

St. Dominic Catholic Church

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• August 16th & 23rd, 2026 •

• Nineteenth & Twentieth Sundays of Ordinary Time •

Faith is not simply about believing; it is about living each day with hearts prepared to recognize the Lord and respond to His call.

A LETTER FROM FR. JIM

Dear Parishioners,

I hope you had a good break for the time I was gone!

It is great to be back!

We are now midway through August, and another school year has begun. This Sunday, we have the blessing of the backpacks. It's amazing what backpacks contain. It looks like some students carry all of their belongings with them; and some backpacks are as big as the student. Just as it is amazing what might be in those backpacks, another amazing thing is how some items can get lost in backpacks. How can a note from school, that is placed in a backpack get lost by the time the student gets home? It is indeed a mystery.

Let us pray for our administrators, teachers, staff & students as they begin a new school year.

Lest we forget, this Saturday is the Feast of the Assumption, albeit not a holy day of obligation this year. This feast is another reminder that our faith assures us of the promise of eternal life. We who are Baptized and believe in Jesus' promise of everlasting life will enjoy a full life of glory when we leave this world. We do have something better waiting for us, but in the meantime, we are to use our gifts and talents in building a better world around us.

Peace,
Fr. Jim

ANNOUNCEMENT

• Thank you to the ladies who provided baked goods for our recent socials. Your generosity and baking talents are truly appreciated. We enjoyed wonderful gatherings to honor our graduates, celebrate St. Dominic's feast day, and welcome Bishop Godfrey for the vicariate Mass.

• Thank you to all the parishioners that assisted in the polishing of our pews. Your hard work makes our Church look more beautiful than it already was.

• **Due to John being out of town, the Parish Office's Hours will be limited:**

- August 17th - 24th: 10:30am - 4:30pm

• Starting on Tuesday, August 25th, the Parish Office will be open from 9am-5pm.

Our Parish Team

Very Reverend James M. Nall, JCL



Helen Essenpreis • Office Manager

Lisa Helmink • Bookkeeper

John Hilmes • Office Secretary

Office Hours: 10:30am - 4:30pm
(August 17th - 24th)

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

Angie Pollmann
Assistant Principal

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Mater Dei High School

Brandi Borries
Principal

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THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS AT ST. DOMINIC

August 15th - August 23rd & August 22nd - August 30th



Mass Schedule	Mass Intentions	Meetings This Week
Saturday, August 15th Wedding of Hartley Abner & Jay Barisch 5:30pm: Mass Sunday, August 16th 11am: Children's Mass (Blessing of the Backpacks) 12pm: Baptism of Benson Gerstner Monday, August 17th No Mass Tuesday, August 18th 8am: Mass (ASA Students) 1pm-7pm: Adoration Wednesday, August 19th 8am: Mass Thursday, August 20th 8am: Mass Friday, August 21st 8am: Mass (ASA Students) Saturday, August 22nd Wedding of Olivia Rensing & Kole Haake 5:30pm: Mass Sunday, August 23rd 11am: Mass	Saturday, August 15th 5:30pm: Julia Maue Dennis & Mitzi Fischer Jim & Nancy Gray Thanksgiving of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Rich & Laura Kruep! Sunday, August 16th 11am: Mr. Everett Uhls Pat Lampe Monday, August 17th No Mass Tuesday, August 18th 8am: Our Lady of the Holy Rosary in Guatemala Wednesday, August 19th 8am: A Special Intention for Fr. Jim Nall Thursday, August 20th 8am: More Vocations to the Priesthood Friday, August 21st 8am: Betty Brueggemann Saturday, August 22nd 5:30pm: Living & Deceased of the Jansen & Eilermann Families Sunday, August 23rd 11am: Don Rohner Francis Rehkemper Gina Rehkemper-Mueller	Saturday, August 15th No Meeting Sunday, August 16th No Meeting Monday, August 17th No Meeting Tuesday, August 18th 7pm: Finance Council Meeting in the Annex Wednesday, August 19th No Meeting Thursday, August 20th No Meeting Friday, August 21st No Meeting Saturday, August 22nd No Meeting Sunday, August 23rd No Meeting
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FAITH IN ACTION & OUTREACH

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**Even with Summer coming to a close,
St. Vincent De Paul still needs water.**

St. Vincent De Paul is going to stop accepting summer clothing after the end of August. If you have any summer clothing to donate to St. Vincent De Paul, please donate it by August 30th.

