6:00 PM Betty Owens, healing

**Thursday** 8:00 AM Jose Escario, † 6:00 PM Elsa Arias, †

Friday 8:00 AM Mario Ivan Dilores, †

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6:00 PM Deceased Dominican Friars,

parents, friends and benefactors

Felisa Micor Vda. De Elie, †

Erlinda Kucera, †

Victor and Engracia Santiago, †

Quirino L. Francisco, †

Saturday 8:00 AM Evelyn S. Domingo, †

5:00 PM Carl and Kodie Lorca,

thanksgiving

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76;

Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19;

Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33 Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34 —

9:1

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19 Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13;

1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

#### **Today's Activities**

Blood Pressure today Legion of Mary FFPD will be having a reception, in the Adult Ed Building, after the 11:00 am Mass. Together in Mission continues

#### This week at a glance

# Monday, February 17, 2020

President's Day Holiday
One Mass only at 9:00 AM in church
The facilities will be closed

#### Tuesday, February 18, 2020

Bible Time Line Meeting 10:00 Adult Ed building Legion of Mary FFPD Meeting 6:00 PM Adult Ed Building RCIA 7:00 PM Adult Ed House Spanish Bible Study - 7:30 pm St. Mark Room

# Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Legion of Mary

Fr. Donald Bible Study 9:00 AM Adult Ed Building Confirmation Team 6:30 PM Adult Ed Building School First Reconciliation 7:00 PM in church

### Thursday, February 20, 2020

Divine Mercy Meeting 9:00 AM Adult Ed Building QueensCare nurse 9:30 AM St. Mark Room Adult Confirmation 7:00 PM Adult Ed Building Singles for Christ 7:30 Pm St. Mark Room Christian Finance Classes 7:30 PM 6th grade classroom in the school Seasons of Hope -Bereavement Group 7:30 PM Guadalupe Room

# Friday, February 21, 2020

Legion of Mary HOPE Dinner 5:00 pm, Parish Hall Light of Jesus Prayer Group Adult Ed Building 7 PM Grupo de Oracion 7:00 PM St. Mark Room

## Saturday, February 22, 2020

Legion of Mary Alpha Retreat 8:00 AM Adult Ed Building

#### **Coming events**

| February 23 | Filipino Breakfast |
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| February 26 | Ash Wednesday      |
| March 8     | Mexican Breakfast  |

#### **Alpha Team News**

We are inviting previous Alpha graduates and ministry heads to attend the Alpha Day Away (Retreat) on Feb. 22, 2020 from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM at the Adult Ed Building.

Please confirm attendance by email to Erma Ramos at erma.ramos@aol.com or text to 323-810-0825.



February 26, 2020

| 6:00 am  | Prayer Service with Ashes      |  |
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| 8:00 am  | Mass with Ashes                |  |
| 10:00 am | School Mass with Ashes         |  |
| 12:00 pm | Prayer Service with Ashes      |  |
| 6:00 pm  | Mass in Church with Ashes      |  |
| 6:15 pm  | Mass in Parish Hall with Ashes |  |
| 7:30 pm  | Spanish Mass with Ashes        |  |
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**St Dominic's Annual Men's Retreat** will be held at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center on the weekend of March 13. Join us for this weekend of spiritual enrichment and growth. The Passionist retreat team offers inspirational talks on the theme, as well as time for quiet reflection, Mass, Confession, and outdoor Stations of the Cross.

The retreat begins Friday evening with a buffet supper and concludes Sunday after morning Mass.

Date: March 13-15

Suggested donation: \$250 (\$50 non-refundable

deposit)

Register on line at: materdolorosa.org

Questions? Contact John Van Dyke at 213-305-3358

# A Message from Fr. Roberto

#### Catholic AND Christian - Part 1

Throughout my years as a priest I have heard a number of Catholics say, "I'm not a Christian, I'm a Catholic;" I have also heard some Catholics who have left their Catholic faith and have joined a Protestant evangelical church say, "I used to be a Catholic, but now I'm a Christian." Both statements are incorrect and misleading, although not purposely. More accurately, Catholics can say, "I am a Catholic Christian," and evangelicals can say, "I am a Protestant Christian." I believe the confusion comes, at least partly, because many people do not know the history of Christianity, and others simply do not understand the meanings of the words "Catholic" and "Christian" or how they came about. So, this week and next, I would like to give a brief explanation of how the different names used to describe Christians came about.



