# St. Martin De Porres Parish

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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)

## <u>Marriage</u>

Contact the parish priest one year in advance of the date of marriage.

## <u>Shut-ins</u>

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)416-469-1111Catholic 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



1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 2.1 11

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13 <u>or</u> Galatians 5.16-25

Gospel: John 20.19-23 <u>or</u> John 15.26-27;16.12.15 (Jesus speaks of the Holy Spirit)

#### Living in a Spirit of Unity

The Holy Spirit is often the least recognized person of the Trinity. He seems more mysterious to us and harder to grasp. However, on this great Feast of Pentecost, let us take some time to reflect on the Holy Spirit and how He unites all of us in the Church. St. Cyril of Alexandria, a doctor of the church, says "All of us who have received one and the same Spirit, that is, the Holy Spirit, are in a sense blended together with one another and with God." There are two beautiful impacts of this statement.

Firstly, this means that all the baptized are bound together as one. How often do we perceive this sense of unity in our own parish? As stewards, we should strive to create a charitable and hospitable community for all our parishioners. Let us go out of our way to meet one new family at the parish this week as a sign of this commitment to unity.

The second implication in St. Cyril's words is that this is not a mere human club or group. Rather, we are connected to one another "and with God." Our unity is essentially rooted in God Himself. This elevates our community to one that is truly divine, and as a divine community, we should strive to eliminate all anger and unforgiveness that may exist between us. These vices run the risk of wearing away at the life and joy of our parish. Let us strive to make amends with anyone in the parish who has wronged us so that a spirit of stewardship may continue to flourish among us.

#### <u>Summary</u>

On this feast day of Pentecost let us reflect on the words of St. Cyril of Alexandria who says that those who have received the Holy Spirit are "in a sense blended together with one another and with God." We are firstly connected to one another and so as stewards we should strive to create a charitable and hospitable community for all our parishioners. Secondly, we are all connected with God, so we should strive to forgive those who have hurt us in order to foster a divine community free of all anger and resentment.

#### 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

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## Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm + Manuel Pereira Sunday May 19th 9:00 am + Sofronio Juaneza & Antonio Marcaida Jr. + William Pak 10:30 am + Isabelita Palma Roda 12:00 pm + Vinita Maria Cordeiro Monday May 20th 9:00 am Tuesday May 21st + Lucija Kudina 8:30 am + Daniel Pathmanathan Wednesday May 22<sup>nd</sup> 8:30 am + Fiona Smith + Gordon Walt Thursday May 23<sup>rd</sup> 8:30 am + Sarah Pinto + Cenon C. Arellano Friday May 24<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am

## Mass Intentions for the Week – May 18 – 24, 2024



Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> 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 **questionand-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 <u>or</u> email: <u>stmartins.office@rogers.com</u> Sign up at the Lobby Notice Board.

## Last day to Register: May 20th, 2024.



#### Pentecost Sunday

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 the Canadian Hospital Systems to return to the services and efficiency we relied on in the pre-Covid years.



Preparation Classes (In Person) - FOR ALL 3 SCHOOLS

**CONFIRMATION** 

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 PMSt. Martin de Porres / St. Ursula / Other SchoolsTuesday May 28, 2024,St. Malachy / St. Ursula / Other Schools



Dear Parish Community,

We are excited to announce the establishment of a new youth ministry program here at our parish! As we strive to nurture the faith of our young members, we believe this initiative will provide them with a supportive environment to grow spiritually, build relationships, and engage in meaningful service.

Our youth ministry will offer a range of activities including Bible studies, prayer groups, parish community service projects, and social events tailored to the interests and needs of our young members. Through these activities, we hope to foster a deeper understanding of their faith and empower them to live out their beliefs in their daily lives.

We are inviting all youth, ages 11-18, and their families to join us as we embark on this journey together. Whether you're a parent looking to get involved or a young person seeking to connect with peers who share your values, there's a place for you in our youth ministry.

As we are in our early planning stages, stay tuned for more details on how you can get involved and help support this important ministry in our parish community. Together, let's inspire and empower the next generation to embrace their faith and make a positive impact in the world.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Anthony Gonsalves



Let us Pray! For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 905-624-4422

