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# St. Martin De Porres Parish

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## Pastoral Team

Pastor - Rev. Anthony Gonsalves

## Parish Office:

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Office Administrator - Anne Gunawardena

## 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

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416-393-5336

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416-393-5306

## Diocesan Services

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416-469-1111

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416-921-1163

(counselling for individuals and families)

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416-281-6007

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416-733-8544

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416-757-7010

New Beginnings

416-222-1101

St. Vincent de Paul Society

416-284-6131





**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**1st Reading:** Numbers 11.25-29  
**2nd Reading:** James 5.1-6  
**Gospel:** Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48

*Temptations to Sin*

**Removing the Obstacles**

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the bold teaching that we should rid ourselves of anything that causes us to sin, for the price of losing our eternal salvation is far too great. This teaching can seem harsh at times, yet it is actually one of great truth and love. The radical implication in Jesus message' is that the salvation of our souls is the most important thing in life.

As followers of Christ, we should ask ourselves, is there anything that is causing us to sin? Sin begins to weaken our relationship with God which hinders our ability to truly love others and act as authentic stewards. If we want our stewardship to flourish, we should take concrete actions to avoid the near occasions of sin and seek forgiveness in the sacrament of Confession for whenever we do fall.

Additionally, not only should we seek to remove the causes of sin in our lives, but we should try to remove all those things that hinder us from being better stewards of our time and talents. For example, if our pride and ego get in the way of us being willing to humbly serve others, we should pray for the strength to grow in humility. Likewise, if our addiction to television or movies stops us from giving our time to others, we should try to intentionally limit our viewing time. There are many ways we can grow as faithful stewards of Christ so let us start by taking small steps towards being more generous.

**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.**

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## Thanksgiving Food Drive

**Please bring your food items during October 9th/10th Weekend and leave those in one corner in the hall.**

**All collected food items will be picked up on 12th of October.**



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### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE FOR THE HOMELESS

It's never a bad time to help those who are in need.

#### HELP TODAY & DONATE

##### Items needed:

- Canned soups & stews
- Canned legumes, e.g. chick peas, black beans
- Pasta sauce & canned tomatoes
- Canned vegetables
- Tuna
- Breakfast cereals
- Tea bags
- Packaged cookies/granola bars
- Chocolate bars
- Rice
- Jam



## Mass Intentions for the week

### Saturday Sept 25th

- 5.00 pm - + Andres Salazar  
+ Conrada Salazar  
+ Rufina Salazar  
+ Paulina Pengko

### Sunday Sept 26th

9.00 am - B'Day Blessings for Irene Luvis

10.30 am - + Domingos D'Souza

12.00 pm - Members of our Parish

### Monday Sept 27th

8.30 am -

### Tuesday Sept 28th

8.30 am -

### Wednesday Sept 29th

8.30 am - + Domingos D'Souza (1st death Anniversary)  
+ Austin Alwis

### Thursday Sept 30th

8.30 am - + Patrick Hamil  
+ Selina & Rex Pereira

### Friday Oct 1st

8.30 am -

### Saturday Oct 2nd

5.00 pm -

**Dear Parishioners,**

**A booklet on Stewardship by Cardinal Collins is available for the parishioners to be picked up in the church foyer.**

**Please feel free to pick one of those.**

**Cardinal Collins expects you to read through it and learn something from it.**

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