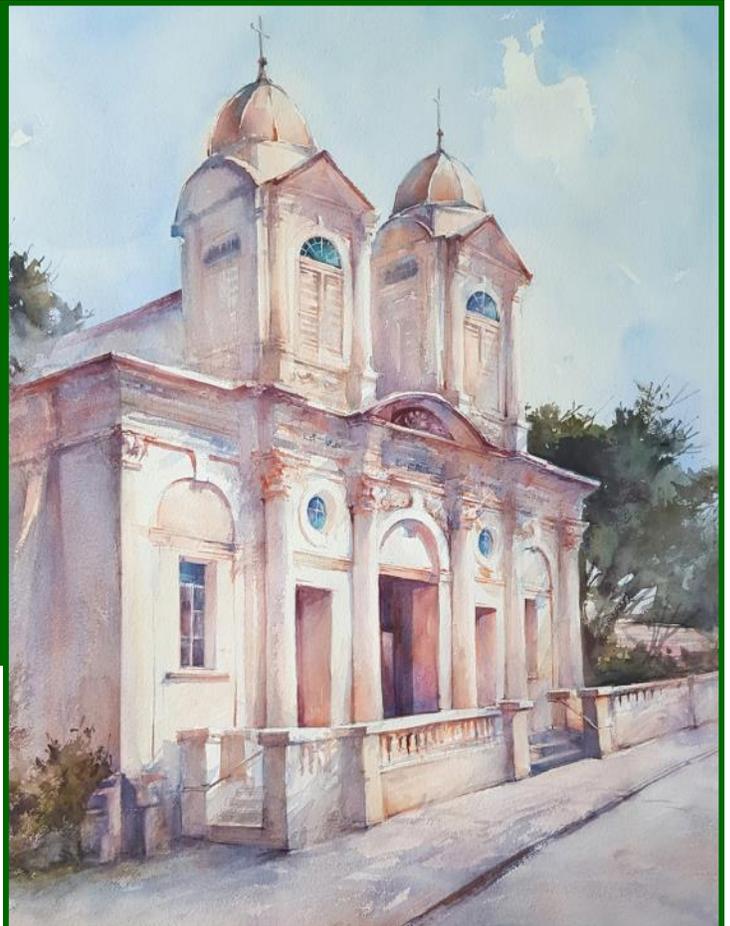


Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2024

Jon 3:1-5, 10
Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
1 Cor 7:29-31
Mk 1:14-20

“Teach me your ways,
O Lord.”



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**Altar Flowers in Thanksgiving
by the Sevilla Family**

Mass Intentions

Sat	01/20	5:00 p.m.	(T) Dirk & Becky Fulton
Sun	01/21	7:30 a.m.	(T) People of The Parish
		9:00 a.m.	(T) Sevilla Family
		11:00 a.m.	(T) Dr. Cyril Deaconoff
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Lucina Caldo
Mon	01/22	6:45 a.m.	(P) Mylea Bernabe
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Alex Espinosa
Tues	01/23	6:45 a.m.	(R) Larry Whitney
		8:15 a.m.	(A) Olan & Daisy Pardede
Wed	01/24	6:45 a.m.	(T) Basil & Clare Kwon
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Cathy Amphlett
Thurs	01/25	6:45 a.m.	(H) Lyndon Lacambacal
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Russell Ho
Fri	01/26	6:45 a.m.	(T) Br. Xavier Marie, O.P.
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Sofia Panganiban Aguirre
Sat	01/27	8:15 a.m.	(T) Esguerra Family
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Artur & Lourdes Cardoso
Sun	01/27	7:30 a.m.	(R) Teodulo Panganiban
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Mark Anthony Meagher
		11:00 a.m.	(R) Gerry Denny
		1:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish

Legend:

(R) Repose of the Soul (H) Health (P) Prayerful Intention
(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

