

Stations of the Cross

Good Friday, March 30, at 1:00 pm

Our parish will celebrate indoor and outdoor stations on Good Friday, both beginning at 1:00 pm. The outdoor stations, THE WAY OF THE CROSS, is a contemporary Stations of the Cross led by our Youth Ministry. For the outdoor stations, we will meet in front of the church and proceed on a walking route approximately two miles in length. We'll stop fourteen times along the way to pray and sing in memory of the road that Jesus walked centuries ago. Please wear some article of red clothing as a sign of the liturgical color of the day. All are welcome to join us in either celebration that engages both young and old in an ancient tradition of our church.

The Sacred Triduum

March 29 – 31

The liturgies of the Sacred Triduum, or “Sacred Three Days”, are the most beautiful celebrations of the church year. These holy days are to be seen as a whole, with public celebrations of liturgy, and private moments of prayer at home.

Holy Thursday

6:00 pm Parish Altar Servers' Dinner
7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
8:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration in Large
– 10:00 pm Meeting Room

Good Friday

1:00 pm Outdoor Stations of the Cross
1:00 pm Indoor Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm The Passion of Our Lord

Holy Saturday

4:00 pm Easter Food Blessing

7:30 pm The Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday

April 1

Eucharistic Liturgies held at:

8:00 am (soloists)

10:00 am (adult choir)

12:00 noon (youth choir)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Lent is an ideal time to celebrate this beautiful sacrament.

4:00 pm – 4:30 pm Every Saturday during Lent
also Feb. 28, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

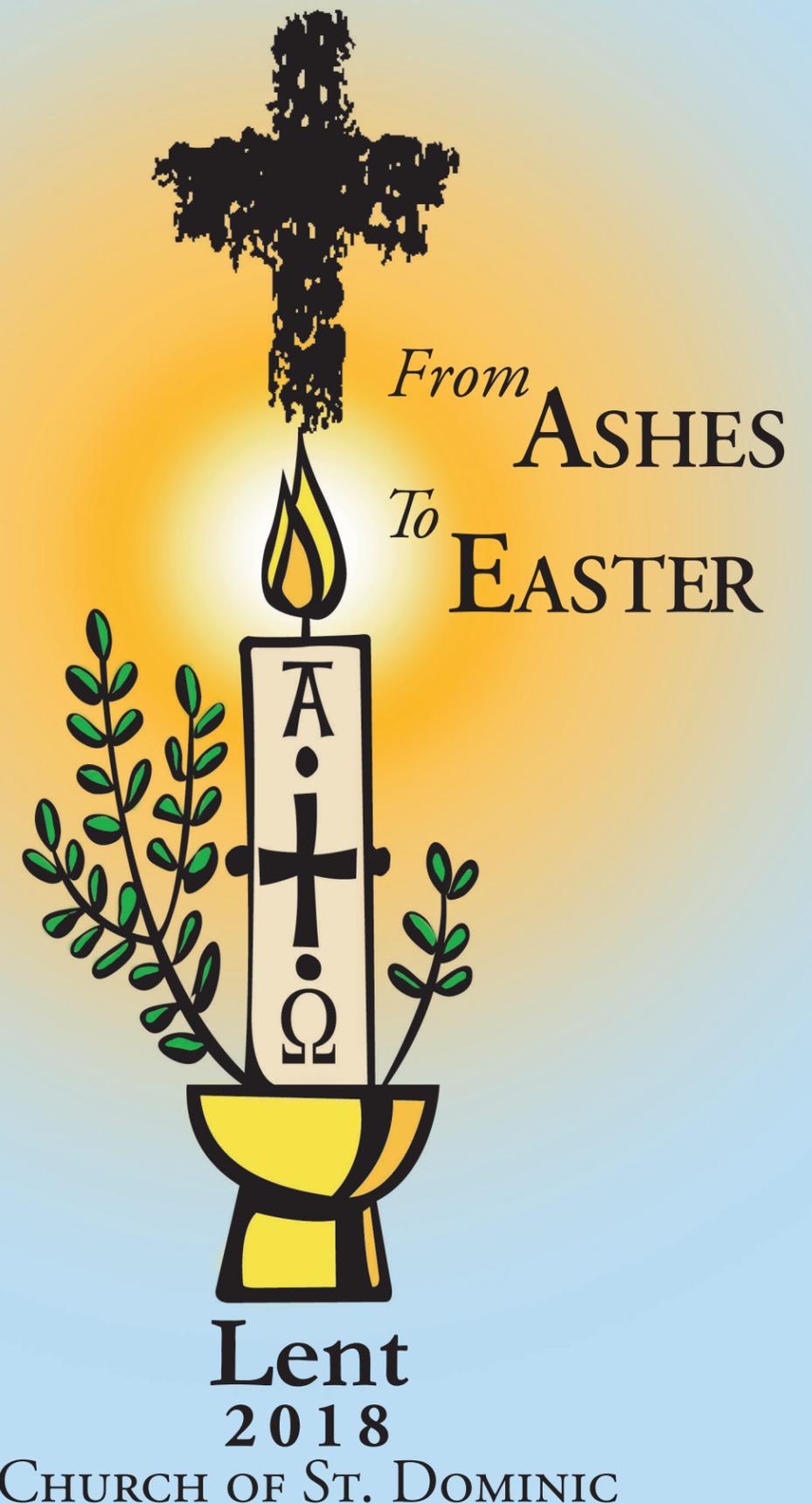
If these times are not convenient, please contact Fr. Tom
to set up a private appointment.

