

St. Dominic Catholic Church

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August 2nd, 2026 • Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

May this Eucharist renew our hearts, deepen our gratitude for God's many blessings, and inspire us to live generously as faithful stewards of all He has entrusted to us.

A MESSAGE FOR THIS SUNDAY

Dear Parishioners,

Vacation was great! But it is just as great to be back!

However, at the end of the letter I will explain that I will be gone a few more days this coming week. That's right, just came back from vacation and gone again! As one priest used to say, "Whoever doesn't like this life is crazy!" But on a personal note...

On Thursday, the 6th, is my 2nd anniversary of being sober, and also going to Guest House. The 6th of August is more than remembering a past event for me. I began my life in recovery that day. Actually, I began the recovery process beginning with telling Bishop McGovern I needed help, and eventually informing all of you the weekend of my installation as Pastor.

Yes, I began a life in recovery. That means, I am not fully recovered. It is literally "one day at a time." What does this life look like? For me, recovery consists of daily prayer and meditation to understand God's will in my life. It also consists of attending AA meetings, and I try to attend at least four a week. I also have an AA sponsor who helps me incorporate the 12 Steps in my daily living. I also have a spiritual director with whom I meet once a month. And I meet with a therapist on occasion. The life of recovery is a good life for me; it has provided me with wonderful people and opportunities and blessings. That's a glimpse of my ongoing recovery.

So now, this is where I'll be this week...

Tuesday - Thursday, I will be attending a recovery retreat at St. Meinrad Archabbey.

Next weekend, 8-9 August, I will be attending my nephew's wedding in St. Louis. Fr. Chuck will be here for the Masses.

Peace,
Fr. Jim

ANNOUNCEMENT

- We will be polishing the pews in Church on Monday, August 10th starting at 10am. Everyone is welcome to come and help, since many hands make light work. (Supplies will be provided.)
- John will be out of town from August 13th through the 24th, there will be a 2-week bulletin to cover that span of time. Along with this, the cutoff date for that bulletin will be 12pm on Tuesday, August 11th.
- Thank you to the parishioners who helped take care of the weeds in Fr. Jim's landscaping, the house looks great

Our Parish Team

Very Reverend James M. Nall, JCL



Helen Essenpreis • Office Manager

Lisa Helmink • Bookkeeper

John Hilmes • Office Secretary

Office Hours: 7:30am - 4:30pm

(Summer Hours) (Monday-Friday)

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday at Noon

Masses & Sacraments

Mass Times

- Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
- Sunday: 11:00am
- Weekdays: 8:00am (Tues. - Fri.)
- Holy Days: 8:00am & 12:10pm

Confession

- Saturday: 4:30pm
- Or by appointment

Baptism & Marriage

- Please contact the Parish Office

All Saints Academy

Jill Tasker
Principal

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THIS WEEK AT ST. DOMINIC

Saturday, August 1st - Sunday, August 9th



Mass Schedule	Mass Intentions	Meetings This Week
Saturday, August 1st 8:30am: Rosary 9:00am: Padre Pio Mass 5:30pm: Mass Sunday, August 2nd 11am: Mass Monday, August 3rd No Mass Tuesday, August 4th 8am: Mass Wednesday, August 5th 8am: Communion Prayer Service with Dcn. Jay Fowler Thursday, August 6th 8am: Communion Prayer Service with Dcn. Jay Fowler Friday, August 7th 8am: Mass 1 st Friday Benediction has been cancelled for August Saturday, August 8th 5:30pm: Mass Sunday, August 9th 11am: Mass	Saturday, August 1st 5:30pm: Gerald Varel Living & Deceased of the Vilorio Family Sunday, August 2nd 11am: Living & Deceased of the Rivera Family Monday, August 3rd No Mass Tuesday, August 4th 8am: Our Lady of the Holy Rosary in Guatemala Wednesday, August 5th 8am: Communion Prayer Service with Dcn. Jay Fowler Thursday, August 6th 8am: Communion Prayer Service with Dcn. Jay Fowler Friday, August 7th 8am: In Thanksgiving for the Priesthood of Fr. Jim Nall on the Anniversary of His Ordination (2) Saturday, August 8th 5:30pm: Edward "Badge" Dumstorff Sunday, August 9th 11am: Living & Deceased of the Wiegmann Family Pat Lampe	Saturday, August 1st No Meeting Sunday, August 2nd No Meeting Monday, August 3rd No Meeting Tuesday, August 4th 7pm: Liturgy Committee Meeting in the Annex Wednesday, August 5th No Meeting Thursday, August 6th No Meeting Friday, August 7th No Meeting Saturday, August 8th No Meeting Sunday, August 9th No Meeting

This Week's Stewardship

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,567.00
Loose	\$273.00
Online Giving	<u>\$4,379.00</u>
Sunday Contribution	\$8,219.00
Peter's Pence	\$50.00
Adopted Parish	\$54.00
Misc. Blue Envelopes	\$200.00
Building Fund	\$365.00

CSMA

Goal

\$26,042.00

Pledged

\$24,642.50 (94.6%)

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far.

