# **WE ARE SAINT DOMINIC** *Generations Growing in Faith*

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# JANUARY 12, 2025 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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# PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New parishioners are invited to contact the Parish Office to register. We ask current members to notify us of any change of address, telephone numbers or other important, relevant information.

# SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is a healing sacrament of the Church. Anyone who is sick or elderly and in need of physical or emotional healing can receive this sacrament. Those who would like to receive the sacrament before a hospital stay or surgery are invited to call the Parish Office to make arrangements. The sacrament is also available to those who may be near death by calling the parish emergency line. Please inform the Parish Office when a member of the parish is hospitalized.

# **CONSIDERING BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

RCIA is the process through which adults are fully initiated into the Catholic faith community. The process provides for different levels of entry. To obtain more information, call the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. o.

# ST. DOMINIC

Weekend Masses

**Daily Masses** 

**Communion Service** Adoration Confession

# **OUR LADY OF VICTORY**

Weekend Masses

**Daily Masses** Adoration Confession

Weekend Masses

# ST. AL'S ON THE OHIO

	Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Daily Masses	Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 a.m.
Confession	Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m.

# ST. SIMON THE APOSTLE

Weekend Masses Saturday 7:00 p.m. Sunday II:00 a.m. **Daily Masses** Monday & Friday: 8:00 a.m. ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Weekend Masses	Saturday 3:00 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.
	Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Daily Masses	Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Confession	Saturday: 2:00 p.m.

# **INFANT BAPTISMS**

Baptisms are usually held on the first and second Sunday of each month, except during Lent. Attendance at a Parent Pre-Baptism Session is required. Call the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. o.

# SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

One of the engaged or his/her parents must be a registered and active parishioner for six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Scheduling must take place at least six months in advance of the wedding. Weddings are not scheduled during Advent or Lenten Seasons. A marriage preparation program is required.

# **COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Please call the Parish Office to request this service.

# PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Bulletin due by noon on Monday The Torch due by the 5th of each month



OUFEN OF ALL SAINTS

Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday: 8:15 a.m. Monday-Friday: 6:10 a.m. Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.-noon Saturday: 8:45-9:30 a.m. or by appointment

Sunday 8:45 a.m. and II:00 a.m.

Monday-Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

Monday: 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Monday: 7:30-8:00 p.m.

Saturday: 3:30-4:00 p.m.

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



MONDAY – JANUARY 13 - WEEKDAY 6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m. Intentions of John and Peggy Klopp 6:45 p.m. Rosary in Church

#### TUESDAY – JANUARY 14 - WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m. Peggy Flannery (BR)

#### WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 15 - WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the
	Ashby Family
8:00 a.mNoon	Adoration

#### THURSDAY – JANUARY 16 - WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 a.m. Jean Lane (ANN)

#### FRIDAY – JANUARY 17 – SAINT ANTHONY

6:10 a.m. Communion Service 8:15 a.m. Joe Auer

#### SATURDAY - JANUARY 18 - WEEKDAY

8:15 a.m. Deceased Members of the Salzer Family
After Mass: Marian Devotions and Apostolate for the Dying
4:30 p.m. Ed and Mary Wissing

#### SUNDAY – JANUARY 19 – SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m.	Donald Rokich (ANN)
9:30 a.m.	Joseph Marsala (ANN)
11:30 a.m.	Al Ehrman
7:00 p.m.	For Our Parishioners

#### **BULLETIN COVER**

Fourth Grade STEM club members face several engineering challenges using gumdrops and toothpicks.

# FR. BEN'S COLUMN

#### **BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

few years ago, I read an article in which Cardinal Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI) was reflecting on the modern phenomenon of parents waiting later to baptize their children or allowing their children to choose for themselves. The Cardinal made the point that we see life, natural life, as a gift and so we bring children into the world. We see this as a gift to the child that is bestowed on them without their involvement in the decision. Baptism, he commented, is the birth into eternal life, which is an even greater gift to a child than natural life. The Cardinal said that it would be truly gracious if we were to bestow both gifts to our children.

