

# 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 3, 2025

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23  
 Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17  
 Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11  
 Luke 12:13-21

*“If today you hear his voice,  
 harden not your hearts.”*



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

### Mass Intentions

Sat	08/02	5:00 p.m.	(B) Virginia Gamble
Sun	08/03	7:30 a.m.	(R) Clete & Betty Willihnganz
		9:00 a.m.	(T) Peter & Kristianna Lee
		11:00 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Leonides De Joya
Mon	08/04	6:45 a.m.	(R) Marco Hee Chang & Maria Ranja Lee
		8:15 a.m.	(A) Noreen & Greg Pokladowski
Tues	08/05	6:45 a.m.	(R) Rodolfo Yumul
		8:15 a.m.	(A) Ardath & Joe Kroner
Wed	08/06	6:45 a.m.	(B) Fr. Gregory Augustine Liu, OP
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Fr. Gregory Augustine Liu, OP
Thurs	08/07	6:45 a.m.	(B) Fr. Gregory Augustine Liu, OP
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Elizabeth Ingle
Fri	08/08	6:45 a.m.	(T) Vocations of the Dominican Order
		8:15 a.m.	(H) Pat Dawd, OCDS
Sat	08/09	8:15 a.m.	(T) Fr. Hong Cheol Augustine Jeong
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Artur & Lourdes Cardoso
Sun	08/10	7:30 a.m.	(H) Melody Short
		9:00 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		11:00 a.m.	(R) Frank Polito
		1:00 p.m.	(T) Feast of Holy Fr. Dominic
		5:00 p.m.	(B) Mike Alexander

Legend:

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

**September 2025 Intentions Open August 1**



**1ST PLACE**  
**BEST PLACE OF WORSHIP**

**2025**

Best of Benicia

### Thank You for Voting!

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



Quinn Larkin, Mike McDonald, Julien Sousa, Paul Sousa, James Baldwin, Jill Gaul, Carlos Chulli Sandoval, Joe Ogden, Albert Horvath, Estela Kanade, Greg Albright, Bill Telepak, Donna Ernst, Jocelyn Holzwarth, Fred Ayala, 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, 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, Margaret Haddad, Monika Pangelinan, Gladys Haddad, Julia Haddad, Peter Szabo, Sr.

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

Fr. David O'Rourke, OP, Dennis Schlosser, Aurora Marchino, Marcia Toruno, Chris Larkin, Grace Engels, Fr. Reginald Martin, OP, Fr. Brian Mullady, OP, Jerry Ahlering, Leonor Cruel OPL, Christopher Wright, Dolores C. Bello. June DeBrake, Fr. David Farrugia, O.P., Reynaldo Terrado, Dolores Lucas

*~names will be listed as space allows~*



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## Pastor's Corner



This past week we celebrated the Memorial of Saint Ignatius, founder of the Society of Jesus, more commonly known as the Jesuits. Saint Ignatius was born in the Basque region of Spain and lived from 1491 to 1556. The journey that led him to become a priest and great spiritual master started when he was a young soldier laid up in recovery from a combat wound. He had asked for literature to read about sensational battles and romances, but the only book that was available was on the lives of the saints. As Ignatius read of saints like Dominic and Francis of Assisi, their stories prompted thoughts of going out and living his own radical life of sainthood, which filled him with a vibrant motivation that would stay with him, even as he turned his thoughts to other topics. By contrast, when he would fantasize about more secular adventures, the thoughts invigorated him for a while but then would leave him feeling weary. At a certain point, his cultivated sensitivity to this difference would play a role in his celebrated Ignatian Spirituality and discernment of spirits. The topic of his approach to the discernment of spirits is quite a large one and a proper explanation of it would require more space than I have here, but in general, it had to do with discerning the effects different influences had on one's interior state. Influences with good effects were kept while the bad were discarded. Along these lines, the general practice of being reflective on how our various influences affect our interior lives is a wise practice. In the evening when doing an examination of conscience, try to observe your mood at the day's end. What do you notice when doing that? Do you feel peaceful, glad, crabby, sad? When you determine what you are feeling, see if you can trace those feelings back to their origin? Were they caused that day? Maybe the day before? Then assess what you can do to retain the good influences and ditch any unhelpful ones. If we make a habit of keeping tabs on the ebb and flow of our interior lives, all the while nipping in the bud the unhelpful influencers, this is bound to improve our spiritual growth, at least to some extent. Let's all try it. It's not hard to do and helps eliminate little problems in our souls before they become big ones. Saint Ignatius, pray for us!

