
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

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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

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



1st Reading:
1 King's 17.10-16

2nd Reading:
Hebrews 9.24-28

Gospel:
Mark 12.38-44
(*The Widow's Offering*)

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/>

Offering our All

In the Gospel, this Sunday we hear the account of the poor widow's treasury offering. Jesus observes many wealthy people put in large sums of money yet He only praises the lowly widow for her contribution of two small copper coins. He exclaims, "truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had." (Mark 12:43).

We can learn a great lesson in stewardship through the example of this widow who symbolically offered her entire life through her small monetary offering. We too are called to give our entire lives to God. We shouldn't imitate the wealthy people in the Gospel and give from what we have leftover. Rather, we should give the "first fruits" of our time and our talents because we want to show God how grateful we are for all He has given us.

Additionally, by giving everything she had, the widow is inherently saying "God I trust that you will take care of me." As stewards, do our sacrifices show that we trust God? To trust God means knowing that even though our time spent in the parish might mean we have less time for work or other commitments, that God will still bless us abundantly. Let us strive to give all we can and trust that God will take care of all our needs, for St. Paul says, "God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Summary

We can learn a great lesson in stewardship from the widow who put in all she had, two small copper coins, into the treasury. We shouldn't imitate the wealthy people in the Gospel and give from what we have leftover. Rather, we should give the "first fruits" of our time and our talents because we want to show God how grateful we are for all He has given us.

Mass Intentions for the Week – November 9 / 10, 2024

Saturday November 9th

5:00 pm + Deceased members of the Mendonca & Pereira families
+ Giuseppina "Josie" Schembri

Sunday November 10th

9:00 am + Mae Choong & Deceased members of The Choong family
+ Ireneo & Serrano Gala Gala
10:30 am + Agripina Mangeg
+ Deceased members of the Resplandor & Macaranas families
12:00 pm + Deceased members of the D'Silva family
+ Kingson Brothers

Monday November 11th

8:30 am + Honoring our Nations Fallen Heroes

Tuesday November 12th

8:30 am

Wednesday November 13th

8:30 am + Edna Etherington

Thursday November 14th

8:30 am

Friday November 15th

8:30 am + Ludvik Lovsin & Frenk Smrekor



First Reconciliation

Children preparing for their First Holy Communion in 2025, will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday, December 4th, 2024, at 6:30 pm in the SMDP Church. Attendance is mandatory.



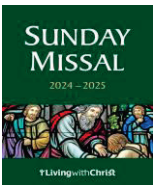
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES 2024

Saturday June 21st, 2025,	9:00 AM	St. Malachy
Saturday June 21st, 2025,	11:00 AM	St. Ursula
Saturday June 21st, 2025,	1:00 PM	SMDP

Remembering All Souls

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.

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.



Sunday Missals for year C will be on sale for \$5 next weekend at the end of each mass in the foyer. These missals come into use on the weekend of Nov 30/ Dec 1 – The **First Sunday of Advent**

Parish Weekly *fact*

This month schools in St. Martin de Porres Parish will receive a number of new Winter Coats through the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Program. But there is still a great need. If you have children’s winter apparel at home in good condition, please contact one of the parish schools. (the phone numbers are in the Bulletin).



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



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve

Tuesday December 24th - 6:00 pm

Christmas Day

Wednesday December 25th - 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

New Year’s Eve

Tuesday, December 31st - 5:00 pm

New Year Masses

Wednesday, January 1st - 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon



Our EDGE Youth Ministry kickoff on Friday, November 15, is just days away! If you haven’t yet registered your Grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 youth, please fill out the registration form placed on the table in the Church foyer. You can return the signed registration form to the parish office between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm, Monday-Friday. If you have any questions, please contact the Youth Minister, Theresa Vandebroek, at smdpyouth24@gmail.com.



There will be a second collection on **November 16/17** for **The Shepherds’ Trust**. *The mission of the Shepherd’s Trust is to support the needs of the retired diocesan clergy of the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served our family of faith, bringing us the sacraments, and enriching our parishes, homes, schools, hospitals, and countless other gatherings through their ministry.* Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

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