
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)

416-469-1111

Catholic Cemeteries

416-733-8544

Catholic Family Services:

416-921-1163

Catholic Cultural Services

416-757-7010

(counselling for individuals and families)

New Beginnings

416-222-1101

Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)

416-281-6007

St. Vincent de Paul Society

416-284-6131

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



1st Reading:
Leviticus 19.1-2, 17-18

2nd Reading:
1 Corinthians 3.16-23

Gospel: Matthew 5.38-48

7th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Growing in Stewardship and Holiness

Holiness and perfection. These are the ideals that the readings this Sunday call us to. In the first reading from Leviticus the Lord tells Moses, “be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.” Similarly, in the Gospel Jesus exhorts us to “be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. Is Jesus calling us to an impossible standard? Of course not, for Jesus would not call us to something and not strengthen us to achieve it.

Many people may think that holiness is the prize for the elite reserved only for popes and bishops and saints. However, the Second Vatican Council decrees that all children of God have a universal call to holiness. The Council says that “all Christ’s faithful, whatever be the conditions, duties and circumstances of their lives—and indeed through all these, will daily increase in holiness, if they receive all things with faith from the hand of their heavenly Father and if they cooperate with the divine will” (Lumen Gentium, 41).

Essentially, Lumen Gentium teaches us that we can reach holiness by gratefully acknowledging the gifts God has given us and cooperating with God in giving these gifts back for the service of the Church. This is the crux of what it means to be a steward. So we can strive for holiness through our path of stewardship. Let us take some time to reflect on how we can become better stewards in our parish community so that we may move closer, through God’s grace, towards holiness.



The **Legion of Mary** is hosting a “**Book Barrow**” on **February 25 and 26** on all Saturday and Sunday Masses. Please come and check us out at the foyer before and after all the Masses. You may borrow books and sign up to be active or auxiliary members for the Legion of Mary, and also sign up if you want the pilgrim Virgin Mary statue to be brought to your house for a week or two.

Thank you!
Our Lady Cause of Our Joy Praesidium - SMDP

Regular Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses:

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

Weekend Schedule:

Saturday (Vigil) Mass **5:00 pm**

Sunday Masses **9:00 am**

10:30 am

12:00 pm

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday February 18th

9:00 am - †Camillo Gomes – 3rd yr anniversary

5:00 pm - Regina & Edward –
Thanksgiving Anniversary

Sunday February 19th

9:00 am - †Betty Nolan
 †Tyrone Gabriel
 Tina Choong - Healing

10:30 am - †Betty Nolan
 †Thomas Andrew Schneider

Tuesday February 21st

8:30 am - Elaine Fernandez – Birthday blessing
 †Horace Mascurine
 †Antonio Gomez

Wednesday February 22nd

Thursday February 23rd

Friday February 24th



Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo, currently Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal, as the 14th Archbishop of Toronto. The archbishop-designate succeeds Cardinal Thomas Collins, who has served the archdiocese since 2007.

The installation will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2023, on the feast of the Solemnity of the Annunciation, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 10:00 a.m.

During this time of transition in the archdiocese, we give thanks for Cardinal Collins and his service to the Church and welcome Archbishop-designate Leo, who will be joining the community very soon. Please continue to keep these shepherds close in prayer in the days ahead.

JOB OPENING:

Administrative Assistant – St. Martin de Porres Church

Educational Qualifications: Gr. 12 diploma/2 yrs in a community college.

Skills: Good communication (written & verbal), attention to detail, phone etiquette, discretion, serving our parishioners with integrity, ability to prioritize and having a pleasant personality.

Experience: 2 yrs. or more of admin. asst experience.

Work hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Salary and other remunerations to be discussed at the interview.

Please forward your resume to my personal email:

franthonygns@hotmail.com

Please provide 3 references (name and contact information of previous employers).

Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2023

Lift Jesus Higher Rally is an annual event for Youth and Adults that focuses on evangelizing through uplifting music, testimonials, reflections, Divine Mercy celebration and Eucharistic Adoration.

Thousands of Catholics from all over North America will gather at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre on March 4th, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST. The mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins.

For ticket information, please visit: www.ljhr.ca

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2023

FIRST COMMUNION DATES

June 10, Sat,	9:00 am	St. Martin
June 10, Sat.	11:00 am	St. Ursula
June 10, Sat.	1:00 pm	St. Malachy

In-person classes

March 30, Thurs.	6:30 – 7:30 pm
April 13, Thurs.	6:30 – 7:30 pm
April 20, Thurs.	6:30 – 7:30 pm
April 27, Thurs.	6:30 – 7:30 pm
June 8, Thurs.	6:30 – 7:30 pm

CONFIRMATION DATES

May 30, Tues.	6:30 pm	St. Ursula
May 31, Wed.	6:30 pm	St. Martin
June 2, Fri.	6:30 pm	St. Malachy

Confirmation Enrollment

April 16, Sun. 10:30 am

Confirmation Registration

April 29, Sat. 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Preparation Classes:

April 30, Sun.	1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
May 7, Sun.	1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
May 14, Sun.	1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
May 21, Sun.	1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
May 28, Sun.	1:00 pm – 2:30 pm RETREAT

Sacrament of reconciliation is on Wednesday
March 22, 6:30 – 8:30 pm



**Reflecting on Cardinal Collins' Pastoral Letter on the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sacred Heart and Social Justice**

The Sacred Heart statues with outstretched hands challenge us to care for those most in need. The famous story of such a statue of the Sacred Heart, with hands blown off during battles in World War I France, speaks of this. When, after

the war, the parishioners wanted to get a sculptor to repair the hands, a wiser person said: "No, leave it as it is, but put a sign on the statue saying 'You are His hands.'" And so we are, extending the practical love of Jesus to others. Head, heart, and hands.

To learn more about the Cardinal's letter, *Heart Speaks to Heart*, visit www.archtoronto.org/sacredheart.

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