
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

The Greatest Commandments:

Love the Lord your God with
all your heart, all your soul,
and with all your mind and
love thy neighbor as thyself.

Matthew 22:34-40

1st Reading:

Exodus 22.21-27

2nd Reading:

1 Thessalonians 1.5c-10

Gospel:

Matthew 22.34-40

(The Greatest Commandment)

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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Love until it Hurts.

One of the most commonly used words in today's culture is "love." It has become so familiar in our regular language that people use the same word to describe their sentiments towards pizza, their pets, and their children. Clearly a different level of love exists between those three things, but this common usage of the word can slowly lead us to lose the meaning of love in its truest sense.

In the Gospel today, Jesus boils down all of the commandments into loving God with all our being and loving our neighbour as ourselves. In order to fully love God and our neighbour, we need to remind ourselves what the true definition and expression of love is. Love is ultimately a sacrifice. It is willing the good of the other, which involves us foregoing our own interests for theirs.

St. Teresa of Calcutta beautifully says that for "love to be real, it must cost—it must hurt—it must empty us of self." As stewards, we should always keep this understanding of love in our minds because stewardship is essentially a life of love. With this true understanding, we will not be surprised when we face difficulties or suffering in our ministry. Likewise, it helps us ask ourselves if we're being too comfortable in our generosity and challenges us to give even more of ourselves. Let us seek to constantly serve God and our neighbour in our parish community out of a deep love for them.

Summary

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Mass Intentions for the Week**Saturday October 28th**

5:00 pm

- † Orlando Ciani
- † Daniel Couture
- † Luis, Olga & Ludavinha Machado

Sunday October 29th

9:00 am

- † Jennifer & Ellis Fernandes
- Joe Gayondato

10:30 am

- † Noemi Gallardo
- † Nitin D'Souza (B'day Remembrance)

12:00 pm

- † Immaculata Pazzano
- † Nori Cadhit

Monday October 30th**Tuesday October 31st**

8:30 am -

- † Loreto Rey
- † Antontio Marcaida Jr.
- † Sofronio Jnaneza

Wednesday November 1st

8:30 am -

- † All Souls in Purgatory
- † Ernesto & Monica Ibarrientos

Thursday November 2nd

8:30 am -

- † All Souls in Purgatory
- † Andrew D'Cruz
- † Veeda & John Don Paul
- † Juanito Emiliana Ayco
- † Jose & Dominga Barnachea

Friday November 3rd

8:30 am

- † All Souls in Purgatory
- † Margaret Mascurine

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



All Soul's Day – November 2, 2023

Mass will be celebrated on **Wednesday Oct 1st, 2023 @ 7:00 pm** for all departed souls.

On **Thursday November 2nd**, will be celebrated in the morning at **8:30 am**.

Special envelopes for the deceased are available in the foyer. These envelopes are to be deposited with a donation and the name of your deceased loved ones in the offertory box in front of the pulpit. The deceased will be remembered throughout the month of November.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES - ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services – Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the **All-Souls' Day Mass on Saturday November 4th at 2 p.m.** All Masses will be held indoors at the following locations:

- Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga – Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum
- Christ the King Cemetery, Markham – Reception Centre
- Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill – Holy Family Mausoleum
- Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge – St. Anthony's Mausoleum (Liturgy in Italian and English)
- Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby – Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum

All are welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS \$500

SCHOLARSHIP

A Knights of Columbus Scholarship of \$500 is available to a member of St. Martin de Porres Parish who is attending a full-time post-secondary program in 2023-24.

Students of any age, in any course, or any year (not just first year) are eligible. Consideration will include the applicant's involvement in Parish and/or Community activities, either currently or in the past. Application Forms should be requested from smithwriter@rogers.com by email. The deadline for the return of applications is November 29, 2023.



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

Less than 2 weeks away.....



The SMDP Christmas Bazaar 2023

On November 11th from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

It is not too late to donate to:

1. The International Café – required, various ethnic dishes from the diverse cultures in our parish community.
2. Baked Goods (Christmas Treats)

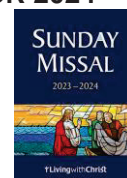
Let us make this an event to remember!

Contact the Parish Office or a member of the Bazaar Committee after each weekend service (in the lobby) for more details.

50+ Group

The 50+ group is organizing a trip to the Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Youngstown (Buffalo) NY on Saturday, November 18th. As there is a limited number of seats on the bus, please ensure you buy your tickets early, to avoid disappointment. The cost is \$45 per person.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES AND NEW MISSALS FOR 2024



Kindly pick up your 2024 Sunday Offertory envelopes which are available in the Church Hall. Please look for the alphabet of your last name. If you do not see your name on a box of envelopes, please contact the parish office. **Please do not use the 2024 envelopes until January.**

Sunday weekend missals are on sale in the hall for \$5 at the end of each mass. These missals come into use on the weekend of December 2/3 - the first Sunday of Advent.

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