
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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



The Parable Of The Two Sons

**Matthew
21:28-32**

1st Reading:
Ezekiel 18.25-28

2nd Reading:
Philippians 2.1-11

Gospel: Matthew 21.28-32

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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Seeking to Serve Rather than be Served.

In today's second reading St. Paul offers us a radical way of living as Christians. He says that we should humbly, "regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others." While this is a challenging way of life, it is at the very heart of being a steward.

To fully live with other people's interests above our own we require a dramatic interior conversion. Our society propagates the importance of the unholy trinity of "me, myself and I". In order to begin this conversion, we need to turn to prayer and seek to imitate Jesus, the true steward. Jesus always sought to be a servant of others instead of demanding to be served. This was shown very poignantly when he washed the feet of the apostles. In this image, we see what it means to be a steward. To humble ourselves before others and seek their good before our own.

Imagine a parish community where everyone strives to serve their brothers and sisters. This service can be manifested in a variety of ways, whether it be simply going out of our way to say hello to a new family in the parish or supporting a family undergoing a major change or crises in their life. Let us constantly renew our commitment to being stewards and seek to serve rather than be served.

Summary

St. Paul challenges us to be true stewards as he says that we should "look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others." In order to begin this conversion, we need to turn to prayer as well as seek to imitate Jesus, who always sought to serve rather than be served. Let us strive to serve those in our parishes whether it be simply going out of our way to say hello to a new family or supporting a family undergoing a major change in their life, or any other way.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday September 30th

5:00 pm † Daphne Lewis
 † Patrick Hamill
 † Jerome D'Mello

Sunday October 1st

9:00 am † Andrew D'Cruz
 (Death Anniversary)
 † Angelica Gonsalves

10:30 am † Angelica & Hilario Gonsalves

12:00 pm - Thanksgiving Mass for
 Julie Mascarenhas & Family

 - Thanksgiving Mass

Monday October 2nd

Tuesday October 3rd

8:30 am - † Joseph Fernando

Wednesday October 4th

8:30 am - † Sunny Paul

Thursday October 5th

8:30 am -

Friday October 6th

8:30 am † Cheryl & Eldric Fernandes



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).
2. 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.



CANADA NEEDS OUR LADY ROSARY RALLY 2023

Please join us on Saturday October 16th at St. Martin De Porres Church Parking lot for the rally captained by Martin Pallath with the members of St. Joseph's Church - Legion of Mary.

Time: Noon to 1:00 pm.

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!**

Society of St. Vincent De Paul *Bundle up Weekend*

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up Weekend will take place **October 14th & 15th**. Now is the time to go through your closets and clear out all those items that you thought you still fit into. We accept gently used clothing, shoes, and household linens. A truck will be parked in the parking lot, and it will be open before and during the weekend masses and will be locked after the 5pm mass on Saturday, and after the noon mass on Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.



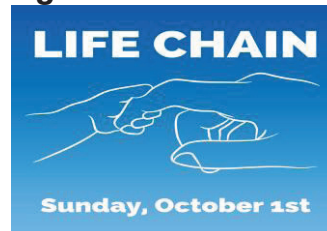
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES 2024

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



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.

Campaign Life Coalition Presents



Join thousands across Canada standing against abortion in a peaceful, prayerful demonstration!

Your Intersection – Kingston & Lawrence Avenue east
Time: 2-3 pm

50+ Save the Dates



Thursday: Oct 19: Thanksgiving Lunch



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



Thursday: Dec 14: Christmas Lunch



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

Parish Weekly Fact

Good News! The Semi-Annual Parish Financial Report shows Offertory donations increased 10.6% over the prior year, matching pre-pandemic amounts.

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