28th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 13, 2023

Wis 7:7-11 Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Heb 4:12-13 Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!



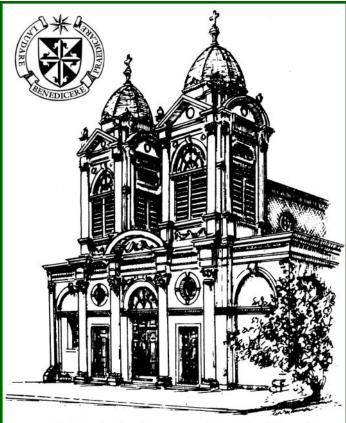
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Altar Flowers in Honor of the Anniversary of Natalie & Jesse Abilla Mass Intentions

Sat Sun		7:30 a.m.	(R) John Saunders (T) People of the Parish (R) Doris Anderson
			(P) Vincent Charles Farmer
			(B) Carmen David
Mon	10/14		(H) Elsa Palma
_	40/45		(R) Jose Santiago Carbonell
Tues	10/15		(T) Charles Hill
	40/40		(H) Fr. Simeon In Suk Kim
Wed	10/16		(R) Eduart Diaz
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Eduardo & Maria Consolacion
			Maranan
Thurs	10/17		(T) Adeline Diaz
			(R) Leonor Cueto
Fri	10/18		(R) Cindy Ike
			(R) Siu Ming Lau
Sat	10/19		(B) Joe Kroner
			(R) Artur & Lourdes Cardoso
Sun	10/20		(T) People of the Parish
			(R) Joan Witek
			(T) Ultan & Maria Rhee
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Elba Folquer

Legend:

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



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



Michelle Garcia, Dennis Kolkebeck, Adrienne Varin, Sandra K. Andrakin, Patricia Butler, Hau Thi Vu Nguyen, Bill Telepak, Pauline Soop, Rose Marie Watterson, Elaine Paschal, Maria Bongco, Ramon Dela Cruz, Carol Marsh, 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, Alma Johnson, 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:

Jane Gasper, Renato Duey, Margaret McClune O.P.L., Fr. Donald Bramble, O.P., Helen Sapp, Cindy Ike, Delores Franko, Nina Hurst, Rita Schneider, Martha Parada de Reid, Lucita Rios, Marta Leda Aversano Franchini, Dorothy Szabo ~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows













Pastor's Corner



This past Monday, we celebrated the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, which historically was called, "Our Lady of Victory." The victory celebrated was the Battle of Lepanto, a naval win for a group of Christian states against the Ottoman Empire off the Westcoast of Greece in 1571. The Ottoman Empire had aimed to

overtake the Mediterranean, then conquer much more of Europe, and ultimately invade Rome. The group of Christian fighters in the Battle of Lepanto had been assembled by Pope Saint Pius V who instructed all of Catholic Europe to pray the rosary for victory in this crucial battle. The Christian fighters, men from Spain, Genoa, and the Papal States, filling two hundred ships against the three hundred Ottoman Empire ships would end up defeating those Muslim forces, sinking or capturing all but thirteen of the enemy's water vessels. This Christian victory was one of several key incidents that marked the decline of the Ottoman Empire's efforts to take over Europe. And the Christian soldiers considered as essential to the victory their prayers for the Blessed Mother's intercession through praying of the rosary. There are so many different insights we could draw from the victory at the Battle of Lepanto. For example, it occurs to me that the praying the rosary with faith in Our Lord's power to bring about victory on the part of the Christian soldiers, must have given them an interior victor's spirit. And a victor's spirit plays a huge role in bringing about victory. Having the right interior disposition determines the success or failure of many things we endeavor to accomplish. For a smaller, example, think of when you hike on a mountain and find yourself treading down a steep, slippery slope. Having the right mindset makes all the difference in getting down the slope while staying on your feet. If you attack the slope quickly, with alertness and a confident attitude, you can very often get to the bottom without even a slip of the foot. On the other hand, if you allow yourself to get jittery inside, your body will reflect that interior attitude, and you will be very likely to fall and perhaps get hurt. With the rosary, the intercession of Our Lady can help us to have a holy and confident winner's mindset by aligning our wills with Our Lord's will in Heaven. It makes sense for Mary to be especially good at helping us cultivate a will that is one with God's will because her will was united to his perfectly from the beginning. The more perfectly our wills become united to God's will, there is no telling how far he can take us in paths to victory through the help of his grace. The next time you pray the rosary, try to think of it as receiving coaching from the Blessed Mother to get you ready for victory in whatever the devil may be attempting to throw your way. With the right Heavenly mindset on our part, there is no obstacle the Evil One might put up that we cannot defeat.

