
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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416-393-5336

St. Ursula School

416-393-5306

Diocesan Services

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416-469-1111

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416-921-1163

(counselling for individuals and families)

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416-281-6007

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416-733-8544

Catholic Cultural Services

416-757-7010

New Beginnings

416-222-1101

St. Vincent de Paul Society

416-284-6131





1st Reading: Malachi 4.1-2

2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3.7-12

Gospel: Luke 21.5-19

The Destruction of the Temple and Signs of the End Times

Contemplating Life and Death

Benjamin Franklin has been quoted to say that there are only two things certain in life: death and taxes. While much can be said about the latter, let us focus on the former, namely, death. Cardinal Collins in his *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship** asserts that “the thought of death is spiritually fruitful, as it forces each of us to consider our priorities.”

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the Mass readings point toward Christ’s Second Coming and the end of our earthly life. Through the contemplation of our limited time on earth, we can ask ourselves if we are appropriately using our gifts to serve Christ in the poor and our neighbour. One great gift we can share is that of our time. Cardinal Collins says that, “we can use our time in this life to be selfish, or to be generous to others. The blessed used their time here to care for those in need.”

Two practical ways we can effectively and generously use our time is in prayer and active presence with our neighbour. It is primarily important to spend time in prayer, in order to begin to know, love and worship God and come to understand His love and mercy for us. Consequently, with the fire of God’s love fostered through our time in prayer, our time spent with others will be more fruitful, as it will now be God’s love within us reaching out to others. So as we journey with our eyes fixed heavenward, let us generously give our time to God and our parish community.

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.



Mother Teresa: No Greater Love

To mark the 25th anniversary of Mother Teresa’s death, the Knights of Columbus produced the film Mother Teresa: No Greater Love – a tribute to this spiritual icon. Below, Director and Writer David Naglieri weighs in on the importance of continuing to share her story.

How can Catholics in the Archdiocese watch this film? Outside of the showing in theatres, how can people watch it?

We are very excited that our film will have a theatrical release in Canada. Later this year there will be an expanded theatrical release in both English and French in Montreal. We will also eventually be available on DVD, streaming platforms and broadcast on Salt + Light Television. All information on availability will be posted on our film’s website www.motherteresamovie.com.

More Info:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/archdiocesan-blog/archdiocesan/mother-teresa-no-greater-love/>

Announcement from SVP:

Christmas will be a very bleak time for many. Since it is just about two months away, your Society of St. Vincent de Paul is appealing to you for your assistance in making this Christmas a little brighter for your Neighbours in Need. Many people have lost their jobs, and can't find new ones, others have simply given up. There are no longer any government assistance programmes available. With the prices of food, and all other consumables increasing quite dramatically, a Christmas dinner will be a luxury that most will not be able to afford.

To this end, we are asking if you would consider donating gift cards for either No Frills, or Food Basics to be distributed to your Neighbours in Need. Denominations of \$25 or \$50 would be ideal, however, we are grateful for any amount. The more we get, the more families we can assist.

Please put the gift cards into an envelope, clearly labelled for St. Vincent de Paul. If you would like a tax receipt, please be sure to include your full name, address and phone number. Please also write legibly so we can make out the tax receipt with the correct spelling and distribute/mail to the correct address. All gift card donations may be put into the collection basket, or into the mail slot in the side door.

If possible, we would appreciate receiving your donations by the first week in December. That will give us time to coordinate and distribute the cards. Of course, your donations are welcome anytime, as the need never goes away.

Thank you for your generosity.

God Bless You

Your Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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1. What is the Federation of North American Explorers?

FNE is a Catholic faith-based movement for youth and young adults that builds its members into happy people through an adventurous outdoor program. We create a space of freedom where we live simply and, in contact with nature, become stronger and healthier and grow in virtue and character. Here, we learn that the greatest adventure of our lives is the one we live with God.

2. What is the movement's primary mission?

To save souls by bringing the Explorer program of Venerable Father Jacques-Sévin to North America so that youth and young adults may become ordinary saints in this life as they explore their faith and God's creation.

3. How is FNE different from the Scouts?

FNE is a Catholic faith single-gender youth movement vs Scouts which embraces secular values that often differ from Church teachings. FNE embraces values and ideas rooted deep in our faith through five primary aims:

- **God:** to grow in love for God through personal holiness, to embrace the Eucharist and Reconciliation
- **Nature:** to see God in action through what he has created
- **Character:** personal development, your yes is a yes, to keep a promise, be reliable
- **Service:** helping others
- **Concrete things:** everything has a specific purpose and life lessons

For More Information:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/archdiocesan-blog/archdiocesan/exploring-faith-through-the-great-outdoors/>

For more information, please visit www.fneexplorers.com.

Mass Intentions for the week



Saturday Nov 12th

5.00 pm - Thanksgiving Mass for Xavier Fernandes
† Emeteria & † Amante Vicente
† Agripina Mangeg

Sunday Nov 13th

9.00 am - † Alcantara & Mary Dominic Menezes
† Nicolaus Choong
10.30 am - People in the Parish
† Sr. Juan & † Jr. Juan Batoy
12.00 pm - † Agrifina Mangeg

Tuesday Nov 15th

8.30 am -

Wednesday Nov 16th

8.30 am -

Thursday Nov 17th

8.30 am - Thanksgiving from Couture Family

Friday Nov 18th

8.30 am - B'Day blessings for Antonetta Pinto

Saturday Nov 19th

5.00 pm - † Eldric & † Cheryl Fernandes
† Juan Miel

Sunday Nov 20th

9.00 am - † Gertrude Nanayakkara
10.30 am - † Angelica Gonsalves
12.00 pm - People in the Parish



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