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.

Box of Joy – Sharing Christ’s Love with a Child

St. Dominic Parish is once again participating in Box of Joy, a Christmas outreach that provides children in developing countries with a special gift filled with toys, school supplies, hygiene items, and other necessities.

More than simply a box of gifts, Box of Joy is an opportunity to share the joy and hope of Christ with a child who may otherwise receive very little at Christmas. Each box is a tangible reminder that the child is loved, remembered, and prayed for.

Boxes are available in the back of church. Please take a box, fill it with age-appropriate gifts, and return your completed Box of Joy to the church breezeway by September 30, 2026.

Thanks to the generosity of our Ladies’ Altar Sodality, all shipping costs will be covered, so parishioners only need to fill and return their boxes.

Consider filling a Box of Joy as an individual, couple, family, or group. Together, we can share the love of Christ and bring the joy of Christmas to children around the world!

PARISH LIFE: “A PARISH THAT WATCHES AND WAITS.”

This Sunday’s Gospel reminds us to be watchful and ready for the Lord. One of the beautiful ways we do this as a parish is by being attentive to the needs of one another. Parish life is not simply about attending Mass; it is about building a community where people are known, welcomed, supported, and encouraged in their faith.

Take a moment this week to notice someone who may need a kind word, an invitation, a helping hand, or simply someone willing to listen. Sometimes being ready for the Lord means being ready to recognize Him in the person standing beside us.

How can we be more attentive to one another and help make our parish a place where everyone feels that they belong?

SPIRITUALITY

**Rosary in the Prayer Garden:
Sunday, September 13th at 6pm!**

The intention for August: Thank you Lord for the wonderful Laborers in our Parish and our world. During this month that Starts with Labor Day, let us for and honor the hard workers that are the backbone of our country: May God bless them in their work and in their service to others. Whether in construction, education, nursing and medical personnel, social workers, along with our Priests, Deacons & laity who help serve the people of God in many different ways. For all the workers in our country and in our world who serve you through their service to others and their families, we praise you and thank you Lord

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
- Fr. Peter Schavitz



MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: Spiritual Formation Committee

Growing Together in Faith

Our Spiritual Formation Committee helps our parish grow not only in participation, but in faith and understanding. Through opportunities for prayer, faith formation, reflection, and learning, the committee encourages parishioners of all ages to deepen their relationship with Christ and discover ways to live their faith more fully each day.

Spiritual formation is a lifelong journey. Whether through a Bible study, parish retreat, prayer opportunity, adult faith formation, or a special seasonal program, there are many ways to continue learning and growing in our Catholic faith.

The Spiritual Formation Committee works to provide opportunities that help us know our faith, deepen our relationship with God, and share that faith with others. We invite you to become part of the journey. Watch the bulletin and parish announcements for upcoming opportunities, and consider joining us as we continue to grow together as a community of faith.

COR: BRAVING THE STORM

The next Cor Meeting will be Saturday, August 22nd at 8am, located at Mater Dei Catholic High School.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

• Clinton County Citizens for Life will sponsor an Hour of Prayer for Life at First Baptist Church in Carlyle, 650 Franklin St. on Thursday, August 20th at 7 pm. Please join us to pray for moms and babies that they hold life from Conception to Natural Death near to their hearts. The Lord says: "Be Not Afraid", so come and Be a Voice for the voiceless. All are welcome where we will join our voices to pray for an end to abortion and euthanasia and ask God to bring our Country back to a moral and just path of Life for All.

• Registration is now OPEN for a special mother-daughter evening hosted by Mothers & Friends at Mater Dei Catholic High School, focused on women's health, faith, and understanding the beauty of the female body through NaProTECHNOLOGY (Natural Procreative Technology).

Join Sister Renée Mirkes, OSF, PhD, Director of the Center for NaProEthics at the Saint Paul VI Institute, and certified Fertility Care Practitioner Shari Barrios for an educational and faith-filled event open to families from Mater Dei Catholic High School and our feeder parishes.

Scan the QR Code to register Today!