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The followers of Jesus were first called followers of "the Way" (e.g., Acts 9:2). Jesus's first disciples were also called "Nazarenes" (e.g., Acts 24:5) because Jesus was called a Nazarene, i.e., someone from the town of Nazareth in Galilee. Then, as we read in the Acts of the Apostles (11:26), the word "Christian" (Christianoi – Greek for "Christ people") – was used to refer to Jesus' followers for the first time in Antioch in Syria (present-day Antakya in Turkey).

Eventually, as the Christian faith spread throughout the Roman Empire, it was seen to be different from other religions in that anyone could be accepted into it. It wasn't exclusive, reserved for certain social castes, ethnic groups or elites. In other words, it was seen to be a "universal" religion open to everyone. Thus, the growing Christian church began to be referred to as "catholic" (from *katholikos*, a Greek word which means "universal" or "general"). This word does not appear anywhere in the New Testament; its first use has been attributed to St. Ignatius of Antioch who died in the year 107. So, by the early second century, Jesus' followers were called Christians or Catholics – both words referred to the same group of people – the Church of Jesus.

In spite of many persecutions, the Catholic (Christian) Church grew through the centuries along with the Roman Empire. A number of cities in the Empire developed during these centuries as centers of Roman culture, law, trade, military might and religion. Of course, Rome, the imperial capital in the western part of the Empire, was always extremely important, and, from the beginning of the Church, there was a Catholic Christian community there. In the eastern part of the Empire, the city of Byzantium (its name was changed to Constantinople by the Emperor Constantine in the early 4<sup>th</sup> century when he moved the imperial capital there) became the principal



rival of Rome (see the two red circles in the map below). Because of the cultural differences between Constantinople and Rome, Christianity developed a bit differently in each place. These differences were expressed in liturgy, prayer and theology, i.e., in how they worshipped and in how they understood and explained their faith.

Unfortunately, as time passed, the political, cultural, military and religious differences between Rome and Constantinople became a deep rivalry and even division between the western and eastern parts of the Roman Empire. Eventually, the conflict became so great and bitter that the one Catholic Christian Church, the

one Body of Christ founded by Jesus, experienced a split called **the Great Schism** (sometimes called the East-West Schism). The division became official in **1054 AD**, and it lasts to this day. The Church centered at Constantinople called itself the "Orthodox Church," while the one centered in Rome remained the "Roman ..." **To be continued...** 

# Fr. Cassian's Book Club

This month we will read and discuss the book "The Dreamers", a novel by Karen Thompson Walker.

We will meet at the Guadalupe Room on



Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 10:00 am.

# Filipino Breakfast Sunday, February 23



Please join us next Sunday, in the Parish Hall, for a delicious Filipino Breakfast. Enjoy good food and fellowship while helping the school's tuition program.

These funds help to supplement those

families who need it the most.

#### Save the Date!

Saturday March 7th 8:30am to 2:30pm Health Fair: Be Lucky! Get Healthy! sponsored by St. Dominic Health Ministry in collaboration with QueensCare and community partners

- FREE screenings, health information, health speakers, giveaways, raffle, light refreshments
- FREE Carotid Ultrasounds (back by popular demand)
- FREE blood sugar, cholesterol, & osteoporosis screenings
- FREE stroke, diabetes, neuropathy, & hypertension screenings
- **NEW**: Veterans Affairs benefits information
- **NEW**: St. Louise Resource Services, Stella Insurance, and PBI Insurance
- MORE Senior health and wellness services than ever before.

Come! Bring a friend! Spend the day!



Dear St. Dominic Parish Community, It is with a heavy heart that I share with you that I will not be returning to St. Dominic for the 2020-21 school year.

