

**DOMINIC
PRIEST (1170 ~ 1221)
AUGUST 8**



If he hadn't taken a trip with his bishop, Dominic would probably have remained within the structure of contemplative life; after the trip, he spent the rest of his life being a contemplative in active apostolic work.

Born in old Castile, Spain, he was trained for the priesthood by a priest-uncle, studied the arts and theology, and became a canon of the cathedral at Osma, where there was an attempt to revive the apostolic common life of the Acts of the Apostles.

On a journey through France with his bishop, he came face to face with the then-virulent Albigensian heresy at Languedoc. The Albigensians (Cathari, "the pure") held to two principles - one good, one evil - in the world. All matter is evil - hence they denied the Incarnation and sacraments. On the same principle they abstained from procreation and took a minimum of food and drink. The inner circle led what must be called a heroic life of purity and asceticism not shared by ordinary followers.

Dominic sensed the need for the church to combat this heresy, and was commissioned to be part of the preaching crusade against it. He saw immediately why the preaching was not succeeding; the ordinary people admired and followed the ascetical heroes of the Albigenses. Understandably, they were not impressed by the Catholic preachers who traveled with horse and retinues, stayed at the best inns and had servants. Dominic therefore, with three Cistercians, began itinerant preaching according to the gospel ideal. He continued his work for ten years, being successful with the ordinary people but not with the leaders. His fellow preachers gradually became a community, and in 1215 he founded a religious house at Toulouse, the beginning of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans).

His ideal, and that of his Order, was to link organically a life with God, study and prayer in all forms, with a ministry of salvation to people by the word of God. His ideal: *contemplata tradere*: "to pass on the fruits of contemplation" or "to speak only of God or with God."

COMMENT: The Dominican ideal, like that of all religious communities, is for the imitation, not merely the admiration, of the rest of the church. The effective combining of contemplation and activity is the vocation of truck driver Smith as well as theologian Aquinas. Acquired contemplation is the tranquil abiding in the presence of God, and is an integral part of any full human life. It must be the wellspring of all Christian activity.

STORY: Legend has it that Dominic saw the sinful world threatened by God's anger but saved by the intercession of Mary, who pointed out to her Son two figures: One was Dominic himself, the other a stranger. In church the next day he saw a ragged beggar enter - the man in the vision. He went up to him, embraced him and said, "You are my companion and must walk with me. If we hold together, no earthly power can withstand us." The beggar was Francis of Assisi. The meeting of the two founders is commemorated twice a year, when on their respective feast days Dominicans and Franciscans celebrate Mass in each other's churches, and afterwards sit at the same table "to eat the bread which for seven centuries has never been wanting" (Butler's *Lives of the Saints*).

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PARISH NEWS



**OUR PARISH R.C.I.A.
PROGRAM**

If you or someone you know needs information on the Catholic Faith or have not been confirmed, please call the Religious Education Office listed on the cover for information on the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) in our parish.

Registration for Religious Education classes for public school children, running September through June, is **open**. Classes are

available for children in 1st grade through High School senior year, including those with Special Education needs. Classes are available to prepare children at all ages for the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation, regardless of any lack of previous instruction. **All Catholic children attending public schools should enroll in a religious education program.** Please call (476-6676) for more information.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION TRIPS

Glory in Gotham: Explore the Influence of Religion on NY History

Join this full day tour to visit some of the most beautiful houses of worship in NYC, explore the influence of religion on NY's history from Catholicism to Judaism & from Buddhism to Islam. Enjoy lunch in a relaxed, cozy, French atmosphere at *Le Rivage*. This trip is planned for Friday, September 27th; and the cost of **\$109 per person** includes the tour with a tour director, lunch, and transportation.

Miracle of Christmas

Go back in time and witness the greatest birth in history. Be surrounded by the bustling village of Bethlehem as camels, horses, donkeys, and villagers pass by. Be transported to the hillside where legions of angels descend upon the shepherds to proclaim, "The Savior is born!" Dine at the famous Miller's Smorgasbord prior to the show.

An all day excursion to the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA to see the *Miracle of Christmas* on Thursday, December 5th, is planned. The bus leaves at 9 a.m. and returns at 10 p.m. The cost is \$139 per person. **Seating is limited; reservations are required now.** For information and reservations, call Cheryl Duda (476-6676).



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially Stephen Fecko.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Please remember that on Thursday, August 15th, we will celebrate the Feast of the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** into heaven. It is a Holy Day of Obligation; therefore, every Catholic is obliged to attend Mass on that day in honor of

our Blessed Mother, Mary. There will be a vigil Mass on Wednesday, **August 14th at 7:30 p.m.** and on Thursday, **August 15th**, Masses will be held at **7 a.m., 9 a.m., 12 noon, and 7:30 p.m.**

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the hand of God. Come and seek God's guidance and strength for your marriage/holy orders. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is August 9-11. Call toll free 877 697-9963, ext. 3 or visit the website www.wwmearchny.org for

more information.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter's mission of renewal in the Church and change in the world is to assist couples to live fully intimate and responsible relationships by providing them with a Catholic "

CELL PHONE ALERT

As you join us for sacred worship, we remind you to please **TURN OFF** your cell phone. Let your focus be on Prayer and the Presence of Jesus among us.



The 1st & 3rd Sunday evenings of each month immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass, our Youth Group meets in the McManus Parish Center. All

youths age 13 and up are invited.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Held after the 9 a.m. Mass on Mondays.

EUCCHARISTIC DEVOTION: Held the First Friday of every month at 1 p.m. Please join us when you are able.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION: Held the First Saturday of every month at 3 p.m. All are encouraged to participate.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Join your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary after the 9 a.m. Mass on weekdays and Saturdays

✠ **STEWARDSHIP** ✉
What shall I render unto the Lord
for all his benefits to me?

