
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 Family Services:

416-921-1163

(counselling for individuals and families)

Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)

416-281-6007

Catholic Cemeteries

416-733-8544

Catholic Cultural Services

416-757-7010

New Beginnings

416-222-1101

St. Vincent de Paul Society

416-284-6131



**3rd Sunday of Advent****1st Reading:** Zephaniah 3.14-18a**2nd Reading:** Philippians 4.4-7**Gospel:** Luke 3.10-18***The Proclamation of John the Baptist*****An Attitude of Gratitude**

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.” These are the beautiful words we hear from St. Paul on this Gaudete Sunday. This Third Sunday of Advent is a time for joy in the midst of the waiting and preparation for Christmas. It is a reminder for us that despite the crosses and difficulties of our lives, the joy of Jesus’ birth should always shine brightly.

One way in which we can cultivate a spirit of joy is through an intentional “attitude of gratitude.” Former U.S. president, Theodore Roosevelt, once said that “comparison is the thief of joy.” When we compare our lives, possessions, gifts and attributes with those of others, we inherently become ungrateful for the blessings God has placed in our lives. If we begin to thank God for all of the good things in our lives, we will quickly realize that there are far more things to be joyful about than upset over.

This Advent, as society is trying to make Christmas more and more materialistic, let us take some time to be grateful for all the things we already have. Perhaps one tangible way we can express our gratitude is to offer our time and talents to others this Christmas. For example, we could visit a nursing home or a soup kitchen or perhaps help with a toy drive for those who are less fortunate than us. As stewards, let us constantly strive to be grateful for our blessings and then seek to share them generously with others.

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.

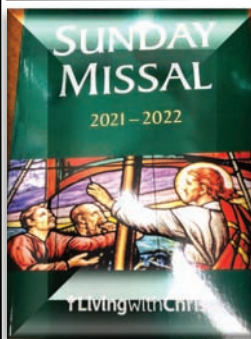
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Offertory Envelope boxes for 2022

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 envelopes please get one from office and do not use old envelopes from previous years.



Sunday Missals
2021 /2022

Sunday Missals are available after weekend Masses for

\$ 5.00 per copy.

Please bring exact change to get your copy.



Advent Confessions

Advent Confessions will be held on DEC 15th Wednesday from 6.00pm – 7.30pm.

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



Sounds of the Season

Christmas Fundraiser Concert

We invite you to attend a Christmas Fundraiser Concert

at St. Martin de Porres Church on December 19th (Sunday) from 5pm to 6pm. You will be entertained by The "7-Strings Girl band" who will be performing popular Christmas hits and tradition tunes.

We invite all parishioners and your friends to join us for a fun hour of entertainment and sing-alongs.

A minimum donation of \$5 per person is requested. All proceeds will be going to the St. Martin de Porres Church.

We will be using the same Eventbrite sign-up we use for Sunday Masses to reserve your spot at the Church. You can book your spot starting December 8th. Please book early as we have limited space in the Church.

See you on December 19th!

Thank you.

Mass Intentions for the week



Saturday Dec 11th

5.00 pm -

Sunday Dec 12th

9.00 am - B'day Blessings for Agnes Harper

† Angelica Fernandes

† Leah Fernandes

10.30 am - People in the Parish

12.00 pm -

Monday Dec 13th

8.30 am -

Tuesday Dec 14th

8.30 am -

Wednesday Dec 15th

8.30 am - † Adam Befetel

Thursday Dec 16th

8.30 am -

Friday Dec 17th

8.30 am -

Saturday Dec 18th

5.00 pm -

From the Legion of Mary,
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To all auxiliaries and parishioners.



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