Pray. Fast. Share.

Gogether as a parish, we enter into this season of Lent - this time of conversion -
with open hearts, minds and spirits.

As we travel along the journey, we pray that each of you finds God's
Peace in quiet moments of prayer, God's Strength in times of sacrifice,
and God's Love in each other's generous acts of kindness.

Gogether, we continue to live the Mission of Christ.



Lenten Prayers for Those Preparing for Initiation

The season of Lent finds its origins in the early Christian community, when the forty days were seen as a time of final preparation for those desiring membership in the Church. The tradition carries on today for all Christians, yet especially for those men and women who are making their final preparations to celebrate the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please pray during this Lenten season for all of those in the RCIA process who are preparing to join the St. Dominic community this Easter.

“Let Us Build a House where Love Can Dwell” A Project Serve Easter Initiative

Matt Talbot Inn is an inpatient drug and alcohol addiction treatment center for adult men who reside in Cuyahoga County. The facility is located on the campus of the former Parmadale facility in Parma, Ohio and is a program supported by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Cleveland. This 81 bed center primarily treats those who are indigent; for many it is their last hope for survival. Our project will provide labor and funding for the long overdue renovation of a 15 bed “cottage” on the campus. Parish volunteers will complete minor improvements as well as the painting of the entire building. Carpeting, window treatments, furniture and bedding will be purchased, so that we can “build a house where love can dwell” and demonstrate to the residents that our prayers and faith are with them in their recovery. Any gift toward our campaign would be greatly appreciated. A special envelope will be provided in the Easter mailing next month.

RESISTING HAPPINESS by Matthew Kelly A parish Lenten book opportunity

*Wednesday, March 14 at 9:00-10:15 am or 7:00-8:15 pm;
and Thursday, March 22 at 7:00-8:15 pm*

Are you happy? It may be the wrong question. Most of us think we are relatively happy, while at the same time knowing that we could be happier – maybe even a lot happier. Ordinary people and the finest philosophers have been exploring the question of happiness for thousands of years, and theories abound. But this is not a book of theory. Resisting Happiness is a deeply personal, disarmingly transparent look at why we sabotage our own happiness and what to do about it.

Are you overwhelmed? Do you procrastinate? Do you sometimes feel like you are your own worst enemy? Are you ignoring your dreams? Have you lost the courage to truly be yourself? Do you feel that your life lacks meaning and purpose? Do you find yourself avoiding the real issues in your life and focusing on the superficial?

We all experience these feelings and doubts from time to time. But do you know what to do when you experience them? In this fascinating book, Matthew Kelly uses his signature combination of the profound and the practical to help us understand why we feel these things and how to rise above them. Breaking through resistance, Kelly tells us, is essential to becoming the-best-version-of-ourselves and living with passion and purpose.

Books will be available for free at the church doors on the first weekend of Lent. Consider using the book for your personal spiritual reading during Lent. Join in sharing your reflections on the “blog discussion” found on the parish website or join in a live discussion in the Large Meeting Room.

Project Serve in Action during Lent

During this season of sacrifice and almsgiving, St. Dominic parishioners are giving back to our community at our Project Serve partner agencies. Four sites are in need of more volunteers. Please contact Jodie Bowers (JBowers@StDominicChurch.net) or 216.991.1444 if you are interested in serving at any of these agencies:

Cleveland Foodbank

Thursday, February 15 & Thursday, March 15, 6:00-8:00 pm

Sorting and packing food items to be given to local families in need

St. Al’s Hunger Center

Tuesday, March 13, 4:30-6:00 pm

Serving dinner and fellowship with the poor

Thea Bowman Center

Saturday, March 10, 10:30am-1:00 pm

Preparing and serving lunch plus fellowship with the poor

Warrensville Developmental Center

Tuesday, March 6, 6:00-7:30 pm

Celebrating Mass, friendship, and crafts with the residents at the Center

Project Serve Ministry to the Cleveland Poor Lenten Collections

The St. Dominic “Project Serve Ministry to the Cleveland Poor” coordinates our Lenten collections. At each weekend liturgy, Project Serve will be collecting an item for our partner agencies. Please contact Jodie Bowers (JBowers@StDominicChurch.net) for more information. Thank you for your generosity.

