St. Martin De Porres Parish

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Pastoral Team

Pastor - Rev. Anthony Gonsalves Deacon - Rev. John Grieve

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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 |
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| St. Malachy School | 416-393-5336 |
| St. Ursula School | 416-393-5306 |

Diocesan Services

Birthright (pregnancy support)416-469-1111Catholic Family Services:416-921-1163(counselling for individuals and families)416-281-6007Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)416-281-6007

| Catholic Cemeteries | 416-733-8544 |
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| Catholic Cultural Services | 416-757-7010 |
| New Beginnings | 416-222-1101 |
| St. Vincent de Paul Society | 416-284-6131 |





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3rd Sunday of Easter
1st Reading: Acts 3.13-15, 17-19
2nd Reading: 1 John 2.1-5
Gospel: Luke 24.35-48
Jesus Appears to His Disciples

Befriending God

One of the most wholesome and life-giving relationships we can enjoy in this life is that of friendships. The book of Sirach says that "faithful friends are a sturdy shelter; whoever finds one has found a treasure." Of course, the greatest friendship that we can have is our friendship with God. However, many people find it difficult to see God, the creator of the universe, as a friend. This is why Jesus became incarnate as a man, so that He could reveal God to us in a way that we could more fully grasp. The Catechism teaches that "Jesus is inseparably true God and true man. He is truly the Son of God who, without ceasing to be God and Lord, became a man and our brother" (CCC 469). Since we know what it is like to befriend other humans, we can extend this same means of friendship to Jesus. However, this friendship doesn't remain like all of our other friendships. Rather, since Jesus is also fully God, our friendship with Him also implies that we are friends with God. This beautiful reality of Jesus being both God and man is visible in the Gospel today. Jesus appears to the disciples in His glorious new risen body, yet like all humans, he took a piece of fish and ate it. While this is a small example, it points to the reality of Jesus' identity. As stewards, our friendship with God is the most important relationship we need to foster. Let us take some time each day in prayer to converse with Jesus as we would a close friend and by doing so, enjoy friendship with God.

Regular Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Daily Morning Mass will be celebrated Tuesday through Saturday at 8.15 am with a maximum capacity of 44 people + Pastor.

Weekend Schedule:

Saturday (Vigil) Masses – 4 pm & 6

p.m. (With congregation) Register at website "Register for Mass" link

Sunday Masses -

8.30 a.m. (With congregation in church) - Register at website "Register for Mass" link

10 a.m. (Livestream) With congregation in church) - Register at website "Register for Mass" link

11.30 a.m (With congregation in church) –

Register at website "Register for Mass" link **1 p.m.** (With congregation in church)

- Register at website "Register for Mass" link Registration for Masses are open for all upcoming weekend Masses for the next several months.

Please note all Ministers including Lectors, Cantor, Ushers, all volunteers helping for the Masses need to register through website for the times they are planning to serve and help. They are all included in the count for 44 registrations available for each Mass.

Please Make sure you are registered ahead of time if you are scheduled to serve and help in any Ministry.



Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, asks the faithful to perform a service to the common good by getting the COVID-19 vaccine.

Watch the video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AJywnj9aRyc



Dates for First Communion Communion and **Confirmation** Ceremonies

Registration processes for First Holy Communion & Confirmation ceremonies will be e-mailed shortly when it is made available on the website

1st Holy Communion

Saturday, April 24th @ 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

St. Malachy Schools' 1st Holy Communion.

Saturday, May 1st @ 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

St. Ursula's schools' 1st Holy Communion.

(Grade 8) Confirmation

 Tuesday, April 20th and Wed., April 21st @ 6:30 p.m.

St. Ursula's & Other Schools students' (Grade 8) Confirmation.

Thursday, April 22nd and Friday, April 23rd @ 6:30 p.m.

St. Malachy's students' (Grade 8) Confirmation

Wednesday, April 28th and Thursday, April 29th @6:30 p.m.

St. Martin de Porres students' (Grade 8) Confirmation.

Mass Intentions for the week

Saturday Apr 17th

4.00 pm -

6.00 pm - + Loyola Fernandes

Sunday Apr 18th

8.30 am - People in the Parish 10 am -11.30 am - Good Health and safety of Fr. Anthony 1.00 pm - All volunteers in our parish

Monday Apr 19th

8.15 am -

Tuesday Apr 20th

8.15 am -

Wednesday Apr 21st

8.15 am -

Thursday Apr 22nd

8.15 am -Friday April 23rd

8.15 am -

Saturday Apr 24th

4.00 pm - + Divina Nailog

6.00 pm -

Mass Offerings

Parishioners who want to make Mass offerings but unable to come to office during weekdays, can do so by using a white envelope (not your offering envelope) addressed to "Mass offering" — OFFICE / Anne, with the following details and dropping it through the slot on the office entrance door (Parish Mail Box) at least a week ahead of your intended date for Mass offering.

Cost for Mass offering is \$20.00 for each intention

- Date and time of Mass requested :
- Intention (Deceased/ Thanksgiving ,) with Name of the • person Mass is offered for:
- Gender of the person Mass is offered for:
- Mass offered by (your name) & Phone Number: •
- If the date & time is not available office will get touch with you for an alternate date & time.



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