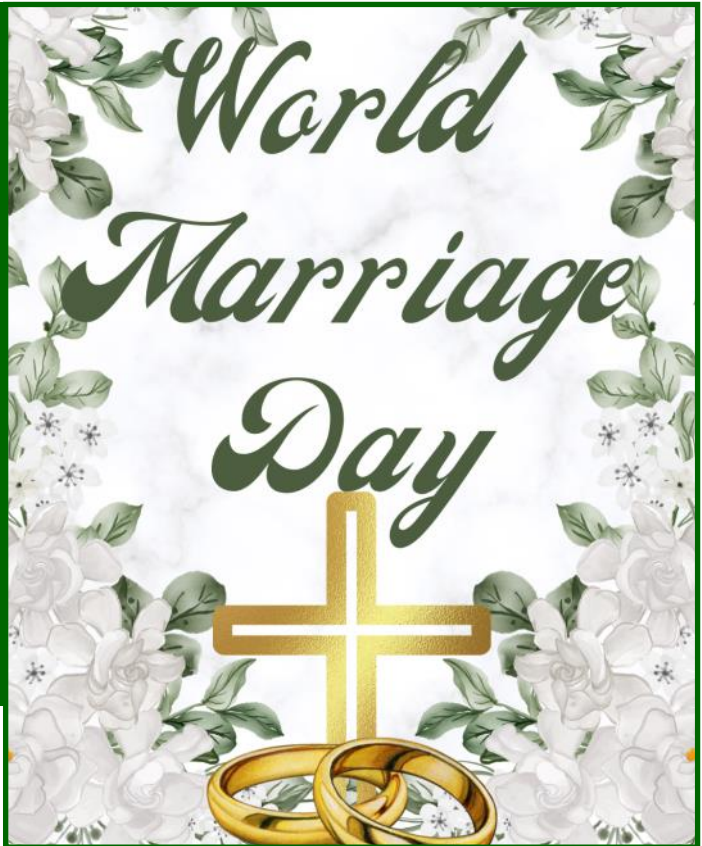


# Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 9, 2025

Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8  
 Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8  
 1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
 Luke 5:1-11

*“In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.”*



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

## Altar Flowers Offered for the Birthday of Roman Raul Frantela

### Mass Intentions

Sat	02/08	5:00 p.m.	(R) Rogelio Co
Sun	02/09	7:30 a.m.	(T) For the People
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Brett Watson
		11:00 a.m.	(R) Apolonia De Joya
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Edgardo Vicente
Mon	02/10	6:45 a.m.	(R) Henry Gutierrez
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Brett Watson
Tues	02/11	6:45 a.m.	(T) Our Lady of Lourdes Devotees of St. Jude
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Brett Watson
Wed	02/12	6:45 a.m.	(H) Ely Capapas & Family
		8:15 a.m.	(T) Manny Gaudioso
Thurs	02/13	6:45 a.m.	(H) Amar Sfeir
		8:15 a.m.	(R) John Silva
Fri	02/14	6:45 a.m.	(R) Jack Curran
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Luke Shalz
Sat	02/15	8:15 a.m.	(R) Kenneth Rogers
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Nilda Carbonell
Sun	02/16	7:30 a.m.	(P) Bishop Steven Maekawa
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Harry Case
		11:00 a.m.	(B) Rolly Tayag
		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:**



Rachel McDonald, Jackie Klare, Evangeline Chua, Neil Black, Maria Kim, Dennis Kolkebeck, Adrienne Varin, Sandra K. Andrakin, Hau Thi Vu Nguyen, 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:**

Patricia Butler, Pam Shook, Dr. Joseph "Tony" Matan, Troy Carl, Joan Bade, Shiela Elliott, Irmengard Carr, Paul Draper, Stanley Mellor, Peter Boss, Carol Keating, Gladysne Mitchell, Brett Watson, Peter Szabo, Carol Burch, Robert (Bob) Haight, Barbara Peck



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# Pastor's Corner



This past week, we had a daily Gospel reading in which the disciples of Jesus find themselves traveling with Jesus on a boat. A violent squall came up and waves were breaking over the boat, so that it was already filling up. Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said to