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

- **The Next Monthly Rosary in the Prayer Garden is this Sunday, September 13th at 6pm. All are Welcome!**
- **The next fair-trade sale is this weekend, August 15th & 16th following both weekend Masses.**
- **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

• Sunflower and Zinnia Field Benefits CRS

Enjoy a beautiful sunflower and zinnia field for a great cause! Bring your vase and family and enjoy the beauty of God's creation. Donations are welcome, with proceeds supporting the CRS-run Growing Hope Globally program in Nicaragua.

• Mater Dei High School is excited to welcome internationally recognized Catholic speaker, musician, and comedian Paul J. Kim on Thursday, September 10.

This special presentation will take place during the school day and is open to the entire community. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this inspiring opportunity to grow in faith and be encouraged in your walk with Christ. Everyone is welcome!

• **Altar Sodality Bring-a-Friend Potluck** is Monday, September 14th at 6:30pm in the cafeteria. Members are encouraged to invite relatives or friends to join us for the evening. Members are asked to bring a covered dish. No reservations necessary. The committee will bring desserts. Meat and beverages will be provided. Join us for food, games and prizes.

NEWS

• Next Baptismal Prep. Class

Tuesday, September 8th at St. Augustine. Register by Friday, September 4th.

• **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.

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, August 22nd 5:30pm

Extraordinary Ministers: Donna & Mike Nettemeier, Susie Hempen, Dot Bauman, Mary Niemann, Dennis Litteken, Vernon Mohesky,

Ushers: Charlie Kruse, Bob Mensing, Ted Voss, Don Lappe, Leonard Bathon, Rich Kruep

Altar Servers: Holden Wessel, Aliya Melton, Julie Connelly

Organist & Cantor: Darlene Menietti & Ken Schonhoff

Lector: Tim Moylan

Gift Bearers: Eilermann Family

Sunday, August 23rd 11:00am

Extraordinary Ministers: Jane Jansen, Eric Detmer, Dan Robben, Beth Bedard, Diane Klostermann, Helen Essenpreis, Meghan Florczyk, Diane Grapperhaus

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

Altar Servers: Joseph Becherer, Bentley Hilmes, Lainey Hilmes

Organist & Cantor: Rich Carlton

Lector: Rochelle Cox

Gift Bearers: Rohner Family

Saturday, August 29th 5:30pm

Extraordinary Ministers: Jan & Tom Hustedde, Becky Hitpas, Marla Mensing, Kate Rivera-Kunz, Jeff Lager, Laura Voss

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

Altar Servers: Ava Lampe, Maribeth Cowgill, Sophia Niemann

Organist & Cantor: Maribeth Detmer & Amy Krebs

Lector: Lynette Eilermann

Gift Bearers: Nancy Schomaker

Saturday, August 30th 11:00am

Extraordinary Ministers: Leslie Klay, Deb & Tony Antonacci, Brenda Hellige, Frank Richter, Jan Deiters, Deb Koetting, Tricia Albers

Ushers: Alan & Cindy Grapperhaus, Darlene Ciborowski, Laurie Klostermann, Dan Kampwerth

Altar Servers: Levi Wagoner, Harper Albers, Hayden Pollmann

Organist & Cantor: Evelyn Schrand & Steve Klostermann

Lector: Paul Klostermann

Gift Bearers: Volunteer

WEEKLY REPORTING

This Week's Stewardship

Sunday Envelopes	\$5,876.00
Loose	\$308.94
Online Giving	<u>\$4,221.00</u>
Sunday Contribution	\$10,405.94
Feast of the Assumption	\$10.00
Adopted Parish	\$60.00
Children's Envelopes	\$4.00
Needy	\$5.00
Tuition Assistance	\$285.00
Misc. Blue Envelopes	\$130.00
Building Fund	\$225.00
Cemetery	\$20.00

CSMA

Goal

\$26,042.00

Pledged

\$25,115.50 (96.4%)

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far.

We only need \$926.50 to reach our goal!



Mass Attendance

Sat. - 163 Disciples

Sun. - 216 Disciples

Total - 379 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.

Weekly Cash Raffle \$100 Winners

50th Week: Linda Deiters, Congratulations!

51st Week: Denise Foppe, Congratulations!