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St. Martin De Porres Parish

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Pastoral Team

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Office Administrator - Anne Gunawardena

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



Divine Mercy Sunday
1st Reading: Acts 2.42-47
2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9
Gospel: John 20.19-31 -

Jesus Appears to the Disciples

Receiving and Sharing Merciful Love.

In 2000, when Pope John Paul II was canonizing St. Faustina, he declared that the Second Sunday of Easter will be called Divine Mercy Sunday for the entire Church. This Sunday, let us reflect on Jesus who longs to forgive us and to shower His love and mercy on us. We should never tire of running to Him for healing. St. Therese of Lisieux says "even though I had on my conscience all the sins that can be committed, I would go, my heart broken with sorrow, and throw myself into Jesus' arms, for I know how much He loves the prodigal child who returns to Him."

As good stewards of Christ we should first accept the mercy of God in our lives and then share it with others through our acts. Some spiritual works of mercy we can begin to cultivate are to "instruct the ignorant" and "counsel the doubtful" by helping with parish catechesis ministries. We can also "forgive offenses" and "pray for the living and the dead" through personal prayer as well as by joining various prayer groups within the parish. Some corporal works of mercy we can adopt is to "feed the hungry" and "clothe the naked" by taking part in parish organizations such as the St. Vincent de Paul society. We can also "visit the sick" and "visit the imprisoned" by seeking ministries that care for the sick and elderly.

This Divine Mercy Sunday let us seek to be filled with God's mercy. Let us then let His mercy overflow into our deeds within the parish so that we may become stewards of God's merciful love.



Mass Schedule

Weekdays — OUR PARISH

Mass will be celebrated every Weekday & Saturday Morning at 8.30 AM via

ZOOM Meeting Room.

Meeting Room opens at 8.AM.

Rosary Starts at 8.10 AM

Mass Begins at 8.30 AM

Parishioners interested in volunteering to lead

Rosary decades or do Daily Readings for weekday Masses please contact

stmartins.office@rogers.com in advance.

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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Mercy Sunday in the Church from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Adoration will be done via Zoom.

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

To join our virtual Mass celebration, please download the Zoom application and sign-up first (it's free):

https://zoom.us/download

Live Streaming at St. Michael's Cathedral

<u>Week Days</u>

Pray with Cardinal Colins 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

<u>Cardinal Collins Easter Message</u>

https://www.archtoronto.org/#prettyPhoto/0/

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 <u>send the same information via email to</u> stmartins.office@rogers.com.

<u>Please Note:</u> 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. <u>The deadline for return of applications is August 20, 2020</u>.

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:

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

For more ways to give go the <u>Archdiocesan website</u> at https://www.archtoronto.org/covid19/Pages/support.aspx

Contribute to our parish offertory by credit card.

Please <u>click here</u>. You will then be able to select our parish in the dropdown 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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