
St. Martin De Porres Parish

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Pastoral Team

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays

MONDAY - FRIDAY: 8.15 am

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

Weekend

SATURDAY: 5.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.00 am, 10.30AM & 12.15 pm

Please check timing of masses under MASS INTENTIONS for the week in case of a change in timing of a mass due to unforeseeable circumstances.

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 4.30 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

St. Martin De Porres School 416-393-5286

St. Malachy School 416-393-5336

St. Ursula School 416-393-5306

Diocesan Services

Birthright (pregnancy support) 416-469-1111

Catholic Family Services: 416-921-1163
(counselling for individuals and families)

Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages) 416-281-6007

Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544

Catholic Cultural Services 416-757-7010

New Beginnings 416-222-1101

St. Vincent de Paul Society 416-284-6131



Easter Sunday

1st Reading: Acts 10.34a, 37-43

2nd Reading: Colossians 3.1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5.6b-8

Gospel: John 20.1-18++ – The Resurrection of Jesus

Christ is Risen

Christ is Risen! Truly, He is Risen! On this glorious Easter morning, the Sunday of Sundays, the Solemnity of Solemnities, we are filled with the joy of the risen Lord. On this great day, death and sin was defeated as the Lord triumphed over all evil, leading us to the joy and love of eternal life. As stewards of Christ we should always have the identity of an Easter people.

The USCCB in their Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* says that stewardship “reflects the core of the Easter message of the earliest Christian community: ‘We have seen the Lord!’ (Jn 20:25). Stewardship always starts with the personal experience of the Risen Christ in our midst and in our hearts.” We must first encounter Christ before we can share Christ.

The early disciples witnessed the risen Lord on Easter morning and from there went on to spread the good news of His resurrection to the ends of the earth. They received the gift of Easter, the same gift we receive today. As good stewards we should not keep this gift for ourselves but seek to share it generously with our parish community. One concrete practice we can adopt is to share our Easter joy with our family, friends and fellow parishioners by spreading the news of Christ’s resurrection to those who do not yet fully believe. Let us share the joy of the Gospel as we strive to become better stewards.



Mass Schedule

Weekdays — OUR PARISH

Mass will be celebrated **every Weekday & Saturday Morning at 9 AM** via

ZOOM Meeting Room.

Links for entry to the meeting room will be sent to all parishioners.

Weekend — OUR PARISH

Mass will be celebrated **every Sunday Morning**

at 10 AM via the ZOOM Meeting Room.

Links for entry to the meeting room will be sent to all parishioners.

Live Streaming at St. Michael’s Cathedral

Week Days

Pray with Cardinal Collins Mass, Rosary and Angelus 7.30 am 8.10 am

<https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>

Weekend

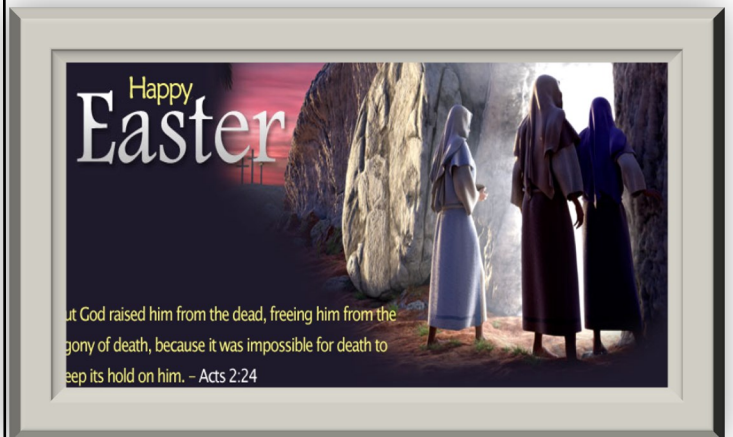
Masses Celebrated by Archdiocese of Toronto priests in different languages

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL6dTaaMqU0EM7J-Lno251R9jdqvOZ7f5b>

Spiritual Resources

<https://www.archtoronto.org/covid19/Pages/spiritual.aspx>

***Fr. Anthony & Staff at St. Martin’s
Wish all our parishioners a Blessed
and a Happy Easter!***



Closures and Cancellations

In order to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus and so as to comply with the Government of Ontario's new regulations requiring that all non-essential workplaces be closed, we are sorry to inform you that **the church and the parish office must remain closed until further notice**

This is a deeply painful, but necessary, decision for our faith community.

