St. Martin De Porres Parish

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Give thanks to the Lord for His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving



28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 55.6-9
2nd Reading: Philippians

1.20-24, 27

Gospel: Matthew 20.1-16
The Parable of the Wedding

Banquet

Count Your Blessings

We celebrate Thanksgiving this weekend which is a time to be more intentionally thankfully for the gifts and blessings God has graciously bestowed on us. However, it is important to not relegate our gratitude to solely one weekend a year. As stewards we are called to be grateful disciples of Christ. Gratitude is at the very core of what it means to be a steward.

Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* says that "the deepening of the 'attitude of gratitude' will enhance our commitment to prayer and Eucharistic adoration, to the flourishing of lay engagement in the mission of evangelization, to an increase in the response to the call to the priesthood and religious life, to a courageous and effective dedication to social justice, and so on." Essentially, it all begins with growing in gratitude.

One practice that is often recommended to children is to "count your blessings." There is great spiritual fruit to be discovered through this practice, even as adults. Often times we place greater weight on the few negative things in our lives rather than focusing on the hundreds of blessings. Let us intentionally set aside a few minutes this weekend to concretely identify all of the blessings the Lord has bestowed on us this past year. We can then begin to move from gratitude to generosity by offering up these blessings to our parish community.

Mass Schedule



<u>Weekdays</u>

Tuesday to Friday 8.15 AM

** No Morning Mass on Saturday

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

Weekend

SATURDAY: 4.00 PM & 6 PM (Both Masses are Vigil)

SUNDAY: 9.00 AM, 11.00 AM & 1.00 PM

Reconciliation SATURDAY From 3.15 pm to 3.45 pm

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. We would appreciate if you do not combine the Mass offerings with your weekly offerings.

Please try to keep these separate. 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</u> via email to stmartins.office@rogers.com.

Please note the Cheques will be picked up by office.

Ticket reservations for Weekend Masses

For Weekday (Tues –Friday) Masses No Tickets Required.

Also Please note the Ticket reservations for Weekend Masses are now available in the parish website.

- 1. Please "Click on Register for Mass "
- 2. Select the date & time for the Mass
- 3. Click on the <Ticket> button.
- 4. Follow the instructions to enter your name, email and phone numbers.
- 5. A ticket will be emailed to your email address.
- 6. If you want to cancel the ticket you could do so from the email you received.

Link to our website is as follows.

https://stmartindeporressc.archtoronto.org/



Sacrament of First Communion & Preparation Classes

First Communion classes will resume as per schedule below via virtual meeting room

through **ZOOM** communication.

Link to join the meeting will be communicated to the parents via email.

Please download the Zoom application and sign-up first (it's free):

https://zoom.us/download

Schedule:

Oct 22nd Thurs. 6.30 pm - 8 pm

Nov 5th Thurs. 6.30 pm - 8 pm

Sacrament of First Communion:

Saturday Nov. 21st 10 am Mass – St. Martin de **Porres School**

Saturday Nov. 28th 10 am Mass – St. Malachy School

Saturday Dec 5th 10 am Mass – St. Ursula School

Children from other schools and RCIC candidates could join any of the Masses above.

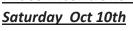


Recitation of Rosary organised by **Legion of Mary**

Our Legion of Mary is planning to have a **Rosary on** Saturday, October 17,

2020 after the 6:00 pm Mass. Please Join!

Mass Intentions for the week





4.00 pm - † Domingos D'Souza

6.00 pm - † Peter Vaz

Sunday Oct 11th

9.00 am - † Zelpha Manzanilla

11.00 am - People in the Parish

1.00 pm - + Peter Vaz

Monday Oct 12th

8.15 am - ** No Mass

Tuesday Oct 13th

8.15 am - † Domingos D'Souza

Wednesday Oct 14th

8.15 am - † Vetty Mary Thuram

Thursday Oct 15th

8.15 am - † Deceased members of Desmond Family † Jovita & Benjamin Felipe

Friday Oct 16th

8.15 am - Thanksgiving from Aaron Silliker

Saturday Oct 17th

8.15 am - ** No Mass

4.00 pm - 50th Wedding Anniversary of Juanillo & Dolores Miel

6.00 pm - Thanksgiving for Most Holy Rosary from

Miels Family



The **Knights of Columbus** would like to thank all those who donated food items to the Thanksgiving Food Drive last Saturday. Over 500 lbs of Food Items were collected. Your generous support is making a difference in the lives of many people in need this Thanksgiving weekend.

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