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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Daily 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 3.30 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 Cemeteries	416-733-8544
Catholic Family Services: (counselling for individuals and families)	416-921-1163	Catholic Cultural Services	416-757-7010
Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)	416-281-6007	New Beginnings	416-222-1101
		St. Vincent de Paul Society	416-284-6131



ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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1st Reading:
Acts 1.1-11

2nd Reading:
Eph 1.17-23 or Eph 4.1-13

Gospel:
Mark 16.15-20
(*Jesus Commissions the Disciples*)

Regular Mass Schedule Weekday Masses:

Daily morning mass is 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**

<https://stmartindeporressc.archtoronto.org/eg/>

Being Authentic Stewards

This Sunday we celebrate the great solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Before Jesus ascended into heaven he told his apostles, and us as well, to “go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.” To spread the Gospel is an essential aspect of our stewardship. The greatest gift we possess is the knowledge and experience of Christ’s love and mercy and we should seek to share this with as many people as possible.

In order to spread the Gospel, we must overcome the temptation of having a split personality or a double life. We shouldn’t hang up our faith on the door as if it were a jacket we took off when we walked into the office. Our faith should instead be woven into every aspect of our lives. To always live as a disciple of Christ and showcase the joy of being a Catholic is perhaps the greatest good we can do in evangelizing our neighbour.

St. Charles Borromeo says, “Be sure that you first preach by the way you live. If you do not, people will notice that you say one thing, but live otherwise, and your words will bring only cynical laughter and a derisive shake of the head.” If people know we are practicing Catholics, we can potentially scandalize them if we act uncharitably or contrary to the faith. Therefore, let us strive to make our entire lives a reflection of God so that we may constantly spread the Gospel.

Summary

Before His ascension, Jesus tells His apostles, and us, to go into the world and spread the Gospel. To be authentic stewards we can’t hang up our faith on the door as if it were a jacket we took off when we walked into the office. Rather, we should realize that always living as a disciple of Christ and showcasing the joy of being a Catholic is perhaps the greatest good we can do in evangelizing our neighbour.

Mass Intentions for the Week – May 11 – 17, 2024

Saturday May 11th

5:00 pm + Domingos Savio Machado
+ John Noronha

Sunday May 12th

9:00 am + Deceased members of the
Loughrin Family

10:30 am + Manoj Emmanuel Robert
+ Olympia & Evangelist Coutinho

12:00 pm + Madeline Saldanha
+ Isabelita Palma Roda

Monday May 13th

9:00 am

Tuesday May 14th

8:30 am

Wednesday May 15th

8:30 am

Thursday May 16th

8:30 am

Friday May 17th

8:30 am - S. I. for Philip & Clarita Malolos
+ Margaret & Horace Mascurine

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Friday May 31st 6:30 pm (REHEARSAL)

ALL CANDIDATES MUST ATTEND THE REHEARSAL

FIRST COMMUNION DATES

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 St. Martin De Porres



**Bible Study Program: St Martin De Porres Church
The Bible Timeline (The Story of Salvation)**

The study is an in-depth exploration of our Salvation History through the Old Testament. A fun and entertaining way to learn the Old Testament.

This program is 24 weekly sessions and includes a **question-and-answer period** & teaching through a **video presentation**.

Dates: June 3 - Dec 2, 2024 - except long weekends.
Choice of afternoon or evening sessions

Time: Monday 2 - 4 pm or 7 - 9 pm

Where: In the Church Hall

Cost: \$60.00 per person (covers the workbook cost required for each participant)

Registration: Call the Parish Office at 416- 284 -9192 or email: smartins.office@rogers.com
Sign up at the Lobby Notice Board.

Registration Deadline: May 20th, 2024



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

A Mother's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,
Please watch over and support all mothers on earth and in heaven...and help them to know how much they are loved and appreciated on Mother's Day and every day.

***Wishing all the mothers of our parish a
Wonderful Mother's Day!***



CONFIRMATION



Preparation Classes (In Person) - FOR ALL 3 SCHOOLS

Sunday May 19, 2024, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm RETREAT

ALL CANDIDATES MUST ATTEND THE RETREAT

CONFIRMATION DATES

Wednesday May 22, 2024, 6:30 PM
St. Martin de Porres / St. Ursula / Other Schools
Tuesday May 28, 2024, 6:30 PM
St. Malachy / St. Ursula / Other Schools



Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is hosting a celebration for the procession and the crowning of The Blessed Virgin Mary on **Saturday May 18th, 2024**, after the 5:00 pm Mass. All are welcome to join and celebrate with us this special occasion.
Reception to follow right after in the Church Hall.



The 50+ Group is hosting a lunch on **May 16th** from 12 - 3 pm to celebrate Mother Mary & Mother's Day.

Tickets are \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. Membership for the year is \$15.

Tickets will be on sale at all weekend masses.

Parish Weekly fact

Jesus ascended into heaven, but left us with the Holy Spirit for faith, security, and guidance. This important feast has also been designated as World Communications Day, and as Canada Health Day. We could remind ourselves to read some Catholic literature, magazines, or newspapers, either in print or on-line. Also, we might pray for good health and for the Canadian Hospital System.

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