**Please pray for the recovery of the sick
listed in our Book of Intentions
and the following:**



John Lydon, Rolando Cortez, Paul Cruel, Joshua Oehler,
Meredith Morrow, Laura Starkey, Cheena Gutierrez,
Maria de Fatima Pereira, Eileen Hayes, Barbara Donley,
Cecilia Tan, Sherry Thomas, Barbara Helms,
Greg Gormley, Joshua Chavez-Carroll, Colin Larkin,
Jerry Schilz, Pauline Soop, Alma Johnson, Lee Schaffner,
Barbara Flores, Rob Lustan, Nita Calvo, Mel Gaoan,
Sean Daly, Jackie Ho, Laura Carnes Dietrich, Lisa Santini,
Liz Thurin, Rosie & Don Klatt, Aurora Basilio, Leonor
Cruel, Mark Nees, Lilian Fajardo, Margaret Lobo,
Albert Tan Co, Ron Pearman, Patricia Weber,
Bernice Cure, Margaret Haddad, Monika Pangelinan,
Gladys Haddad, Julia Haddad, Pete & Dorothy Szabo

**Please remember the following recently deceased
(and their families) in your prayers:**

John Joseph Varni, Gustavo Tiburcio, Dennis Silveria,
Sue Hayes, Matthew Colucci, Gloria de Castro,
Victoria Montgomery, Harlon Moore, Elda Slaviero,
Darrell Perry, Mark Meagher, Olivia Curran, Larry Whitney,
Brigitte Michael, Elizabeth McWalters, Apolonia Reyes,
Cecelia Siu, Ross Martino, Maria Lupe Sanchez,
James Donahue, Russell Ho, Robert Coronado,
Andrew Kinane, Jack Curran, Arlene Saitz,
Siong Beng Tan, Gregory Quillin

~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows



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Pastor's Corner



This past Monday was our nation's celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, and the mass's Gospel reading for that day seemed suitable for the holiday. The day's Gospel reading came from the Gospel of Mark, and in it, disciples of the Pharisees and of John the Baptist questioned Jesus as to why the disciples of Jesus did not fast

while the disciples of the Pharisees and of John did fast. Jesus responded by revealing himself as the "Bridegroom" anticipated by the Old Testament worship practices – things like the old sacrifices, and certainly Old Testament fasting. Jesus conveyed that as long as the Bridegroom was with his disciples, it made no sense for them to fast. He did add, however, that a day would come when the Bridegroom would be taken away from his disciples, alluding to his Passion, and at that point, the disciples of Jesus would again fast. In explaining this, Jesus reminded the Jews that the Old Testament worship practices were meant to be a means to an end, that end being preparation for the coming of the Bridegroom and for the Salvation that would be accomplished by his sacrifice offered on the cross once and for all. Here is where I draw a parallel with last Monday's holiday.

In regard to the civil rights activism championed by Martin Luther King Jr., that was also intended to be a means to an end, not an end in and of itself. His activism aimed toward the realization of a dream in which human beings in the U.S. were judged based on the content of their character and not the color of their skin. To the extent that that dream has been realized, it was indeed fitting to celebrate that success on last Monday's holiday. However, many civil rights activists would surely want to remind us that Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream has not yet been realized to full perfection. There is still racism in our nation that needs to be defeated. Somewhat similar for all of us as Christians, while we do have Christ the Bridegroom dwelling within us through the Holy Spirit and through the Mass and our reception of the Eucharist, our union with Christ has not yet reached its full perfection. For those of us who persevere in faith, perfect union with Christ will become a reality beyond the grave after the Final Judgment when we have been totally purified of our sins. In the meantime, it is helpful for us to do penance on a regular basis as we, with joyful hope, look forward to the day when our union with the Bridegroom reaches its full perfection, at which point we will never have to fast again!

Fr. Andy Opsahl, O.P. - Pastor
frandy@stdombenicia.org 707-335-4668

Upcoming Events

"Things More Wonderful": Victory Through Hope in *The Lord of the Rings* with Br. Anselm

Friday, January 19
9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Mary Magdalene Room

West Coast Walk for Life
Saturday, January 20
San Francisco

Cake Sunday
Sunday, January 21
After the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses

Thomas Aquinas on the Eucharist
Thursday, January 25
6:30 p.m. - Parish hall
Friday, January 26
9:15 p.m. - Mary Magdalene Room

ADORE - Family Eucharistic Adoration
Friday, January 26
5:30 p.m. Snacks
6:00 p.m. Adoration
6:30 p.m. Potluck Dinner

Thomas Aquinas Votive Mass
Saturday, January 27 at 8:15 a.m.

St. Dominic School Mass & Open House
Sunday, January 28
Mass - 9:00 a.m.
Open House - 10:00—11:30 a.m.

Catholic Schools Week
January 28—February 2

Cake Sunday!

