# Sunday of Divine Mercy

## April 27, 2025

Acts 5:12-16 Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 John 20:19-31

#### "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting."



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

#### **Mass Intentions**

Sat Sun	04/26 04/27	5:00 p.m. (R) Artur & Lourdes Cardoso 7:30 a.m. (R) Illuminada Panganiban 9:00 a.m. (T) People of the Parish 11:00 a.m. (B) Margie Daly 1:00 p.m. (A) Francisco & Celina Trujillo
Mon	04/28	6:45 a.m. (R) Emelita Revese 8:15 a.m. (R) Louise Toccalino
Tues	04/29	
Wed	04/30	6:45 a.m. (B) Eleuterio Cappas, Jr.
Thurs	05/01	8:15 a.m. (B) Susy Verbis 6:45 a.m. (A) CGH School of Nursing
Fri	05/02	•••••
Sat	05/03	,
Sun	05/04	5:00 p.m. (A) Joe & Frances Taglang 7:30 a.m. (R) Matia Rau Lee & Bonadita Kao Soon Kang
		Benedita Kae Soon Kang 9:00 a.m. (R) Manuel & Benny Lira 11:00 a.m. (R) Jose Callao 1:00 p.m. (P) People of the Parish

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

#### June 2025 Intentions Open May 1



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Jesus, I Trust in You

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



Joe Ogden, Albert Horvath, Estela Kanade, Greg Albright, Bill Telepak, Donna Ernst, Jocelyn Holzwarth, Fred Ayala, Grace Engels, Rachel McDonald, Neil Black, Maria Kim, Dennis Kolkebeck, Adrienne Varin, Sandra K. Andrakin, Hau Thi Vu Nguyen, Rose Marie Watterson, Emilio Ermio, Elaine Paschal, Maria Bongco, Ramon Dela Cruz. Carol Marsh, Francisco Gan, Dino Tan, Donna Wade, 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

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

Leonor Cruel, Christopher Wright, Dolores C. Bello. June DeBrake, Fr. David Farrugia, O.P., Reynaldo Terrado, Dolores Lucas, Marty Garrett, Pauline Soop, Jackie Klare, Eugenia Lorica, Gary Jurien, Paul Dacey, Raffaele G. Ruberto, Robert Morgan, Jr., Patricia Butler, Pam Shook, Dr. Joseph "Tony" Matan, Troy Carl, Joan Bade, Shiela Elliott, Irmengard Carr, Paul Draper ~names will be listed as space allows~



# **Pastor's Corner**



I sure have enjoyed the slower pace of the Easter Octave after the gauntlet of liturgies that was Holy Week. Having stated that, however, I am glad to report that the Triduum liturgies of the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, and Easter Vigil felt much

less stressful for me than last year. Things were smoother this year for multiple reasons, but a big one was that the other liturgical participants and I repeated the run-throughs at the rehearsals for the liturgies more times than during the previous year's rehearsals. Extra run-throughs can feel long and tedious, and it can feel tempting to cut them short, but boy does it pay off to resist that temptation. The resultant preparation gave all three liturgies a nice flow, which proved to be especially valuable at the Easter Vigil. With twelve people fully entering the Church, eight of them getting baptized, others making professions of the faith having already been baptized as Protestants, and all of them getting the Sacrament of Confirmation, the entire mass lasted three hours. I know that sounds incredibly long, but numerous people told us they did not mind the length because, again, things kept moving with a nice, smooth flow, the music provided by our music director Luke Shalz and parish vocalist Maddie Burman was so gorgeous, and the theological significance behind the vigil itself was so important. Entering the church in the darkness at Easter Vigil with the lit Paschal Candle representing Christ in the darkness is so powerful. The numerous readings took us through Salvation history, and then when the lights fully came on at the Gloria, the whole church felt so jubilant. Before the Gloria started, as the servers lit the candles throughout the sanctuary. Luke played a thrilling fanfare on the organ that captured the spirit of Easter in such an exciting way. Then the bells began ringing! The mass is meant to be the climax of our liturgical year, and everyone involved this year served us well in putting on a liturgy with that goal. Then the rest of the Sunday masses went smoothly and joyful as well. And attendance was huge! We had only intended on doing an overflow mass in the hall for the 11am Easter mass, but as Fr. Gregory and I saw the church filling up fast twenty minutes before the 9am mass, we decided, on the spot, to do an overflow mass at 9am as well. It was a good thing we did so, because while the church was quite packed for 9am, we still had roughly eighty people in the overflow mass Fr. Gregory did in the hall. Now we know, going forward, both the 9am and 11am masses will need overflow masses on Easter Sunday. That was not the case last year. Praise God for all of this growth, and Happy Easter, everyone!

