



WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

ST. DOMINIC

FREDERIC



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

GRANTSBURG

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 27th & 28th, 2024



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5

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For Christ's Word in the first place cleanses us from errors, by instructing us (cf. Titus 1:9)...secondly, it purifies our hearts of earthly affections, filling them with desire for heavenly things...; finally, his Word purifies us with the strength of faith, for "he cleansed their hearts by faith (Acts 15:9)." ~St. Thomas Aquinas

Weekly Mass Times

St. Dominic:		Immaculate Conception:	
Saturday	4:30 PM	Sunday	8:30 AM
Sunday	10:30 AM	Thursday	9:00 AM
Tues & Wed	10:30 AM	Friday	5:30 PM

Parish Contacts

St. Dominic

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Our Church family of St. Dominic and Immaculate Conception

offer ourselves to you O God.

Bind us together with your love.

Teach us to be kind, prayerful and generous people.

Help us to do your will.

Be there with us during our Joys and Sorrows.

Touch our hearts with your love.

Watch over us and protect us from sin.

Implant in us goodness and show us

how to forgive and forget.

Gather into our Parishes others who

are in great need of your love.

This we pray for O loving God

and please have mercy on us all. Amen

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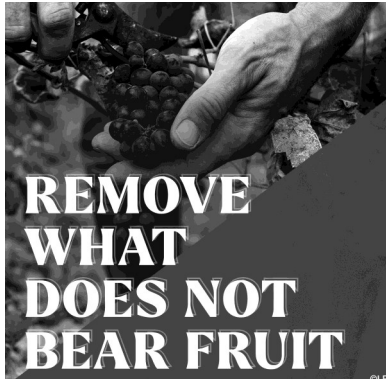
~~~ Encouraging a Deeper Understanding of the Gospel ~~~

My friend and fellow pastor, Father Paul, noticed unsightly, overgrown trees near his parish church. He asked the maintenance crew to cut back the growth, which they happily did, telling him the trees would be much healthier and even fuller after a good pruning. A few days later, Father Paul received a letter from an irate man in the neighborhood who wrote, "Jesus would never prune trees like that. He loves trees, unlike you."

I suspect that the neighbor was not familiar with this week's Gospel in which Jesus says of his Father, "He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit" (John 15:2) I don't mean to pick too much on that fellow. He was perhaps ignorant of arboriculture. But I'd wager his main

confusion was the pruning and removing quality of God's love. That confusion afflicts us all to some degree, doesn't it? It is just so darn easy to react negatively when God cuts something out of our lives and assume it's not his work at all. In the moment, all we see is the loss, and not the loving desire for future flourishing.

The cross is the great pruning of Christ's body. Jesus' rising is the brand-new growth. It is God's promise to us that all the painful pruning in life is leading us somewhere beautiful. What has been cut back or out in your life? A friend, an opportunity, a sense of certainty, a job, health, a relationship? This week, offer those dry branches to the one who lovingly prunes us in order to make our lives burst with verdant growth. Father John Muir ©LPI



First Communion Celebrations

We will be honoring our First Communion children on Sunday, May 5. At Immaculate Conception, the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a breakfast after 8:30 am Mass. At St. Dominic, there will be fellowship following the 10:30 am Mass. Everyone is welcome to celebrate our children as they receive Jesus for the first time in the Holy Eucharist.



Pray with Our Family of Parishes

Everyday Apostles are encouraging parishioners and visitors to write prayers to deepen prayer life, inspire others to reflect on prayer needs, and bring us all closer to God.

A form is in this bulletin for you to write your prayer on. Then turn it in to the office or put in the collection basket. Additional forms will be in the back of church. These prayers will be published in the bulletin and Facebook.

There is a sample prayer on the front of the bulletin.

Catholic Home Missions Collection

This weekend was our Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Nearly 40% of the dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Through your generous support of this appeal last year, our Diocese of Superior was awarded \$90,000 for Lay Formation, Seminary Education, Priest and Deacon Formation and Eucharistic Revival. With your support, the CHM Appeal can continue to provide essential pastoral outreach in our Diocesan parishes.

If you would like to contribute to this collection, please place your envelope in the regular collection by May 19.