In fact, natural life and supernatural life, the life of God that we call "grace," are both gifts from God. Every child has their beginning in the heart of God. As God proclaimed to the prophet Jeremiah: "*Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you.*" (Jeremiah 1:5) In fact, before God created anything, the stars, planets, earth, trees, animals, plants, birds of the air and fish of the sea, God already knew that He was going to create you. Before anything came to be, God already loved you. Every child is a gift from God and God desires that every child share in the gifts of His creation, His life, natural and supernatural. God's life, God's gifts, in every respect, are worth having.

While the womb of a mother is an entrance into natural life, the baptismal font is an entrance into the spiritual life of grace, God's life, or what we call eternal life. Just as God offers us two gifts of life, natural and eternal, all parents have the potential to give their children these same gifts of natural and eternal life through baptism.

Interestingly, the second part of God's proclamation to the prophet Jeremiah is true for him and it is also true for us also: "*Before you were born, I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.*" (Jeremiah 1:5) God has a purpose for our lives, we have a mission to accomplish, and that mission is not small. Pope Benedict XVI expressed it this way: "*The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness.*" The greatness the Pope speaks of is achieved by being the person God created us to be and carrying out the mission God has given us to do. And this mission, generally, is to build the Kingdom of God in the world, and specifically, to build that Kingdom in our hearts, homes, and community. To do this is to be truly "great" and to build the Kingdom of God is to build a truly "great" place to be and life to live.

Pope Francis also encourages the baptism of infants (and adults). "Why baptize a child who does not understand? When we baptize a child, the Holy Spirit enters that child, and the Holy Spirit makes...the Christian virtues grow in that child, who will then flourish. We must always give this opportunity to everyone, to all children, to have inside of them the Holy Spirit that will guide them throughout their lives. Do not forget to baptize children!"

Baptism opens us up to a new imagination, and a new vibrant understanding of life, not simply bound to this world and this physical reality. The Holy Spirit gives us a life that is unimaginable, creative, immense, beyond the obvious. It is the life of imagination, art, music, the life of belief where anything is possible.

# FR. BEN'S COLUMN (cont'd.)

Baptism is the beginning of life and the beginning of a mission. Let's not settle for the ordinary when we have the potential to achieve the great. Let's not give our children only the created realities when the spiritual realities are so much more. The Holy Spirit gives us a life that is unimaginable, creative, immense, beyond the obvious. It is the life of imagination, art, music, the life of belief where anything is possible.

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

Please pray for the souls of Christine Logan and Ivy Noelle Hall who died this past week. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

#### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, January 14.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Princeton Nils Mutarambirwa, son of Adrien Mutarambirwa and Clementine Uwimana.

Rhett Oliver Wittwer, son of Nicholas and Amanda Wittwer.

## A GREAT WAY TO SUPPORT ST. DOMINIC PARISH

Are you required by the IRS to take annual distributions from your IRA account, also known as Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)? If so, you may consider making a Qualified C haritable D istribution (QCD) d irectly to St. Dominic Parish from your IRA. QCDs will satisfy your annual distribution requirement, (RMD), and will not be included in your taxable income for the year. This could be a great way to save taxes and financially support St. Dominic Parish. For more details on Qualified Charitable Distributions from your IRA, please contact your investment advisor and/ or your tax advisor as we cannot give specific tax advice.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS DURING INCLEMENT WEATHER

Please take note that when St. Dominic School is on a two-hour delay, or closed for the day due to inclement weather, the Parish Office will open at 10:00 a.m. and close at our regular time. You can also check our website at www.stdominicdelhi.org for any parish cancellations or closures. St. Dominic School follows Oak boys in Grades 3-8. Sign-ups are open through January 19. Tryouts Hills Local School District for delays and closings.



#### **OUR FUTURE DEPENDS ON YOU.**

Please remember St. Dominic in your will and estate planning. Our legal title is St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church.



# WE WILL NOT HAVE A DINNER IN JANUARY

Join us Wednesday, February 19 – 4:30-6:00 p.m. for our next Community Dinner. We hope to see you there!!

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

		2024-2025
Christmas		\$ 20,722.36
Week of 12/29/24		\$ 12,885.74
Year to Date (26 Sundays)		\$ 497,689.99
Current Year to Date		
Actual		\$ 497,689.99
Budget		\$ 472,850.00
Variance to Budget		\$ 24,839.99
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Thank you for your support of our Parish.