January 21
After 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses
Parish Hall
Bring cakes to share!
Coffee & juice provided



Thomas Aquinas on the Eucharist

A Commentary on the Sequence *Lauda Sion*, in St. Thomas' Own Words



Join Fr. Gregory for a presentation on the genius of St. Thomas Aquinas in how he used poetry to describe the Eucharistic teaching of the Church. See how the Angelic Doctor inspires our devotion to the Eucharist, especially during this year of the Eucharistic Revival!

Thursday, January 25, 6:30 p.m.
Parish Hall

Friday, January 26, 9:15 p.m.
Mary Magdalene Room

Join us also for a votive Mass honoring St. Thomas Aquinas on **Saturday, January 27, 8:15 a.m.**, marking the 750th anniversary of his death! The Holy See has granted this celebration to be an opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence.



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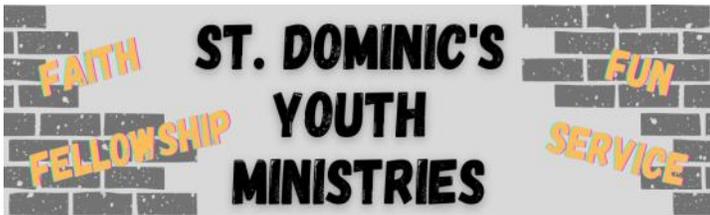
170 Years

St. Dominic's, Benicia has been here for 170 years this March and we plan to celebrate! Mark your calendars for the **March 16th Anniversary Dinner** at the clock tower. Stay tuned for more exciting events this year!

Thank you to all those who attended and made the **Votive Mass in Honor of the Santo Niño** a huge success!



See you next year!



CONFIRMATION

YR II CONFIRMATION

January 21: 3:00-5:00 p.m. - Teen Class

January 28: 3:00-5:00 p.m. - Teen Class

YR I CONFIRMATION

January 22: 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Teen Class

January 29: 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Teen Class

Youth Ministry - Winter

Saturday, January 27, 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

Children's Reconciliation Retreat
Teen Leadership Opportunity

Wednesday, January 31, 7:00 p.m.

Valentine's Day Service Project

Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 p.m.

Food Bank Service Project

Wednesday, February 28, 6:30 p.m.

Creative Art Workshop

Saturday, March 2, 6:30 p.m.

Teen Game Night Competition

Coffee Hour Fellowship

Sundays after 11:00 a.m. Mass
Parish Hall
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Join us for coffee, snacks and conversation. Coffee and juice is provided. Snacks to share would be a blessing to all.

Bring something to share! Suggested items include cookies, cheese & crackers, finger foods or small bite snack items.

**Adoration Chapel
Hourly Needs**

Monday: 12, 1, 9 a.m. & 12 p.m.
Tuesday: 1 a.m.
Thursday: 8 a.m.
Friday: 1 a.m. & 5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. & 8 p.m.
Sunday: 4 a.m.

**Can you spare an hour for our Lord?
Contact: adoration@stdombenicia.org**

ANUNCIO:

SE LES INVITA A PARTICIPAR EN EL ESTUDIO DE LA BIBLIA EN ESPAÑOL EN REUNIONES SEMANALES JUEVES A LAS 6:30 PM

EN EL SALÓN SIENA

LIBRO DEL GÉNESIS

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INFORMACIÓN: 707.479.1941

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Available Soon!

Instructions online go to:
<https://www.stdombenicia.org/tax-statements>

Or email Lori:
ltelepak@stdombenicia.org



Open House
Sunday, January 28

Mass: 9:00 AM
Open House:
10:00 AM -11:30 AM

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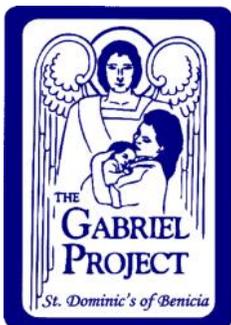
Catechetical Foundations

Catechetical Foundations is an eight-month program for anyone who wishes to deepen their understanding of the Catholic Faith and then to pass it on to others. We would like to invite any parishioners who aspire to serve as catechists and all parents to participate. This formation is designed to help participants not only to impart knowledge of the faith, but to make disciples of Jesus Christ. At the completion of the course, participants can use this formation toward Certification with the Diocese of Sacramento.

For more information, see: <https://www.scd.org/catecheticalfoundations>.