February 17 & 18 **Metanoia Project:** Coffee & Creamer

February 24 & 25 **HOLA:** Diapers

March 3 & 4 **Thea Bowman Center:** Thermal socks

March 10 & 11 **El Salvador Medical Mission:** Neosporin & Band-Aids

March 17 & 18 **L’Arche:** Paper towels

Fair Trade Coffee, Chocolate, & Tea Sales

Sunday, March 4

Fair Trade products are grown, manufactured, and produced in a just manner with concern for the worker and the environment. These products are certified not to be coming from sweatshops. Each Coffee & Donut Sunday, the Faithful Citizenship group sells Fair Trade coffee, chocolate, and tea. Please visit our table in the Bishop Amos Center to purchase Fair Trade products. Proceeds benefit our mission program in El Salvador. Contact parishioner Claire Hawk (clairabell18@icloud.com) for more information.

Faithful Citizenship: Friends of HOLA

Tuesday, March 6, 7:00 pm

Please join St. Dominic’s “Faithful Citizenship” Social Action Committee as we welcome “Friends of HOLA” on Tuesday, March 6th at 7:00 pm in the Large Meeting Room for a special meeting on immigration in our community. “Friends of HOLA” is a group of concerned citizens that supports the immigrant community in Northern Ohio through education, advocacy, and civic engagement. We join our voices with the US Conference of Catholic Bishops in calling for Comprehensive Immigration Reform. Join us on March 6th to learn more about this important issue.

Lenten Family Day at the Thea Bowman Center

Saturday, March 10, 11:30 am

Families of all shapes and sizes are invited to join us at the Thea Bowman Center as we gather with our neighbors in the Mount Pleasant neighborhood. St. Dominic Staff will lead us in a Lenten prayer service featuring music, crafts, and a simple activity. Enjoy a hot meal with our sisters and brothers from the Mt. Pleasant neighborhood. There are volunteer opportunities to help with set up, ushering, greeting and clean-up. Sign up to volunteer or attend on our parish website www.StDominicChurch.net no later than Friday, March 2nd. Contact Jodie Bowers or Liz Woconish in the parish office if you have any questions (216) 991-1444.

Lenten Supper with L’Arche

Wednesday, March 21, 6:00 pm

The Project Serve Ministry to the Cleveland Poor is sponsoring our annual “Lenten Supper” with members of the L’Arche Community on Wednesday, March 21st at 6:00pm in the Cafeteria. L’Arche provides housing, services, community, and love for adults with developmental disabilities. Join us to share hospitality with our friends from L’Arche. Contact Jodie Bowers (JBowers@StDominicChurch.net) to register for this event. Deadline to RSVP is March 14th.

Faithful Citizenship: Matt Talbot Inn

Wednesday, March 28, 7:00 pm

Please join St. Dominic’s “Faithful Citizenship” Social Action Committee as we welcome staff and residents of Matt Talbot Inn on Wednesday, March 28th at 7:00pm in the Large Meeting Room for a special presentation on the opioid crisis and addiction. Matt Talbot Inn, a ministry of the Diocese of Cleveland Catholic Charities, provides treatment and recovery resources for those battling addiction in our area. St. Dominic’s Easter Campaign, “Let Us Build A House Where Love Can Dwell” will benefit the restoration and rehabilitation of the patient rooms at Matt Talbot Inn in Parma.

Project Serve Express

Better than FedEx or UPS, Project Serve Express seeks to deliver much needed donations to our partner agencies around town. Because of the tremendous growth of our Project Serve ministries, St. Dominic receives a plethora of donated items each week. During Lent, help us deliver these items to places like Edwin’s, L’Arche, Maggie’s Place, Rose-Mary Center, St. Al’s, St. Herman’s, Thea Bowman Center, West Side Catholic Center, or Womankind. If you would like to become a Project Serve Express Carrier, please contact Jodie Bowers, JBowers@StDominicChurch.net. Thanks for helping us deliver blessings to those in need!

Centering Prayer

Thursday evenings 7:00-8:00 pm except Holy Thursday

Centering Prayer will continue throughout Lent in the school library. The group will NOT meet on Holy Thursday. All are welcome to come pray together. No previous experience is needed. For more information, please contact Liz Woconish at lwoconish@stdominicschool.net.

