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:	416-921-1163	Catholic Cultural Services	416-757-7010
(counselling for individuals and far	nilies)	New Beginnings	416-222-1101
Retrouvaille (for troubled marriage	es) 416-281-6007	St. Vincent de Paul Society	416-284-6131

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus Calls the First Disciples

1st Reading: Isaiah 6.1-2a, 3-8

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Gospel: Luke 5.1-11

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/

Using our Gifts for Discipleship

In the readings this Sunday we are invited to reflect on the call to discipleship that we all receive as Christians. Just as Jesus called His first disciples to closely follow Him, so too are we called to follow Him in an everdeeper way through our commitment to stewardship.

In the Gospel today we see Jesus getting into Peter's fishing boat so that He could preach to the vast crowds that had come to see Him. Jesus used Peter's possessions to help with His ministry. Peter, like a good disciple, obeyed and cooperated with Jesus' request and Jesus was able to further spread the Good News to those who had gathered around Him.

So too in our lives of stewardship, are we allowing Jesus to use the gifts we possess, namely our time and talents, so that others can come to know the Gospel? We can offer our time to Christ through our commitment to daily prayer. We can also use our time to journey with and support our fellow parishioners, especially those who are going through a time of difficulty. With respect to our talents, we can reflect on our particular gifts and offer them to the appropriate ministries in the parish. For example, if we have the gift of music, perhaps we can look into joining a choir or if we have a background in teaching, perhaps various catechetical ministries in the parish. There are many ways in which God can use us to serve Him. Let us echo the words of the prophet Isaiah in the first reading and boldly say to God, "Here am I; send me!"

Summary

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Mass Intentions for the Week Feb 8/9, 2025

Saturday February 8th

5:00 pm + Giuseppina "Josie" Schembri

+ Emerson Quinlan

Sunday February 9th

9:00 am - S. I. for Everett Harper (Birthday)

+ Dominic Caldaroni

(10-year Death Anniversary)

10:30 am - For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm + Dominador Padilla + Corazon M. Tadeo

Monday February 10th

Tuesday February 11th

8:30 am + John Noronha

+ Howard & Jackie Bryce

Wednesday February 12th

8:30 am + S.I. for the Rozario Family

+ Sr. Barbara Desmond

Thursday February 13th

8:30 am + Alvito Pinto

Friday February 14th

8:30 am + Sr. Barbara Desmond

- S. I. for Elaine Fernandes (Birthday)



2024 Tax Receipts

2024 Parish Tax Receipts for donations received at the parish are being processed, and assuming Canada Post is on time, you will receive them in the mail on or before Monday February 17th.

Tax receipts for donations using credit cards on the parish website are issued by the Archdiocese and you should also receive them by February 17th.



50+ Valentines Day Celebration

Please join us on Thursday, February 20th for our Valentine's Day Celebration. Tickets will be on sale after all the masses for the next two weekends.

\$15 for members, and \$18 for non-members. Please try and have exact change if possible. We look forward to an afternoon of fun and fellowship. If you are new to the 50+, we welcome you.

Parish Weekly fac



This week is the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes. The Virgin Mary is venerated under this due to her apparitions in Lourdes, France in 1858. The first apparition of 11 February 1858, to Bernadette Soubirous (age 14) who told her mother told her mother that a "Lady" spoke to her in the cave of Massabielle while she was gathering firewood with her sister and a friend. Similar apparitions of the "Lady" were reported on 18 occasions that year, until the climax revelation in which she introduced herself as "the Immaculate Conception.

On 1 February 1876, Pope Pius IX officially granted a canonical decree that endorsed the veneration of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Lourdes. The image of Our Lady of Lourdes has been widely copied and reproduced in shrines and homes, often in garden landscapes. Bernadette Soubirous was canonized in 1933. The site of the apparitions has become a major pilgrimage destination and Lourdes is visited by millions of pilgrims each year.

The popular Lourdes hymn "Immaculate Mary" is sund in many languages during the daily healing processions. It can be easily found on YouTube. In 1959s Andy Williams recorded a popular song about Lourdes "The Village of Saint Bernadette" that can also be heard on YouTube.





"I Made You Wonderful " Psalm 139: 1-18 Artists: Tarani Napa and Tevairangi Napa



Ecumenical Worship Service Information Friday, March 7, 2025 7:00 p.m.

St. Dunstan of Canterbury Anglican Church 56 Lawson Road, Scarborough All Are Welcome!



Service written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Cook Islands, and adapted for use in Canada by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada



Lift Jesus Higher Rally is an annual event for Youth and Adults that focuses on evangelizing through uplifting music, testimonials, reflections, Divine Mercy celebration and Eucharistic Adoration.

Thousands of Catholics from all over North America will gather at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre on March 29th, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

For the early bird special & ticket information, please see the bulletin board or visit www.LJHR.ca.



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

KAPIT BAHAY

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