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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

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**1st Reading:** Acts 5.12-16

**2nd Reading:** Revelation 1.9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

**Gospel:** John 20.19-31

*Jesus Appears to the Disciples*

### **Learning from Doubting Thomas**

On this Second Sunday of Easter we are faced with the Gospel passage that earns St. Thomas the Apostle the name of Doubting Thomas. Jesus appears to all of the disciples when Thomas wasn't present and Thomas refuses to believe in the risen Christ until he sees and touches Jesus himself. A week later Jesus appears to them again, this time with Thomas present, and Thomas believes exclaiming, "My Lord and my God!" As disciples of Christ we too may experience many moments of doubt in our lives. Especially with the overtly secular culture we live in, it is becoming harder to accept the truths of our faith. So how are we to deal with these moments of doubt? Firstly, we should take consolation in the loving and gentle way Jesus dealt with Thomas' doubt. Jesus meets him where he is and lovingly tries to help him look past his doubt. So too with us, Jesus does not reprimand us for our moments of doubt but is constantly providing us opportunities for us to grow in faith. However, it is important that we play our part. If we doubt the truth about certain mysteries of our faith, we should try to read what the Church teaches on this point. St. Anselm's motto was "faith seeking understanding." Sometimes we need to use our rational faculties to try to educate ourselves on the teachings of the Church and pray that God may illumine our mind. There are a variety of good books and websites that can help us find the answers we're looking for. Let us strive to rid ourselves of all doubt by slowly seeking understanding and praying for faith.

## **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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## **Attention Parents of prospective Confirmandi**

**Journal for Confirmation PREPARATION CLASSES (IN PERSON at CHURCH) will be available to be purchased when you come for the enrollment Ceremony (May 1st) from the instructors .**

**Cost of the registration & Journal will be \$40.00 to be paid to the instructor when purchasing the Journal.**

**Please bring exact change money for registration.**

**Attention Parents of  
prospective Confirmandi**



**CONFIRMATION DATES FOR 2022**

**ENROLLMENT CEREMONY:**

**MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> Sunday 12 noon Mass**

**PREPARATION CLASSES (IN PERSON)  
at CHURCH :**

**May 8, 15, 22, 29 after 12 noon Mass**

**CONFIRMATION SACRAMENT  
CEREMONY:**

**JUNE 21 – SMDP @ 6.30 PM**

**JUNE 22 - ST. URSULA @ 6.30 PM**

**JUNE 24 – ST. MALACHY @ 6.30 PM**

**Important :**

**If you have not provided the Sponsor name yet for your child please give it to your school ASAP.**

**Sponsor has to be over 16 yrs of age , and should be confirmed , but cannot be parents of the child but an older sibling is okay. A sponsor name is essential to receive the sacrament.**

**Mass Intentions for the week**



**Sunday Apr 24th**

**9.00 am - † Marlene Don Paul**

**10.30 am - † Amilda D’Cunha &  
People in the parish**

**12.00 pm - Intentions of Josephine Roberts  
Healing Intentions of Mary Roberts**

**Tuesday Apr 26th**

**8.30 am -**

**Wednesday Apr 27th**

**8.30 am - † Genny Sequeira**

**Thursday Apr 28th**

**8.30 am -**

**Friday Apr 29th**

**8.30 am -**

**Saturday Apr 30th**

**5.00 pm - -**

**Sunday May 1st**

**9.00 am - † Andrew D’Cruz & † Veeda & John Don Paul**

**10.30 am - Wedding anniversary of Erlinda & Rolando  
† John Lyne**

**12.00 pm - † Frank Brachio & People in the parish**

***From the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.***

**Time to spring clean.**

**The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot the weekend of **April 23rd & 24th.****

**Please consider donating all those gently used clothes and shoes that no longer fit, as well as household linens that are still serviceable.**

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