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## Upcoming Events

### Women's Bible Study

Mondays - July 14 - Aug 25  
6:30 p.m. - Siena Room  
(No Class Aug 4)

### Farmers Market

Thursdays - Aug 7 & 21  
Supported by Various Ministries  
4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

### 5:00 p.m. Mass RETURNS!

Sunday - Aug 10

## August Second Collection

August 9/10 - Latin America  
August 16/17 - Missionary Appeal

### Latin America—Second Collection

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america). To donate online, visit <https://www.scd.org/cla>.

### Special Envelopes for August

AUG 03 & 17: Building Improvement  
AUG 10: SDS Tuition Assistance AUG 15: Assumption  
AUG 24: Faith Formation AUG 31: St. Vincent de Paul

#### PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

07/1/24-5/31/25

	YTD <u>Actual</u>	YTD <u>Budget</u>	+ / - <u>Budget</u>
<b>Sunday Offertory</b>			
Online donations	\$ 395,662		
Sunday/Mail-in donations	\$ 515,979		
	\$ 911,641	\$ 924,000	\$ (12,359)
<b>Second Collections:</b>			
Building Improvement	\$ 44,090	\$ 36,667	\$ 7,423
Faith Formation	\$ 9,872	\$ 9,808	\$ 64
Total Operating Income	\$ 1,236,495	\$ 1,205,994	\$ 30,501
Operating Expenses	\$ 1,337,175	\$ 1,224,398	\$ 112,777
<b>Net Income/Loss</b>	<b>\$ (100,680)</b>	<b>\$ (18,404)</b>	<b>\$ (82,276)</b>

## 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

Team - [adoration@stdombenicia.org](mailto:adoration@stdombenicia.org)

### ◆ Altar Servers

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### ◆ Consolation/Grief

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### ◆ Dominican Laity

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### ◆ Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Mike & Sara Monahan - [emhc@stdombenicia.org](mailto:emhc@stdombenicia.org)

### ◆ Gabriel Project

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### ◆ Guadalupana Association

Patricia Chavez - [guadalupana@stdombenicia.org](mailto:guadalupana@stdombenicia.org)

### ◆ Hospitality

Kristina Ruiz - [hospitality@stdombenicia.org](mailto:hospitality@stdombenicia.org)

### ◆ Knights of Columbus

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### ◆ MOM's Ministry - Magnificence of Motherhood

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### ◆ Lectors Ministry

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### ◆ Lazarus Ministry

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### ◆ 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)

## Join a Ministry Today!

Are you feeling called to serve your church community in new ways? Reach out to one or more of our ministry leaders above and explore all the blessings these ministries have to offer! We look forward to hearing 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.

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Dir. of Faith Formation

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*Come Let Us Adore Him!*

**Adoration Chapel**  
**Hourly Needs**

**Tuesday: 12:00a.m.**  
**Wednesday: 2:00 p.m. (Aug 6-Oct)**  
**Thursday: 5:00 p.m. wks. 1, 3, & 5**  
**Saturday: 12:00 p.m. wks. 2 & 4**  
**1:00 p.m. wks. 1 & 3**  
**5:00 p.m. wk 2**

**Adoration is Open to the Public**  
**8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**  
**Can you spare an hour for our Lord?**  
**Contact: [adoration@stdombenicia.org](mailto:adoration@stdombenicia.org)**

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**2025 FESTIVAL**

**WATCH FOR T-SHIRT PRESALES!**

**HOPE**

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025**

**9:00 a.m. MASS & FESTIVAL**

**EXCITING NEWS**

**5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass**

**Returns Weekly**

**Starting August 10th**

**(No Mass September 14<sup>th</sup> - due to festival)**