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# 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



## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



1<sup>st</sup> Reading:  
Isaiah 62.1-5

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:  
1Corinthians 12.4-11

Gospel:  
John 2.1-12  
(*The Wedding at Cana*)

### Lessons from Cana

In the Gospel this Sunday we hear about Jesus' first miracle. Jesus was with His mother and disciples at a wedding in Cana when the wine had run out. Mary asked Jesus to help and He in turn changed six large jars of water into delicious fine wine. Let us take some time to reflect on this extraordinary event and see how it can influence us in our life of stewardship.

Firstly, we can learn a beautiful lesson about the role of Mary in our lives from this scene. It was our Blessed Mother who noticed that the wine was running out and she was quick to intervene. Mary has a true mother's heart and is very in tune with the needs of all her children. Whenever we are in a time of trial we should run to Mary and trust that she will console us as a mother console her young. Perhaps the next time we experience a moment of difficulty, let us take a moment to stop, consider the loving embrace of Our Lady and say a Hail Mary.

Additionally, from this episode we can learn a great deal about trust and obedience from the servants whom Jesus instructed. The Gospel says that the servants had "drawn the water" from the jars. The servants saw the cup filled with water, yet they still trusted that something remarkable would happen when they handed the cup to the chief steward. Sometimes from our perspective nothing remarkable is happening in our good works of stewardship. However, let us strive to trust that God can take our simple acts and bring about great miracles through them.

### Summary

We can learn a great deal about stewardship from the account of the Wedding at Cana that we read in the Gospel today. Just as Mary was the first to notice and intervene at the wedding, we can be assured that whenever we run to her in a time of trial, she will readily come to our aid. Secondly, we should seek to imitate the servants who trustingly obeyed Jesus and strive to trust that God can bring about great miracles through our small acts of stewardship.

### 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/>

### Mass Intentions for the Week Jan 18 / 19, 2025

#### Saturday January 18<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm      - Thanksgiving Mass from the  
Lawrence family  
+ Jeannie Lawrence

#### Sunday January 19<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am      + Mary Ong  
- Thanksgiving Mass from the  
D'Cruz family

10:30 am      - For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm      - S.I. for Jeanette Lojo

#### Monday January 20<sup>th</sup>

#### Tuesday January 21<sup>st</sup>

8:30 am      + Sr. Barbara Desmond

#### Wednesday January 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:30 am      + Cresencia Miel  
+ Sr. Barbara Desmond

#### Thursday January 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:30 am

#### Friday January 24<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am

**Friendly  
REMINDER**



Please pick up your 2025 Sunday Offertory envelopes from the foyer as soon as possible. We will hold these envelopes until **Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup>**. If you have not picked up your envelope box by then, your number will be assigned to someone else. Also, kindly check your name before picking up your envelope box.

Print your full name and address clearly on the envelope before submitting so we can identify you. This will ensure you receive a tax receipt at year end.



**Registration for 2025-2026 School Year**

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year will start on **January 22, 2025**, at 10:00 AM EST.

**Eligibility for Admission - Catholic Students**

The following original documents for your child are required upon registration:

- Birth certificate.
- Proof of Catholicity (one of the following documents):
  - Your child's Catholic baptismal certificate.
  - The parent's Catholic baptismal certificate (note: the Catholic parent must provide proof of residency in the City of Toronto).
  - A letter of enrolment to the R.C.I.A./R.C.I.C. program.
- Passport / immigration documents (if child was not born in Canada).
- [Two proof of address documents](#).

Please note that non-Catholic children of non-Catholic parents who are not enrolled in the R.C.I.A./R.C.I.C. program are not eligible for admission to a TCDSB elementary school, with the exception of Christian Orthodox children baptized under the See of Constantinople or Alexandria.

**Parish Weekly** 

**Funeral and Memorial Masses**

Most families rely on the Funeral Parlor to arrange the date and time of a Funeral and the fee for the Funeral Mass is paid along with the other funeral expenses. However, if you wish to make Mass arrangements directly through the parish, Father can inform you of the cost and how an Income Tax Receipt is possible. If you wish to have a Memorial Mass, instead of a Funeral Mass, the date and time can be arranged through the pastor. The usual cost is \$150 and qualifies as a donation eligible for a tax receipt.



**50 + Group**

The 50+ Group is hosting a Membership drive on Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.

It will begin with Holy Mass at 11.00 am.

**Cost \$15.00 per year.**

Lunch will be served to all 2025 renewing members and new members. Lunch will be followed by a movie.



St Martin de Porres

*Knights of Columbus Council 12909*

**CHARITY FUND RAISER**

**Bus Trip to Casino Rama Resort**



**Saturday February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

**For more details, please see the bulletin board in the foyer**



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