



WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

# ST. DOMINIC

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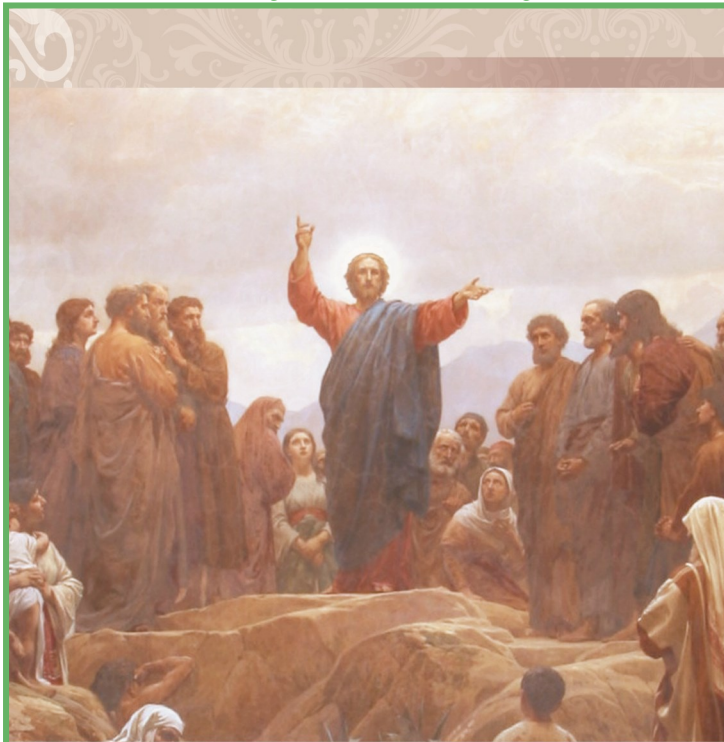


# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

GRANTSBURG

*7th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*February 22nd & 23rd 2025*



*7th Sunday*  
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." - Lk 6:36

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*Without love, deeds even the most brilliant, count as nothing.*

—St. Therese of Lisieux

### 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

##### Parish Council

Sue Wallin - Chairperson  
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 Patty Carlin     Kris Opitz  
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#### Immaculate Conception

##### Parish Council

Ken Kutz - Chairperson  
 Kim Feit  
 Shari Harter  
 Mike Strub  
 Shannon Webster

##### Finance Council

Joan Lauer - Chairperson  
 Mike Cole     Carl Lindgren  
 Jim Wagner     Brian Webster

O God,  
 you spoke your word  
 and revealed your good news in Jesus, the Christ.  
 Fill all creation with that word again,  
 so that by proclaiming your joyful promises  
 to all nations  
 and singing of your glorious hope to  
 all peoples,  
 we may become one living body,  
 your incarnate presence on the earth.  
 Amen

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 Sacramental Minister: Fr. Thomas Sagili  
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~~~ **Encouraging a Deeper Understanding of the Gospel** ~~~

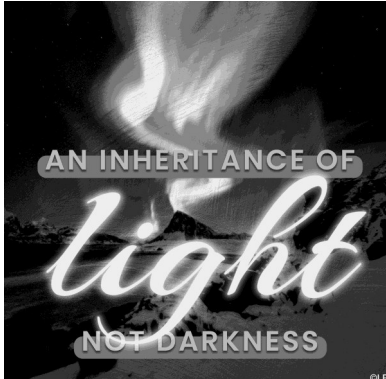
One of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darkneses.

But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus

commands us, "Be merciful just as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect that perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of God's life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural up-bringsings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance.

— Father John Muir ©LPI



### Ash Wednesday Services

March 5 is the beginning of the penitential season of Lent. Mass and distribution of ashes will be held at the following times:

**St. Dominic - 10:30 am and 7:00 pm**

**Immaculate Conception - 5:00 pm**

### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus' message today is one of radical generosity and abundant mercy, and it scandalized the people of his time. It shook them to their core. It should do the same for us. Are we ready to live as Jesus lived? Are we ready to offer love in the face of hate? ©LPI

### Calling all SINGERS and MUSICIANS!

We are gathering members from both parishes for our Triduum choir again this year! All Triduum services are at Immaculate Conception

Rehearsals will be held Sundays after Masses and last 1-1/2 hours. Come and lift up your voice in praise and song for our cluster! If you are interested or have questions, please contact Melinda Deye or Tami Hopwood, 408-472-6278 or via email at [hopwoodtt@msn.com](mailto:hopwoodtt@msn.com).



