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NOVEMBER 10, 2024 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CINCINNATI, OHIO

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:15 a.m.

or by appointment

Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,

11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.

Monday-Friday: 6:10 a.m.

Saturday: 8:45-9:30 a.m.

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.-noon

Friday: 8:15 a.m. when school in session

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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

Saturday 4:30 p.m. 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.

ST. AL'S ON THE OHIO

Weekend Masses	Saturday 5:00 p.m.
	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 11:00 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 12th of each month



OUFEN OF ALL SAINTS



MONDAY – NOVEMBER II – SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Tom O'Brien
6:45 p.m.	Rosary in Church

TUESDAY – NOVEMBER 12 – SAINT JOSAPHAT

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	For Our Children and
	Grandchildren

WEDNESDAY – NOVEMBER 13 – SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Joan Sanker
8:00 a.mNoon	Adoration

THURSDAY – NOVEMBER 14 – WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Gerry Wilzbach

FRIDAY – NOVEMBER 15 – WEEKDAY

6:10 a.m.	Communion Service
7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Fran Rappoport
8:15 a.m.	St. Dominic Students and
	Teachers

SATURDAY – NOVEMBER 16 – WEEKDAY

8:15 a.m.	Carol and Robert Mushaben
After Mass:	Marian Devotions and
	Apostolate for the Dying
4:30 p.m.	Bill Staudigel

SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 17 – THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m.	Betty Eagan
9:30 a.m.	Jim and Margaret Schrimpf
//	Kevin Dellbrugge (BR)
11:30 a.m.	66
7:00 p.m.	For Our Parishioners

BULLETIN COVER

Parent volunteers on Grandparents' Day.

FR. BEN'S COLUMN



There is a historic site in Ireland called the Rock of Cashel. It is the site of the conversion of the Kings of Munster by St. Patrick in the 5th century and it was traditionally the stronghold and seat of government of the Kings of Munster. In 1101, King Muirchertach O'Brien donated the stronghold to the Church and it became a cathedral and the residence of the bishop. It is a remarkable blend of ancient Irish/Celtic, Gaelic, Norman and Medieval architecture including Round Towers, High Crosses, the famous Cormac's chapel and a Cathedral. In European history, it is a unique and impressive architectural gem, even if it is now mostly in a ruined state.

However, as impressive as this historic building is, the most interesting aspect is an outside stone staircase that makes its way up to a doorway. At one time, this doorway would have led into an upper gallery that overlooked the sanctuary of the Church. People standing there, or kneeling there, could see the priest or bishop celebrate Mass but the people in the nave could not see them nor could the people on the gallery see the people in the church. Normally, such a hidden gallery would be for important people, like the king or queen, or high-ranking nobles, but that wasn't the case in Cashel. The fact is that this space was reserved for the most despised, feared, and repulsed members of the community. In fact, they weren't even considered members of the community, they were outcasts, the shunned, the abandoned, they were the lepers.

These poor people could make their way to the chapel by a hidden road, climb the outside staircase, as they could not enter the Church with regular people, and they stood in this hidden gallery so that people would not have to look upon them. It was impossible to receive Communion (unless there was a priest suffering the same disease to give it to them) for it was believed that the disease was highly contagious. And yet, as awful as this was and as awful as all this sounds, there was still a place in the Church for even the lepers. They entered through a narrow door – but they did enter.

Today, in our community, there are many Catholics who have been alienated from the community of faith for one reason or another. This has always been the case throughout our history as the Church. Yet, despite this, the Church still allowed people to participate in the life of faith according to the level that they could. So, if a person was a notorious sinner, his/her participation was limited – but not excluded. A person could continue to go to Mass, pray, be involved in the devout life of the faithful, raise their children in the faith and in the community. For most, the only restriction was the reception of Holy Communion.

Before the Second Vatican Council, there was an over emphasis on not receiving Holy Communion unless you were in a "perfect" state of grace, which was almost impossible to assess. So, many people only went to Holy Communion very seldom. The result was that, at most Masses, only the priest, and maybe the server or children, received Communion (worthy or not) and people generally became spectators in the Eucharistic mystery. Nevertheless, they still felt like they belonged, and they did – they still went to Church and Mass, and they still participated in the community.

