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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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## 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. Malachy School

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)

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

11-4



1<sup>st</sup> Reading:  
*Isaiah 49:3,5-6*

Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-10

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:  
*1 Corinthians 1:1-3*

Gospel: *John 1:29-34*

Jesus speaks through the prophet Isaiah in today’s First Reading.

He tells us of the mission given to Him by the Father from the womb: “‘You are My servant,’ He said to Me.”

Servant and Son, our Lord was sent to lead a new exodus—to raise up the exiled tribes of Israel, to gather and restore them to God. More than that, He was to be a light to the nations, that God’s salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (see Acts 13:46–47).

Before the first exodus, a lamb was offered in sacrifice and its blood painted on the Israelites’ door posts. The blood of the lamb identified their homes and the Lord “passed over” these in executing judgment on the Egyptians (see Exodus 12:1–23, 27).

In the new exodus, Jesus is the “Lamb of God,” as John beholds Him in the Gospel today (see 1 Corinthians 5:7; 1 Peter 1:18–19). Our Lord sings of this in today’s Psalm. He has come, He says, to offer His body to do the will of God (see Hebrews 10:3–13).

The sacrifices, oblations, holocausts, and sin-offerings given after the first exodus had no power to take away sins (see Hebrews 10:4). They were meant not to save but to teach (see Galatians 3:24).

Only Jesus could make that perfect offering of Himself. And through His sacrifice, He has given us ears open to obedience and made it possible for us to hear the Father’s call to holiness, as Paul says in today’s Epistle.

He has made us children of God, baptized in the blood of the Lamb (see Revelation 7:14). And we are to join our sacrifice to His.

**Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at [www.stpaulcenter.com](http://www.stpaulcenter.com).**

**Regular Mass Schedule**

**Weekday Masses:**

Daily morning mass will be celebrated Tuesday to Friday at 8:30 am.

**Weekend Schedule:**

Saturday (Vigil) Mass	<b>5:00 pm</b>
Sunday Masses	<b>9:00 am (livestream)</b>
	<b>10:30 am</b>
	<b>12:00 pm</b>

<https://stmartindeporressc.archtoronto.org/en/>

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**



Sincere and heartfelt thanks to all those very generous parishioners who donated gift cards or money. Thanks to you, almost 150 persons were able to enjoy a Christmas dinner that they would not have otherwise had. We were overwhelmed by your generosity. **THANK YOU!**

**50+ Group**

Thank you to all the members who participated in our Christmas celebration. It was a great turn out for our first post pandemic get together. We look forward to many more in the upcoming months.

For January, we will be hosting a "games" afternoon for members starting at 12:30. Pack a lunch and join us for an afternoon of games and fellowship. We will provide tea and coffee. If you have a particular game that you would like to bring along, please feel free to do so.

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup>**

10:30 am - ☩ Norie Cadhit

5:00 pm

**Sunday January 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 am - ☩ Norie Cadhit

10:30 am - ☩ Kim Tan

☩ Teofilo Gabon

12:00 pm - All our parishioners

**Monday January 16<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am - ☩ Norie Cadhit

**Tuesday January 17<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am - AJ Saravan (birthday)

☩ James Henry

**Wed. January 18<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am - ☩ Ta Gia Uy

☩ Joseph Alphonso

**Thursday January 19<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am - Franco Ratnam

☩ Nam Le

**Friday January 20<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am - ☩ Ta Gia Luong

☩ Maria Gomes

Anne Gunawardena is no longer the parish secretary. We thank her for her service to the parish and wish her well in the future.

**PLEASE PICK-UP YOUR 2023  
DONATION ENVELOPES**



If you have not yet picked up your 2023 donation envelopes, they are available at the foyer. If you do not see your name or your envelope box, please contact the Parish Office at 416-284-9192.



**February 11/12, 2023**

Marriage Sunday highlights the importance of the sacrament of marriage, affirms couples who strengthen our faith community through their witness, and complements World Marriage Sunday celebrations that take place across North America. It also honours those who nurture marriage ministries – marriage preparation, enrichment, etc. First celebrated in the Archdiocese of Toronto in 2011, His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins designated the weekend prior to the Family Day long weekend in Ontario as “Marriage Sunday”. In 2023, Marriage Sunday weekend will be celebrated on February 11/12, 2023.

**Celebration of Marriage Mass**

As part of the Marriage Sunday 2023 celebrations, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+) in 2023. The Mass will take place at 2:30 pm on Sunday, February 12, 2023 at St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing.

The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 pm.

For more information and to register visit [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage).

Registration closes on February 3, 2023, or until the capacity limit at the Cathedral is reached.

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