



WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

ST. DOMINIC

FREDERIC



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

GRANTSBURG

4th Sunday of Lent

March 29th & 30th, 2025



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

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I'm certain of this - that if my conscience were burdened with all the sins it's possible to commit, I would still go and throw myself into our Lord's arms, my heart all broken up with contrition; I know what tenderness He has for any prodigal child of His that comes back to Him. -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

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A Prayer for Lent

Dear God, Just as the rains from heaven prepare the lands to flourish, we know that your blessings are bestowed upon us. In this season of preparation, help us grow closer to you as we make time for prayer, solitude and reflection. Make ready our ears to hear your loving call amidst the stressful and hurried days that make up the storms of our life. Loving Father, we know that we do not face such days alone; your divine strength is our unfailing aid as we await the joy of the Easter season. Amen

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

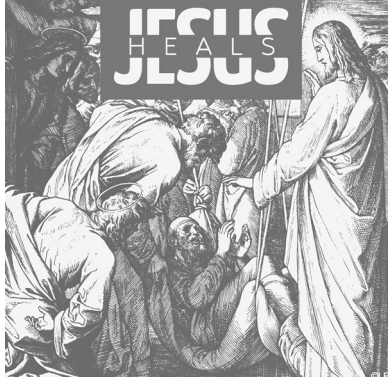
A man looking a bit downtrodden approached me as I filled my car's gas tank. He asked, "May I share with you my testimony about how good God is?" "OK," I skeptically answered. He went on to tell me that he had been an alcoholic and drug addict, and that God had healed him; now he was four years sober. He said, "I didn't deserve it, but now I'm a different person. God is so good! Have a terrific Tuesday!" A few minutes later, as I drove away, I saw him smiling and handing a homeless person some money. I was confronted with a choice: either he was a total fraud or God had changed him. Something had happened to him, and it didn't seem fake. Maybe it was God.

When Jesus heals the man born blind, the man becomes a challenge to everyone who meets him. They must decide. Is he the same blind person who they knew before? Who healed him and how? And what is the status of the one

who can heal such infirmities? We shouldn't be surprised at the storm of doubt, hatred and animosity that swirls around the healed man — so it often goes when Jesus heals someone even to this day.

Like we often do, the religious leaders confronting the healed man declare that God is not at work. They ask with mocking superiority and dismissive disdain, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" (John 9:34). And they cast him out. When Jesus clearly works in our lives, in us or around us, we should accept it, and give praise and thanks for this wonderful manifestation of his goodness.

Lenten challenge: Think of one way the Lord has healed you. Perhaps he healed a form of selfishness, a physical ailment, or something else. This week, find a person to whom you can share that testimony, and share it. Don't worry if they don't accept it was God who did it. — Father John Muir ©LPi



### Reconciliation Service This Week

A **Reconciliation Service** will be held at St. Dominic on Thursday, April 3 at 6 pm.

There will be no general absolution during this services but Fr. Tom will be available for individual confessions.

He is also available to hear individual confessions after daily Masses, by appointment and on Saturdays at 4:00 pm (SD) & Sundays at 7:45 am (IC).

Please make every effort to receive this sacrament during Lent to better prepare yourself to celebrate the Resurrection of our Savior on Easter!



**Holy Week** Please consider taking an active part in the **Holy Week Services** for our parishes, which will be held at Immaculate Conception this year. To volunteer to help, call Shari Harter (715-791-4839) or Colleen Draxler (715-790-8015) or sign up on the sheets in the back of church. We will need oil bearers, gift bearers, people to have their feet washed, servers and ushers.



### St. Dominic Parish Festival Meeting

We will have a meeting to discuss the future of our parish festival on **Monday, March 31** at 6:00 pm in the Education Center. **Everyone** is welcome to join and share ideas.

We are looking for new people to join in planning this parish event or talk about new ideas to raise money and create a sense of community within our parish.



### World Concern Collection

This is World Concern Collection weekend and you have the opportunity to give back to Fr. Tom's home Diocese in India for sharing his vocation and priestly service with our parishes. 100% of the funds raised from this collection in our communities will serve as our Stewardship in appreciation. You may use your regular World Concern envelope for this purpose - just write 'Fr. Tom's Diocese' on the envelope.

### Easter Flower Memorials

You are still invited to remember or honor loved ones with a Flower Offering for Easter plants. Please write the names of the people you wish to remember on your envelope and drop it in the regular collection basket. Memorials will be in the April 27th bulletin.



### Triduum Choir

Members from both parishes are invited to sing at St. Dominic for our Cluster Triduum Services April 17—19. The choir practice time are:  
Sunday, March 30 @ IC following 8:30 am Mass  
Sunday, April 6 @ IC following 8:30 am Mass



### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The Prodigal Son doesn't dare ask for the honor of being called his Father's son again. All he wants is to be close to his Father, to be cared for. But his Father surprises him with his mercy, as God surprises us. He offers more than just forgiveness. He offers redemption. ©LP

**SD Fellowship: April 6**

St. Margaret Mary—Cindy Mullner



**Free Soup Supper**

Join us for the First Tuesday Free Soup Supper at the Frederic Senior/Community Center on April 1 from 4-6 pm! All ages are welcome. Come enjoy a warm meal, great company, and a sense of community. Hosted by fantastic soup makers and tasty treat bakers of St. Dominic.