After the Second Vatican Council, the opposite is true, and there has been an over emphasis on the necessity to receive Holy Communion in order for the celebration of the Eucharist to be complete. The impact of this has been to make people feel that if they don't go to Holy Communion, what's the point in being at Mass. People feel if they can't go to Communion, they don't belong because

FR. BEN'S COLUMN (cont'd)

of their choices in life. While it is true that it would be better to be in a state of grace so we can receive Holy Communion, and in a state of life that is not contrary to the law of God or His Church, belonging to the Church, the community, and the Body of Christ, is more than the ability and disposition to receive Holy Communion. Even those who break the Church's law still belong to the Church – although in an imperfect way. Actually, the Church exists for the imperfect. Let's face it, life is complicated, we all know and appreciate that, but we do our best. Let's start there!

Mass is primarily about the worship of God, as well as receiving God's life and love, and, at the same time, the building up of the community of the Body of Christ and the individual Christian. We participate according to our particular calling in life, to the best of our ability, and to the level that is appropriate to our spiritual state in life and relationship with God. We are all called to worship God even if we can't receive everything God wants to give us, even if we are unworthy, and even if we live contrary to His laws. Although our worship may be imperfect, we are still called, we still belong.

It is true that the Mass is the source and summit of all Christian life, but the reception of Holy Communion does not exhaust all aspects of Christian life and witness. The life of the Church, parish, community, and the individual Catholic, has more elements and most of us can participate fully in most of them. So, you might refrain from receiving Holy Communion for a time, but you can go to Mass, you can participate in devotions, listen to the readings, be bored by the preaching, form your children in the faith, participate in social and religious groups, support the school, the mission of the Church, march for life, feed the poor, support the missions and pray daily. Because we are estranged does not mean that we must abandon the faith altogether, and the Church should not abandon us. After all – at times, we made space even for the lepers. So, we do what we can as best we can.

I would rather have all Catholics in the Church, attending Mass, participating in the life of Christ, listening to the Gospel, building up the community, sharing the life of faith, according to the level they can, rather than abandon the faith altogether. After all, if our people abandon the Church, that means their children, grandchildren, generations may be lost. That's a tragedy, that's unacceptable, that must be healed.

So, to all of you who have left the Church but want to come back, I invite you to come back and join us to the best of your ability and according to what is appropriate for your state of life with God. We will help you figure out what is best for you. If you are a parishioner and member of the community and know someone in this situation, give them this message. I'm not saying that we can change the teaching of the Church, in fact, I love the teaching of the Church. Nevertheless, I want you to be part of the Church in so far as you can, even if that is imperfectly. We are all imperfectly part of the Church. Believe it or not – the Church wants you, needs you, and even loves you, imperfections, and all. A good shepherd searches for the lost – let's start there.

The door is already narrow, and I don't want to make it narrower.

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the souls of Ron Kruse and Nancy Feller who died this past week. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

BAPTISMS

Augustine Windt Olson, son of Jared and Jaime Olson.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

My Dear Friends,

I am sorry to tell you that beginning in January 2025, we will have a slight change to the Friday Daily Mass Schedule. Beginning on January 3, we will have Mass at 8:15 a.m. **only**. There will be no 7:30 a.m. Mass on Friday mornings. The last 7:30 a.m. Mass on Friday will be December 27. The 8:15 a.m. Mass will be the permanent daily Mass time on Friday. During the school year, this will be the school and parish Mass. There will still be a 6:10 a.m. Communion Service Monday-Friday.

Beginning January I, 2025, the Daily Mass Schedule will be as follows:

Holy Mass 7:30 a.m. Monday-Thursday 8:15 a.m. Friday-Saturday

Communion Service 6:10 a.m. Monday-Friday

Thanks for your support and prayers. Fr. Ben

FROM FR. JIM

This weekend, there will be a memorial tribute to Pete Rose at Great American Ball Park. His death has been an invitation to reflect on my memories of competing against him growing up. My earliest memory of him was a Pee Wee football game at Bold Face Park, watching our St. William defensive backs chasing Pete from behind as he ran for a touchdown. I have many memories of playing against him in Knothole baseball. One play stands out for me in B Knothole. I was playing shortstop and Pete tried to steal second. We had him dead to right, and he tried unsuccessfully to run me over. I recalled that play when he won the All-Star game by running over catcher Ray Fosse. Pete was a very smart player, always looking for an edge. He carried this over into his professional career with the Big Red Machine. I would have loved to have been in on those conversations between Rose, Morgan, and Bench talking about various baseball situations in the dugout. I remember the Elder - West High game on Thanksgiving, my Senior year. West High won that game. The star running back was Pete Rose!