My family and I will be moving to Santa Barbara this summer. This decision was not an easy one, but for a variety of reasons is the right one for our family. Hands down, the hardest part of leaving the Los Angeles area will be leaving St. Dominic. I am so grateful for the amazing support I have received here over the last five years.

We have such a "wonderful" community. The Department of Catholic Schools will support Fr. Roberto throughout the transition process. The DCS reviews potential candidates and provides a list to the parish. Fr. Roberto will form a search committee to review resumes and interview candidates. He will keep the school and parish updated regarding the progress of the search. I am here through June 30 and am committed to finishing strong and ensuring a smooth and positive transition. As evidenced throughout Catholic Schools Week, the strength of St. Dominic School truly lies in the strength of our community. Each and every student and family make it the amazing place it is. While I am going to miss it deeply, I know the spirit here is strong and there are many wonderful things ahead for our Saints community. With lots of love.

Mrs. Diaz

#### **Together in Mission Continues**

Last weekend, Archbishop Gomez invited all Catholics to make their annual commitment to Together in Mission. This year, our parish has been asked to raise \$90,035.00.

If you and your family have not had the opportunity to make your pledge, I ask that you complete a pledge card found in the pews, or make your pledge online by visiting www.ourmissionla.org/give. Your gifts to Together in Mission ensure that every Catholic living in the Archdiocese has a parish to celebrate their faith and access to Catholic school education. You are living your faith through your actions when you support Together in Mission.

# Un Mensaje de Padre Roberto

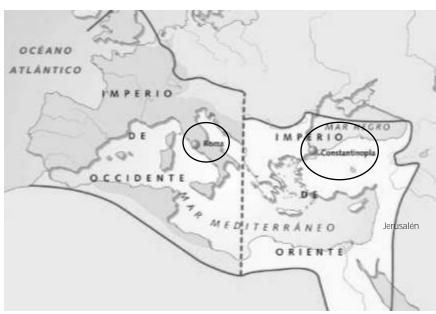
#### Católico Y Cristiano – Parte 1

A través de mis años como sacerdote, he escuchado a varios católicos decir, "No soy cristiano, soy católico;" también he oído a algunos católicos que han abandonado su fe católica me han dicho, "Antes era católico, pero ahora soy cristiano." Ambas oraciones son incorrectas y engañosas, aunque no de propósito. Más exactamente, los católicos pueden decir: "Soy un cristiano católico", y los evangélicos pueden decir: "Soy un cristiano protestante". Creo que la confusión viene, al menos en parte, debido a la falta de conocimiento de la historia del cristianismo y/o a la falta del entendimiento de las palabras "católico" y "cristiano" y cómo se desarrollaron. Entonces, esta semana y la próxima, me gustaría dar una breve explicación de cómo surgieron los diferentes nombres para describir a los cristianos.

Los primeros seguidores de Jesús se llamaban "seguidores del Camino" (p. ej., Hechos 9:2). También se llamaron "Nazarenos" (p. ej., Hechos 24:5) porque Jesús también fue llamado un Nazareno, o sea, alguien del pueblo de Nazaret en Galilea. Luego, como vemos en los Hechos de los Apóstoles (11:26), la palabra "cristiano" (*Christianoi* – griego para "gente de Cristo") llegó a ser aplicado a los seguidores de Jesús por primera vez en Antioquía en Siria (actualmente Antakya en Turquía).

Eventualmente, mientras que la fe cristiana se extendía a través del Imperio Romano, se notaba que esta religión era diferente que otras porque se aceptaba a cualquier persona. No fue exclusiva, reservada sólo para ciertas castas sociales, grupos étnicos o la élite. En otras palabras, era una religión universal, abierta a todos. Por eso la iglesia cristiana se empezó a llamar **católica** (de "katholikos," la palabra griega que significaba "universal" o "general"). Esta palabra no se aparece en el Nuevo Testamento; su primer uso en referencia a la iglesia cristiana ha sido atribuido a San Ignacio de Antioquia que murió en el año 107. Así es que, muy temprano en el segundo siglo, los seguidores de Jesús se podían llamar o cristianos o católicos – ambas palabras señalaban al mismo grupo – la Iglesia de Jesús.

