

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, 2026

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
Matthew 15:21-28

“O God, let all the nations praise you!”



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

Mass Intentions

Sat	08/15	5:00 p.m.	(R) Margarita Gonzalez
Sun	08/16	7:30 a.m.	(R) Betty & Clete Willihnganz
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Elva Cortez
		11:00 a.m.	(H) Theodore Diepenbrock
		1:00 p.m.	(P) Antonio Gomez
		5:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish
Mon	08/17	6:45 a.m.	(R) Michael Hong Churl Kang
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Juan Carlos Carbonell
Tues	08/18	6:45 a.m.	(B) Ann Espinosa
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Christopher Saulog
Wed	08/19	6:45 a.m.	(T) Joseph & Veronica Rhee
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Victor Bade
Thurs	08/20	6:45 a.m.	(R) Norman Vincent Banaban
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Johnny Napier
Fri	08/21	6:45 a.m.	(R) Ferdinand Cortez
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Michael Hong Churl Kang
Sat	08/22	8:15 a.m.	(B) Linda Dela Cruz
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Artur and Lourdes Cardoso
Sun	08/23	7:30 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		9:00 a.m.	(B) Br. Xavier Marie Wu, O.P.
		11:00 a.m.	(R) Salvador Roldan
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Johnny Napier
		5:00 p.m.	(B) Pax Lorica

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

September 2026 Mass Intentions Opened August 4

Welcome Back Students!



8th Grade
SDS Class of 2027

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



Quinn Larkin, Grace Wildasin, Mark DeMers, Camille Thoms, Connie Reyes, John Melo, Justin Fowler, Linda Holden, Sherri Silva, Mandy Clody, Thelma A. Bueg, Brandy Womack, Dee Case, Casin Oaks, Annette Alfaro, Colleen Walker, Chai Notarte, Dennis Kolkebeck, Anastasia Boomer, Steven Haigh, Kit Bulaon, Mike McDonald, Julien Sousa, Paul Sousa, James Baldwin, Jill Gaul, Carlos Chulli Sandoval, Joe Ogden, Albert Horvath, Greg & Liz Albright, Fred Ayala, Adrienne Varin, Hau Thi Vu Nguyen, Elaine Paschal, Maria Bongco, Ramon Dela Cruz, Francisco Gan, Dino Tan, Donna Wade, Michael Raymundo Co, Christian Salcedo, Rolando Cortez, Paul Cruel, Maria de Fatima Pereira, Eileen Hayes, Barbara Donley, Cecilia Tan, Sherry Thomas, Barbara Helms, Colin Larkin, Alma Johnson, Lisa Santini, Liz Thurin, Rosie & Don Klatt, Aurora Basilio, Mark Nees, Albert Tan Co, Ron Pearman, Patricia Weber, Bernice Cure, Margaret Haddad, Gladys Haddad

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

Yolanda Buitron, Julia Haddad, Christopher Frank Graetsch, Paul Moran, Deodato Cordero, Bruce Corbett, Marife Villanueva, Virgilio Angeles, Mark Gonzaleas, Jesusa Orellana, Doris Perry, Min Poblete, Michael Devlin, Allan Canumay, Anita Perez, John "Jack" Snider, Nancy Gigliotti, Bill Telepak, John "Jack" Snider



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Pastor's Corner



As I have said before in this space, I love the time of year when school is just beginning. I associate it with fresh starts and hopeful possibilities. This past Wednesday, I celebrated mass for the kids of Saint Dominic's School for their first day back in

uniform. I acknowledged to them that initially returning to the classroom could feel a bit stinging, but there were all sorts of wonderful autumn things to look forward to on the horizon. I know I feel that way. For example, I am definitely looking forward to our school's flag football season! Going to the kids' games, enjoying the blue sky and green grass with families, cheering for our kids is my ideal autumn Saturday morning. Also, for any student, the beginning of each school year presents a special opportunity to develop his or her identity in a helpful way. Perhaps last year he or she was a slacker about turning in homework or showing up at sports practice. This year that student could suddenly become one of the kids who are 'totally on it' when it comes to school work or the 'big-up-and-come' on one of our flag football teams, due to more diligent practice. There is a similar truth in regard to the rest of us for the coming months. Throughout the next fall and spring seasons we could find ourselves more organized, less stressed, more productive, and better plugged-in emotionally with loved ones by starting the current lead up to Fall with the right intentionality. God made us to operate with this sort of balance, which is why the aforementioned intentionality should have the goal of growing in our faith as its foundation. Whatever improvements we hope to make for this year, let us all make sure to integrate them with a mindfulness of giving greater glory to God. That is bound to help us carry out the various tasks of our lives with a rightly ordered sense of proportion. On the topic of new beginnings, by the way, I got to enjoy a few with my nephews in Vacaville, recently. A few weeks ago, I baptized my baby nephew, Jacob, which was very special. And a week ago, I sat with my nephews as they watched the Karate Kid for the first time. They loved it as much as I did when I was around their age. I had not seen the movie in decades. That flick really holds up!

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Upcoming Events

TODAY! - Baking Sunday

Sunday - August 16
After Masses - 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. - Parish Hall

Farmers Market

Thursdays - August 20, September 3 & 17
4:00 p.m. - First Street

Men's Bible Study

Fridays - August 21 & 28
New Series Begins September 11
Ministry Center - Siena Room

Sacred Americana - Candlelight Concert

Saturday - August 29
8:00 p.m. - Church
Tickets available Online - stdombenicia.org

Faith Formation Sign-Up Deadline

Monday - August 31
Online stdombenicia.org

Special Envelopes for August

AUG 02 & 16: Building Improvement

AUG 09: SDS Tuition Assistance

AUG 15: Assumption of Mary

AUG 23: Faith Formation AUG 30: SVdP

Special 2nd Collections for August

AUG 15/16: Missionary Cooperative Appeal

Collection for the Mission Co-Op

This week, we will take up a second collection at the end of Mass. All funds will be divided among the 50 missionary organizations visiting throughout the Sacramento Diocese.

We are blessed to have Fr. Jordan Bradshaw, O.P.
from the Dominican Mission Foundation
visiting us here at St. Dominic's.

Women's Bible Study
Mondays - 6:30 p.m.
September 14 - November 16
Lectio - Peter.on.Formed.org
Ministry Center Downstairs
Mary Magdalene Room

Join Us! Newcomers welcome!
If you would like to pre-order your workbook, contact Kelley:
www@stdombenicia.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 (livestreamed), 9:00, 11:00 a.m.,
1:00 (Spanish/English) & 5:00 p.m.

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.



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St. Monica Chapter, Benicia
In Thanksgiving
August 9**



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back our students for a
new school year!**



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8th - 12th GRADE

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Study**

12 Part Series

From Genesis to Jesus

**STARTING FRIDAY:
11 September 2026**

**TIME
6:00 p.m.**

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Ministry Building - Siena Room**

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