Pete was a catcher all the way through Knothole baseball, but when he got to high school, he switched to second base because he didn't have a strong enough arm to make it to the big leagues as a catcher. My favorite memory was as a member of Elder's baseball team, beating Pete and Eddie Brinkman and West High, 3-I for the city championship in 1959. We played the game at Cheviot field house park. Pete hit a ball off Scotty Seger that hit the light pole in left center. We went on to win the state championship. Pete went on to break Ty Cobb's hit record. One thing you can say about Pete Rose, he was "single minded" in his determination to play major league baseball! Rest in peace, Pete!

Fr. Ben

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, articles for the December I bulletin need to be submitted by noon on Wednesday, November 20.

ST. DOMINIC MEN'S SOCIETY LOTTERY

The tickets have been sold, and now is the time when the winners are drawn! The winning ticket numbers for the first week of November are:

November 1: #608 Elaine and Bob Murphy

November 2: #793 Arlene Martin

November 4: #124 Paul Fellinger

November 5: #324 Ed Backscheider

November 6: #408 Otto

November 7: #125 Paul Fellinger

November 8: #525 Nicki Berning

November 9: #097 David Wandstrat

MASS INTENTIONS

Offering a Mass for a special intention is a longstanding tradition in the Catholic Church. Masses are offered for many reasons: In remembrance of someone deceased; A living person who is sick or suffering; A living person who is celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or another special moment in their life; In thanksgiving to God (including the Lord Jesus or the Holy Spirit); Or a special prayer intention. We have several **daily Masses in November** that we do not have a Mass intention scheduled. If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, stop in the parish office, or call 513-471-7741, ext. 0.

FROM THE SOCIAL ACTION OFFICE OF THE ARCHDIOCESE

As we prepare for this year's Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) collection (November 23-24), we realize that we are long overdue in acknowledging several Archdiocesan parishes which have steadfastly supported this campaign.

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Catholic Social Action Office has named St. Dominic a 2024 CHAMPION of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. To commemorate this designation, we have an award for you and your faith community.

Why St. Dominic? Quite simply, we looked back over the last several years of giving and chose parishes who have both given generously and – more importantly – consistently. We recognize that not all parishes are the same size and have the same capacity for giving, so we gave higher weight to those parishes who have, year after year, faithfully supported the CCHD collection.

SAFEPARISH

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS Training Due by November 15

Everyone registered with SafeParish should have received a training video. The training bulletin is due on November 15. If you have a bulletin past due, you are not permitted to work/volunteer with children, according to the Archdiocesan policy.

If you did not get the bulletin, check your spam, or junk mail. You can also sign into your account at www.aocsafeenvironment.org. Go to the Training Tab and click on the "Due" link to see which bulletins are due and their due date.

An In Compliance list is posted to the St. Dominic Parish website on the 15th of each month. No one may work with children if they are not active and in compliance.

If you have any questions about your SafeParish account, you can contact Deacon Mark Bardonaro at deaconmark@stdominicdelhi.org or 513-471-7741, ext. 415.



HOLIDAY COMMUNITY DINNER Wednesday, December 4. This special dinner will replace the November and December dinners. This special dinner will be served from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in O'Connor Hall.

Take some time out of your Christmas preparations to relax and enjoy a meal with friends, parishioners, and neighbors.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



May Crowning (Date unknown)

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GRIEF SUPPORT CLASS

Fr. Chris will hold a Grief Support class to help anyone who has lost a loved one in death. It runs for four weeks, with each session containing an educational/formational component, as well as time for participants to share and listen. Each subsequent session will build on the previous one, so plan on being there for all sessions, please. No new participants will be accepted after the initial session. The program begins on Monday, November 18 and is scheduled for consecutive Monday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. All sessions will be at St. Simon in Plagge Hall. If you have any questions or would like to register, call the St. Dominic Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. 0.