New Faith Exploring Opportunity for All

It's not too late to join the St. Dominic Bible Study Group as they continue "Revived: Jesus and the Eucharist" on Tuesdays from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm in the Education Center. This program will explore our faith and allow us to connect more with each other. Please join us for this program!

Each session includes video testimony exploring the mystery of the Eucharist by leading Catholics, personal stories by everyday Catholics, and opportunities to share our thoughts in a small group setting.

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage

The Diocese of Superior and the Diocese of Duluth will come together to celebrate The Marion Route on May 21st and 22nd.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be led by Bishop James Powers at 6:30 pm on May 21 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Rosary in Duluth.

A Mass, celebrated by Bishop Daniel Felton, will be said at 10:00 am on May 22 at the Cathedral of the Rosary in Duluth followed by a 2 mile procession to Leif Erickson Park.

The Marian route is named for its visit to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion—formerly Our Lady of Good Help—the first and only approved Marian Apparition site in the United States. This is fitting, because the very first Eucharistic Pilgrimage was made by our Blessed Mother who traveled with the Body of Christ growing in her womb. Just as Mary followed Jesus perfectly throughout his earthly life, pilgrims will journey closely with Our Lord from May 2024 to July 2024.

The Marion Route will also be in Mora, MN on the afternoon of May 22, in St Cloud on May 23-24 and St. Paul from May 24-31.

For more information go to eucharisticpilgrimage.org



SD Fellowship: Sunday, May 5

All Saints - Jeanette Laqua

IC Fellowship: Sunday, May 5

First Communion Breakfast following Mass



Farewell Mass & Potluck

Let's wish Fr. Joseph well as he leaves our parishes to return to India in early June. At SD there will be a farewell potluck after the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, May 19.

A big thank you to those who came and helped clean up the church grounds at St. Dominic this past Tuesday. It looks great!



Free Soup Supper

The St Dominic CCW is sponsoring a Free Soup meal for all at the Frederic Senior/Community Center on Tuesday, May 7 from 4 to 6 pm. We invite your family and friends to meet for supper - homemade soup, crackers and bread and tasty bars and cookies. Volunteers are needed to make soup, donate crackers or buns, and share a tray of cookies. Call Colleen (715-790-8015) or leave a message at the office if you can help.

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Question: How does a person become a canonized saint?

Answer: It is important to remember that all the saints are people, real people who lived just as we do! The first saints of the Church were martyrs or theologians known for a holy life. Over time, the Church has established a set process to investigate the causes of saints.

After a holy person's death, the bishop of their diocese initiates the canonization process with the Vatican. Typically, they must wait five years to ensure any false enthusiasm has lessened. With Vatican approval, the process begins and the person receives the title "Servant of God." The first phase involves collecting information about the person's life and scrutinizing it carefully. One person has the specific role of raising doubts — this is the origin of the phrase "devil's advocate!" When it is clear the person truly lived a heroically holy life according to Church teaching, they are declared "Venerable."

If the person is a martyr for the faith, they will also be declared "Blessed." If the person is not a martyr, they must be credited with a miracle. This is also closely examined for authenticity. Once the miracle is authenticated as truly a miracle performed by God through the person or through their intercession, they are beatified. An additional authenticated miracle is required before canonization, and we can call them "Saint." ©LPi

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, April 30

SD Bible Study: Revived: Jesus and the Eucharist @ 11:00 am - Everyone is welcome to attend.

Wednesday, May 1

IC Bible Study @ 12:30 pm

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Every Christian is a vine awaiting the loving attention of our gardener to prune and perfect us, to remove the parts of ourselves that are dead so that the fruitful parts burst forth with life. Trust the wisdom of the gardener. He alone can make us bloom. ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENT

Do Others See God in You?

When I was a teenager, I had an experience that truly changed my life and helped me to give Jesus all of myself. I had been baptized Catholic and always had faith, but it took a specific event to really shake me out of the comfort of my life and set me on a path devoted to God. I didn't get knocked off a horse or find an open tomb, but for me it was powerful enough to make a huge impact.

Testimonies of how people came to live as intentional disciples have great power. Often the stories do not include singular events or people; instead they speak of a gradual unfolding of faith. It is often the culmination of several events and the work of more than one person that brings a person to the point of real decision.

Living as good stewards, we can help move people forward in their journey with God. Giving of ourselves freely can move human hearts like few other forces. God working through us can bring others to see that simply saying that Jesus is the Savior of the world does not mean we live our lives differently. It takes more thought and reflection on our part to move past words to intentional acts with intentional results. I don't know if all those involved in that event when I was a teenager knew what an effect their good stewardship would have on me, but I am so thankful they provided a way for God to touch me. I have spent my entire life trying to pay them back by allowing God to touch others through me. Just what person might God touch through you today? --Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

	SD	IC
May 1	CLASS	CLASS
May 8	CLASS	CLASS



MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 27

SD 4:00 pm Confessions
SD 4:30 pm Stan Peer by Judy Marek

Sunday, April 28 *5th Sunday of Easter*

IC 7:45-8:10 Confessions
IC 8:30 am Earl & Sally Strub by Mike Strub
SD 10:30 am People of the Parish

Tuesday, April 30

SD 10:30 am Gary Marek by Bill & Carol Schommer

Wednesday, May 1

IC 7-10 am Adoration
SD 10:30 am All Souls Day Intentions
SD 11-12 pm Adoration

Thursday, May 2 *St. Athanasius*

IC 9:00 am Dennis Corty by Kerri Harter

Friday, May 3 *St. Philip & St. James*

IC 5:30 pm Mary Seidl by Snookie Meier & Family

Saturday, May 4

SD 4:00 pm Confessions
SD 4:30 pm People of the Parish

Sunday, May 5 *5th Sunday of Easter*

IC 7:45-8:10 Confessions
IC 8:30 am Stan Peer by The Jim Wagner Family
SD 10:30 am Bernice Benson by Barb Benson



Parish Services

Home Bound

Please contact the office to be placed on the communion list or if you would like a ride to Mass on the weekend.

Baptism and Matrimony

Please call the office to get all the information you need for your upcoming sacrament.

Anointing of the Sick

Available by appointment, please contact the office.

House Blessing

Available by appointment, please contact the office.

Prayer Chain

If you need a prayer said for you or your loved ones, please contact the office to begin the prayer chain.

Rosary

The Rosary is recited before Saturday Mass at SD.

STEWARDSHIP 4/21/2024	SD	IC
Envelope Collection	\$1,470.00	\$880.00
Loose Collection	\$559.00	\$623.05
Children's Collection		\$5.00
Candle Collection		\$49.62
Building Fund	\$15.00	\$10.00
<i>Outstanding CSA Pledges</i>	<i>\$1,309</i>	<i>\$355</i>

LITURGICAL MINISTERS AND SERVERS

Saturday, May 4

St. Dominic

Ushers: Bill Schommer, Don Supinski

Greeters: N - Colleen Draxler
S - Carol Schommer

Lector: Ronda Thompson

Sacristan: Kathy Supinski

Communion: Colleen Draxler

Server: Steve Swies

Sunday, May 5

Immaculate Conception

Homebound: Jennifer Wagner

Lector: Jennifer Wagner

Communion: Barb Benson

Sacristan: Barb Benson

Ushers: Mike Cole, Bill Schoettle

St. Dominic

Homebound: Ronda Thompson

Ushers: Dan & Thomas King

Greeters: N - Myrna Deutsch

S - Mary Erickson

Lector: Ken Deutsch

Sacristan: Jo Hasse

Communion: Myrna Deutsch

Server: Hattie & Carl Antonich

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Question: What are the three religious vows that consecrated monastic men and women of the Church take?

Answer: Poverty, Chastity and Obedience

New Parishioners

Welcome!

If you would like to become a member of our Parishes, please fill out the following form. Then mail it, drop it off at the parish office, or put it in the collection basket.

St. Dominic Immaculate Conception

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____