May the Lord continue to bless you in your generosity!

### **ST. DOMINIC NEWS**

ST. DOMINIC MEN'S SOCIETY – The Annual 2025 Membership Dues (\$10.00) can be submitted online through WeShare, dropped in the collection basket on Sunday (using the envelope provided with parish contribution envelopes) or brought to our next meeting. We are always looking for new men in the Parish to join us! This social and volunteer group meets the second Thursday of every month at 8:00 p.m. with a short meeting, followed by food, drink and socialization. This is a great way to get involved with the Parish and meet other men and dads. Meetings are held in O'Connor Hall. If you have any questions, contact Peter Gibbs, President, at stdominicmenssociety@gmail.com.

#### ST. DOMINIC BOYS' VOLLEYBALL REGISTRATION

It's time to register for Boys' Volleyball. Registration is available to for Grades 5-8 will occur on February 6 and February 13. Grades 3-4 are instructional. Practices will start in February and games run from mid-March until the end of May. Boys' volleyball games generally do not interfere with St. Dominic baseball games as most volleyball games are Saturday or Sunday in the late afternoon or evening. There may be some exceptions during the City Tournament at the end of the season. Register at https://leagues.bluesombrero. com/default.aspx?tabid=786383. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Railey at 513-675-7434|kak\_rn@hotmail.com or Amanda Newland at 513-675-6792 newlanddj@yahoo.com.

#### ST. DOMINIC BOYS' BASEBALL REGISTRATION

Boys' Baseball Registration is open for Grades PreK-8. U5 (PreK-K) & U7 (Grades 1 & 2) will be open until Sunday, February I. U9 (Grades 3-4), UII (Grades 5-6) and UI3 (Grades 7-9) are open until Sunday, January 12. U15 (Grades 9-11) will be open until after high school tryouts. Please take note of the registration close date. If you wish to register for a sport, please do so before sign-ups close - or risk not being able to play this upcoming season or being assessed a late fee. After the registration period closes, we will review participation levels. If additional players are needed at a particular grade level, we will reopen sign-ups, and a \$20.00 late fee will be applied. Not all grade levels are subject to being reopened, so please sign up early! To register your child, please go to https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/default. aspx?portalid=9881. To be eligible, your child must be a St. Dominic student or an active member of the PSR program. If you have any questions, please contact Matt Durban at mcdurban@outlook.com or 513-401-3847.

#### ST. DOMINIC GIRLS' SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

Girls' Softball Registration for Grades PreK-8 is open until Sunday, February 9. Please take note of the registration close date. If you wish to register for softball, please do so before sign-ups close – or risk not being able to play this upcoming season. After the registration period closes, we will review participation levels. If additional players are needed at a particular grade level, we will reopen sign-ups. Not all grade levels are subject to being reopened, so please sign up early! To register your child, please go to https://leagues. bluesombrero.com/default.aspx?portalid=9881. To be eligible, your child must be a St. Dominic student or an active member of the PSR program. The cost is \$60.00 for PreK-2 and \$75.00 for Grades 3-8. New this season, each girl will get their own personalized jersey. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Thomas at stdominicsoftball@gmail.com or 513-520-7620.



#### ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL ALUMNI OPEN HOUSE

*Calling all Blackhawks, young and young of heart:* Please join us at our Alumni Open House on Sunday, January 26 from I0:30-II:30

a.m. We invite all alumni to come tour the school and see how it has changed over the years. You are sure to run into some classmates you haven't seen in a while, and memories from old are sure to abound. Be a part of the celebration as we reminisce about those students and faculty who came before us and share words of encouragement and wisdom with those still to come. Once a Blackhawk, always a Blackhawk! Hope to see you then!

**PRAYER BLANKETS** – We have many prayer blankets blessed and sewn or crocheted with love and prayers for those who will receive them. It is a symbol of our faith community's covering of prayer for the individual who receives it. This simple labor of love touches the lives of those who are going through difficult times. Prayer blankets can be picked up in the Parish Office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 8:00 a.m. and Noon on Friday.