him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm." Jesus turns to them, questioning why they were terrified. "Have you no faith?" he asks. This Gospel reading presents what can be seen as an image of the seemingly paradoxical experience of Christian peace. As Saint Thomas Aquinas reminds us, peace is a tranquility that is rooted in order. Carrying that statement to the fullness of its meaning we can see that ultimate peace is a tranquility rooted in the one who orders all things. Jesus accomplishes that rootedness for us. Being rooted in God as our source of peace does not, however, insulate us from encountering various forms of external conflict that test our ability to handle stress. And yet in the midst of that, there is a deeper tranquility we can sustain by way of our faith. The aforementioned Gospel reading can be seen to illustrate this truth. The scene presents the disciples as being in a boat with Jesus that is tossed around the sea. There is a stressful violent squall all around them. In the midst of that, Jesus lays in the stern, sleeping peacefully. His sleep can represent that deeper tranquility he can give us in the midst of external conflict, knowing that if we stay in Christ's boat, he will lead us home safely to the Father. Sometimes I compare this reality to riding a rollercoaster when one is a small child who has not yet learned to appreciate such rides. For example, I remember riding my first rollercoaster as a small child with an uncle at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. The ride was stressful and not at all fun for me at that point. I could not wait for it to finish. However, at a deeper level, I did feel confidence that ultimately I would get to the end of the ride with my life intact, and I drew comfort from the presence of my uncle right next to me. Obviously, life can be a *much* scarier ride than anything we might experience at a theme park. But on the stormy sea of life, with Christ there in the boat with us, our safety at the end of that ride is much more secure than our earthly safety would be on some janky rollercoaster on the Santa Cruz Boardwalk! Let's stay in Christ's boat!

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

## Upcoming Events

### Women's Bible Study

Mondays

Formed.org Lectio: Mark

6:30 p.m. - Ministry Center/Siena Rom

### Men's Bible Study

Fridays

6:30 p.m. - Ministry Center/Siena Rom

### SDS Crab Feed

Saturday, February 15

6:30 p.m. - Parish Hall

### SVdP Hawaii Trip Drawing Ticket Sales

February 15/16 & 22/23

After All Masses - Front of Church

### Baking Sunday

Bake a Valentine!

Sunday, February 16

After 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses - Parish Hall

### Rite of Burning Palms

Saturday, March 1

6:00 p.m. After the Vigil Mass  
Courtyard

### Grief Series

Saturdays, March 1 - April 5

11:00 a.m. - Aquinas Room

### Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 5

Masses: 6:45, 8:15 a.m.  
4:00 & 6:00 p.m.

**Flowers Offered  
Last Week  
to Nuestra Señora  
de la Candelaria  
in Loving Memory of  
Roman Raul Frantela**



**TAX TIME  
2024**

**STATEMENTS  
AVAILABLE  
ONLINE AT**

<https://www.stdombenicia.org/give>  
or email:  
ltelepak@stdombenicia.org



# GRIEF SERIES

SATURDAYS  
MARCH 1- APRIL 5 AT 11:00 A.M.  
MINISTRY CENTER - AQUINAS ROOM

## FINDING HOPE

In this Jubilee year of Hope, offering hope to those suffering heartbreaking loss. Join us in our small group setting to share your grief, while receiving resources to help you through it.

## WIN A TRIP TO MAUI!



**Ticket Sales After  
All Masses  
February 15/16 & 22/23**



**Tickets \$10**  
**90% of each ticket  
supports Benicia's poor!**

**Grand Prize:** 7days/6 nights at the Sheraton Maui Resort and Spa (Value \$6,000)  
Includes: Airfare for two (\$1500 max), Hertz Rental Car (\$500 Voucher), and \$1,000 American Express Gift Card

Drawing: April 25, 2025 Need not be present to win.

If you are interested in purchasing 10 or more tickets in advance,  
please contact us at [svdp@stdombenicia.org](mailto:svdp@stdombenicia.org)

# Rite of Burning Palms to Ashes

**Saturday, March 1**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
Following 5:00 p.m. Mass  
**Courtyard**  
Drop your palms off in the box  
provided in the vestibule.

# March 5

## Ash Wednesday

**Masses**  
**6:45, 8:15 a.m.,  
4:00, & 6:00 p.m.**

**Prayer Service with Ashes**  
**12:30 p.m.**

Lent Begins



# YEAR OF

# HOPE



## DECEMBER 24, 2024 - JANUARY 6, 2026

To see God. To be living stones in His temple. To unite all creation in Christ.

Join us in living the Jubilee Year called by the Holy Father, Pope Francis. The Jubilee Year is an opportunity for every Catholic in our Diocese to make real our call to be Pilgrims of Hope in Northern California. All 12 sites have an anchor for the duration of the Jubilee Year. It is a visible symbol of Jesus' **anchoring** love for all of us and a reminder of our call to be Pilgrims of Hope for the world.

