
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

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416-469-1111

Catholic Cemeteries

416-733-8544

Catholic Family Services:

416-921-1163

Catholic Cultural Services

416-757-7010

(counselling for individuals and families)

New Beginnings

416-222-1101

Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)

416-281-6007

St. Vincent de Paul Society

416-284-6131

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING



1st Reading:
Ezekiel 34.11-12, 15-17

2nd Reading:
1 Corinthians 15.20-26, 28

Gospel:
Matthew 25.31-46
The Judgment of the Nations

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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Serving Christ through Others

On this feast day of Christ, the King we hear the account of the judgement of the nations where Christ will separate the sheep and the goats. Jesus clearly outlines what criteria He is looking for in order to determine which side we fall into. This criteria boils down into love and stewardship.

Jesus says, "just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me." He beautifully teaches us that when we serve the hungry, the stranger, the naked, the sick or the poor, we are not solely serving humans. Rather, we are serving Jesus Himself. This is the extraordinary call of all stewards. We are called to share our time and gifts with those around us and in doing so, display charity towards God Himself.

Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* says that "we can use our time in this life to be selfish, or to be generous to others. The blessed used their time here to care for those in need. That is true stewardship, and we are called to do likewise." Let us take some time today to ask ourselves, how well are we living up to this call of serving the "least of these brothers and sisters" in our own parish community. There are many ways in which we can all contribute, how are we playing our part for Christ?

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday November 25th

5:00 pm - Zannah & Michael DonPaul
(Anniversary Blessing)
† Marion Aird-Kitchen

Sunday November 26th

9:00 am † Peggy Duggan

10:30 am † Peggy Duggan

12:00 pm † Cristeta Baluran-Tiu

Monday November 27th

Tuesday November 28th

8:30 am - † Brendan Doherty

Wednesday November 29th

8:30 am - † Joe Gayondato
† Howard & Jacky Bryce

Thursday November 30th

8:30 am -

Friday December 1st

8:30 am



FIRST RECONCILIATION

Children preparing for their First Holy Communion in 2024, will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Wednesday, December 6th, 2023, at 6:30 pm** in the Church. Attendance is mandatory.



ADVENT CONFESSION NIGHT

St Martin De Porres will have its annual Advent Confession Night on Monday, December 18th from 6:30 – 8 PM. There will be other priests available for confessions. Please take advantage of this time as it will be your last major opportunity before the celebration of Christmas.

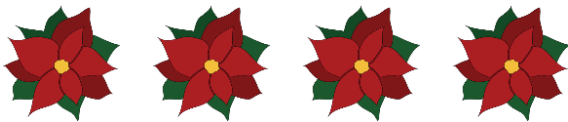


CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday December 23 rd	5:00 pm
Sunday December 24 th	9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon
Sunday December 24 th (Christmas Eve)	5:00 pm
Christmas Day	
Monday December 25 th	9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon
Saturday December 30 th	5:00 pm
Sunday, December 31 st	9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon
Sunday, December 31 st (New Year's Eve)	5:00 pm
New Year Masses	
Monday, January 1 st	9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon



Your Society of St. Vincent de Paul is appealing to you for help in making this Christmas a little brighter for your Neighbours in Need. Please consider donating gift cards for either No Frills, or Food Basics. Denominations of \$25, \$50 or \$100 would be ideal. Please put the gift cards into an envelope, clearly labelled for St. Vincent de Paul. If you need a tax receipt, please clearly write your full name, address, and phone number. All gift card donations may be put into the collection basket, or into the mail slot in the side door. We would appreciate receiving your donations by the first week in December. Thank you for your generosity.



Poinsettias To help decorate the church for Christmas.

The parish is asking for donations of Poinsettias. If you would like to donate poinsettias, please drop them off by Friday, Dec. 22nd in the parish hall. We thank you for your generosity!



50+ Save the Date

Christmas Party & Lunch – Thursday December 14th. Tickets will be sold after all masses and on the weekends of Dec 2/3 and Dec 9/10. For members tickets are for \$12.00 and for non-members tickets are for \$15.00.



Please pick up your **2024** Sunday Offertory envelopes which are available in the Church Foyer as soon as possible. Thank you.

Parish Weekly Fact

The Sign of the Cross

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

Since we make the Sign of the Cross before and after all of our prayers, many Catholics don't realize that the Sign of the Cross is not simply an action but a prayer in itself, dedicating our thoughts to the Holy Trinity. Like all prayers, the Sign of the Cross should be said with reverence; we should not rush through it on the way to the next prayer.



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

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