We only need \$1401.50 to reach our goal!



Mass Attendance

Sat. - 159 Disciples

Sun. - 187 Disciples

Total - 346 Disciples

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Prayer for St. Dominic Parish
 O God, we come to the Table to build on the faith established by our ancestors.

Through their faith and sacrifice St. Dominic is a vibrant parish. We are grateful for the blessings You give us.

Now we acknowledge and accept our responsibility to carry on the faith at St. Dominic. Help us to recognize our gifts and talents to share our faith with others and to invite them to come to the Table. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

48th Weekly Cash Raffle \$100 Winner

Connie Fangmeyer, Congratulations!



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FAITH IN ACTION & OUTREACH

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Society of St. Vincent De Paul Needs Water.

St. Vincent De Paul is now accepting t-shirts and shorts along with any other spring Clothing you may have. Please make sure to have your clothing folded inside of the kitchen sized trash bag whenever you drop off your donations.

St. Vincent De Paul is currently out of bottled water and is in great need of it with the summer getting hotter with each passing day.

HOUSE OF MANNA

If you would like to support a local organization, House of Manna helps by distributing food and aide to those in Breese & the surrounding area.

There is a food donation box in the breezeway to help support House of Manna. Please donate today to help those in your community.

Parish Life: Stewardship – A Way of Life

When we hear the word stewardship, it is easy to think first about financial giving. While sharing our treasure is certainly an important part of stewardship, it is only one piece of a much bigger picture.

Everything we have is a gift from God—our time, talents, faith, relationships, and resources. Stewardship is our grateful response to those gifts. It is choosing to use what God has entrusted to us to build His Kingdom.

Stewardship can be as simple as welcoming a new parishioner, praying for someone in need, visiting a neighbor, serving in a parish ministry, teaching a child about the faith, singing in the choir, helping at parish events, or offering encouragement to someone who is struggling. These quiet acts of love often become the greatest witness to Christ.

Stewardship is not something we do once a year—it is a way of living our faith every day. Each of us has been blessed with unique gifts, and each of us has a place in the mission of our parish. Together, we create a welcoming community where faith is nurtured, lives are transformed, and Christ's love is shared.

This week, take a moment to ask yourself:

- How is God inviting me to share my time?
- What talents has He given me to serve others?
- How can I grow as a faithful steward of all He has entrusted to me?

When we offer our lives to God with grateful hearts, we discover that stewardship is not about what we give up—it is about the joy of participating in God's work.

SPIRITUALITY

PRAYER LIST

We Pray For:

- Expectant Mothers
- Those Battling Cancer
- Military & First Responders
- Peace Around the World

Repose of the Souls of:

- Ron Thomas
- Ruth Grawe
- All the Forgotten Souls

Monthly Rosary in the Prayer Garden

**Rosary in the Prayer Garden
Sunday, August 9th at 6pm!**

The intention for August: We pray this month for our Parish on this remembrance of the Feast of St Dominic. We pray that the Holy Spirit will bless our parish and parishioners with a fervor for the Holy Eucharist and a greater love of the Mass and the True Presence of the Body of Christ. As Matthew Kelly says: "Those who believe, don't leave." May many more Come to believe, in Jesus name, Amen!

UPCOMING CURSILLO

Upcoming Cursillo Weekend:

Men's Weekend #42 – August 20-23, 2026

The 2026 weekends will be held at King's House at Our Lady of the Snows. For more information or if you have questions, contact Debbie Blume at 618-806-6951.

ST. DOMINIC T-SHIRTS

Show your parish pride with a St. Dominic T-shirt! A limited quantity of St. Dominic T-shirts is available for purchase in the parish office while supplies last.

The cost is \$17 per shirt.

!!NEW ST. DOMINIC QUEEN OF HEARTS!!

We are discontinuing the Parish Weekly Cash Raffle Fundraiser as it concludes in August. With this ending we will be transitioning into something new for the Parish.

St. Dominic will be starting an online Queen of Hearts Raffle to take the Weekly Cash Raffle's place.

