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# St. Martin De Porres Parish

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## Pastoral Team

Pastor - Rev. Anthony Gonsalves

Deacon - Rev. John Grieve

## Parish Office:

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Office Administrator - Anne Gunawardena

## Mass Schedule

### Weekdays

Tuesday to Friday 8.15 AM

\*\* No Morning Mass on Monday & 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

### 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 families)

New Beginnings

416-222-1101

Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)

416-281-6007

St. Vincent de Paul Society

416-284-6131





## 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Exodus 22.21-27

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1.5c-10

Gospel: Matthew 22.34-40

The Greatest Commandment

### Love until it Hurts

One of the most commonly used words in today's culture is "love." It has become so familiar in our regular language that people use the same word to describe their sentiments towards pizza, their pets and their children. Clearly a different level of love exists between those three things but this common usage of the word can slowly lead us to lose the meaning of love in its truest sense.

In the Gospel today, Jesus boils down all of the commandments into loving God with all our being and loving our neighbour as ourselves. In order to fully love God and our neighbour, we need to remind ourselves what the true definition and expression of love is. Love is ultimately a sacrifice. It is willing the good of the other, which involves us foregoing our own interests for theirs.

St. Teresa of Calcutta beautifully says that for "love to be real, it must cost—it must hurt—it must empty us of self." As stewards, we should always keep this understanding of love in our minds because stewardship is essentially a life of love. With this true understanding, we will not be surprised when we face difficulties or suffering in our ministry. Likewise, it helps us ask ourselves if we're being too comfortable in our generosity and challenges us to give even more of ourselves. Let us seek to constantly serve God and our neighbour in our parish community out of a deep love for them.



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### 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 send the same information via email to [smartins.office@rogers.com](mailto:smartins.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. Please use Google Chrome web browser.

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://stmartindeporsc.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:

Nov 5th Thurs. 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm

### Sacrament of First Communion:

Saturday Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> 10 am Mass – St. Martin de Porres School

Saturday Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> 10 am Mass – St. Malachy School

Saturday Dec 5<sup>th</sup> 10 am Mass – St. Ursula School

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

### Message from Fr. Anthony...

I would like reiterate what was in my homily last Sunday. The world and it's resources were created by God for the benefit of all human beings without exception. It is the task of Government to seek balance between policies that will help the common good of all citizens.

In the same vein on a micro scale, our Parish serves all our Parishioners without exception but it can run smoothly both in the spiritual and the temporal realms only through the generous donations of our Parishioners.



## Mass Intentions for the week

### Saturday Oct 24th

8.15 am - \*\* No Mass

4.00 pm - B'day & Thanksgiving from Sharon Pak

† Irene Masinsin

6.00 pm - † Anthony Mascarenhas

Thanksgiving from Susan Vaz

### Sunday Oct 25th

9.00 am - † Rocco Alfred Mele & People in the Parish

11.00 am - Thanksgiving and marriage blessings for Nancy & Salvador

† Theophillus & Silvia Ampson

1.00 pm - † Malcolm Jayatilaka

† Priyalal Wickramanayaka

### Monday Oct 26th

8.15 am - \*\* No Mass

### Tuesday Oct 27th

8.15 am - † Ida & Norbert Nazareth

### Wednesday Oct 28th

8.15 am - † Daniel Couture

### Thursday Oct 29th

8.15 am - † Domingos D' Souza  
† Angelito Aquino

### Friday Oct 30th

8.15 am - † Helen Barry

### Saturday Oct 31st

8.15 am - \*\* No Mass

4.00 pm - † Sofronio Juaneza & † Anthonio Marcaida

6.00 pm - † Domingos D'Souza

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