### Another FORMED Opportunity

Beginning Tuesday, March 4 after 10:30 Mass, the St. Dominic Bible Study will begin studying the book *Restore: Lent with Sr. Miriam James*.

Everyone is invited to take a healing journey which will help you turn away from what wounds you and turn toward God who heals you and makes you whole as you focus on the traditional Lenten practices: prayer, fasting, almsgiving and sacrifice.

### Mark your Calendar!

#### Parish Cluster Lenten Retreat

WHEN: Saturday, March 22, 2024 12:30 - 4:15 pm

Mass at 4:30 pm @ SD

WHERE: St. Dominic Catholic Church

WHAT: Parish Cluster Lenten Retreat

WHO: All Parishioners, friends and visitors

PRESENTER: Fr. Tom Sagili

TOPIC: Accepting Life's Challenges

More information will be available as we approach the date of this event. Please watch the bulletin and future eblasts.

### FORMED - The Catholic Faith on Demand

There are many informative programs on FORMED and everyone in our parishes has the opportunity to view them.

**Looking for something to help you prepare for this Lent?** *How to Lent*, a four-episode series by Augustine Institute challenges our preconceived notions of Lent by helping us enter the season with purpose while giving meaning to the pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Then follow that short series with *Foretold: Finding Hope in God's Providence*, an eight-episode series that weaves together Old and New Testament stories. Then see how this biblical history is your history. Each episode is 9-11 minutes long and is available the eight Sundays of Lent.

*To register:* Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup); select I am a member of a parish; enter (parish zip code of 54837) then select St. Dominic from the dropdown menu provided; register with your name and email address; check that email account inbox for a link to begin using FORMED.

**SD Fellowship: March 2**

St. Theresa - Mary Wallin

**Devotions Explained**

*Fasting*

The practice of fasting predates Christianity. The Old Testament is full of examples of righteous men and women mortifying their flesh for the purpose of making atonement or simply to grow closer to God. Jesus himself fasted for forty days and forty nights in preparation for the beginning of his public ministry, and we see his disciples following his example in the Acts of the Apostles.

Fasting continues to be an important part of Christian devotional life today. Many people feel the practice of fasting enhances their prayer and helps them fulfill St. Paul's advice to "put to death the deeds of the body" (Romans 8:13) to grow in the Spirit. Most Catholics will associate fasting with the liturgical season of Lent, which begins and ends with obligatory fasting for all members of the Latin Catholic Church between ages 18 and 59. ©LPi

**Lenten Gift**



Our Lenten gift to you this year will be the book *The Three Ordinary Voices of God*. In this simple and powerful guide, Matthew Kelly demonstrates that God speaks to everyone - whether we are aware of it or not - through three ordinary voices: OUR NEEDS, OUR TALENTS, and OUR DESIRES.

*The Three Ordinary Voices of God* will help you discover how God is speaking to you today and how that will change all your tomorrows. Books will be available next weekend.

**CATHOLIC QUESTIONS & ANSWERS?**

**Question:** Is Ash Wednesday a holy day of obligation?

**Answer:** Despite the often packed churches, you may be surprised to hear that the answer is no! Holy days of obligation commemorate a particular event (such as the birth of Christ at Christmas) or celebrate particular people (such as Mary's Immaculate Conception or the feast of All Saints). Ash Wednesday is a day of penance, fasting, and abstinence to begin the season of Lent. In a sense, it focuses on a concept rather than something particular and concrete.

Of course, repentance ought to be reflected in particular, concrete ways! That's one of the reasons that attending Mass on Ash Wednesday is a very good idea. It marks the beginning of a solemn season of penance. Despite all its comparisons to the desert, Lent can be very fruitful for our spiritual growth! Beginning this season with the celebration of Mass and the reception of ashes is a sign of our commitment to God and to spiritual growth. ©LPi

**Upcoming Events**

**Tuesday, February 25**

SD Bible Study @ 10:30 am

**Wednesday, February 26**

Rosary 9:30 @ CCC

IC Bible Study @ 12:30 pm

**CATHOLIC TRIVIA**

**Question:** In Italy, where can you find the painting of the crucifixion that, according to tradition, spoke to Saint Thomas Aquinas?

