
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)

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



1st Reading:
Deuteronomy 6.2-6

2nd Reading:
Hebrews 7.23-28

Gospel:
Mark 12.28-34
(The First Commandment)

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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A Steward's Way of Loving

"You shall love The Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength ... You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." Love – that is what is at the core of our Christian stewardship. In response to God's love and goodness for us, we are inspired to love Him and our neighbour.

Jesus isn't vague in his explanation on how we ought to love. Instead, he specifies in great detail that we are to love with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength. In essence, we are called to love with our entire lives. In order to love in this manner, it is essential to embrace a spirituality of stewardship. An authentic steward is called to offer the gifts of their time and talent to God and the Church.

One way in which we can love through the gift of our time is through our dedication to prayer. We are woven out of time, so what we spend our time on greatly reflects what is most important to us. As stewards, we should set aside a portion of each day that is reserved solely for prayer. In regards to our talents, we can love others by sharing these gifts with our parish community through various ministries. For example, if we have an ability to sing, perhaps we can look to join a parish choir. Let us take some time to reflect on how we can better use our time and talents to love God and our neighbour with our entire lives.

Summary

Jesus teaches us that we are to love God and our neighbour with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength. In essence, we are called to love with our entire lives, which requires us to embrace a spirituality of stewardship. Let us take some time to reflect on how we can better use our time and talents to authentically and generously love Christ and the Church.

Mass Intentions for the Week – November 2 / 3, 2024

Saturday November 2nd

5:00 pm + Andrew D'Cruz
+ Deceased members of the Don Paul Family
+ Tony Vanheer
- All Souls in Purgatory

Sunday November 3rd

9:00 am + Horace & Margaret Mascurine
+ Guy & Concepcion Arnault
+ Mae Choong & all Deceased members of the Choong Family+
- Zeke Hunter Smith

10:30 am + Angelica & Hilario Gonsalves
+ Vernon Pereira

12:00 pm + Victor James Nalliah (41st Death Anniversary)
+ Gerardo De Muzio

Monday November 4th

8:30 am

Tuesday November 5th

8:30 am + Falisicimanoc & Jose Turiano

Wednesday November 6th

8:30 am + Nicola & Maria Macri

Thursday November 7th

8:30 am - S. I. & Healing for Nirmala Gomez

Friday November 8th

8:30 am + Hyacinth & Theodore Alles
+ All Souls in Purgatory



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



Reconciliation Classes (IN PERSON)

Wednesday, October 30th - 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
 Wednesday November 6th - 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
 Wednesday November 13th - 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
 Wednesday November 20th - 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
 Wednesday November 27th - 6:00 pm (**Rehearsal**)

RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Wednesday December 4th @ 6:30 pm

Communion Classes (IN PERSON)

Wednesday, April 30th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 7th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 14th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 21st, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 28th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, June 4th, 2025 - 6:30 pm (**Rehearsal**)

RECEPTION OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

June 21st, 2025 @ 9:00 am – St. Malachy
 June 21st, 2025 @ 11:00 am – St. Ursula
 June 21st, 2025 @ 1:00 pm – SMDP



The Month of November is dedicated to all deceased souls.

A “**Book of Remembrance**” is placed in front of the pulpit along with special envelopes if you wish to donate. All the envelopes will then be placed on the alter and prayed for throughout the month of November.

**Saturday November 3rd
 Feast of Saint Martin de Porres**



Most humble St Martin, whose burning charity embraces all, but especially those who are sick, afflicted, or in need, we turn to you for help in our present difficulties.

We implore you to obtain for us from God, health of soul and body, and in particular the favour we now ask.

May we, by imitating your charity and humility, find quiet and contentment all our days, and cheerful submission to God's holy will in all the trials of life.

Amen



Calling all Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8 students! Come and join the **EDGE Youth Ministry** where you'll have a place to belong to, meet other amazing young people, have fun on a Friday night (with snacks) and best of all, gain a better understanding of God's immense love for YOU! EDGE will kick off on Friday, November 15, 2024 @ 7:00 pm. Register now and pick up your Registration form at the Church foyer table. For more information, please contact the Youth Minister, Theresa Vandenbroek, at smdpyouth24@gmail.com.

NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9TH



The SMDP Christmas Bazaar 2024

9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

It's not too late to donate.

Bring your Family and Friends and join us for a day of Festive Fun!

50+ Group is organizing a bus trip to Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Youngstown (Buffalo) NY on Saturday, November 23rd.

As there is a limited number of seats on the bus, please ensure you buy your tickets early, to avoid disappointment. The cost is **\$45.00** per person. Tickets are available at all weekend masses.

Parish Weekly fact St. Martin de Porres is the patron saint of helping the poor, of mixed race people, and public health workers. This year his feast day, November 3rd, occurs on Sunday. St. Martin de Porres was a close friend of St. Rose of Lima and his shrine is located near the shrine of St. Rose in the Convent of Santo Domingo in Lima, Peru. It seems appropriate that the parishes dedicated to these saints are adjacent along Lawrence Avenue East in Scarborough.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

A Knights of Columbus Scholarship of \$500 is available to a member of St. Martin de Porres Parish who will be attending a full-time post secondary program in the 2024-25 academic year. 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 the applications is November 30, 2024.

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