## 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
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(counselling for individuals and far	nilies)	New Beginnings	416-222-1101
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Feast of Christ the King

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Daniel 7.13-14

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 1.5-8

Gospel: John 18.33b-37 (Jesus Before Pilate)

#### 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/

#### **Enthroning the King**

On this final Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the great solemnity of Christ the King. Jesus always remains the King of the Universe, but does He also remain the king of our lives? Let us reflect on how we can enthrone Jesus in our hearts through our commitment to stewardship.

Kings often receive the finest of things in order to showcase their importance. If we want to make Jesus our King, He too deserves our very best. We can do this by striving to offer Christ the "first fruits" of our time in prayer. When we set aside a portion of everyday for prayer, we are expressing the importance of God in our lives. We become loving and faithful servants who simply long to be in the presence of their master. Let us not try to fit in our prayer after all our other commitments are taken care of, but rather, let us schedule the rest of our day around our times of prayer so as to give our King the very best we can.

Once we enthrone Jesus as King of our lives, we can then begin to serve Him as one would an earthly king. But what kind of service does our Divine King desire? The Lord desires the service of charity and sacrifice. St, Rose of Lima says, "When we serve the poor and the sick, we serve Jesus. We must not fail to help our neighbours, because in them we serve Jesus." As stewards, let us strive to use our gifts to serve our fellow parishioners, and in turn, serve the King of kings.

#### Summary

On this solemnity of Christ, the King let us reflect on how we can enthrone Jesus in our hearts through our commitment to stewardship. Firstly, we can let God rule in our lives by giving Him the "first fruits" of our time in prayer. We should then strive to use our gifts to serve our fellow parishioners, and in turn, serve the King of kings.

#### Mass Intentions for the Week - November 23 / 24, 2024

#### Saturday November 23rd

5:00 pm + Luis & Olga Machado

+ All deceased members of the Legion of Mary

#### Sunday November 24th

9:00 am + Mary Ong

+ Romeo Toribio

10:30 am - For All Parishioners

12:00 pm + Jozefa Krasinski

+ Giuseppe & Isabella Brunetti

#### Monday November 25th

8:30 am

#### Tuesday November 26th

8:30 am

#### Wednesday November 27th

8:30 am + Peggy Duggan

#### Thursday November 28th

8:30 am + Cristita Pagal

#### Friday November 29th

8:30 am + Howard & Jackie Bryce

+ Vinita Maria Cordeiro

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#### 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



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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, Food Basics or Walmart. 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 near the parish office. We would appreciate receiving your donations by the first week in December. THANK YOU for your generosity.



You better watch out, you better not cry, and you better save this date, Saturday, December 14th, because Christmas cheer is coming to town! On Saturday, December 14th, after the 5 o'clock mass at 6:00 pm, you are invited to the St Martin de Porres Christmas Sing-along. Members of our many choirs will join their musical talents to lead you in song! From traditional and most holy Christmas hymns to more contemporary songs. Hot chocolate and cookies to follow in the church hall. So, come join us in spreading Christmas joy with your fellow parishioners.





#### ADVENT CONFESSION NIGHT

St Martin De Porres will have its annual Advent Confession Night on Wednesday, December 11th from 6 - 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.

#### First Reconciliation +

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

Attendance is mandatory.



#### 50+ Save the Date Christmas Party

Christmas Party & Lunch - Thursday December 19th. Details to follow soon.



#### 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 Sunday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> in the parish hall. We thank you for your generosity!

## Parish Weekly facT



#### The Shroud of Turin

New Scientific Information

Venerated for centuries as the burial cloth of Jesus, the Shroud was faultily carbon dated in 1988 and proclaimed to originate only from the 1200s ... a medieval fake. BUT with advanced technology from 2022, Italian scientist Liberato De Caro has found that it to be 2000 years old. Several historians and scientists have now agreed that the Shroud is no longer able to be disputed. It is certainly the burial cloth of Jesus Christ, with wounds matching the Gospels and Roman methods of crucifixtion exactly. Bits of pollen from the first century Holy Land have also been discovered on the material. (For more information, see the article "Jesus' burial cloth no longer shrouded in mystery" by Sister Helena Burns in The Catholic Register, September 22, 2024.)

Envelopes Kindly pick up your 2025 Sunday Offertory envelopes from the Church Hall. Please look for your last name and not your envelope

number, as many numbers have changed. If you do not see your name on a box of envelopes, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

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