St. Martin De Porres Parish

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Pastoral Team

Pastor - Rev. Anthony Gonsalves

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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

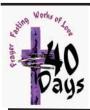
Diocesan Services

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

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



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



1st Reading: Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18
2nd Reading: Philippians 3.17 – 4.1
Gospel: Luke 9.28b-36
The Transfiguration

Ascending and Descending the Mountain

Every Second Sunday of Lent the Church invites us to reflect on the account of the Transfiguration of Christ. This passage describes how Jesus went up a mountain with Peter, James and John, and was transfigured before them, revealing His divine glory. The apostles, although wanting to stay upon the moun-

tain, are brought back down into the real world. These two movements, of ascent and descent, are critical in the lives of stewards.

Firstly, we too are invited to ascend the heights of mountain-top spiritual experiences. To ascend the mountain is to take some time away from the noise of the world to experience the glory and majesty of Christ. Sometimes this involves large mountains such as attending retreats or conferences. However, we can also ascend the mountain every time we turn to prayer and build up our relationship with God. All these moments are essen-

tial in keeping our faith alive and active. However, this is where the second aspect of descent becomes so important. Unless we are called to live as a brother or sister in a contemplative religious order, we are not called to always remain tucked away in retreats or prayer. Instead, we are called to be strengthened through our mountaintop experiences so that we will have the grace to go out into the world and spread the Gospel. This Lent, let us take some time to be nourished on the mountain so that we will be all the more ready to proclaim the Good News.

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/

Way of the Cross:

Every Friday at 7pm during LENT

<u> Ukrainian Relief – Humanitarian Relief</u>

The Archdiocese of Toronto will channel donations to support the Office for Refugees, (ORAT) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA). CNEWA is a papal agency with a long history of humanitarian relief; it is currently working in Eastern Europe, providing Ukrainians with food, shelter, medicine and transportation to safe locations. ORAT is Canada's largest private Sponsorship Agreement Holder, which helps bring hundreds of newcomers to our country each year; it will use donations to bring Ukrainian refugees to Canada as soon as possible.

Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>

By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411

Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Name of Parish – Ukrainian Relief – Humanitarian Relief.

Attention Parents,



Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Sacrament of First Reconciliation for all schools (SMDP, St. Malachy, St. Ursula & other) will be on Wednesday April 6th 6.30pm – 8 pm.

Dress: Any appropriate Dress.



Sacrament of First Communion

Sacrament of First Communion will be **on Saturday** June 18th :

SMDP school – 9 am Mass

St. Malachy – 11.00 am Mass

St. Ursula & Other Schools – 1 pm Mass

If you cannot attend the service assigned to your school you may join any of the other two Masses .

No need to register online for any of the ceremonies.

Maximum no. of guests per STUDENT 8-10

Dress:

<u>Girls</u>

White dress, veil for those who want to use it, no gloves, purses, or rosaries in hand.

<u>Boys</u>

Suit or dress pants with a dress shirt, tie/bow, dress shoes, no book in hand.

When Attending Ceremony bring a CUE Card with STUDENT NAME & PARENT PHONE NUMBER AND SCHOOL NAME TO BE HANDED AT THE ENTRANCE.

IF YOU DO NOT BRING A CUE CARD YOU WILL NOT GET THE CERTIFICATE.

Mass Intentions for the week

Sunday Mar 13th

9.00 am - Healing Intentions of Dorine Couture Intentions of Shirley Chung & Family

1**0.30 am** - † Avita Lawrence & † Catherine McLatchie

12.00 pm - + Selby Maitland People in the Parish

<u>Monday Mar 14th</u>

8.30 am -<u>Tuesday Mar 15th</u>

8.30 am -

<u>Wednesday Mar 16th</u>

8.30 am -

Thursday Mar 17th

8.30 am -

<u>Friday Mar 18th</u> 8.30 am -

Saturday Mar 19th

8.30 am -

5.00 pm - Thanksgiving Mass to St. Joseph for Blessings received from Nelson Family B'day blessings for Josie O'Neil

Sunday Mar 20th

9.00 am - Healing Intentions of Dorine Couture † Thelma Leavers

10.30 am - People in the Parish

12.00 pm - + Malcolm, + Marina & + Samuel Jayatilake

Announcements:

- * As per directives from Archdiocese **as of Tuesday, March 1, 2022**, we will offer 100% seating capacity with no physical distancing restrictions.
- * <u>Please note that masks will still be re-</u> <u>quired.</u>
- * Therefore you do not need to register online for Masses NOW.
- * When you are offering Mass intentions please <u>note down your name and contact</u> <u>phone number</u> together with the intention, date requested and \$20 for each intention.



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