TITHING - GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

July 29, 2012

Adults' Contribution	\$5680.05
Children's Contribution	\$63.00
Last Year's Total	\$5743.05

July 28, 2013

Adults' Contribution	\$5390.10
Children's Contribution	\$56.00
This Year's Total	\$5446.10

The second collection for the Propagation of the Faith in support of Monsignor Kabyanga John Mary and his diocese in Uganda totaled \$1998.45.

REMEMBER YOUR BELOVED PARISH

Remember, "We make a living by what we earn. We make a life by what we share." Please remember our Parish in your Will as a lasting and loving gift to your parish family. Thank you!



Please pray for all the sick & the homebound members of our Parish, especially Ethel Thomas, Aldina Pereira, Rebecca Conroy, Andy DeFabritis, Maria Marte, Barbara Rup, Jule Yaskovic, Rosalie Heit, Florence B. Swetz, Clare Yaskovic, Neil Caruso, Deacon James Byrnes, Andrea Objay, Carmen Torres, Frank Marra, Deacon Patrick Troy, Josephine Apuzzo, Edith Dugan, Gary Roth, Joyann Allan, Lois Burton, Mary DeStefano, Mark Cianfaglione, Shawn Colon, Margaret Maccia, Nicole Ryan Betancourt, Anthony Spinner, Audrey & Alfred Falcone, Kathleen Hayes, Marge Muraik, Donna Vasconez, Nicole Pisani-Frame, Louis Petrulo, Cynthia Swiatkiewicz, Jimmy Maimone, Robert Mirsky, Roseanne Mercandetti, Louis Brusco, Josephine Daniele, Jennifer Dorsey, Valerie Riccardi, Fatima Panik, Marian Fletcher, Anna Bonacci, Minerva Hernandez, Paula Parente, Barbara Olivieri, Bridget O'Malley, Anna Brucculeri, Peggy Clevenberg, Gerald Mazzerese, Jr., Patricia Keane, Louis Milone, Joey Bastardi, Carol Stola, Amada Ortiz, Karen Aprea, Stephen Sarich, Neil Cawley, Barbara McCormack, Josephine Lehotyak, and Father Raphael Ezeh, MSP.

2014 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

The Mass Book for 2014 opened on Ash Wednesday and there are still many dates open in this year's Mass Book, as well. Consider giving a loved one or someone (living or deceased) who has a special place in your life the graces associated with having a Mass offered on their behalf. You may have a thanksgiving Mass offered for your loved ones or for yourself on such occasions as birthdays, wedding anniversaries, etc. Also, you may consider offering the altar flowers, altar bread and wine, altar candles, or sanctuary lamp for your intention. Come to the Rectory Office, **Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.** to make arrangements or to inquire about the availability of a particular date.

AUGUST 4, 2013

Mass  for the
Intentions Week

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 3 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Grace Raguso +

Sunday, August 4

8:30 AM Carl Laredo +

10:00 AM Mary & Joseph Prior +

11:30 AM For All the People of Our Parish

5:00 PM Allan Trancynger (living)

Monday, August 5

Weekday

7:00 AM Thomas J. Biamonte +

9:00 AM Darin & Robert Fabrizio +

Tuesday, August 6

Transfiguration of the Lord

7:00 AM Allan Trancynger (living)

9:00 AM Patrick & Lucy Massaroni +

Wednesday, August 7

Weekday

7:00 AM Edoardo & Donata Vitullo +

9:00 AM Donato & Domenico Melchiorre +

Thursday, August 8

Saint Dominic, Priest

7:00 AM Marriage of Thao & Tuan (living)

9:00 AM Domenico & Emilia DiCarlo +

Friday, August 9

Weekday

7:00 AM Rita Bolduc +

9:00 AM Marcello Barcello & Teresa Talarico +

Saturday, August 10

Saint Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

9:00 AM Michael Brini +

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 10 (Anticipated Mass)

5:00 PM Leonardo, Michele, & Carmelo Terrusa +

Sunday, August 11

8:30 AM Rose Marie Yannicelli +

10:00 AM Frances Swetz +

11:30 AM John Verno +

5:00 PM For All the People of Our Parish

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WELCOME TO ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

Our warmest welcome to our visitors! We are glad you came to celebrate the Eucharist with us today. We thank God for you! Do not hesitate to let us know how we may serve you.

Every family and single adult to be considered an active parishioner of St. Bartholomew's Parish must be properly registered in the Parish, receiving and regularly using the Parish Weekly Collection Envelopes. Only in this way can the Pastor provide documents attesting to Catholic practice of the faith and Parish membership, e.g. a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. For further information call the Parish Office at 914-965-0566.

If you have not registered or need to correct some of the information in our file, please fill out this form and check (X) the appropriate box below, or complete the Registration Form found on the table at the rear of the Church, and drop the completed form into the collection basket or drop off/mail it to the Rectory. Thank you!

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/Zip: _____
Telephone: _____
Comment: _____

- I am a visitor.
- I am interested in parish membership.
- Change of Address / Telephone Number.
- I am moving out of the Parish.
- I am going to the hospital.
- I would like to be visited by a priest / minister.
- Please send me the *Catholic New York*.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

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SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Our second collection next weekend will support two very worthy causes by splitting the proceeds between the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**, which works to strengthen the Church at Home; and the **Collection for the Church in Latin America**, which funds evangelization, formation, and catechesis projects throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

There are over 80 home mission diocese in the US, struggling to fund basic and essential pastoral works, such as religious education, seminarian & lay ministry formation, and evangelization.

While Latin American Catholics are often characterized by their warm, humble, passionate hearts and rich culture, in these time of economic struggle, poverty, and violence, your support helps give hope to people in this region.

Please give generously in next weekend's second collection.

