

# 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 18, 2024

Prv 9:1-6  
Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
Eph 5:15-20  
Jn 6:51-58

*“Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.”*



**St. Dominic's is a Catholic Parish Inspired by Dominican Spirituality Igniting the Faith for the Salvation of Souls**

### Altar Flowers in Honor of the Birthday of Elizabeth Ingle

#### Mass Intentions

Sat	08/17	5:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish
Sun	08/18	7:30 a.m.	(R) Margarita Gonzales
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Delfin Sevilla
		11:00 a.m.	(B) Christopher Saulog
		1:00 p.m.	(P) Antonio & Antonia Gomez
Mon	08/19	6:45 a.m.	(R) Bil Sullivan
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Herminigildo Ramos
Tues	08/20	6:45 a.m.	(R) Joseph D. Bloom
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Maria Normita Guadalupe Sarte
Wed	08/21	6:45 a.m.	(R) Narcisa "Narcie" Duenas Llano
		8:15 a.m.	(T) Maria Myung Jin Cho
Thurs	08/22	6:45 a.m.	(R) Dorothy Szabo
		8:15 a.m.	(T) Ann Espinosa
Fri	08/23	6:45 a.m.	(B) Vicki Fregosi
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Eleanor Saunders
Sat	08/24	8:15 a.m.	(R) Joseph D. Bloom
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Artur & Lourdes Cardoso
Sun	08/25	7:30 a.m.	(H) Dirk & Becky Fulton
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Angela Bofill
		11:00 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Christopher Strawbridge

Legend:

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

**October 2024 Intentions Open on September 3**



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

Patricia Butler, Hau Thi Vu Nguyen, Margaret McClune, Bill Telepak, Rose Marie Watterson, Marta Leda Aversano Franchini, Elaine Paschal, Maria Bongco, Ramon Dela Cruz, Carol Marsh, Lucita Rios, Francisco Gan, Dino Tan, Donna Wade, Jenny Quandt, Michael Raymundo Co, Christian Salcedo, Marsha Morse, Sean Salvatin, Rolando Cortez, Paul Cruel, Meredith Morrow, Laura Starkey, Maria de Fatima Pereira, Eileen Hayes, Barbara Donley, Cecilia Tan, Sherry Thomas, Barbara Helms, Colin Larkin, Jerry Schilz, Pauline Soop, Alma Johnson, Jackie Ho, Lisa Santini, Liz Thurin, Rosie & Don Klatt, Aurora Basilio, Leonor Cruel, Mark Nees, Albert Tan Co, Ron Pearman, Patricia Weber, Bernice Cure, Margaret Haddad, Monika Pangelinan, Gladys Haddad, Julia Haddad

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

Lucita Rios, Dorothy Szabo, Siddiq (Steve) Kilkenny, Rafael Luis Morales, Cathy Giffin Mathieson, Fr. Raymond Finerty, Marion Selig, Jesus Garcis, Felipe Kiocho, Angela Bofill, Teresita Rapolla, Jason Smith, Joshua Oehler, May Llanes, Dan Gamoras, Ruby Bove, Agatha Hall

*~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows*



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## Pastor's Corner



This past week, we celebrated the memorial for Saint Maximilian Kolbe. One thing that especially struck me about Saint Maximilian was how productive he had managed to be for God before dying at age 47 at the hands of the Nazis in 1941. After becoming a Franciscan friar in Poland at age

16, following his seminary education, Saint Maximilian Kolbe managed to earn two doctorates, one in philosophy, the other in theology. He utilized his advanced learning to generate effective media outreach to foster greater holiness among the faithful. To do this, he established a prolific publishing house in Poland that promoted devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. He established similar publishing houses in India and Japan. In addition to his publishing houses, he had radio broadcast equipment installed at his Polish monastery and started hosting a radio show from that location. This was, of course, many decades before another very famous Franciscan – Mother Angelica – would start her own TV show from her monastery. In the midst of all of Saint Maximilian's productivity, he stayed disciplined about keeping his prayer life at the core of his focus. Let us all strive to emulate Saint Maximilian's effectiveness for the Lord by staying focused on activity that truly enables us to thrive and is consistent with building the Kingdom of God. We should ask ourselves how much time we spend zoning out in front of social media or those frivolous newsfeeds that nab us with clickbait. In regard to clickbait, every time you feel tempted to read a story about some pop singer's personal life, say to yourself something like, "Wait...this singer does not read about my personal life. Why am I reading about *her* personal life?" Then, start thinking of the productive things you could be accomplishing for God, yourself, and for others. Saints like Maximilian Kolbe tend to be good at recognizing wastes of time that dull our souls, make us sadder, and less fruitful. It is one of the reasons they are often able to do such good for God and the world in very short periods of time. Something else Saint Maximilian Kolbe did to stay on the right track with God was that he cultivated a strong devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. This was wise because the Virgin Mary has such a great track record of helping Christians get closer to her Son. In general, we should strive to surround ourselves with people who encourage us to be the best versions of ourselves. It can only get us nearer to our full potential, which brings us closer to the perfect union with God for which he made us!

