
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



1st Reading:
Isaiah 55.6-9

2nd Reading:
Philippians 1.20-24, 27

Gospel: Matthew 20.1-16 -
The Laborers in the Vineyard

Rejoicing in our Neighbour's Gifts

In the first reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah we are reminded that God doesn't think the same way we do. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." Not only are God's ways different than ours, but they are also higher and better. We see this in the Gospel where the landowner in the parable gives an equal wage to the labourers regardless of how long they worked for.

The labourers who worked the longest felt that they did not receive what was just. As stewards, we too can sometimes fall into the temptation of feeling that the gifts God has given us is not to the level we would have liked. Similarly, we may sometimes feel that other people should not have the gifts that they have received. In doing this, we are subtly wanting God to think in the same way we do.

Instead, we should strive to be stewards that are grateful for the gifts we have received. Moreover, we should even be grateful and praise God for the gifts of others. As we are all one Body of Christ, when one member has particular gifts, we all as a Church should celebrate and boast of that gift. St. Paul says in his letter to the Corinthians that within the Body of Christ, "if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it." Let us take some time today to thank God for His many gifts in our lives and the lives of our fellow parishioners.

Summary

As stewards, we can sometimes fall into the same temptation of those in the Gospel of feeling that the gifts God has given us and our neighbour are not to our liking. However, we should strive to be grateful for the gifts we have received and even be grateful and praise God for the gifts of others. Let us strive to grow in gratitude to God for His many gifts in our lives and the lives of our fellow parishioners.

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 and 12:00 noon**

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday September 23rd

5:00 pm

† Sarah Pinto

Sunday September 24th

9:00 am

10:30 am

12:00 pm

Monday September 25th

9:00 am -

Tuesday September 26th

8:30 am -

Wednesday September 27th

8:30 am -

Thursday September 28th

8:30 am -

Friday September 29th

8:30 am

† Domingos D'souza
(3rd Death Anniversary)



SMDP Christmas Bazaar 2023

Calling upon all the talent in the parish!

If you can cook, bake, are into arts and crafts, please reach out to the parish office to donate in kind or even in cash.

We are looking at donations for:

1. The International Café (various ethnic dishes from our diverse parish community). Baked Goods (Christmas Treats)
3. Christmas Decorations – can you knit, crochet, are handy at crafts? **Only BRAND-NEW items**
4. Basket Raffle – **BRAND NEW** listed items/Gift Cards or cash for assorted baskets

The success of the Christmas Bazaar depends on YOU, our parishioners!

More details available through the announcements after each service.



Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them." (Mt 19:14).

The Children's Liturgy is a vibrant ministry for children from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 3, where the Liturgy of the Word is presented to children in a way that is fun and easy to understand. While the adults are having their celebration in the sanctuary, the children will have their lessons in the hall. **The session is about 20-25 minutes and will begin October 1st.** The children will be brought back to the sanctuary to rejoin their parents for the rest of the mass. Please encourage your children to participate in the program.



Knights of Columbus

Fall 50/50 online raffle starts September 1st - Dec 31st, 2023. Proceeds will go towards purchasing winter coats for kids in need in our 3 local Catholic Elementary schools. Tickets are available online by either scanning the QR code or visiting the website. See flyer in bulletin for details on how to purchase. Thank you for your support."



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES 2024

Saturday June 1st, 2024,	9:00 AM	St. Malachy
Saturday June 1st, 2024,	11:00 AM	St. Ursula
Saturday June 1st, 2024,	1:00 PM	SMDP



A retreat is being organized by the Church on Saturday September 30th from 9:30 am to 3:30pm.

The Topic is: **TRUE PRESENCE OF CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST**

Our Guest Speaker is Fr. Sam Samuel who is a Vincentian priest.

Tickets are \$30/- with lunch included and will be available after all masses this weekend.



As your child started Grade 7 this school year, they will have the opportunity to embark on a journey towards receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. An **Information night will be held on Tuesday October 3rd at 6:30 pm** for which parents and the child must attend. Registration forms will be given out during the meeting.

Employment Opportunity - JANITOR/CUSTODIAN **(18 HOURS)**

SMDP is seeking a full-time Janitor/Custodian responsible for custodial services and basic repairs and maintenance of the Church, Parish Hall, Office, Meeting Rooms, and Parish property to ensure a clean, safe, and welcoming environment for all parishioners, employees and any others using the parish's facilities. Duties include performing janitorial and custodial work, maintaining church building, hall, and property, and completing any minor repairs. The successful candidate will report Fr. Anthony Gonsalves



Let us Pray! For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.



St Martin de Porres Council 12909 is holding a

Parish Bingo and Chili night!

Where- **St Martin de Porres Church Hall, 4179 Lawrence Ave East Scarborough**

When- **Saturday Sept 30, 2023, 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm**

Admission: **\$10- includes Chili, tea, or coffee. Water or Pop \$1 ea.**

Bingo cards: **\$5 ea. (20 games, maximum prize board \$375)**

All bingo players must be 18 yrs. of age or older.

50/50 Raffle tickets: \$5- Maximum prize \$250- must be 18 yrs. of age or older to purchase ticket. Tickets sold at the event only. **The winner must be present to win.**

Join us for fellowship and a fun time. All proceeds go to help rebuild St Martin de Porres Church.

Please call Bob for tickets @ 647 405 2269. Don't wait, tickets sell out quickly!

50+ Save the Dates



Thursday: Oct 19: Thanksgiving Lunch



Saturday: Nov 18: Fatima Shrine Festival of Light Bus Trip



Thursday: Dec 14: Christmas Lunch

Parish weekly Fact

Why do we say the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel?

The St. Michael Prayer is an important part of the history of our Catholic faith, and an important prayer for today. St. Michael, whose name means "Who is like God", is considered a champion of justice, a healer of the sick, and a special protector of the Church. St. Michael is the Patron Saint of the Archdiocese of Toronto. **September 29th is the Feast of St. Michael.**

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