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

Upcoming Events

Grief Series

Saturday, September 28-November 2 11:00 a.m. In Siena Room

Women's Bible Study

Mondays 6:30—8:00 p.m. Siena Room

YA Men's Bible Study

Fridays 5:30 p.m. Siena Room

Rosary Procession

Wednesdays, October 16 & 23 Starting in the Church

St. Dominic School Art & Wine Gala

Saturday, October 19 6:00 p.m. - School & Small Parking Lot

Benicia Farmers Market

Thursday, October 17 First Street

Autumn Harvest Baking Sunday

Sunday, October 20 After the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses







WE ARE TRULY BLESSED!

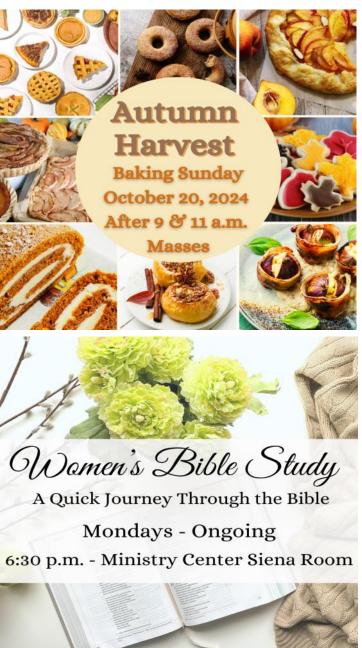
Thanks to our parishioners, our sponsors and a very generous matching donor, we have now raised **\$52,500** to help our Benicia neighbors avoid homelessness!

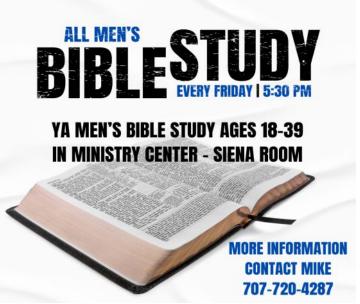
This amount is 1/3 of our total expenditures for the fiscal year October 2023 - September 2024 so it's an incredible accomplishment. Because we are all volunteers, 100% of your financial gifts will be used to deliver groceries 5 days each week and help with rent assistance and/or utilities. We meet with every person who requests financial assistance to determine their total need and if they can make ends meet going forward. We are extremely mindful of your generosity and always strive to be the best possible stewards of your financial support.

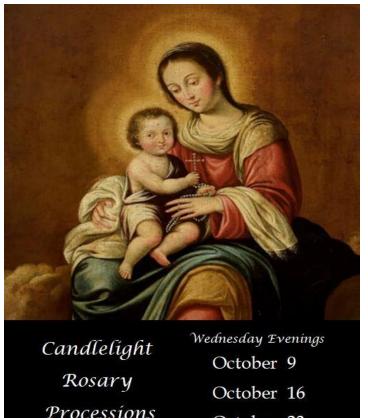
So once again, we want to thank you for your wonderful kindness and compassion.



Thank you to our fabulous set up crew!

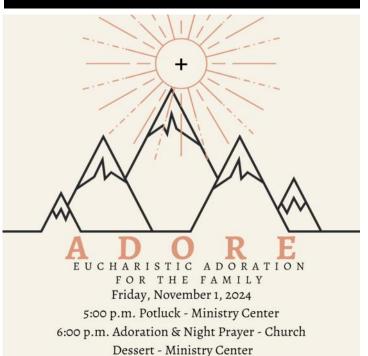






October 23





All Processions will begin in the front of the church at 6:30 p.m.

"Blessed are those who mourn: they shall be comforted.' A new 6 week series of grief support is being offered at St. Dominic's Saturdays September 28 - November 2, 2024 11:00 a.m. Also a one-day session "Grief thru the Holidays" November 9, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. All are welcome to either or both. In the Ministry Center - Aquinas Room Loss of a loved one is painful, it can help to talk about it, we're here for you. We are also available by phone or email. Please reach out to Patti Erickson at grief@stdombenicia.org or call 650.455.3766.