First gathering:
Friday, February 28
Mary Magdalene Room
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Magnificence of Motherhood

M.O.M.'s Group

Next Meeting
 Saturday - January 20 - 9:00 a.m.
 Mary Magdalene Room
 Located in the Ministry Center

Join a community of mothers with the desire for faith, fellowship, and friendship centered in Christ. We will meet every 3rd Saturday of the month. Babies welcome.

For more information please contact Jamaila by email: Mothers@stdombenicia.org




The mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is "a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relations with and service to people in need."

If you would like to be part of our community, we meet the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Contact Tom at
SVdP@stdombenicia.org
 For questions or more information

If you have questions or need assistance, please call 707-746-1773

MUSIC NOTES : January 14, 2024

Organ Music for 7:30 and 11 a.m. Masses

Prelude: Invocation by Guilmant

Félix-Alexandre Guilmant (1837 – 1911) was a French organist and composer. He was the organist of La Trinité from 1871 until 1901. A noted pedagogue, performer, and improviser, Guilmant helped found the Schola Cantorum de Paris. He was appointed as Professor of Organ at the Paris Conservatoire in 1896. In 1871 he was appointed to play the organ regularly at la Trinité church in Paris, and this position, *organiste titulaire*, was one he held for 30 years. His Invocation invites us to a quiet prayer before the start of the Mass.

Postlude: Overture from the Firework music by Handel

George Frideric Handel composed "The Music for the Royal Fireworks" in 1749 under contract of George II of Great Britain. The work was very popular when first performed and following Handel's death, as well as to this day.

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- Easily reply to requests
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If you own a traditional IRA and are over the age of 70 1/2, the IRS requires that you take yearly distributions (MRD's). But did you know you can designate the MRD to St. Dominic's Church and you don't have to pay taxes on the distribution? For more information, visit the IRS website or contact your tax or financial consultant.

For more information or to explore your options please contact Teresa Stone at tstone@stdombenicia.org or 707-335-4672

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - Livestreamed
 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
 1:00 p.m. (Spanish/English)
 First Sunday of month Vietnamese Mass – 3:00 p.m.

Daily Mass

Monday – Friday: 6:45 a.m.
 Monday – Saturday: 8:15 a.m.

Confession Times

Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
 Wednesday 9:00 a.m.
 Saturday 3:30 p.m.

Ministries at St. Dominic's

◆ Adoration

Euly Legro - adoration@stdombenicia.org

◆ Choirs

Dr. Cyril Deaconoff - cdeaconoff@stdombenicia.org

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Patti Erickson - grief@stdombenicia.org

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Dirk Fulton - domlaity@stdombenicia.org

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◆ Gabriel Project

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◆ GIFT - Growing In Faith Together

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◆ Parish Pastoral Council

Kaitlin Demers - ppc@stdombenicia.org

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Penny Ogden - pogden@sdschoolbenicia.org

◆ St. Vincent de Paul

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◆ St. Dominic's Cemetery

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Our ministries are back to their regular monthly meetings on campus. Please email and find out more about them and how you can join! They look forward to hearing from you.

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Communications

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PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT 7/1/2023-12/31/2023

	YTD	YTD	+/-
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Sunday Offertory	\$ 460,644	\$ 487,500	\$ (26,856)
Christmas	\$ 20,442	\$ 24,750	\$ (4,308)
Second Collections:			
<i>Building Improvement</i>	\$ 22,752	\$ 25,000	\$ (2,248)
<i>Faith Formation</i>	\$ 5,225	\$ 5,500	\$ (275)
SDS Tuition Assistance	\$ 6,102		
<i>St. Vincent de Paul</i>	\$ 34,320		

Total Operating Income	\$ 652,777	\$ 646,125	\$ 6,652
Operating Expenses	\$ 710,594	\$ 973,343	\$ 37,251
Net Income/Loss	\$ (57,817)	\$ (27,218)	\$ (30,599)

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<p>Richard Joyce, O.D. Optometrist Exams, Glasses, Contacts (707) 745-6266, 874 Southampton Rd.</p>		<p>Tim Wright - Carpentry Work 30 years Exp - References Available (707) 319-5357</p>
<p>SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY</p>	<p>Jan 07: Building Improvement Jan 14: SDS Tuition Assistance Jan 21: Building Improvement</p>	<p>Jan 28: Faith Formation</p>

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