

# Welcome to The Church of St. Dominic



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Sat. Mass: 5:00 PM Sun. Mass: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM (Misa)

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February 20, 2022

In this week's Gospel, Jesus teaches that doing good with the expectation of receiving good is not the sacrifice he is asking of us. He asks that we give the hardest of all loves - loving thy enemy - without the expectation of anything in return. When we think of "enemy" we initially envision a military foe or someone we believe is truly evil. But really this translates into anyone in our life whom we may not see eye to eye with - from family and friends to neighbors or strangers. It makes interacting with others who don't share our opinions, interests, politics or religion a real and challenging thing. With the influence of social media and biased news that seems intent on creating chaos and anger, it is a challenge to love period.

It is so important that we as adults give our children the tools to stand for what is good and right as well as learn respect for differing opinions. It is easy to fall prey to our emotions and react in the heat of the moment. Current times have certainly drained our patience with life and each other. This is where Christ's love saves us and shows us that we are forgiven. But with that gift we are also required to give forgiveness and love to others.

In the past eighteen months, St. Dominic School students have been learning the skills needed to calm initial negative responses in a challenging situation. They know to stop, breathe, calm themselves and then find a meaningful and Christ-like response to scary and unnerving instances. We call this Social Emotional Learning. Olympic athletes train for the unexpected so that they are ready to overcome any barrier that may present itself in competition. Isn't it our responsibility as church adults to give our youth the skills needed to avoid pitfalls and behavioral regrets? Isn't it our responsibility to demonstrate the actions that Christ asks of us?

Daily, we are reminded of all the good that St. Dominic school students receive from our Church. On behalf of the School Board, I want to thank you for your prayers and support. The students see you at their Masses on Wednesday mornings and know they belong to a dedicated and loving community. Many benefit from your donations to our Annual Fund in the form of scholarship. You even demonstrate that Catholics can have a great time together at our biggest event of the season, Saints Night Out (SNO).

This year's theme is Kentucky Derby and takes place at the school on March 26th. Chair, Jennifer Kluzak, and the SNO committee have been hard at work in an effort to provide a great time for all. Of course, an important part of the night is the drawing for the Cool Cash Raffle! Who will be the big winners this year? It's our students! Hope to see you there.

Jennifer Fischer  
Chair, School Board



## EVENTS & PARISH NEWS

### ANNULMENT CONSULTATIONS

Staff members of the Archdiocesan Metropolitan Tribunal will be available for confidential consultations with the general public regarding annulments and to offer assistance in filling out the application on Wednesday, March 2 from 7:00a.m. to 7:00p.m.. English consultations will be offered at the Cathedral of Saint Paul and Spanish consultations will be offered at Our Lady of Guadalupe, both in St. Paul. For more information, please visit <https://www.archspm.org/annulment-consultations-on-ash-wednesday/>.

### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

A friendly reminder that the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 21 in honor of President's Day. We will re-open on Tuesday, February 22 at 8:00a.m. If you are in an emergency need of a priest, you can still call the office phone at 507-645-8816.

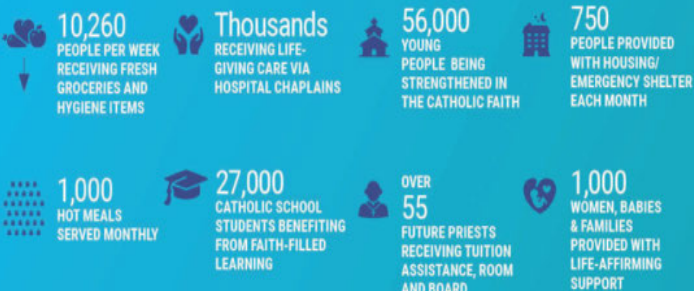
### THANK YOU!

On behalf of all retired men and women religious, brothers and religious order priest, I thank you for your support of the annual *Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal*. Your generosity, especially during these unprecedented times, is really a blessing in support of all those who have witnessed to a lifetime of dedicated service!" ~Gratefully, Sister Lynore Girmscheid, SSND (Note: St. Dominic Parish collected and donated \$5401.69.)

### 2022 Catholic Services Appeal

In response to the Gospel call to serve the poor and spread the Good News, the Catholic Services Appeal of St. Paul and Minneapolis Area (CSAF) works as Christ's hands and feet throughout the 12-county area. An independent non-profit organization, CSAF partners with 20 outreach ministries, thousands of individual donors, and over 185 Catholic parishes to serve the poor, support life, and strengthen Catholic faith. We invite you to learn more about each of the vital ministries supported by the Foundation, and to join us in transforming lives through the Gospel! Visit [www.csafspm.org](http://www.csafspm.org) to learn more, and please prayerfully consider how you might give back to CSAF. Donations can be made in the weekend collection or mailed directly to the CSAF in the envelopes provided. Envelopes are available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.

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## THE SEARCH

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### THE SEARCH—Episode 7: Why a Church?