**BE A BLACKHAWK!** Join us for our Open House on Sunday, January 26 from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. All are welcome! Come meet the staff, see what the students have been working on academically, and participate in a variety of interactive experiences. For more information, visit our website at www.stdominicdelhi-school.

org or call 513-251-1276. If you are a prospective family, come check us out or contact us to set up a personalized tour. We accept Ohio EdChoice Scholarships for K-8 students and Early Childhood Education (ECE) Grants and ODJFS Child Care Vouchers for Preschoolers.

#### LOVE ST. DOMINIC AND WANT AN OHIO TAX CREDIT?

The Catholic Education Foundation for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati (CEF) has been certified by Ohio as a Scholarship-Granting Organization (SGO). In keeping with the mission of CEF and the regulations of an SGO, CEF-SGO provides financial need-based scholarships to students in grades K-12 within the Catholic Schools of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Supporting students and their formation through Catholic Education, is a great way to share our blessings and faith with younger generations. The CEF-SGO may now allow for Catholic Education supporters to be able to receive a tax credit for their generosity. If you would like to donate specifically to St. Dominic School, you can earmark the donation to The Catholic Education Foundation for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati as "St. Dominic School." Donations can easily be made online at CatholicBestChoice.org/SGO.

Ohio taxpayers who donate to SGOs may be able to claim a dollar-for-dollar, non-refundable tax credit on their state income tax return for up to \$750.00 per donor (up to \$1,500.00 if married and filing jointly). *Please consult with your tax advisor to determine your eligibility for the tax credit, its value to you, and the details of your gift.* 

**STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS** – If you wish to receive a statement of your contributions for 2024, please drop the WHITE card found in the November/December envelope mailing in the collection on Sunday or bring it to the Parish Office. For those giving online, email the parish office at parishoffice@ stdominicdelhi.org. We will start sending out letters by the end of January.

#### MARY, QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS NEWS

GOLDENAIRES – Save The Date! On Saturday, March 15 at 10:00 a.m. Fr. Ben O'Cinnselaigh will give a talk in St. Dominic's O'Conner Hall, followed by lunch. Thursday, April 24 we will go to Belterra Park. Paid reservations required. Details and deadlines to follow.

#### ST. DOMINIC CHURCH

CINCINNATI, OHIO

MEN'S "CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH" – Calling all men of Mary, Queen of all Saints Family of Parishes. Be Bold! COME AND IGNITE THE HOLY SPIRIT IN YOU. Please join us for a life-giving weekend of prayer, reflection and personal renewal in your relationship with God. The "Christ Renews His Parish" weekend, held at St. Simon Plagge Hall begins at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 15 and ends around 2:00 p.m. Sunday, February 16. Meals and accommodation provided. Contact Joe Baumbach at baumba7@att.net/283-222-7234 or Joe Schutte at schuttejoe@yahoo.com/513-919-2831 to reserve your spot or for more information.

**SOULCORE** – All are welcome to join us as we pray a SoulCore rosary, while stretching and doing functional exercises. We will be meeting at St. Simon Plagge Hall on Tuesday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m. If you plan to attend, contact Michele Vollmer at 513-706-1324 or mvollmer365@gmail.com.

### PARENTAL PREPARATION FOR INFANT BAPTISM

Parents requesting Baptism of their first child are asked to attend a preparation session. During this time, we will look at the history and theology of the sacrament, reflect on our own baptism, and look at ways to pass the Catholic faith on to our children. Godparents are encouraged to attend as well. Our next session is scheduled at St. Dominic on Sunday, February 2 at 10:30 a.m. (after the 9:30 a.m. Mass) in church. Contact Julie Vaughn at 513-347-8825 or religioused@mqas.org to let us know that you will be attending the baptism preparation. To schedule a baptism at St. Dominic, or if you have questions about baptism at St. Dominic, please call the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. 0.

# YOUTH MINISTRY



JR. HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY – The Youth Ministry Program is open to all 7th and 8th Grade students from the Mary, Queen of All Saints family of parishes. Our meetings are held at St. Simon Plagge Hall starting with a

social hour and dinner from 6:00-7:00 p.m. and meeting from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Each meeting we focus on a theme with small group discussions as well as reflective activities. Mark your calendars for the following meeting dates: January 26, February 23, March 30 and April 27. (May date TBD.)



