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I Dominica in Quadragesima

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First Sunday of Lent

From the Pastor

Dear family,

In this time of war abroad and increasing difficulties at home we must remain focused on what is important while avoiding distractions. Let us pray for an end to all killing, whether in the womb or in war. Let us pray for an end to the scandal of two Christian peoples fighting each other in Europe.

In this difficult time internally in our country let us offer our crosses in reparation for our sins and those of others.

“Pray always”

Oysterfest: March 26

Join us for the Spring Oysterfest from 12 noon to 3 pm. Mark your calendar and invite family and friends.

This year we will add a new item, hush puppies, to the menu of local oysters raw and scalded at our outdoor bar or fried, shrimp, locally-raised barbecued pig, all you can eat sides, and desserts.

All desserts will be for sale. There will be no flea market/yard sale this year. 50/50 raffle and cake raffle will be offered.

Volunteers welcome. Please contact Mark Long to find out where we need help.

Sanctuary Lamp In Honor of

Deployed Military

Collect: I Dominica Quadragesima

Let us pray.

O God, You Who purify Your Church by the yearly Lenten observance, grant to Your household that what they strive to obtain from You by abstinence, they may achieve by good works.

Through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. **R.** Amen.

Upcoming: Synod Session March 26th

For Charles, St. Mary's and Calvert Counties: Saturday, March 26, 2022 at Our Lady Help of Christians in Waldorf, MD from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Our Lady's Message at Fatima the Key to Our Time

“I shall come to ask for the Consecration of Russia to My Immaculate Heart...If people attend to My requests, Russia will be converted and the world will have peace.”

War between Russia and Ukraine brings back with renewed urgency our Lady's unheeded messages at Fatima in 1917.

She warned that if Russia was not consecrated the world would be consumed by war and nations would be annihilated. With the threat of nuclear sabre-rattling on the part of Russia at this time it is hard to deny the truth of Our Lady's prophecy.

She asked the bishops to consecrate Russia to her Immaculate Heart to avert war. Though some in the Vatican have claimed over the years that the consecration was completed there are doubts. One looks in vain when one searches for evidence that all the world's bishops prayed such a consecration together with the pope.

Ukraine's bishops have begged the pope to pray the consecration as our Lady requested at Fatima. Russia's orthodox bishops have called on Putin to stop the war. These unprecedented signs also add a sense of urgency for renewing this Lent, as always, our devotion to Our Lady and to undertake the penance and prayer she says is necessary for repentance for sins in faithfulness to her Son our Savior.

The children at Fatima were shown a vision of hell, after which Our Lady told them:

“You have seen Hell — where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them God wills to establish throughout the world the devotion to My Immaculate Heart.

“If people will do what I tell you, many souls will be saved, and there will be peace. The war is going to end.

“But if they do not stop offending God, another and worse war will break out in the reign of Pius XI. When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that it is the great sign that God gives you, that He is going to punish the world for its crimes by means of war, hunger, persecution of the Church and of the Holy Father.

“To forestall this, I shall come to ask for the Consecration of Russia to My Immaculate Heart and the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays.

“If they heed My requests, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace. If not, she shall spread her errors throughout the world, promoting wars and persecutions of the Church; the good will be martyred, the Holy Father will have much to suffer, various nations will be annihilated; in the end, My Immaculate Heart shall triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to Me, which will be converted, and some time of peace will be given to the world...”

Pray the rosary daily, fast and offer penance in reparation for sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. You can read the story of the Fatima apparitions at [fatima.org: https://fatima.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/The-True-Story-of-Fatima.pdf](https://fatima.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/The-True-Story-of-Fatima.pdf)

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 Parish use/restricted:
 \$1,100.00
 Website Paypal portal wkly
 avg: \$200
 Easter flowers \$25.00
 Fuel \$160.00
 Papers/Pamphlets \$40.00

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Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Ray Stublarec, Neal Sullivan, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Daniel Rodriguez, Paul Custer, and Jerome and Jean Malsack.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at cusickk@adw.org to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

Rite of Christian Initiation - Adult Faith Formation Classes

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church are scheduled by our faith formation director Aaron Percich. Email him to start formation: aaron.percich@comcast.net. Pick up a copy of the weekly Wanderer Newspaper available in church and see the "B" section for a basic adult catechetical resource.

Children's Faith Formation

Our Church teaches that parents are the first teachers in the ways of Faith for all of our young people. No one has more power or responsibility before God for witnessing to our children of the fact of the Lord's Resurrection and His presence in our lives through the Church. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are asked to contact the parish office.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before children can receive first sacraments.

Holy Sweepers for the week of February 27 and March 6

Scarlata Family

Holy Sweepers are the families and individuals who graciously keep our church clean and tidy. They clean once a week, for a two week period, on a rotating basis. If you would like to be a Holy Sweeper, please contact the parish office.

Service on the Altar

Training for all current and prospective members of the Society of Saints Aloysius and Alphonsus (SSAA) altar boy society will be held on the first Saturday of each month after the 9:00 am Mass.

All interested boys and men are invited to please contact Jamieson Scarlata at 1619surfer@gmail.com

UPCOMING: ProLife prayers every second Saturday of the month, **and next on March 12th**, from 10-11 am at Waldorf Planned Parenthood, 3975 St. Charles Parkway, Gateway Plaza, 20602
Second Collection on Ash Wednesday, March 2d: for Church in the Developing World

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	6 March	8:00 am	Thomas Gomez	I Dominica in Quadragesima First Sunday of Lent
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	
		11:00 am	†A Lois Joyce	
Monday	7 Mar	9:00 am	Mary Belton	
Tuesday	8 Mar	**	†Helen Sheehy	
Wednesday	9 Mar	6:00 pm	Adoration/Confessions	Feria Quarta Quattuor Temporum
		7:00 pm	Peace in Russia & Ukraine	
Thursday	10 Mar	9:00 am	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	
Friday	11 Mar	9:00 am	Fred Kent	Feria Sexta Quattuor Temporum
Saturday	12 Mar	9:00 am	†Douglas Paul Smith	Sabbato Quattuor Temporum
Sunday	13 Mar	8:00 am	Intns Immac. Heart of Mary/ II Dominica in Quadragesima	Second Sunday of Lent
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	
		11:00 am	†Martin P Joyce Sr	

* Mass in English **Father away - no public Mass

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email meitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com, stop by the parish office during regular business hours, drop a note in the collection basket or see Father after Mass. The customary offering for a Mass, per Archdiocesan guidelines, is \$10.00.

Staff

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Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 8 am & 11 am

Weekdays: Mon 9 am, Wed 7 pm, Thurs-Sat 9 am

Holy Days: 8 am, 7 pm

English: Sundays 9 am, **Holy Days** 6 pm

Confessions offered prior to all weekend Masses

Baptisms and Marriages: By appointment 6 months in advance. **Bulletin Deadline:** Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to sjkrautle@gmail.com or call the rectory at 301-274-3416.

New Parishioners: Welcome! Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church and also at <https://www.stfrancisbenedict.org/registration-form/>. You may email it, return it to Father, or drop it in the collection basket.