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We, the family of St. Dominic Parish, come together as a Roman Catholic community by celebrating the Eucharist as the center of our faith.

- We welcome Jesus Christ into our lives and give witness to His way of life
- Inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to be a warm, inviting, welcoming, and caring community of people, filled with Faith, Hope and Love
- In that Spirit, we provide a meaningful environment and opportunities for worship, education and service to our community

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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.

Masses for Sunday

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

Masses for Holy Days:

See inside for Mass Schedule.

Weekday Masses:

Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m. & 8:15 a.m.
Saturday: 8:15 a.m. followed by Marian Devotions & Apostolate for the Dying

Holy Communion Service:

Monday-Friday: 6:10 a.m.

Publication Deadlines:

Bulletin: Due by Noon on Monday.
Monthly Report: Due by the 12th of each month.





NOVEMBER 28, 2021 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MONDAY – NOVEMBER 29 – ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Joe Crabb
6:45 P.M. Rosary in Church

TUESDAY – NOVEMBER 30 – SAINT ANDREW

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Jean Herman

WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 1 – ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Paul Lack
8:00 A.M.-NOON Adoration

THURSDAY – DECEMBER 2 – ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Jean Sahnd (ANN)

FRIDAY – DECEMBER 3 – SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

6:10 A.M. Communion Service
7:30 A.M. Bruce Hodges

SATURDAY – DECEMBER 4 – ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:15 A.M. Mass for the Dying
After Mass: Marian Devotions and
Apostolate for the Dying
4:30 P.M. Celide Pucci (BR)

SUNDAY – DECEMBER 5 – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 A.M. Ron Merkel
9:30 A.M. Joann and Ted Kahle
11:30 A.M. Donna Karshner
7:00 P.M. For Our Parishioners

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Advent is upon us! We are in preparation for the great feast of Christmas as we remember that Jesus Christ is coming again in glory! Signs of Advent here at St. Dominic are the Advent wreath, the liturgical readings about John the Baptist and from the prophet Isaiah, the liturgical songs, the purple banners in the Gathering Place and the purple vestments at Mass. We also know it is Advent because the Giving Trees have been out. We will be gathering the gifts on the weekend of December 11-12 this year, the third Sunday of Advent.



Please join us on Friday evening, December 3, for St. Dominic Family Holy Hour, Potluck Dinner, and Hot Cocoa Bar. From 6:00-7:00 p.m., there will be an hour of Adoration in church, Fr. Chris and I will be hearing Confessions and the children will be having supervised games in the library. At 7:00 p.m., we will all proceed to O'Connor Hall for festive food and drink! RSVP for the potluck at sabra.l.charles@gmail.com or (513) 484-3005.

Mike Davis will provide an inspirational Advent evening of prayer and music on Thursday evening, December 9, at 7:00 p.m. in church.

Our parish coat drive brought in over 300 coats! We doubled the number of coats this year! They went to St. Vincent de Paul central office for distribution. Thanks to Tucker Charles, a seventh grader, for leading this project!

Next Saturday is the Delhi Christmas Parade. Look for our school kids and our Knights of Columbus!

Fr. Jim

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the soul of Margaret Grote,
who died this past week.
May she rest in the peace of the Lord.



BAPTISMS

Luke Alexander White,
son of Christopher and Stefanie White.



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 come to this sacrament which will be communally celebrated annually. 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. Please call the parish emergency line. Someone will respond to your call. Please inform the Parish Office when a member of the parish is hospitalized.

Considering Entering the Catholic Church?

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 Deacon Mark Bardonaro at 471-7741.

Infant Baptisms

Attendance at a Parent Pre-Baptism Session is required. Call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday, 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., or by appointment.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Last Sunday at the 11:30 a.m. Mass, Kurt Ruffing, the principal of Elder High School, surprised Bob Sanker with an honorary high school diploma! Bob attended Elder during the 1951-1952 school year. His father passed away and he had to withdraw from Elder to work at the tavern his father owned. He did this to support his mother and siblings. He was unable to complete his high school education, something he regrets to this day. Bob has always been a highly-respected member of the Delhi Community. He served with the Delhi Township Fire Department for 43 years, many of those years as assistant fire chief. He owned and operated Sanker's gas station for many years with honesty and generosity. Here at St. Dominic, we recognize him as our "living saint!" He served as president of the St. Vincent de Paul Society for approximately 25 years. Bob was the recipient of the Dorothy Stang Award in 2019 given out by the Archdiocese, being recognized for modeling a missionary spirit of loving service to those in need. If anyone has been about "Altiora," "the Higher Things," it has been Bob Sanker. Congratulations, Bob!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised money to support those on the margins who live in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to Give" under "Resources."

ATTENTION ONLINE GIVERS!

The following special collections are taking place in December if you wish to contribute to them via your Online Giving account.

