
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

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

416-284-6131





1st Reading: Revelation 12.7-12a

2nd Reading: Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14

Gospel: John 1.47-51

Jesus calls Nathaniel

Joining the Celestial Battle

All of us love a good story that involves a fierce battle between two opposing sides where goodness ultimately triumphs over evil. We get exactly this story in the first reading from the Book of Revelation, in which the war between St. Michael and the angels and the devil and his army is depicted. Often in our lives as disciples, we too seek to take up arms and fight the good fight to overcome the evilness that pervades our society.

This desire is inherently good, but how can we live this out practically. A good, albeit unexpected, way in which we can join the heavenly armies is by taking up the consistent, daily practice of prayer. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states that prayer “always presupposes effort ... prayer is a battle. Against whom? Against ourselves and against the wiles of the tempter who does all he can to turn man away from prayer, away from union with God” (CCC 2725).

The Church herself describes prayer inherently as a battle. We can thus channel our desire for a celestial combat into our taking up the arms of prayer. How often do we fight to make time for prayer each day? How often do we recognize how efficacious prayer is for the good of our soul and the Church as a whole? Perhaps one practice we can adopt as stewards is to offer God the first and last thoughts of our day. Let us strive to commit to praying daily, safeguarding this practice from all competing distractions for our time and in doing so, enrich our parish community with the foundation of prayer.

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.

Good Shepherd Ministries Food Drive

Good Shepherd Ministries need food items for their Thanks Giving Food Drive. You could bring non-perishable food items to the church before **5th of October**. Please place them in one corner in the church hall. Please check bulletin board flyer for details.





**Society of St. Vincent
de Paul
bundle up weekend**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul bundle up weekend will take place **October 15th and 16th.**

The perfect time to start clearing out those items of gently used clothing that you don't use anymore, or that your children may have outgrown.

We also accept gently used household linens, and gently used footwear.

Thank you for your generosity

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation will take place on Friday, September 30, 2022.

Cardinal Collins will preside at the 7:30 a.m. Mass from St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica with participation from Indigenous members of the community.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will also hold a special collection the weekend of **October 1/2, 2022** to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The fund will support both local and national programs proposed by Indigenous communities to nurture the ongoing reconciliation journey.

Please write your donation envelope number on the parish supplied special envelopes.

Mass Intentions for the week



Saturday Sep 24th

5.00 pm - † Domingos D'Souza

Sunday Sep 25th

9.00 am - † Rosemary Bass
People in the Parish

10.30 am - B'day blessings for Sonny Ibarientos

12.00 pm - † Mary Roberts

Tuesday Sep 27th

8.30 am -

Wednesday Sep 28th

8.30 am -

Thursday Sep 29th

8.30 am - † Domingos D'Souza

Friday Sep 30th

8.30 am - † Julius Ramos-Nastor & Healing for Family

Saturday Oct 1st

5.00 pm - Thanksgiving to Sacred Heart of Jesus
and Immaculate heart of Mary

† Herminio Bambico

Sunday Oct 2nd

9.00 am - † 5th Death Anniversary of Andrew D' Cruz
† Veeda & John Don Paul

10.30 am - † Peggy Ethel Franklin

12.00 pm - People in the Parish
Complete Healing for Michelle Policarpio



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