However, we are still here for you during this difficult time. You can still leave a voice message at the parish office: **416 284 9192 (press 2 for Fr. Anthony and Press 4 for Anne)**. Or you can email us at: stmartins.office@rogers.com. We are working remotely and will return your messages as soon as possible. Visit www.archtoronto.org/covid19 for updated information from the Archdiocese of Toronto and for links to view the Daily Mass online.

Please continue to pray for those sick and those caring for them. Be assured of our daily prayers for you.

Yours in Christ
Fr. Anthony Gonsalves

Mass Intentions

You can offer Mass intentions by dropping off a Cheque for \$20.00 (for each intention) in an envelope in the Parish Mail box.

The Cheque should be accompanied with a note about your Mass Intention, Contact Name & Phone number, and preferred Date for the Mass and send the same information via email to stmartins.office@rogers.com.

Please Note: Masses that were offered for days in end March and the first week of April will be celebrated at a later date when we are fully functioning.

Sorry for that inconvenience.

Please note the Cheques will be picked up on every Wednesday by Father.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

A Knights of Columbus Scholarship of \$500 is available to a member of St. Martin de Porres Parish **who will be attending a full-time post-secondary program in September.**

Consideration will include the applicant's involvement in Parish and/or Community activities, either currently or in the past.

Application Forms should be requested from smithwriter@rogers.com by email. **The deadline for return of applications is August 20, 2020.**

Support Your Parish

Message for parishioners for support of parish offertories

I hope and pray that you are staying healthy – both physically and spiritually. Please let me know if the parish can help you during these difficult times.

No doubt you are aware that our parish relies on the support of our parishioners to operate – parish salaries, programs and ongoing operating costs (heating, water, electricity, etc.) – are funded through the generosity of our parish community. It will be a challenge for our parish to maintain operations without the weekly offertory collection.

In response to many requests that I have received from parishioners, here are the ways that you can continue to support our parish at this time:

· **Mail or Drop off** your regular weekly offertory contribution cheques could be mailed to the Parish Address or place your envelopes across the slit in our **PARISH MAIL BOX**.

For more ways to give go the [Archdiocesan website](http://www.archtoronto.org/covid19/Pages/support.aspx) at <https://www.archtoronto.org/covid19/Pages/support.aspx>

· **Contribute to our parish offertory by credit card.**

Please [click here](#). You will then be able to select our parish in the drop-down menu. You can make a one time or recurring contribution to our parish offertory or other special funds.

· **Contribute through pre-authorized giving.** [click here](#) for more information on pre-authorized giving. You can obtain a form from the parish office or you can [click here to download an enrollment form](#) which can be printed and completed. Return the completed form and a voided cheque to your parish office. Or e-mail the form and a scanned copy or photo of a voided cheque to development@archtoronto.org for processing. Contributions are withdrawn from your bank account on the 20th of each month.

· **You can contribute to the offertory via online banking.**

To do this, the archdiocese will need to send you a unique account number. Please send an e-mail to campaign@archtoronto.org.

In the body of the email provide:

- o Your name
- o Address
- o Parish name
- o Municipality

You will be emailed account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese of Toronto as a payee in your on-line banking. Your gift will be forwarded to our parish. You can make a one time or recurring gift to our offertory. If you have any questions please contact Parish office or the Development Office at the Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-934-3400, ext. 540 or development@archtoronto.org.

Thank you for your many contributions to our parish community. I miss seeing all of you at the Mass and I pray daily that we will be able to gather together again soon.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor,
Fr. Anthony Gonsalves.

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