
St. Martin De Porres Parish

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Pastoral Team

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays

Tuesday to Friday 8.30 AM

** No Morning Mass on Monday & Saturday

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

Weekend

SATURDAY: 5.00 PM (Vigil)

SUNDAY: 9.00 AM, 10.30 AM & 12.00 Noon

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

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416-393-5306

Diocesan Services

Birthright (pregnancy support)

416-469-1111

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416-921-1163

(counselling for individuals and families)

Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)

416-281-6007

Catholic Cemeteries

416-733-8544

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416-757-7010

New Beginnings

416-222-1101

St. Vincent de Paul Society

416-284-6131



Faithful Stewardship :

"GIVING TO GOD FREELY"

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 2.12, 17-20

2nd Reading: James 3.16 – 4.3

Gospel: Mark 9.30-37

Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection

Celebrating the Stewardship of Others

In today's readings we learn the importance of having the right attitude and disposition in our approach towards stewardship. A steward is called to live in humility. We are not the owners of our gifts but are simply the humble caretakers of them and it is our job to give them back to God with increase.

St. James in the second reading says, "Where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind." As stewards, we will often face the temptation to compare our gifts with those of others. It is a human reaction to seek recognition for our good works and want to be rewarded. However, the goal of stewardship is not our own glory, but rather the glory of Christ and the Church. One way to combat envy and ambition is to intentionally celebrate the talents of others. Since we are all one Body of Christ, the gifts of our brothers and sisters are the gifts of the whole Church.

Relatedly, in the Gospel today Jesus instructs His apostles saying, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." True stewards seek to serve others before themselves. We should ask ourselves, am I assisting at the parish to serve my own ego or to serve my neighbour? Let us constantly try to reorient our priorities so that we can serve Christ first through serving our brothers and sisters.

Regular Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses:

Daily Morning Mass will be celebrated Tuesday through Friday at 8.30 a.m.

Weekend Schedule:

Saturday (Vigil) Mass – 5 p.m.

Sunday Masses - 9.00 am
(Livestream) and open for public

10.30 a.m.

12.00 p.m.

<https://stmartindeporressc.archtoronto.org/en/>

Parish Vitality Webinar Series - Part 6

*THE ART OF THE ASK October 6, 2021,
from 2 - 3:30 pm*

Do you become nervous and worried how people will react to you when you ask for something the church needs? Has this prevented you from asking others to get involved in the parish? If so, this webinar will focus on a mindset you can tap into whenever you ask for something and will offer practical examples of the ways you can structure an ask, including the creation of special events such as a Parish Ministry Fair to assist you in your cause.

GUEST SPEAKERS: Most Rev. Robert Kasun Regional Bishop's Office, Central Pastoral Region, and Quentin Schesnuik, Assoc. Director, Parish Vitality & Stewardship for the Office of Formation for Discipleship

FOR REGISTRATION:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3400341280343442446>



PARKING LOT SALE

The Knights of Columbus Council 12909 will be hosting a Parking Lot Sale at St. Martin de Porres church on:

Saturday September 25th between

9 am and 1 pm

A variety of items will be available for sale and spots can be reserved for \$20 to sell your own items. Contact Wayne at 416-438-2837 to reserve a spot.

Barbecue and Beverages Available

COVID Protocols will be followed –

Please wear a mask

Changes to Livestream Coverage at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the livestream Masses from [St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica](#) in Toronto gained a loyal following among Catholics living all around the world. We were happy to be there for the faithful during the worst days of the lockdowns.

As such, starting on Monday, August 30, week-day [Mass livestreams from the cathedral](#) will move from 7:30 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Only the Mass will be livestreamed starting August 30.

Sunday Masses from the cathedral will continue to be livestreamed at noon.

Mass Intentions for the week



Saturday Sept 18th

5.00 pm - + Lam Chi Kai
+ Jane Quinlan

Sunday Sept 19th

9.00 am - +Ledia Andrews

10.30 am - Members of our Parish

12.00 pm - + Caeton Fernandes

Monday Sept 20th

8.30 am -

Tuesday Sept 21st

8.30 am -

Wednesday Sept 22nd

8.30 am -

Thursday Sept 23rd

8.30 am - All parents and grandparents in our parish

Friday Sept 24th

8.30 am -

Saturday Sept 25th

5.00 pm -



Lectio Divina Resources Available Online

In recent days, we've received numerous inquiries regarding the 2021-22 season of Lectio Divina. After 20 years of leading monthly Lectio Divina evenings from September through June (during his time in both Edmonton and Toronto), Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, will not be moving forward with a new season this fall.

We express our appreciation to His Eminence for his commitment and dedication in leading Lectio Divina over the past two decades as this prayerful meditation has been a tremendous support for parishioners throughout the archdiocese and beyond. We also extend our gratitude to the staff of [St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica](#) and [Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation](#) for their faithful assistance in supporting Lectio Divina over so many years.

Archived recordings of Lectio Divina along with supporting resources [remain available here](#), which can be accessed anytime.



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