
St. Martin De Porres Parish

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Weekdays

Tuesday to Friday 8.30 AM

** No Morning Mass on Monday & Saturday

FRIDAY Mass is followed by the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 10.00 am.

Weekend

SATURDAY: 5.00 PM (Vigil)

SUNDAY: 9.00 AM, 10.30 AM & 12.00 Noon

Reconciliation SATURDAY From 4.15 PM to 4.45 PM

Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion

Registered and active parishioners are asked to contact the parish office during week days between 8.30 am to 3.30 pm (Closed 12.30pm - 1.30 pm)

Marriage

Contact the parish priest one year in advance of the date of marriage.

Shut-ins

Please let the parish team know so that they can be supported sacramentally.

Parish Schools

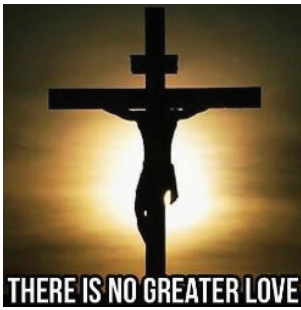
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St. Malachy School	416-393-5336
St. Ursula School	416-393-5306

Diocesan Services

Birthright (pregnancy support)	416-469-1111	Catholic Cemeteries	416-733-8544
Catholic Family Services: (counselling for individuals and families)	416-921-1163	Catholic Cultural Services	416-757-7010
Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)	416-281-6007	New Beginnings	416-222-1101
		St. Vincent de Paul Society	416-284-6131



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



1st Reading:
Acts 10.25-26,34-35, 44-48.

2nd Reading:
1 John 4.7-10

Gospel:
John 15.9-17
(*No Greater Love*)

Regular Mass Schedule Weekday Masses:

Daily morning mass is celebrated Tuesday to Friday at 8:30 am

Weekend Schedule:

Saturday (Vigil) Mass **5:00 pm**

Sunday Masses **9:00 am, 10:30 am and
12:00 noon**

<https://stmartindeporressc.archtoronto.org/eg/>

Laying Down our Lives

“No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” are the beautiful words we hear from Jesus in the Gospel today. Jesus goes on to say that He no longer calls us servants but His friends. This is the radical truth of our faith. That God became man in order to befriend us and show His love for us through His death on the cross. As stewards we too are called to befriend Christ and lay down our lives for Him.

While the most literal way to lay down our life is to become a martyr for the faith, few are actually called to this type of death. It is more likely that we are called to lay down our lives by sacrificing our own wills and own comforts for the sake of the Kingdom. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI says, “The world promises you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness.” This is how we can display love’s greatest act in our lives, to live not for ourselves but to live for the Gospel.

As stewards, we can live for the Gospel by giving our time and talents to our parish community. Our lives are made out of time, so to freely offer our time to help serve those in our community is a beautiful way to lovingly give to others. Likewise, to give of ourselves through the sharing of our talents is another way to lay down our lives for Christ and the Church. Let us strive to commit more faithfully to our call of stewardship.

Summary

As stewards, we are called to befriend Christ and lay down our lives for Him for there is “no greater love than this.” Since it is unlikely that we will be called to martyrdom, we are instead called to lay down our lives by sacrificing our own wills and own comforts for the sake of the Kingdom. Let us strive to accomplish this through a renewed commitment to stewardship.

Mass Intentions for the Week – May 4 – May 10, 2024

Saturday May 4th

5:00 pm - S.I of Bibi, Jason 7 Jeffery Dutchin
+ Giuseppina Schembri

Sunday May 5th

9:00 am + Andrew D’Cruz
+ Deceased members of the
Don Paul Family

10:30 am +Cynia Villagracia

12:00 pm + Tolati Elena

Monday May 6th

Tuesday May 7th

8:30 am + Gloria DeClaro

Wednesday May 8th

8:30 am

Thursday May 9th

8:30 am

Friday May 10th

8:30 am + Bridget 7 Dominic Pinto



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Friday May 31st 6:30 pm (REHEARSAL)

ALL CANDIDATES MUST ATTEND THE REHEARSAL

FIRST COMMUNION DATES

Saturday June 1st, 2024 - 9:00 am St. Malachy
Saturday June 1st, 2024 - 11:00 am St. Ursula
Saturday June 1st, 2024 - 1:00 pm St. Martin De Porres



CONFIRMATION

Preparation Classes (In Person) - FOR ALL 3 SCHOOLS

Sunday May 5, 2024, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
Sunday May 19, 2024, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm RETREAT

CONFIRMATION DATES

Wednesday May 22, 2024, 6:30 PM St. Martin de Porres
Friday May 24, 2024, 6:30 PM St. Ursula
Tuesday May 28, 2024, 6:30 PM St. Malachy

ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND MASS FROM THE ENROLMENT DATE RIGHT UNTIL THE DATE OF THEIR CONFIRMATION



**Bible Study Program: St Martin De Porres Church
The Bible Timeline (The Story of Salvation)**

The study is an in-depth exploration of our Salvation History through the Old Testament. A fun and entertaining way to learn the Old Testament.

This program is 24 weekly sessions and includes a **question-and-answer period** & teaching through a **video presentation**.

Dates: June 3 - Dec 2, 2024 - except long weekends.
Choice of afternoon or evening sessions

Time: Monday 2 - 4 pm or 7 - 9 pm

Where: In the Church Hall

Cost: \$60.00 per person (covers the workbook cost required for each participant)

Registration: Call the Parish Office at 416- 284 -9192 or email: stmartins.office@rogers.com
Sign up at the Lobby Notice Board.

Registration Deadline: May 20th, 2024



Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is hosting a celebration for the procession and the crowning of The Blessed Virgin Mary on **Saturday May 18th, 2024**, after the 5:00 pm Mass.

All are welcome to join and celebrate with us this special occasion.

Reception to follow right after in the Church Hall.



The **50+ Group** is hosting a lunch on May 16th from 12 - 3 pm to celebrate Mother Mary & Mother's Day.

Tickets are \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. Membership for the year is \$15.

Tickets will be on sale at all weekend masses.



Let us Pray! For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.

Parish Weekly fact

Now that the month of May is here, some parishioners may be away for part of the upcoming summer months. Please remember that Parish expenses continue throughout the summer. Even if you are away, you can contribute with your credit card by using the Donate Now section of the Parish website.

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