**Knights of Columbus**

**52 Week Raffle Winners**

**For February**

- 2/2: JoAnn Hasse
- 2/9: Kevin Taylor
- 2/16: Mike Myers
- 2/23: Jillian Schiessel



*Please join us immediately after Mass on Sunday, April 6, for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual IC Religious Ed Craft and bake sale! Proceeds will go toward future IC Religious Ed activities and field trips.*

**CATHOLIC QUESTIONS & ANSWERS?**

**Question:** Lent always seems to help me renew my relationship with God and strengthen my religious practice. Do you have any suggestions as to what I could do to achieve that the rest of the year?

**Answer:** The obvious answer may seem to be to do whatever you do during Lent all year round. But part of the power of Lent is that we focus as a community on renewing our faith and preparing for Easter. Our Lenten practices have a purpose and a goal. Therein lies the secret. When we focus our efforts on one virtue, or try to change one bad habit, or seek to deepen our understanding of one aspect of faith, we focus our efforts and give our full attention to what we are trying to accomplish. We tend to be more successful achieving our goals. More importantly, it has a ripple effect in our lives: one thing changes or is added to the spiritual mix of our lives and many aspects are changed.

All too often we leave our spiritual growth to chance and the practice of faith to habit, and then wonder why we have no sense of growth or progress. Think of it in terms of exercise. We walk, lift weights, bend and stretch to attain the maximum benefit from what we do. In addition, to keep those benefits, we eat healthful food and get enough vitamins and rest. Spirituality requires the same kind of attention: we pray, fast, read the Bible, receive sacraments, and do charitable work to maximize the benefits of practicing faith. Keeping Lent year round keeps us in spiritual shape! ©LPi

**Upcoming Events**

**Monday, March 31**

SD Festival meeting @ 6:00 pm

**Tuesday, April 1**

SD Bible Study @ 11:00 am

**Wednesday, April 2**

Rosary 9:30 am @ CCC

IC Bible Study @ 12:30 pm

SD Bible Study @ 5:00 pm in Education Center

*Listen to this bible study at: [radiowindmiller.com](http://radiowindmiller.com)*

**Thursday, April 3**

SD Reconciliation Service @ 6:00 pm

**Friday, April 4**

Mass at Frederic Nursing Home @ 1:30pm

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENT**

**Love Him More**

So you never have been that serious about a stewardship way of life? It's not that you have been greedy or unloving toward others. You give of yourself when you determine there is a real need. However, you haven't intentionally worked toward surrendering all you are, all you have, and all you do to your God. It's hard because when you compare yourself to others, you seem pretty good. You aren't some prodigal child who needs to return to God because you have lived a life full of sin and selfishness.

Yet, there lies the problem. We can easily feel we aren't so bad, so why change anything? We can lull ourselves into a belief that we will probably get to heaven, therefore why do more? Assurance of salvation is another topic, but basically we can look at our life as a series of transactions with God.

However, we shouldn't determine our actions based upon what we get. The actions of a loved one are due to the love for one's beloved. Jesus gave his life out of love for us. He has shown us what complete surrender looks like. He does not need our surrender but wants it because that is what those in love do. This Lent, perhaps our prayer should not be to simply be better stewards, but to love Him more. Then our motivation will not be based upon what we should do but on what we are moved to do out of love.—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE**

|          | SD    | IC    |
|----------|-------|-------|
| April 2  | CLASS | CLASS |
| April 9  | CLASS | CLASS |
| April 16 | CLASS | CLASS |



# MASSES AND INTENTIONS

## Saturday, March 29

SD 4:00 pm Confessions

SD 4:30 pm Judy Aamold by Judy Marek

## Sunday, March 30 *4th Sunday of Lent*

IC 7:45-8:10 Confessions

IC 8:30 am The Bistram Family by Shari Harter

SD 10:30 am People of the Parish

## Tuesday, April 1

SD 10:30 am All Souls Day Intentions

## Wednesday, April 2

IC 7-10 am Adoration

SD 10:30 am Margaret Franzen by Tera Bowman & Kerri Harter

SD 11-12 pm Adoration

## Thursday, April 3

IC 9:00 am Health of Fred Tezak by Steve Sobolewski

## Friday, April 4

SD 1:30 pm Intentions of those present at Mass  
*Frederic Nursing Home - All are Welcome!*

IC 5:30 pm Jan Christofferson by Paul & Kit Lammert

## Saturday, April 5

SD 4:00 pm Confessions

SD 4:30 pm Mary Carlson by Ann Froehlich

## Sunday, April 6 *5th Sunday of Lent*

IC 7:45-8:10 Confessions

IC 8:30 am People of the Parish

SD 10:30 am Helen Weinzierl by Mary Wallin



### 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 3/23/2025          | SD           | IC           |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Envelope Collection            | \$910.00     | \$1,155.00   |
| Loose Collection               | \$689.00     | \$176.00     |
| Children's Collection          |              | \$9.00       |
| Flowers                        | \$559.00     | \$536.00     |
| <i>Outstanding CSA Pledges</i> | <i>\$848</i> | <i>\$870</i> |

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS AND SERVERS

#### Saturday, April 5

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

Ushers: Bill Schommer, Don Supinski

Greeters: N - Jim Schommer  
S - Carol Schommer

Lector: Ronda Thompson

Sacristan: Colleen Draxler

Communion: Jackie Schommer

Server: Steve Swies

#### Sunday, April 6

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

Homebound: Jen Wagner

Lector: Elaine Michel

Communion: Dolores Swenson

Sacristan: Barb Benson

Ushers: Mike Cole, Pete Lauer

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