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St. Martin De Porres Parish

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Pastoral Team

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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
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(counselling for individuals and families	s)	New Beginnings	416-222-1101
Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)	416-281-6007	St. Vincent de Paul Society	416-284-6131



33rd Sunday Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13,

16-18, 20, 26, 28-31++

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6

Gospel: Matthew 25.14-30
The Parable of the Talents

Entering into our Master's Joy

"Well done, good and trustworthy slave; enter into the joy of your master." These are the beautiful words that all of us long to hear after a life of following Christ. The parable of the talents is often seen as the classical parable on stewardship. Let us take some time reflecting on it more deeply today.

Cardinal Collins comments on this parable in his *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship** saying, "As good stewards, we are meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received we may return God's gifts to Him with increase." The key word in that sentence is increase. Although the third slave did not waste or squander the talents or gifts he had received, the Master did not utter that beautiful phrase to him. The third slave did not work so as to create an increase of his goods. Stewardship always remains as an active way of life.

If we want to hear those beautiful words at our judgement we must live in such a way that fully embraces the spirituality of stewardship. How well are we using our gifts for the glory of God and the Church? Let us not be passive in our service but seek ways to be used as an instrument of God. Let us start with prayer and move into acts of charity. We can serve in our parish community whether it be joining various ministries or helping people in need. This weekend let us renew our commitment to serving Christ.



Sacrament of Confirmation

Schedule for administering the Sacrament of Confirmation is as follows:

- St. Martin De Porres (Grade 8) -Saturday, February 6th, 2021 at 10 a.m. Mass
- St. Malachy (Grade 8) -Saturday, February 13th at 10 a.m. Mass
- St. Ursula (Grade 8) -Saturday, March 20th at 10 a.m. Mass
- St. Martin De Porres (Grade 7) -Saturday, May 8th, 2021 at 10 a.m. Mass
- St. Malachy (Grade 7) -Saturday, May 15th at 10 a.m. Mass
- St. Ursula (Grade 7) -Saturday, May 22nd at 10 a.m. Mass
- Children from other schools could join the ceremony of any of the above schools.

Classes will be held virtually through zoom.

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 for Confirmation Preparation Classes is as follows:

- Thursday, December 3rd, (6:30 pm- 7:30pm)
- Thursday, December 10th, (6:30 pm-7:30 pm)
- Thursday, January 7th (6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.)
- Thursday, January 21 (6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.)



Sacrament of First Communion

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.

Offerings for souls:

If you wish to make an offering for your deceased loved ones, please use any unused envelope in your box of envelopes, together with the offering and write the names of deceased family members and drop it to the special box "Offerings for Souls" on the same table where we have a basket for church offerings.

If you do not have a box of envelopes, and expect to receive a tax receipt (if over \$50.00) please use any envelope and clearly write your name and full address on the envelope.

All these envelopes will be placed on the altar and prayed for during Masses, through out month of November.

Message from Fr. Anthony....

Most of us need a bit of encouragement to place our gifts at the disposal of others. Part of our baptismal calling is to give others courage.

St. Paul writes in today's second reading "Encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing".

In these difficult times for the church, the ministry of encouragement is all the more necessary to become all that God is calling it to be.

The basic message of today's Gospel is that we all have talents.

Mass Intentions for the week

Saturday Nov 14th



8.15 am - ** No Mass

4.00 pm -

6.00 pm - † Daniel Pathmanathan

Sunday Nov 15th

9.00 am - People in the Parish

11.00 am -

1.00 pm - + Tom Dias

Monday Nov 16th

8.15 am - ** **No Mass**

Tuesday Nov 17th

8.15 am - Thanksgiving from Couture Family
+ Tom Dias

Wednesday Nov 18th

8.15 am - B'day blessings for Antonetta Pinto

Thursday Nov 19th

8.15 am - + Jual Miel

Friday Nov 20th

8.15 am - † Juanita & Victoria Ambay

Saturday Nov 21st

8.15 am - ** **No Mass**

4.00 pm - † Stefani & Edward Leitmann

6.00 pm - Angela Gonsalves

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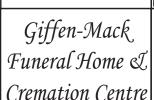
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