
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

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 Family Services:

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



6th Sunday of Easter

1st Reading:
Acts 8. 5-8, 14-17

2nd Reading:
1 Peter 3.15-18

Gospel: John 14.15-21

Strengthening our Stewardship with the Holy Spirit

As we approach the end of the Easter season our readings begin to focus on the Holy Spirit that awaits us on Pentecost. In today's first reading we hear the account of some believers receiving the Holy Spirit after Peter and John laid their hands on them. The Catechism says that "the imposition of hands is rightly recognized by the Catholic tradition as the origin of the sacrament of Confirmation, which in a certain way perpetuates the grace of Pentecost in the Church" (CCC 1288).

So, as we have read the biblical roots of the sacrament of Confirmation, let us reflect on its significance in our own lives 2000 years later. The Second Vatican Council says that through "the sacrament of Confirmation, [the baptized] are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Hence, they are, as true witnesses of Christ, more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith by word and deed" (Lumen Gentium, 11).

Confirmation makes us obliged to spread the Gospel through "word and deed" because we receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. We all have a special share of these gifts, which consist of fortitude, wisdom, knowledge, understanding, fear of the Lord, piety, and counsel. If for example, we have a greater outpouring of the gift of knowledge, we can use this to help with catechesis ministries in the parish that seek to teach the faith to others. Essentially, Confirmation strengthens our call to be stewards of Christ. Let us use our gifts to spread the Gospel in our parish communities as a way of living out our call of Confirmation and let us do so by turning to the Holy Spirit to guide us.

Summary

In today's first reading we hear the biblical roots of Confirmation as some believers receive the Holy Spirit after Peter and John lay their hands on them. The Second Vatican Council says that Confirmation, and the receiving of the Holy Spirit, makes us obliged to spread the Gospel through "word and deed." Let us strive to do this in our parish communities as a way of living out our call of Confirmation and let us do so by turning to the Holy Spirit to guide us.

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

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday May 13th

9:00 am - ✠ Mario Antinucci

5:00 pm - Susan Dias – For Good Health
✠ Molly Fernandes

Sunday May 14th

9:00 am - ✠ Daniel Pathmanathan
Marlene DaFoe – For a Quick Recovery

10:30 am - ✠ Joseph & Catherine D'Souza
✠ Christine Fernandes

12:00 pm - ✠ Kim Tan
✠ Monica Coutinho
✠ Zenaida Ledesma – 40th Day Anniversary

Monday May 15th

9:00 am - ✠ Antonette & Angelica Fernandes

Tuesday May 16th

8:30 am - **NO MORNING MASS**

Wednesday May 17th

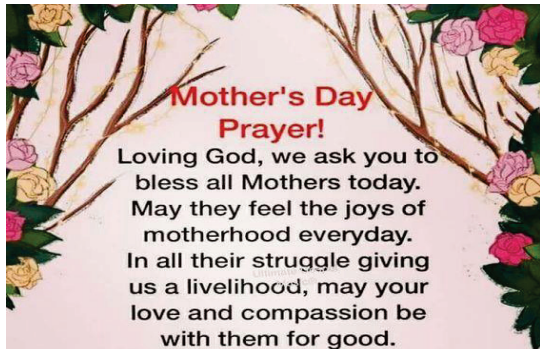
8:30 am - **NO MORNING MASS**

Thursday May 18th

6:30 PM - ✠ Margarito Ciolo

Friday May 19th

8:30 am -



**Mother's Day
Prayer!**

Loving God, we ask you to
bless all Mothers today.
May they feel the joys of
motherhood everyday.
In all their struggle giving
us a livelihood, may your
love and compassion be
with them for good.
May every mother
feel today, the pride
and beauty of the family
they bear. Through all pain and
sorrow Lord deliver them- In
your strength and grace may
they always stay. Amen!

***Wishing all the mothers of our parish a
Wonderful Mother's Day!***

**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 29, Thurs.~~ 6:00 – 7:30 pm

~~April 13, 20, 27 & June 8~~ 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 registration & enrollment have now been completed.

Preparation Classes beginning:

~~April 30-~~

May 7, 14, 21 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

**May 28 (Retreat) 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
(mandatory)**

**MARIAN DAY OF PRAYER
PROPHECY FOR TODAY AND THE END OF THE AGE**

The Ave Maria Centre of peace is sponsoring its annual
Marian Day of Prayer.

Speakers: Fr. Terrance McKenna, Moira Noonan, and
Christine Waktins.

Saturday, May 27th, 2023 – 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

Good Shepherd Chaldean Catholic Cathedral, North
York.

Free Admission. Register at Marianday.ca

416-251- 4245.



LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is hosting a celebration for the
procession and the crowning of The Blessed Virgin Mary
on **May 20 after the 5 pm Mass.**

All are welcome to join and celebrate with us this special
occasion. May is the Month of the Rosary
for the Virgin Mary.

Reception to follow right after at the Church Hall.



50+ GROUP

A Spiritual Retreat on
Thursday, May 18th, 2023.
10:30 am – 3:30 pm
at St Martin de Porres Church

Facilitated and conducted by
Fr. Jim Kelly S.J., Manresa Retreat Centre.

Cost: \$30 per person
(Includes a light lunch and refreshments)

Tickets available at St. Martins before and after each
mass on Saturday and Sunday

All are welcome to attend.

Parish Weekly Fact

The Finance Council reports that the past winter's snow
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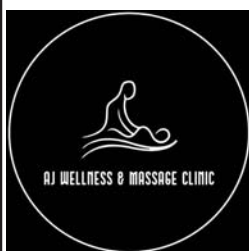
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