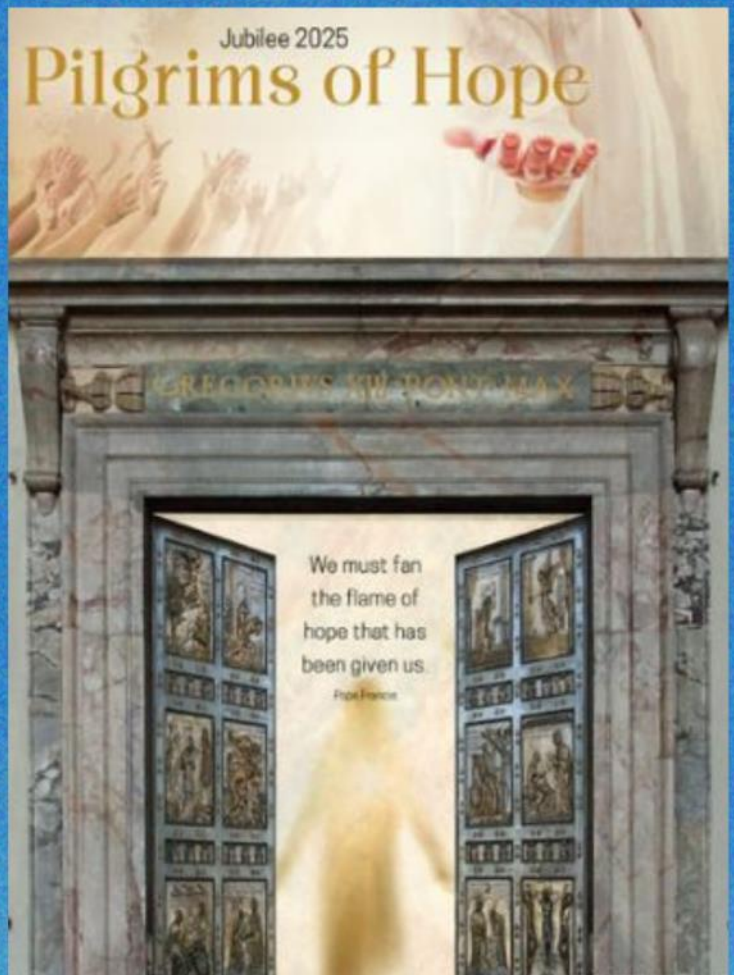
### 12 PILGRIMAGE PARISH SITES OF SACRAMENTO DIOCESE

#### **St. Dominic's Parish - Benicia**

- St. Charles Borromeo Parish - Sacramento
- St. James Parish - Davis
- Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament - Sac
- Holy Trinity Parish - El Dorado Hills
- St. Lawrence Parish - North Highlands
- St. Clare Parish - Roseville
- St. Isidore Parish - Yuba City
- St. Patrick Parish - Grass Valley
- Sacred Heart Parish - Susanville
- Sacred Heart Parish - Anderson
- Holy Cross Parish - Tulelake

Scripture reminds us that "We who have taken refuge might be strongly encouraged to hold fast to the hope that lies before us. This we have as an anchor of the soul, sure and firm, which reaches into the interior behind the veil, where Jesus has entered on our behalf as forerunner, becoming high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek." (HEB. 6.18-20)

Post your pictures  
with these hashtags!  
**#stdombenicia**  
**#hopefulpilgrims**



# Confirmation Preparation



Thank you for your prayers while our Year 2 Confirmation Candidates were on Retreat January 18th. May God pour out His graces upon them as they prepare to be Confirmed March 26th and April 1st.



St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance  
Celebrating St. Dominic's  
171st Anniversary

MARCH 15, 2025  
BENICIACLOCKTOWER

PLEASE JOIN OUR  
COMMITTEE!  
NEXT MEETING  
FEBRUARY 24TH  
AT 6:30 PM  
PARISH OFFICE

Ticket sales start soon! Watch the  
bulletin for the QR code. No tickets  
at the door. All tickets sold online.

IRISH DANCERS - RAFFLE - MUSIC  
CORNEBEEF DINNER - NO HOST BAR

## Legacy & IRA Giving

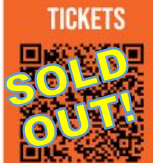
You can remember St. Dominic's, Benicia in your estate plans through your will, retirement plan or other assets. Legacy gifts are used for capital projects that may otherwise not be possible and are never used for day to day expenses. For example the parish hall renovations! You can even designate your 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](mailto:tstone@stdombenicia.org) or 707-335-4672



Saturday  
February 15, 2025  
St. Dominic's Parish Hall  
935 East 5th St, Benicia  
6:30 PM



Society of  
**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**  
ST. DOMINIC'S CONFERENCE  
BENICIA, CA

## Want more information?

St. Vincent de Paul ministry meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Mary Magdalene Room, which is located on the first floor of the ministry center. Everyone is welcome. To learn more about our ministry or to help with one of our projects, please contact us at [svdp@stdombenicia.org](mailto:svdp@stdombenicia.org) or speak with a Vincentian at one of our events. We are a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need.

Please help us stock our pantry. We are in need of mayo, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, canned vegetables, canned fruit, soups, beef stew, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, fruit cups, etc.