**Answer:** Naples in the Church of San Domenico in Naples

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENT**

**Steward What You Have**

I sometimes spend more money than I should. I make decisions based upon my wants and not my needs. Those actions can create a financial difficulty or circumstance where more sacrifice is needed. Instant gratification or selfish impulses can create havoc in one's bank account, marriage, or family. All these issues to deal with simply because I wanted what I wanted and I got it. Yes, it sounds like the actions of a child.

However, I know I am not alone. We all can easily find ourselves acting in this manner. This is why it struck me to listen once again to the words of Jesus when he says, "Do to others as you would have them do to you." The words are reminiscent of another of Jesus' phrases, "Love your neighbor as yourself." The problem is that too often I would like for others to fulfill my wants instead of needs, and I can seemingly love myself by doing what I already mentioned above.

A stewardship way of life means that I wisely steward what I have, and I cannot give what I do not have. Have you ever given someone a present you couldn't afford and think that was love? It wasn't. We don't show love by giving what we do not possess. We show love by meeting another's needs and by sharing our very self with them. At our core, what we long for from others more than anything else is love. Would I have others give me lavish gifts and shower me with empty compliments or would I have them give to me something much more valuable: the love in their hearts? In turn, I need to love myself more by realizing that no purchase will offer fulfillment more than the love of God shown to me in Christ Jesus. —Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE**

|         | SD                     | IC                     |
|---------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Feb. 26 | CHILDREN'S MASS        | CLASS                  |
| Mar. 5  | NO CLASS—Ash Wednesday | NO CLASS—Ash Wednesday |
| Mar. 12 | CLASS                  | CLASS                  |



# MASSES AND INTENTIONS

## Saturday, February 22 *The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle*

SD 4:00 pm Confessions  
SD 4:30 pm Sheila Staples by Joe & Steve Swies

## Sunday, February 23 *7th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

IC 7:45-8:10 Confessions  
IC 8:30 am Dan Ohnstad by Phyllis Ohnstad  
SD 10:30 am People of the Parish

## Tuesday, February 25

SD 10:30 am *No Mass*

## Wednesday, February 26

IC 7-10 am Adoration  
SD 10:30 am Mick Miller by Rose Miller  
SD 11-12 pm Adoration  
SD 6:00 pm Children of the Parish

## Thursday, February 27

IC 9:00 am *No Mass*

## Friday, February 28

IC 4:30 pm Intentions of those present at Mass  
*Continuing Care Center - All are Welcome!*  
IC 5:30 pm Health of Debbie Whalberg by Steve Sobolewski

## Saturday, March 1

SD 4:00 pm Confessions  
SD 4:30 pm Kaye Heine by Greg Heine & Family

## Sunday, March 2 *8th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

IC 7:45-8:10 Confessions  
IC 8:30 am Gerry Myers by Mike & Lucy Myers  
SD 10:30 am People of the Parish



### 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.

#### 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 one half hour before weekend Masses.

| STEWARDSHIP 2/16/2025          | SD             | IC             |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Envelope Collection            | \$1,085.00     | \$1,100.00     |
| Loose Collection               | \$459.00       | \$328.00       |
| Children's Collection          | \$3.00         | \$7.25         |
| California Fires Collection    | \$1,120.00     | \$690.00       |
| <i>Outstanding CSA Pledges</i> | <i>\$1,100</i> | <i>\$1,130</i> |

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS AND SERVERS

#### Saturday, March 1

##### St. Dominic - 4:30 pm

Ushers: Bill Schommer, Don Supinski

Greeters: N - Colleen Draxler  
S - Carol Schommer

Lector: Ray Draxler

Sacristan: Kathy Supinski

Communion: Colleen Draxler

Server: Steve Swies

#### Sunday, March 2

##### Immaculate Conception - 8:30 am

Homebound: Barb Hoefler

Lector: Jennifer Wagner

Communion: Shari Harter

Sacristan: Shari Harter

Ushers: Mike Cole, Bill Schoettle

##### St. Dominic - 10:30 am

Homebound: Colleen (S), Kathy (L), John F)

Ushers: Dan & Thomas King

Greeters: N - Kris Opitz

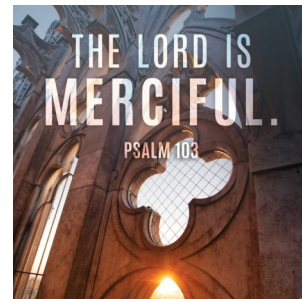
S - Jeanette Laqua

Lector: Dave Malinovsky

Sacristan: Jo Hasse

Communion: Kris Opitz

Server: Patrick Chenal



### 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 \_\_\_\_\_