A pesar de las muchas persecuciones, la Iglesia Católica Cristiana creció durante los siglos junto con el Imperio Romano. Numerosas ciudades en el Imperio se desarrollaron durante este tiempo como centros de la cultura, la ley, el comercio, la fuerza militar y la religión católica Romana. Por supuesto, Roma, la capital imperial en la parte occidental del Imperio, siempre fue sumamente importante, y, desde el comienzo de la Iglesia, siempre había una comunidad católica cristiana ahí. En la parte oriental del Imperio, la ciudad de Bizancio (su nombre fue



cambiado a Constantinopla por el emperador Constantino en el cuarto siglo, cuando él trasladó la capital imperial allí) llegó a ser el rival principal de Roma (ver los círculos negros en el mapa al lado). Debido a las diferencias culturales entre Roma y Constantinopla, la cristiandad se desarrolló en una forma diferente en cada parte del Imperio. Estas diferencias se expresaron en la liturgia, la oración y la teología, o sea en como daban culto y en como entendían y explicaban la fe. Lamentablemente, con el tiempo, las diferencias políticas, culturales, militares y religiosas entre Roma y Constantinopla llegaron a ser rivalidades y aún divisiones entre las partes occidental y oriental del Imperio Romano. Finalmente, llegaron a ser tan marcadas que la única Iglesia Católica Cristiana, el

único Cuerpo de Cristo fundado por Jesús, experimentó una división llamada el **Gran Cisma** (a veces llamada el Cisma Oriental-Occidental). Esta división fue oficial en **1054 d.C.,** y permanece hasta hoy en día. La Iglesia centrada en Constantinopla se llamó la "Iglesia Ortodoxa," y la centrada en Roma permaneció como la "Iglesia Católica Romana." ....**Continuará** 

# Pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines (Portugal, France, and Spain)



Join the 14-day pilgrimage to **Fatima** in Portugal and **Lourdes** in France, along with a visit to Spain's cities of Seville, Valencia, and Granada where you will be awed by the remarkable fortress of Alhambra. In Barcelona, see Gaudi's world-renown, but unfin-

ished Basilica of La Sagrada Familia. Travel outside Barcelona to visit the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Montserrat and the dramatically set Benedictine Monastery.

Your pilgrimage is on **June 2** -15, 2020. This spiritual experience will also take you to Paris by train to visit the Shrine of St. Catherine Laboure and hear Mass in the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal. Your *"oh la la"* experience won't be complete without visiting The Opera House, the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, and Montmartre with its magnificent Basilica of Sacre Coeur.

The tour, priced at \$4,499 includes roundtrip airfare from Los Angeles, free daily breakfast and dinners, first class hotel accommodations, and entrance fees per itinerary. Travel insurance and other applicable fees, such as, tips and other offerings are not included. Daily Mass will be celebrated by tour chaplain, Fr. Albert Pragasam.

This is a popular tour so make your reservation early. For details, call Tessie Gonzales at (323) 255-2925 or (323) 702-7289 or email her at

teresitagonzal6453@att.net

#### It's Back!



For the 2<sup>nd</sup> time, St. Dominic will offer The Bible Timeline—The Story of Salvation by Jeff Cavins.

Classes will be held in the evening to accommodate those who cannot come in the daytime. The first session starts Wednesday, March 11, 2020 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the Adult Education Building.

This 24-week Study is a simple way to get the "big picture" of the Bible by focusing on the story that runs throughout Sacred Scripture. The Study will take you on a spiritual journey through the entire Bible (the Old and the New Testament). It will help you to make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's word.

Twenty-four (24) weeks sound like a long Bible Study. But you'll be amazed at how quickly time flies because each session is very informative, inspirational, and exciting. Learn the Story of Salvation –our story.

For more information and to sign up for this Bible Study, you may contact one of the following coordinators:

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Flu activity has remained high across the nation, sickening over 6 million people, and we're definitely seeing it here locally. We still have access to a limited number of FREE flu vaccines donated by Vons/Albertsons. Stop by the office to pick up a voucher (while supplies last) and take it to the Vons at 7311 N Figueroa St. to get vaccinated.