GIVING TREES

November: A Time for Giving Thanks

A great way of giving our thanks at St. Dominic is by participating in our annual Giving Tree program. On the weekend of November 23 and 24, three trees decorated with gift tags will be at the church doors. Each tag designates a person who, without help from us, would have a meager Christmas. The ages on the tags range from infants to adults. The gifts need to be returned the weekend of December 14 and 15, so that they can be sorted and delivered after II:30 a.m. Mass.



CHRISTMAS FLORAL DONATIONS

This Christmas Season, we are accepting donations to help offset the cost of decorating the church. Please consider honoring your special loved ones by helping us to prepare a fitting and very beautiful place to welcome the Lord.

Donors and their loved ones will be listed in the bulletin and *The Torch* soon after Christmas.

You may place your donations in the Sunday Collection. Please mark your envelope as "Christmas Flower Donation" or bring your gift to the Parish Office. You can also make your donation through WeShare. Visit our website at www. stdominicdelhi.org and click the green "Online Giving" button on the left side. Scroll until you see "Christmas Flowers." Please submit all donations by Friday, December 13.

Your Name: _____

Amount: _____

In Memory of: _____

_ I wish to have my gift noted in the bulletin and *The Torch*.

I prefer my donation to remain anonymous.



OUR FUTURE DEPENDS ON YOU.

Please remember St. Dominic in your will and estate planning.

Our legal title is St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

2024-2025
\$ 13,518.57
\$ 301,919.86
\$ 23,247.52
\$ 325,167.38
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\$ 297,200.00
\$ 27,967.38
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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 PTO FALL BOOK FAIR – Fall into Reading! The Scholastic Book Fair Returns! St. Dominic PTO will soon host our 2024 Fall Book Fair in the school library! The Book Fair will be open to the public after 4:30 Mass on Saturday, November 9 and after all morning Masses on Sunday, November 10.

ADVENT HOLY HOUR – Join us at St. Dominic for Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday, December 3 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. for Adoration and Confession. Pray the Rosary, read the Bible, or just sit and relax and enjoy the peace that comes from simply being in the Presence of God. There will also be an opportunity for Confessions with Fr. Jim or Fr. Chris for anyone who is interested.

MARY, QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS NEWS

ADVENT WREATH AND POTLUCK DINNER – Start a new Advent tradition! Join us on Sunday, November 24 at 4:00 p.m. in O'Connor Hall. Each individual or family will make a fresh Advent Wreath and share a Potluck Dinner. Don't want to come alone? Bring a friend and join in the fun! We will provide activities for all ages to be used during the Advent season. Bring your family's favorite dish to share and a pair of yard shears for the greenery. Not interested in making a wreath? Come and share your Advent traditions with our growing group! If you attended the event in the past, please bring your tray for the wreath. Please call or email Meg Morris at meg.morris@uc.edu or 513-403-0720. *Reservations are appreciated, but not required*.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Ist Reading: Daniel 12:1-3 2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14 Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

LITURGICAL MINISTERS					
	LECTORS	MASS	SERVERS SCHEDULE	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER CAPTAIN
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, November 16 4:30 p.m.	Mary Jo Reiners	Judy Luebbe	Lilly Doerman Mackenzie Stryker	Louise Shields Amy Stevens	Martha Queenan
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, November 17 7:30 a.m.	Linda Meyer	Vi Bronner	Lauren Childs Kent Sokolis	Jerry Auer Amy Luken	Jane Auer
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, November 17 9:30 a.m.	Jennie Jacobs	Nancy Gibbs Leni Sullivan	Gianna Servizzi Joshua Smith	Rob Smith Lori Thai	Jamie Bayliss
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, November 17 11:30 a.m.	Erin Sunderman	Tobie Delaney	Tadhg Delaney Ultan Delaney	Jim Lively Nancy Wellbrock	Lisa Autenrieb
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, November 17 7:00 p.m.	Lizzy Martin	Jim Gerdes			John Klopp

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