All Souls' Day Memorial Mass

The St. Dominic's Lazarus Ministry will be holding a "Memorial" for the families and friends of our parishioners who have died since All Souls' Day of 2023. A solemn reading of their names of their loved ones' name will be recited at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.









































































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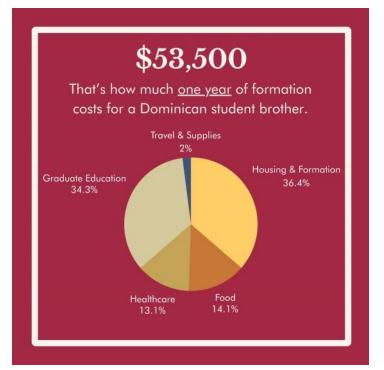


Please help the Dominican Student **Brothers and Novices!**

Over the past decade, vocations in the Western Dominican Province have grown by 35%, this is a huge blessing!

Thank you! We, here at St. Dominic's Church are off too a great start in helping the brothers in formation! One great preacher can change the world. You can help him!

Please give online at www.opwest.org/rs, use a Rosary Sunday envelope from the pew, or mail a gift to: Western Dominican Province, 5877 Birch Court, Oakland, CA 94618.

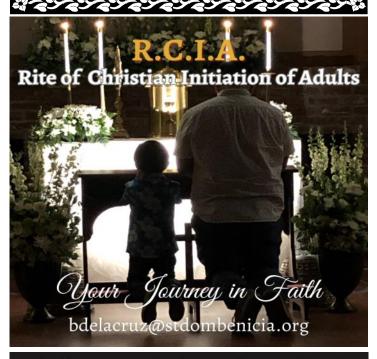


Legacy & IRA Giving

You can remember St. Dominic's, Benicia in your estate plans through your will, retirement plan or other assets. Legacy gifts are used for capital projects that may otherwise not be possible and are never used for day to day expenses. For example the parish hall renovations! You can even designate your gift to a specific fund (i.e. building fund).

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



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- Helpful parish updates
- Easily reply to requests
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Vallejo/Benicia/American Canyon CA – Beginning September 23rd thru November 3rd 2024, the highly successful 40 Days for Life campaign returns to Vallejo with 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach. St. Dominic's Parish will be responsible for filling all Wednesday's from 6am to 6pm beginning on the first Wednesday of the vigil September 25th. Please consider giving 1 hour per week praying in the public right of way in front of Planned Parenthood located at 303 Sacramento St. Vallejo, CA. You can sign up online at https:// www.40daysforlife.com/en/vallejo. You can set up your own login credentials and sign up for any hour of any day during the vigil. Please contact me if you have any questions.

We know 40 Days for Life has made a difference in Vallejo/Benicia & American Canyon. Our volunteers have made extraordinary sacrifices to expose the abortion industry and to protect children and their mothers from abortion." Here are just a few of the positive results of the previous Vallejo campaign(s).

- Nine lives save from abortion that we know of
- Five Catholic Churches are working together
- Approximately 50 volunteers dedicated themselves as prayer warriors & few of them pray at the clinic every Wednesday, Thursday & Friday all year round, rain or shine.

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, highly-focused, nondenominational initiative that focuses on 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and grassroots educational outreach. The 40-day time frame is drawn from examples throughout Biblical history. All prayer vigil participants are requested to pray for peace, pledging to conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner at all times.

CONTACT: Tony Hensley 707-246-9076

E-mail: tonyh@ctpub.com

Pregnant? Worried and confused? We're here to help you.

The Gabriel Project® offers hope and assistance to any woman experiencing a crisis pregnancy. We respect all life and see the birth of each child as a fresh expression of the unfailing love of God.

Our concern is not only for the unborn child, but also for each and every mother in need.

gabriel@stdombenicia.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 (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

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♦ Altar Servers

Theodore Diepenbrock - altarservers@stdombenicia.org

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Luke Shalz - Ishalz@stdombenicia.org

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Patti Erickson - grief@stdombenicia.org

♦ Dominican Laity

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Mike & Sara Monahan - emhc@stdombenicia.org

♦ Gabriel Project

Sandy Scafani & Maria Padrones - gabriel@stdombenicia.org

♦ Guadalupana Association

Patricia Chavez - guadalupana@stdombenicia.org

♦ Hospitality

Kristina Ruiz - hospitality@stdombenicia.org

♦ Knights of Columbus

Dan Swienton - beniciaknights@gmail.com

- ♦ MOM's Ministry Magnificence of Motherhood Jamaila Pasternack - mothers@stdombenicia.org
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♦ Parish Pastoral Council

Kaitlin Demers - ppc@stdombenicia.org

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Brianne Dela Cruz—bdelacruz@stdombenicia.org

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Tom Sarnicola & Manny Roldan – usher@stdombenicia.org

Our ministries are open to all parishioners. Please contact our ministry leaders and join one today! We can't wait to hear from you!

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