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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 8.30 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
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 fam	ilies)	New Beginnings	416-222-1101
Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages	s) 416-281-6007	St. Vincent de Paul Society	416-284-6131



2nd Sunday of Advent 1st Reading: Baruch 5.1-9 2nd Reading: Philippians 1.3-6.8-11

Gospel:Luke 3.1-6

The Proclamation of

John the Baptist

A Season for Evangelization

In the Gospel this Second Sunday of Advent we hear about the proclamation of John the Baptist. John's vocation in life was to "prepare the way of the Lord, [and] make his paths straight." He played the vital role of closing out the line of prophets that all pointed to Jesus. As stewards, all of us are called in a similar way to imitate John the Baptist and point others to Christ.

Evangelization is an essential aspect of our stewardship. One of the greatest gifts we can ever receive is the knowledge and love of Christ in our lives. A gift as great as this cannot be held for ourselves but must be shared with as many people as possible. This Advent season, let us help share the true meaning of Christmas to our friends and family members, especially those who may have fallen away from their faith.

However, all evangelization must be done in truth and charity. St. Thomas Aquinas says, "To convert somebody go and take them by the hand and guide them." This is the crucial image we must keep in mind as we strive to spread the faith. Evangelization requires work. We must lovingly and patiently meet others where they are and slowly walk with them as they discover the mysteries and beauties of the Church. Perhaps one action we can try is to invite someone to Mass with us next week. Let us strive to use this season of Advent to grow in our spirit of evangelization.

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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Offertory Envelope boxes for 2022

Offertory Envelope boxes for 2022 are ready to be picked up in the Hall. Please read the name carefully that you pick the box belongs to you.

Please print your phone number on the sheet placed on the table when you are picking up your box. If you have picked up a box that belongs to someone else, please place it back where you found it.

Parishioners who are registered but do not have a box of envelops please get one from office and do not use old envelopes from previous years.



Advent Confessions

Advent Confessions will be held on <u>DEC 15th Wednesday</u> from 6.00pm - 7.30pm.

Other priests will be assisting Fr. Anthony for hearing the confessions.





Knights of Columbus
St. Martin de Porres - Council 12909
will be hosting a Community
Food Drive on Saturday
Dec 11th 9 am to 12 pm.

Please Drop off <u>non-perishable</u> food items in the parking lot of St. Martin de Porres Church Corner of Lawrence Ave. East & Morningside.

The 42nd annual Cardinal's Dinner

The 42nd annual Cardinal's Dinner was held virtually on Tuesday, November 23 at 7:00 p.m.

"A Journey Toward Healing and Reconciliation"

Watch the Recording on Youtube link below if you missed it.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BUOFwzJT-uE

Mass Intentions for the week

Saturday Dec 4th

5.00 pm - † Choco Domingo



Sunday Dec 5th

9.00 am - + Andrew D'Cruz

† Veeda Don Paul

10.30 am - + Grace Saldhana

People in the Parish

12.00 pm - + Jerome Martins

Monday Dec 6th

8.30 am -

Tuesday Dec 7th

8.30 am - † Melvin Ouellette

† Franklin Charles

Wednesday Dec 8th

8.30 am - † Cecillo Saquisaq

Thanksgiving Mass from Rick & Connie Chua

Thursday Dec 9th

8.30 am -

Friday Dec 10th

8.30 am -

Saturday Dec 11th

5.00 pm -

ATTENTION to Donors of St Vincent de Paul

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