Live Lent Lovingly Cross

Sunday, February 18, 10:00-11:00 am

Families are invited to come together to prepare a Live Lent Lovingly Cross on the first Sunday of Lent in the school cafeteria. Your Lenten Cross will grow more beautiful as you add colorful pieces of glass for acts of love performed throughout the season of Lent. This visual reminder of God’s love will keep your family mindful of the sacred season of Lent as you move toward the glorious feast of Easter. Please note that, while a foam cross craft will be provided for the smallest children, this activity uses small pieces of glass and requires parental supervision. For more information, please contact Liz Woconish at lwoconish@stdominicschool.net.

Limited to 40 families. Please visit the parish website to register. Suggested donation \$3.00

“Answering The Call To The Margins: Bringing The Church To The Forgotten And The Neglected”

Wednesday, February 21 at 11:00 am Large Meeting Room

Fr. Mark Hobson will share some thoughts inspired by the Gospel of Jesus and the recent writings of Pope Francis concerning the image of the Church as “Field Hospital”. He will also share a bit of his personal journey to respond to this universal “call to the margins”. Father Mark is Pastor of St. Aloysius Church in Cleveland, and former Coordinator of Pastoral Team for the Church of the Resurrection in Solon. There will be a light lunch following the talk for a free will donation. Please RSVP to Donna Brant at 216-752-5089.

An Evening of Confession at all Catholic Churches

Wednesday, February 28, 5:00 -8:00 pm

On Wednesday, February 28th, every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Cleveland will be open, and priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 5:00 -8:00 p.m. The Lenten season is the ideal time of year to reflect on your life, and the celebration of this sacrament brings both healing and strength for your Lenten journey. Fr. Tom will be in the “glass room” at the rear of the church, and you will have the opportunity to go to confession “face to face” or “behind the screen.” Fr. Don Cozzens, a frequent guest presider at St. Dominic, will also be available that evening. A special card will be provided with the “format” listed, including a printed copy of the Act of Contrition. Stop in on the way from work at St. Dominic or any Catholic church in the diocese and celebrate this sacrament for your spiritual health.

St Al’s Hunger Center

Tuesday, March 13, 4:30-6:00 pm

The 8th grade youth group will go to Saint Aloysius to help prepare, serve, and clean up St. Dominic’s monthly meal at the facility. The students will also do a craft with some of the young guests. They will start at 4:30 pm and will get picked up from the facility at 6:00 pm. For more information contact Emily Kaiser at ekaiser@stdominicschool.net.

Young Families - Coffee & Kids Playgroup

Friday, February 23, 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Friday, March 9, 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Friday, March 23, 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Join us for playgroup in the Youth Room of the School. Stop in or stay for the entire time, whatever works for your schedule. The kids can play and have snacks while adults enjoy conversation and coffee. Contact Sarah Pick at sarahpick@stdominicschool.net with any questions. Hope to see you there!

Fish Fry Fridays!

February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, and 23 from 5:00 – 8:00 pm

You don’t have to travel far for a great fish fry! Enjoy breaded fried cod, baked lemon pepper cod, jumbo shrimp, combo fish & shrimp, or macaroni & cheese dinner right here at St. Dominic. The fish dinners include coleslaw and your choice of potato (french fries, baked or sweet potato). All adult dinners include roll, dessert, and choice of coffee or tea. You can even purchase a soda or additional side to go with your meal at an extra cost. You can choose from clam chowder, broccoli & cheese soup, macaroni & cheese, french fries, hush puppies, or jumbo shrimp. Our children’s menu features fried fish, macaroni & cheese, and cheese pizza, along with carrots and ranch dressing, a drink box, and dessert. Jojo the Clown from Flower Entertainment will join us weekly for balloon twisting magic. Dine in or carry out. Credit card payments accepted.

Liturgical Celebration Fund

The Church of St. Dominic Liturgical Celebration Fund was established to give you the opportunity to share a special gift in remembrance of individuals who have touched your life. During special liturgical seasons such as Easter, this fund helps us decorate the interior and exterior of our church with flowers, greenery and candles to visually express the festive nature of our liturgies. The Liturgical Celebration Fund also supports our Music Ministry which enlivens every aspect of our masses with prayerful music and song. Your tax-deductible gift to the Liturgical Celebration Fund is a wonderful way to celebrate the life of a loved one. All individuals remembered through gifts to the Liturgical Celebration Fund by Sunday, March 18 will be honored in our Easter bulletin. Donation forms are available online or in the parish office.