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

## Upcoming Events

### Mission Appeal Weekend

Saturday & Sunday

**This Weekend**

Fr. Jordan Bradshaw, O.P.

### Benicia Farmers Market

Thursday, August 22

### St. Dominic's Mass & Festival

Sunday, September 15

(Note: There will not be a 9:00, 11:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. Mass this day)

10:00 a.m. Mass

FREE Festival & Lunch 11:00 a.m.

**Welcome back students!**  
**We will keep you in our prayers**  
**and wish you well for a**  
**2024-2025 school year!**

## Missionary Appeal Weekend

The Missionary Cooperative Appeal is an annual program designed to increase awareness of missionary work and raise funds to support ongoing evangelization efforts. This year the Diocese of Sacramento selected 50 different missions to participate in the Appeal.

Our parish is being visited by **Fr. Jordan Bradshaw, O.P.** with the **Dominican Mission Foundation**. He will share with us the evangelization efforts on behalf of the Catholic Church and give us the opportunity to support their work. A second collection will be taken up at the end of Mass. Special envelopes will be provided for your convenience. **Donations made by check should be made payable to the parish. All funds collected throughout the Diocese will be divided among the 50 missionary organizations visiting the Diocese of Sacramento this year.**

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

## Lay Ministers & Ushers Needed

**Call for Extraordinary (Lay) Ministers of Holy Communion. Call or text us with any questions.**

**Mike and Sara Monahan.**

**707-771-1384 (Mike) or 925-876-3190 (Sara)**

**If you currently serve as an Usher at Sunday Mass or are interested in becoming one, please contact:**

**Tom Sarnicola or Manny Roldan**

**[ushers@stdombenicia.org](mailto:ushers@stdombenicia.org)**

# Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 (livestreamed), 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](mailto:adoration@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Choirs**  
Luke Shalz - [lshalz@stdombenicia.org](mailto:lshalz@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Consolation/Grief**  
Patti Erickson - [grief@stdombenicia.org](mailto:grief@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Dominican Laity**  
Dirk Fulton - [domlaity@stdombenicia.org](mailto:domlaity@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**  
Mike & Sara Monahan - [emhc@stdombenicia.org](mailto:emhc@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Gabriel Project**  
Sandy Scafani & Maria Padrones - [gabriel@stdombenicia.org](mailto:gabriel@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Guadalupana Association**  
Patricia Chavez - [guadalupana@stdombenicia.org](mailto:guadalupana@stdombenicia.org)
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Dan Swienton - [beniciaknights@gmail.com](mailto:beniciaknights@gmail.com)
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Jamaila Pasternack - [mothers@stdombenicia.org](mailto:mothers@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Lectors Ministry**  
Amar Lagrimas - [lectors@stdombenicia.org](mailto:lectors@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Lazarus Ministry**  
Ann Espinosa - [lazarus@stdombenicia.org](mailto:lazarus@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Parish Pastoral Council**  
Kaitlin Demers - [ppc@stdombenicia.org](mailto:ppc@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**  
Brienne Dela Cruz—[bdelacruz@stdombenicia.org](mailto:bdelacruz@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **St. Vincent de Paul**  
Tom Carroll- [svdp@stdombenicia.org](mailto:svdp@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **St. Dominic's Cemetery**  
Lisa Sarnicola - [lsarnicola@opwest.org](mailto:lsarnicola@opwest.org)
- ◆ **Ushers**  
Tom Sarnicola & Manny Roldan – [uhers@stdombenicia.org](mailto:uhers@stdombenicia.org)

# Parish Office

475 East I Street, Benicia  
**Current Office Hours**  
 Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
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# Parish Staff

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| <b>Fr. Vincent Serpa, O.P.</b>   | <b>In Residence / Retired</b>  |
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# St. Dominic School

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| <b>Penelope Ogden (K-8th grade)</b><br><a href="mailto:pogden@sdschoolbenicia.org">pogden@sdschoolbenicia.org</a> | <b>Principal</b>          |
| <b>Tanya Sanchez (Pre-K/TK)</b><br><a href="mailto:tsanchez@sdschoolbenicia.org">tsanchez@sdschoolbenicia.org</a> | <b>Preschool Director</b> |

**In re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento, Case No. 24-21326**  
 U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California


**Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: October 1, 2024**

**YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO**

On April 1, 2024, The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento aka Diocese of Sacramento filed a chapter 11 bankruptcy petition for protection under title 11 of the United States Code.

