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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-ing

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 fam	ilies)	New Beginnings	416-222-1101
Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages	s) 416-281-6007	St. Vincent de Paul Society	416-284-6131



Ascension of the Lord (7th Sunday of Easter)

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 1. 1-11

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 1.17-23

Gospel: Matthew 28.16-20

#### Being the Hands and Feet of Christ

This Sunday we celebrate the great feast of the Ascension of the Lord which is ripe with spiritual importance and depth. Let us examine how the Lord's ascension affects us as stewards. Firstly, when the apostles watched the Lord ascend into heaven, two angels appeared and asked them "why do you stand looking up toward heaven?" The apostles were not meant to stay there constantly gazing heavenward. Instead, they, like us, are called to live firmly on this earth with our whole purpose set on reaching heaven and leading as many people with us as possible.

We see this at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel when Jesus gives the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action. A call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. We do this through the strength of Christ within us who says "remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

It is now up to us to cooperate with the Spirit and make disciples of the whole world. Let us end by pondering the beautiful saying of St. Teresa of Avila. "Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are His Body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

#### **Summary**

Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action for at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel, He gives us the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." This is a call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. Let us strive to do this through the strength of Christ within us who says "remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

#### 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 20th

5:00 pm - For the quick recovery of Shane

Jackson

Sunday May 21st

9:00 am -

+ Antonio Marcaida Jr.

Cenon Arellano (Death Anniversary)

12:00 pm - 

Margarito Ciolo

Monday May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday May 23rd

Wednesday May 24th

- Thanksgiving for Linda Panganiban &

Family

Thursday May 25th

8:30 PM - - Safe Journey for Marian Fernando

Friday May 26th

8:30 am - Thanksgiving for Catherina Corrado

& Felicia Alvares



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We will be holding these boxes till May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. If your envelope box has not been picked up by then, these boxes will be assigned and issued to others.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### Marian Day of Prayer Prophesy 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.



#### **PARISH WEEKLY FACT**

36 young parishioners are currently preparing for their First Communion on June 10<sup>th</sup>. We ask you to please keep them in your prayers.

## FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2023

#### FIRST COMMUNION DATES

June 10, Sat,9:00 amSt. MartinJune 10, Sat.11:00 amSt. UrsulaJune 10, Sat.1:00 pmSt. 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 <del>7, 14, 21</del> 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm May 28 (Retreat) 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm (mandatory)

**Archdiocese of Toronto's Newest Priests!** 



On Saturday, May 13, 2023, Archbishop Francis Leo ordained seven transitional deacons with the Sacrament of Holy Orders as priests who will serve in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

As a faith community, we invite you to pray for all those who continue to serve and, in a special way, our newly ordained priests: Rev. Sávio Bruto da Costa, Rev. Sean Jacob, Rev. Mirko Ljuba, Rev. Carlos Marquez, Rev. Cole Powers, Rev. John Wang and Rev. Matthew Wang.

Let us also pray for those who are currently in formation to the priesthood at St. Augustine's Seminary and at the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

We give thanks to God for all those who have answered the call to serve the Church through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life.



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