December	Capital Improvement
December 8	Immaculate Conception
December 12	Retirement Fund for Religious (Share in the Care)
December 25	Christmas

ADVENT FAMILY PRAYER

*Dear God, Thank You for giving us
these four weeks to prepare to celebrate
the birth of Your Son.*

*We are so thankful for all the people
that help us along this path we're traveling
to welcome Jesus.*

*God, bless our family and prepare our home
and hearts to welcome Your Son,
Jesus Christ, into the world.*

Amen.

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 "Online Giving" link on the left side (scroll until you see Christmas Floral Donation). Please submit all donations by Friday, December 10.

Name: _____

Amount: _____

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- I wish to have my gift noted in the bulletin and *The Torch*
- I prefer my donation remain anonymous

GIVING TREES

A great way of giving our thanks here at St. Dominic is by participating in our annual Giving Tree program. We are hoping you can help families from our parish as well as those in the area surrounding St. Leo parish by participating in our **Giving Tree** program this year. Last week, three trees decorated with tags were 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 11-12 so that they can be sorted and delivered after the 11:30 a.m. Mass.** Please consider helping make Christmas a little brighter for someone who may be a stranger to you.

**ADVENT CONCERT**

Mike Davis' Advent Concert with Scripture and Prayer
Thursday, December 9, 7:00 p.m. in Church
SAVE THE DATE!

FR. JIM'S 80TH BIRTHDAY

On December 11, Fr. Jim will be celebrating his 80th Birthday. We would like to invite everyone to join us in the Gathering Place after the 4:30 p.m. Mass on December 3 and all the morning Masses on December 4 for a small reception to celebrate Fr. Jim.

A PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT

Christmas is coming soon! Consider purchasing a Gathering Place paver for the person in your life who is hard to shop for. Pavers are the gift that lets your mother, father, grandparent, child, or spouse know how cherished they are. Order forms are available at the doors of church or in the Parish Office. The 4 x 8 bricks allow 3 lines with 13 characters per line and cost \$40.00. The 8 x 8 pavers allow up to 6 lines with 13 characters per line and cost \$75.00. You can also order bricks/pavers online through WeShare. Visit our website at www.stdominicdelhi.org and click the "Online Giving" link on the left side (scroll until you see Gathering Place Walkway Bricks). If you have any questions, call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0.



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Our legal title is St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church.

ST. DOMINIC NEWS

ADVENT HOLY HOUR AND FELLOWSHIP – O come let us adore Him! On December 3 at 6:00 p.m., St. Dominic will be hosting an Advent Holy Hour with Adoration, Confessions, and an Advent band. Come spend time with our Lord. A family potluck and hot chocolate bar is to follow! To RSVP to the potluck or for any questions, contact Sabra Charles at sabra.l.charles@gmail.com or 513-484-3005.

CUB SCOUT PACK 483 GIFT-WRAPPING FUNDRAISER

St. Dominic Cub Scout Pack 483 will be offering their gift-wrapping services to help cover the costs associated with camping, community service supplies, den activities, and earned badges and belt loops. Please support the boys by bringing your Christmas gifts to be wrapped to Room 1 of the Parish Center on Sunday, December 5 and Sunday, December 19 from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Our service will include the gift wrap, nametag, and bow. We thank you for your support.

COAT DRIVE SUCCESS – Thank you to all who donated coats this year. Tucker Charles, the parish and Helping Hands worked together to collect over 300 coats for the St. Vincent de Paul Coat Distribution Program. This doubles the 150 coats collected last year. What a generous community!



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

1st Reading: Baruch 5:1-9

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 4-5

	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (Captains names are listed first.)
4:30 p.m. Saturday	Bob Busam	Connie Ashby, Karen Brandstetter, Pat Cusick
7:30 a.m. Sunday	BC Charles	Clinton Backscheider, Scott Beck, Vi Bronner, John Burns
9:30 a.m. Sunday	Debbie Henderer	Jan Bonomini, Peter Gibbs, Evan Kandra
11:30 a.m. Sunday	Fred Meyer	Nancy Wellbrock, Lisa Autenrieb, Jenny Berndsen
7:00 p.m. Sunday	Mike Fitzpatrick	Jim Gerdes, John Klopp, Joe Middendorf



CHILDREN'S
Liturgy of the Word

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)
will begin again **TODAY**
on the **First Sunday of Advent,**
November 28 at the 9:30 a.m. Mass!

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is a ministry for the young children of the parish. At the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are dismissed to the Gathering Place for a learning experience on their level that mirrors the Scripture readings, Creed and Prayers of the Faithful. The children then return to their families in church to celebrate the remainder of the Mass.

We are looking for some new adult volunteers who are SafeParish-trained to assist our current leaders. (If you are not SafeParish-trained, there is training available for you.) If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact Karen Brandstetter, Pastoral Associate, at 513-471-7741, ext. 481 or via email at kbrandstetter@stdominicdelhi.org.

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