How do I access this man who lived 2000 years ago? How do I live this call of love? We uniquely encounter the love of God in His Church. But really? The Church? There are so many negative views of the Church. It's out of touch. It's full of bad people. It's just too boring. Maybe when we say "The Church" we mean a little more. The Church is the family of God that's been lovingly gathered through our entire story. It's the place we were meant to encounter His grace that prepares us for every step of life. The God that is love knows how we're made – material and spiritual – we need tangible ways to live our faith. We can't be spiritual but not religious. This is where we'll find ultimate happiness in life. This is where the God that has been seeking humanity, who wrote the deepest desires onto our human hearts, encounters us. Jesus' first words to humanity in the Gospel of John are "what do you seek?" The one that asked the question not only knows the answer, He is the answer. The answers to everything. And you find him most profoundly here in His Church. **JOIN US!** At St. Dominic Church: Feb 20 from 6:30 pm - 7:15 pm (followed by an optional small group study until 7:45 pm).

### CREATING AN AGE FRIENDLY NORTHFIELD

Age Friendly Northfield is a collaboration of multiple agencies in our Community and they are seeking input on the availability of home and community services, health care, respite and transportation for those 50+ years of age, to ensure that older adults have the services and supports to live engaged and independent lives. They have created a survey that takes about 15 minutes to complete and responses are anonymous. Paper copies are available at Fifty North, the Northfield Public Library or can be done online at: <https://bit.ly/agedfriendlynorthfield>. They will collect the data at the end of February. Check out their website for more information or call Parish Nurse, Nancy Ludescher. 507-645-8816.

### Ash Wednesday March 2, 2022

School Mass at 8:20a.m.  
Mass at 6:00p.m.  
Misa at 7:30p.m.

(5:30p.m. at Annunciation)

All are welcome.

Livestream: [vimeo.com/677875397](https://vimeo.com/677875397)

### CEMETERY PRICE CHANGE

Beginning April 1, 2022, the cost of a full-size grave will increase to \$1200 per grave and \$1200 per grave for the opening and closing. The second interment fee will also increase to \$600. Please check the St. Dominic website for a full price sheet.

\*A reminder that as of January 15 all Christmas decorations should have been removed from gravesites. Thank you for your cooperation.





### THANK YOU!

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Members of St. Dominic Parish and School! We sent out an avalanche of Valentines! We truly warmed hearts and shared smiles with those in health care and Senior Citizens throughout the Northfield area! Thank you for sharing your gift of art and heartfelt words! You made the difference!

## A Note from Fr. Gregory

### Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving

As we head into Lent one of the practices that the Church encourages is prayer, fasting and almsgiving. In the February 19 and 20<sup>th</sup> homily I shared some suggestions in this regard. I share it here for your consideration.

**PRAYER**—Wouldn't it be GR888 if we could "pray together" at a given time each day as a parish? How about this? During Lent let's make noon (or thereabouts as our schedule allows) our "parish prayer time." At noon each day let's try to "STOP (what we're doing), DROP (to our knees, or simply lower our heads), and PRAY." We could pray however we like. But here's a suggestion that's short and hopefully meaningful.

- Pray slowly one Hail Mary—Mary said "yes" to God and so made God real in the world in the Person of Jesus, our Savior. How has God invited me to say "yes" to Him today and so make Jesus real in the world?
- Thank God for 2 blessings of the current day so far. Hopefully this will help us to see God's goodness to us and to develop an attitude of gratitude.

**FASTING**—The Church asks us to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and to abstain from meat on Lenten Fridays. In addition to this here are some suggestions: fast by decreasing your time online or watching TV; eat leftovers if you don't like them; drink water for one meal if you normally have milk, pop, juice or coffee; consciously eat smaller meal portions; go without that spicy sauce you love with your meal.

**ALMSGIVING**—As a parish we are participating in Catholic Relief Service's Rice Bowl. Through this project we can learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all (see [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org)).

This Lent let's choose to walk with Jesus! ~Fr. Gregory

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This Lent we invite you to join us for spiritual opportunities to rekindle your relationship with Our Lord.

**Stations of the Cross** on Fridays at 7:00p.m. (Bilingual)

**CRS Rice Bowls**— Participate in almsgiving by contributing and help others overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition.

**Opportunities for Confession:**  
5:00-5:25p.m. on Tuesday  
3:30-4:30p.m. on Saturday  
11:15-11:45 on Sunday

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
Fridays beginning at 7:30a.m. in the Chapel

### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Calling those who want to make a difference at St. Dominic by serving in this important ministry. If you are interested in serving as an altar server, we will be holding two opportunities for training. Please attend the trainings below. All are welcome to join us. Attending the training does not obligate you to serve, but gives you an opportunity to see what it is all about before you decide. We'd love to have you come!

**For youth in Grades 6 and up:**

March 16 and March 23rd from 6:00-7:00p.m.

**For Grades 3-5:**

March 30 and April 6 from 6:00-7:00p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact George Budd at 507-261-5881 or call the Parish Office at 507-645-8816.