If you or someone you know, who lives in Benicia, and needs help with food, then please call us at (707) 746-1773 and leave a message. One of our volunteers will call you back on a weekday. We deliver groceries 5 days/week Monday-Friday.

If you or someone you know, who lives in Benicia, and needs help with rent, water or PG&E bills, then please call us at (707) 200-4940. If we don't answer, then please leave a message and we will get back to you within 24 hours.

# 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**  
 Euly Legro - [adoration@stdombenicia.org](mailto:adoration@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Altar Servers**  
 Theodore Diepenbrock - [altarservers@stdombenicia.org](mailto:altarservers@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**  
 Maria Padrones - [gabriel@stdombenicia.org](mailto:gabriel@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Guadalupe Association**  
 Patricia Chavez - [guadalupe@stdombenicia.org](mailto:guadalupe@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Hospitality**  
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- ◆ **Knights of Columbus**  
 Dan Swinton - [beniciaknights@gmail.com](mailto:beniciaknights@gmail.com)
- ◆ **MOM's Ministry - Magnificence of Motherhood**  
 Jamaila Pasternack - [mothers@stdombenicia.org](mailto:mothers@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Lectors Ministry**  
 Amar Lagrimas - [lectors@stdombenicia.org](mailto:lectors@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **Lazarus Ministry**  
 Amar Lagrimas - [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**  
 Brianne Dela Cruz—[bdelacruz@stdombenicia.org](mailto:bdelacruz@stdombenicia.org)
- ◆ **St. Vincent de Paul**  
 Michael Munn - [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 – [usher@stdombenicia.org](mailto: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!**

# Parish Office

475 East I Street, Benicia  
**Current Office Hours**  
 Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
 707.747.7220  
**Religious Education Office Hours**  
 Tuesday & Thursday 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
**Parish Staff**

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| <b>Fr. Andy Opsahl, O.P.</b><br>frandy@stdombenicia.org | <b>Pastor</b>  |
| <b>Fr. Gregory Liu, O.P.</b><br>gliu@stdombenicia.org   | <b>Parochial Vicar</b>   |
| <b>Mike Scafani</b><br>mscafani@stdombenicia.org        | <b>Deacon</b>  |
| <b>Teresa Stone</b><br>tstone@stdombenicia.org          | <b>Business Manager</b>  |
| <b>Luke Shalz</b><br>lshalz@stdombenicia.org            | <b>Music Director</b>  |
| <b>Lori Telepak</b><br>ltelepak@stdombenicia.org        | <b>Communications</b>  |
| <b>Brianne Dela Cruz</b><br>bdelacruz@stdombenicia.org  | <b>Dir. of Religious Ed.</b>                                   |
| <b>Debi Thurin</b><br>dthurin@stdombenicia.org          | <b>Children's Sacraments</b>                                   |
| <b>Delores Rodriguez</b><br>drodriguez@stdombenicia.org | <b>RE Admin. Assistant</b>                                     |
| <b>Justin Reyes</b><br>jreyes@stdombenicia.org          | <b>Liturgy Coordinator</b>                                     |
| <b>Scott Schilz</b><br>sschilz@stdombenicia.org         | <b>Weddings &amp; Quince's</b>                                 |
| <b>Fr. David Farrugia, O.P.</b>                         | <b>Maintenance</b>   |
| <b>Fr. Vincent Serpa, O.P.</b>                          | <b>In Residence / Retired</b><br><b>In Residence / Retired</b> |

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

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT			
07/1/24-12/31/24			
	YTD	YTD	+ / -
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>Sunday Offertory</b>			
Online donations	\$ 224,436		
Sunday/Mail-in donations	\$ 291,816		
	\$ 516,252	\$ 504,000	\$ 12,252
Christmas	\$ 25,700	\$ 25,000	\$ 700
<b>Second Collections:</b>			
Building Improvement	\$ 22,256	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,256
Faith Formation	\$ 5,201	\$ 5,350	\$ (149)
Total Operating Income	\$ 690,624	\$ 644,315	\$ 46,309
Operating Expenses	\$ 729,335	\$ 664,672	\$ 64,663
<b>Net Income/Loss</b>	<b>\$ (38,711)</b>	<b>\$ (20,357)</b>	<b>\$ (18,354)</b>

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

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<p><b>Tim &amp; Jeannie Hamann Foundation</b> fightcancer@hamannfoundation.org Tax ID#47-2189766 hamannfoundation.org</p>	<p><b>North Point Pest Solutions Inc.</b> Pest Control Services BENICIA (707) 621-0003</p>	<p><b>Up2Code Plumbing</b> Owner Mike Pitta - 24 hour service (707) 751-1714</p>
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<p align="center"><b>SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 2025</b></p>	<p>FEB 02: Building Improvement FEB 09: SDS Tuition Assistance FEB 16: Building Improvement FEB 23: Faith Formation</p>	

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