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim so as to be received by October 1, 2024, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Diocese.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Diocese that occurred before April 1, 2024, must be filed on or before October 1, 2024, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before April 1, 2024.

 **DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO**

For more information on how to file a claim or about the bankruptcy, please visit: <https://www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsacramento>, or contact the Debtor's claims agent Donlin, Recano, & Company, Inc. via email at [rcbsacramentoinfo@dre.equiniti.com](mailto:rcbsacramentoinfo@dre.equiniti.com) or by phone at 1-866-714-7301; or visit the Debtor's website at <https://scd.org> and follow the links for Chapter 11 filing.

# Save the Date

**Sunday,**  
**September 15**  
**St. Dominic's**  
**Festival**



10:00 a.m. Mass  
 11:00 a.m. FREE  
 Lunch & Festival

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Their contributions each week underwrite our Parish Bulletin. Thank you!**

<p><b>A &amp; S Chem Dry, Anthony &amp; Shelly Trevino</b> Serving St. Dominic's Parish for over 25 years! (707) 748-7726</p>	<p><b>Tim &amp; Jeannie Hamann Foundation</b> fightcancer@hamannfoundation.org Tax ID#47-2189766 hamannfoundation.org</p>	<p><b>Reyes Electric Co. &amp; Design LIC#32877</b> Residential/ Commercial (707) 747-6818</p>
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<p><b>Accident Attorney</b> Mark Basil Pappas, Esq. (707) 567-8206 mbpappaslaw@comcast.net</p>	<p><b>Kindred Spirits Pet/House Sitting</b> Dorothy Doscher (707) 334-3776</p>	<p><b>Shutters and More</b> Bill Simpson, Parishioner (707) 746-8187</p>
<p><b>Al Caruso Insurance - No Medical Required</b> Life Insurance - Guaranteed Issue age 50-85 (510) 207-4640 Lic#0191914</p>	<p><b>Law Offices of Barnum &amp; Avila</b> Employment Law (707) 745-3747, www.rmblaw.com</p>	<p><b>St. Dominic's Cemetery</b> Lisa Sarnicola, Sales Manager (707) 751-0527</p>
<p><b>All Souls Cemetery &amp; Funeral Center FD2286</b> Funeral, Mortuary, Cremation &amp; Burial. (707)-644-5209 cfcsSacramento.org</p>	<p><b>Law Offices of Thomas R. Healy</b> Wills/Trusts/Estate Planning/General Practice (707) 553-7360</p>	<p><b>Teresa Stone - Notary Services</b> tstone@stdombenicia.org (707) 330-0773</p>
<p><b>Amso Healthy Chiropractic</b> 310 Military West (707) 752-2990</p>	<p><b>Minuteman Press</b> Copy, Print, Posters &amp; Banners (707) 647- 1000, 812 Tennessee St,Vallejo</p>	<p><b>Tuolumne Street Auto Repair</b> John McLaughlin, Parishioner (707) 648-3434</p>
<p><b>ATS Tax &amp; Financial Solutions Tax</b> Angels to your rescue! Returns/ QB (707) 745-1040</p>	<p><b>Mr. Lawn Landscape Service</b> Landscaping, Maintenance &amp; Installation (707) 747-5273</p>	<p><b>Up2Code Plumbing</b> Owner Mike Pitta - 24 hour service (707) 751-1714</p>
<p><b>Crane Station, Inc.</b> Rex Sevilla—Crane and Electrical Services (800) 891-3888</p>	<p><b>Napoli Pizza and Pasta</b> Chris &amp; Lisa Guerrero- Owners (707) 746-8906, www.napolibenicia.com</p>	<p><b>Warring &amp; Assoc. Realtors</b> Bill/Diane Brokers/Owners, 829 First St. (707) 746-6990</p>
<p><b>Hamann Real Estate, 513 First Street</b> Tim and Jeannie Hamann/Broker-Owners (707) 246-6567 DRE01348061</p>	<p><b>Olson Realty, Inc.</b> Kathleen McInerney Olson/Broker (707) 745-3602</p>	<p><b>Tim Wright - Carpentry Work</b> 30 years Exp - References Available (707) 319-5357</p>
	<p><b>Passalacqua Funeral Chapel</b> John Passalacqua/Greg Silva/Joe Talken (707) 745-3130</p>	
<p><b>SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR AUGUST</b></p>	<p>SEPT 01: Building Improvement SEPT 08: Priests' Retirement SEPT 08: SDS Tuition Assistance</p>	<p>SEPT 15: Building Improvement SEPT 22: Faith Formation SEPT 29: St. Vincent de Paul</p>

**Parish Office Hours Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

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