### JRLC - Joint Religious Legislative Coalition

Anyone can participate with this group. Our Archdiocesan leadership is on it's Board of Directors. This is a great opportunity to talk with legislators about issues of social justice.

There are three upcoming events (all online).

- Thursday, Feb. 24, 2022 'Do and Don't's some how-tos for legislative visit, via zoom.
- Tuesday, March 8, 2022 In-depth discussion of JRLC Legislative Issues, 6:30-7:30pm
- Tuesday, March 15, 2022—JRLC Day on the Hill is from 6:30-8:45pm, Key Presenter, Maharat Rori Picker Neiss will explore the theme *For Such a Time as This, from the Book of Esther and its relevance for social justice advocacy today.*

Register for either one or all sessions at their website <https://jrlc.org/2022-day-on-the-hill>. If you have any questions check out their website or you can call Nancy Ludescher, Parish

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FEBRUARY 20, 2022

**This Week at St. Dominic**

**Saturday, February 19**

8:00 AM BSA Pack 300—Pinewood Derby LLC

**Sunday, February 20**

9:00 AM Youth RCIA KC

10:00 AM Catechesis familia SDS

12:00 PM Confirmation Retreat Sanct

6:30 PM "The Search" Film Series #7 Sanct

**Monday, February 21**

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 PM Latino Choir (Nancy) Sanct

**Tuesday, February 22**

**Wednesday, February 23**

6:00 PM Faith Formation Pre-Grade 8 Church

7:45 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal Sanct

**Thursday, February 24**

6:00 PM Latino Sacristan Training DH-Large

6:30 PM Joyful Noise Rehearsal Sanct

**Friday, February 25**

3:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Begins Chapel

**Saturday, February 26**

**Sunday, February 27**

9:00 AM Youth RCIA KC

10:00 AM Catechesis familia SDS

12:00 PM Confirmation Retreat Sanct

**RICE BOWLS—Lenten Alms Change Live**

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better



place for all. Pick up a rice bowl for your family at the Welcome Center at the back of church. Many families like to have a small family meal, such as soup, once a week during lent, then take the money saved through that small meal and put it into the rice bowl. Another idea is to stop and put a small amount of change in your rice bowl every time before you eat. No matter the time, if you eat, add some change. It may seem like a lot of work, but your sacrifice will help others. At the end of Lent, we will collect the rice bowls and donate the money.

**Prayer Request**

*Please pray for Marcia Gaustad, Kathy Mahowald, Tim, the family of Tom Simon, and all those on the Church of St. Dominic Prayer list in the Chapel.*



If you would like to add someone's name to the prayer list, please call the Parish Office 507-645-8816.

7TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

## Liturgical Ministers

### February 26—5:00 PM Mass—Vigil Mass

**Mass Coordinator** Brian Goerd

**Lector** Denise Budd

**EMHC** LaVergne Adelmann, Chris Barth, Lynn Ziegler

**Ushers** Dorothee Ischler, Rick Nelson, Pat Ziegler

**Videographer** Ben Morisette

### February 27—8:00 AM Mass

**Mass Coordinator** Marcia Simon

**Lector** Sue Hollinger

**EMHC** Bailey Kohl, Jake Kohl, Barb Moore

**Ushers** Matt Bernstorf, Joe Hollinger, Dale Malecha

### February 27—10:00 AM Mass

**Mass Coordinator** Christian Prinzing

**Lector** Lourdes Calleja

**EMHC** Tricia Anderson, Christian Prinzing, Mary Quick

**Ushers** Benjamin Anderson, Ella Anderson, Mary Cunningham

#### NOTE:

*The above schedule was current at the time of printing. We are now using Ministry Scheduler Pro for all scheduling and substitute needs. Please do not hesitate to call Tricia at the office if you have any questions. 507-645-8816.*

## Mass Intentions

Sat. Feb 19	5:00 PM	† Edel, Reeder, & Kalina Families
Sun. Feb 20	8:00 AM	† Bernard E. Hughes
	10:00 AM	† Robert and Elaine Graff
	12:00 PM	For St. Dominic Parish
Mon. Feb 21	5:30 PM	† Alfred, Doris, and Florence Wermerskirchen
Tues. Feb 22	5:30 PM	† John Bray
Wed. Feb 23	8:20 AM	† Agnes Zimmerman
Thurs. Feb 24		No Mass
Fri. Feb 25	7:00 AM	Word Liturgy (No Mass)
Sat. Feb 26	5:00 PM	† Ginny Graff
Sun. Feb 27	8:00 AM	† Geraldine Johnson
	10:00 AM	† Robert and David Groth
	12:00 PM	For all those in Purgatory

**To schedule a Mass Intention for a loved one, please contact the Parish Office at 507-645-8816.**

### NEXT WEEK—February 27, 2022

#### 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

*"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. . . ."*

Sir 27:4-7      Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]  
1 Cor 15:54-58    Lk 6:39-45



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