#### WESTSIDE CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP

We invite high school students from across the tri-state area to join us. We are delighted to welcome you to a place where you can be your true authentic self with like-minded and faith-filled peers. Go to www.stteresa-avila.

org/youth-group for more information or to register for the next meeting. Mark your calendars for the following meeting dates: February 2, March 2, April 6 and May 4.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**VOCATIONS DIRECTOR** – Fr. Michael Willig has been appointed the Vocations Director for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. If you think God might be calling you to serve as a priest, please contact Fr. Willig at vocations@catholicaoc.org.

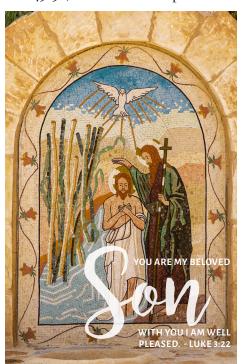
### MINISTRY TO SURVIVORS OF ABUSE (REPORTING)

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati regards child abuse in all its forms as gravely sinful and criminal. Anyone who knows of or suspects child abuse by a legitimate member of the clergy or hierarchy, employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese should first report the abuse to the appropriate secular legal authority and then to Ms. Teresa Maley, Coordinator of Ministry to Survivors of Abuse of the Archdiocese, at 513-263-6623 or 1-800-686-2724, ext. 6623.

**CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY** – We are a group working the Twelve Steps of Recovery from a Catholic and sacramental perspective. We have two support groups for people who suffer from addictions and the family who suffers with them. Family and Friends Support Group – Mondays at 6:00 p.m. General Addiction 12-Step Group – Monday at 7:00 p.m. St. John the Baptist Church, 10010 Carolina Trace Road, Harrison, Ohio 45030. For more information, contact Irvin B. at 812-209-8340 or Jill B. at 812-571-3070.

*"THE CHURCH'S RESPONSE TO RACISM" – A lecture by the Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Archbishop of Louisville.* February 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Bartlett Center at Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology (6616 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230). It is free and open to the

public. Racism is a sin and an evil which continues to manifest in our communities and Church today. As disciples of Jesus Christ, it is imperative that we confront the root causes of racism and its resulting injustices. In his lecture, Archbishop Fabre will present several ways in which the Church is responding to racism and will convey ways to overcome the sin and evil of racism.

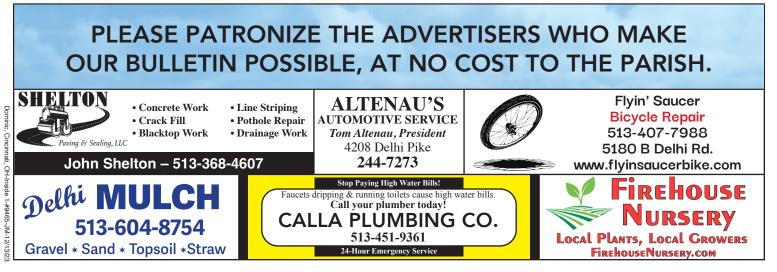


# SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

Ist Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 Gospel: John 2:1-11

LITURGICAL MINISTERS						
	LECTORS	MASS COORDINATORS	SERVERS SCHEDULE	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER CAPTAINS	
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Saturday, January 18 4:30 p.m.	Amy Stevens	Judy Luebbe	Will Fettig Hannah Walter	Judy Luebbe Martha Queenan	Mary Jo Reiners	
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday, January 19 7:30 a.m.	Amy Luken	John Burns	Lauren Childs Kent Sokolis	Paul Backscheider Bobbi Honnert	Clinton Backscheider	
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday, January 19 9:30 a.m.	Jennie Jacobs	Joe Knochelman	Charlie Gibbs George Goins	Peter Gibbs Lori Thai	Janice Noble	
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday, January 19 11:30 a.m.	Jenny Berndsen	Joe Kruessel	Luke Bizaillon Josephine Cox	Meg Morris Dale Rhoton	Nancy Wellbrock	
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday, January 19 7:00 p.m.	Ione Klekamp	Joe Middendorf			Christelle Middendorf	

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