More information to follow in future bulletins!



Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, August 8th 5:30pm

Extraordinary Ministers: Mary Hoffman, Kim Miller, Suann Fields, Kay Schlarmann, Aggie Kampwerth, Mark Renschen, Dan Liening, Karen Lager

Ushers: Doug & Cindy Kuhl, Karen Lager, Rich Eilermann, Mark Hitpas, Dennis Ratermann

Altar Servers: Kaylyn Hilmes, Lane Hilmes, Mabree Richter

Organist & Cantor: Rich Carlton

Lector: Sarah Becker

Gift Bearers: Volunteer

Sunday, August 9th 11:00am

Extraordinary Ministers: Dan Robben, Beth Bedard, Diane Klostermann, Helen Essenpreis, Meghan Florczyk, Diane Grapperhaus, Deb & Tony Antonacci

Ushers: Bill & Deb Koetting, Dave Toennies, Jeff & Yvonne Foppe

Altar Servers: Hazel, Grant & Amelia Unverfehrt

Organist & Cantor: Evelyn Schrand & Nif Klostermann

Lector: Rod Kloeckner

Gift Bearers: Dan Lampe

Ministry Spotlight: Men's Sodality

The Men's Sodality of St. Dominic Parish provides an opportunity for the men of our parish to put their faith into action through fellowship, service, and stewardship. Working together, members help strengthen our parish community while building lasting friendships with one another.

Throughout the year, the Men's Sodality sponsors and supports several parish events, including the spring and fall chicken dinners, the fall fish fry, and the annual Hot Dog Social following the Children's Mass in September.

The group is also pursuing a new fall gun raffle to help support the parish. Members work side by side with the Ladies' Sodality, each assisting the other in their various events and ministries, demonstrating the spirit of Christian cooperation and service.

The Sodality meets just two or three times each year, typically in January, May, and August—at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Meetings include a meal, fellowship, and updates on parish, school, and cemetery activities, along with discussions about fundraising efforts and the allocation of funds that benefit our parish community.

Whether you are new to the parish or have been a member for many years, the Men's Sodality is a welcoming place to become more involved. It is an excellent way to meet fellow parishioners, stay informed about parish life, and share your time and talents in support of St. Dominic Parish.

The Men's Sodality is always looking for new members. If you have been searching for a meaningful way to become more connected to your parish, we invite you to join us. Meeting dates are announced in the parish bulletin and shared by email. We would be honored to welcome you.

Extraordinary Ministers Needed for Cedarhurst

Do you feel called to bring the presence of Christ to those who are unable to attend Mass?

We are seeking additional Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to serve the residents of Cedarhurst.

Ministers visit Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. to share the gift of the Eucharist, offer prayer, and bring the comfort and hope of Christ to our parishioners and other residents.

If you would like to learn more or volunteer, please contact the parish office. We would be grateful for your willingness to share your time and faith in this meaningful ministry.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Registration for the 2026-2027 PSR year is now open!

Registration forms are available in the back of church, on the parish breezeway, and through the parish office.

We encourage all families with school-age children to register soon as we prepare to grow together in faith this year.

• **Registration night is Wednesday, August 19th at 6pm in the Cafeteria**

• **The first YFF Class is Wednesday, August 26th at 6pm.**

EVENTS

• **Following Mass on August 8th and August 9th, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Dominic by having a social in the lawn of the Rectory. Bring your family & join in celebrating our Parish's patron saint.**

• **The next fair-trade sale is the weekend of August 15th & 16th following both weekend Masses.**

• **The Next Monthly Rosary in the Prayer Garden is Sunday, August 9th at 6pm. All are Welcome!**

• **Schedule for Upcoming Children's Masses:**

– Sunday, August 16th at 11:00am:
Blessing of Backpacks

– September Children's Mass: September 27th at 11am.

• The Next Men's Sodality meeting August 27th at the KC Hall. Will have wings and beverages after 6:00pm. Meeting will begin at 7:00pm

NEWS

• **Next Baptismal Prep. Class**

Wednesday, August 12th at St. Anthony.
Register by Friday August 7th.

• **The lounge & dining room at the Breese KC Hall is still closed for repair/renovations.** During this time no Taco Tuesdays, Wing Thursdays or Chicken Fry Fridays.

PICNIC WRAP-UP MEETING

Picnic wrap up meeting is set! Please come join us for the final meeting of 2026 to discuss ideas on what worked well and what can be improved for next year. Thanks again for all of your support!

Thursday, August 13th at 7:30pm. Breese KC Hall.