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

# **Upcoming Events**

<u>Easter Egg Hunt</u> Sunday- April 27 - TODAY Liberty Filed Following the 9:00 a.m. Mass

#### Divine Mercy

Sunday - April 27—TODAY Singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 p.m. - Church

#### **Doughnuts & Coffee**

Sunday - April 27—TODAY Following the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses

Pope Francis Memorial Mass

Wednesday - April 30 6:00 p.m. - Church

#### Farmers Market

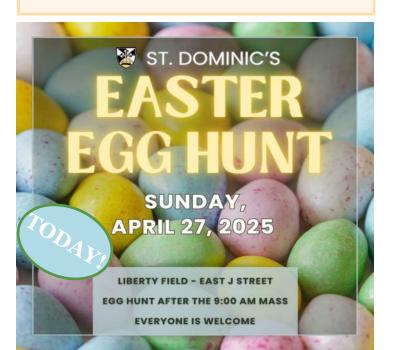
Thursdays - May 1,15, 29 Supported by Various Ministries 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Men's Bible Study

Fridays - May 2 - Restarting! 5:30 p.m. - Siena Room

#### <u> Return - Fr. Gregory's Book Study</u>

Mondays 9:30 a.m. - Ministry Center/Magdalene Room Fridays 6:30 p.m. - Parish Hall May 12 - July 3



# POPE FRANCIS

PERSON OF THE YEAR

# December 17, 1936 - April 21, 2025









# HOLY EASTER JOY



# St. Dominic's staff wishes you a delightful Easter season filled with hope, joy and the wonder of God's blessings.



# **Becoming Catholic**

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (O.C.I.A.)

Let us welcome our new members of

the Catholic Church!

Diederich Burton Jr. Diederich Burton Erinn Gilley Bryan Gilley Melody Schulte Miriam Ingram Felicia Perez Desiree Mendoza Donald O'Brien Suzanne Artz Lailah Ayala-Garcia Madeline Schneider



# **Memorial Mass**

#### Mass in Memoriam of Pope Francis

Wednesday April 30 6:00 p.m.

# Thank You

Fellow Parishioners,

A big THANK YOU for your generosity in filling our Easter dinner boxes. We were able to provide much needed food directly to 131 homes in Benicia. Thank you for your help in delivering the boxes last Saturday April 12. The smiles and kind words which accompanied your visits helped to bring the light of Christ to the less fortunate who live among us here in Benicia.

We wish you and your family many blessings during this Easter season.

With gratitude from Your friends at St. Vincent dePaul

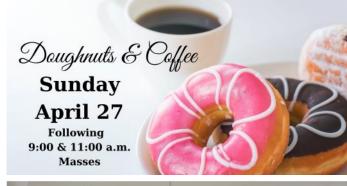


Society of ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ST. DOMINIC'S CONFERENCE BENICIA, CA



Certified Farmers Market







LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME MT 19:14

#### HOLY HALF HOUR

FOLLOWED BY POTLUCK DINNER MARY MAGDALENE ROOI ALL AGES WELCOM

# BOOK STUDY

**RETURN** - How to Draw Your Children Back to the Church

<u>Mondays</u> 9:30 a.m. - Ministry Center Mary Magdalene Room <u>Fridays</u> 6:30 p.m. - Parish Hall May 12 - July 3

### **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

**Altar Servers** 

Theodore Diepenbrock - altarservers@stdombenicia.org Choirs

- Luke Shalz Ishalz@stdombenicia.org
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Patti Erickson - grief@stdombenicia.org

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#### **Gabriel Project** ٠

Maria Padrones - gabriel@stdombenicia.org

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Amar Lagrimas - lectors@stdombenicia.org

Lazarus Ministry Amar Lagrimas - lazarus@stdombenicia.org

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#### St. Vincent de Paul Michael Munn - svdp@stdombenicia.org

St. Dominic's Cemetery Lisa Sarnicola - Isarnicola@opwest.org

#### Ushers

Tom Sarnicola & Manny Roldan - usher@stdombenicia.org

#### **Diocese of Sacramento Special Collections**

April 18 (Good Friday) - Holy Lands

April 26/27 - Catholic Missions Appeal

May 31/June 1 - Catholic Communication Campaign

# **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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**Business Manager** 

**Music Director** 

Communications

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**RE Admin. Assistant** 

Liturgy Coordinator Weddings & Quince's

Maintenance In Residence / Retired

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**Preschool Director** 

#### PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT 07/1/24-3/31/25

Sunday Offertory	1	YTD Actual	1	YTD Budget	-	+/- Budget
Online donations	\$	322,251				
Sunday/Mail-in donations	\$	439,320				
	\$	761,571	\$	756,000	\$	5,571
Second Collections:						
Building Improvement	\$	38,458	\$	30,000	\$	8,458
Faith Formation	\$	8,061	\$	8,025	\$	36
Total Operating Income	\$	1,009,594	\$	965,722	\$	43,871
Operating Expenses	\$	1,099,360	\$	1,004,508	\$	94,853
Net Income/Loss	\$	(89,767)	\$	(38,785)	\$	(50,981)

#### Please support the following businesses owned by members of our parish community. Their contributions each week underwrite our Parish Bulletin. Thank you!

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Serving St. Dominic's Parish for over 25 years!	Exams, Glasses, Contacts	John Passalacqua/Greg Silva/Joe Talken		
(707) 748-7726	(707) 745-6266, 874 Southampton Rd.	(707) 745-3130		
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(707) 752-2990	(707) 553-7360	(707) 746-8187		
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Rex Sevilla–Crane and Electrical Services	Landscaping, Maintenance & Installation	tstone@stdombenicia.org		
(707)333-6287	(707) 747-5273	(707) 330-0773		
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fightcancer@hamannfoundation.org	Pest Control Services	Owner Mike Pitta - 24 hour service		
Tax ID#47-2189766 hamannfoundation.org	BENICIA (707) 621-0003	(707) 751-1714		
	<b>Olson Realty, Inc.</b> Kathleen McInerney Olson/Broker (707) 745-3602	Warring & Assoc. Realtors Bill/Diane Brokers/Owners, 829 First St. (707) 746-6990		
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