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



1st Reading: Exodus 3.1-8a, 13-15

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12

Gospel: Luke 13.1-9 (The Need to Repent & the Barren Fig Tree)

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/

Called by Name

On this Third Sunday of Lent, we are invited to reflect on one of the most famous call stories in the Bible, the call of Moses. Many of us are familiar with the events that took place as Moses comes across the burning bush in the wilderness. There is one aspect of this episode that is particularly interesting to us as stewards, and that is the first words that God speaks out of the bush. He says, "Moses, Moses!" He calls Moses by name.

There is a particularity to Moses' mission. God knew that Moses was the right person for the job and shows this by using his own name as he calls him forward. As stewards, we too are all called by name to a special mission. We each have our own unique set of gifts that can be used for the glory of Christ and the Church. It is up to us to heed the call of stewardship because no one can do the particular mission God has ordained for us.

One great saint who truly understood the importance of everyone's important and individual mission was St. Teresa of Calcutta. She said, "You can do what I cannot do. I can do what you cannot do. Together we can do great things." Stewardship isn't a competition but rather

a collaboration. Let us reflect on how we can use our time and talents to help our parish community. God is calling each and every one of us, let us readily echo the words of Moses and respond "Here I am."

Summary

Just as God called Moses by name at the burning bush, so too does God call each of us by name to our own particular mission of stewardship. St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "You can do what I cannot do. I can do what you cannot do. Together we can do great things." Let us reflect on how we can use our time and talents to help our parish community and readily echo the words of Moses and respond "Here I am."

Mass Intentions for the Week of March 22 / 23, 2025

Saturday March 22nd

5:00 pm + Elizabeth Maskell & Ruth Braganza

- S.I for Joe Lawrence

Sunday March 23rd

9:00 am + Mae Ong

+ Martin Vieira

10:30 am - For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm - Thanksgiving & S.I. for

Lydia Shemain
+ Clifford & Adeline Polacco

Monday March 24th

Tuesday March 25th

8:30 am - S.I. for Dagma Fonceca

+ Patrick Boyle

Wednesday March 26th

8:30 am + Giuseppe Corrado

+ Jim Hogg

Thursday March 27th

8:30 am + Irene Cherkas

+ Hyacinth & Theodore Alles

Friday March 28th

8:30 am + Leyland & Vernon Deane

+ Nirmala Gomez

6:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



April 13th - Palm Sunday

Regular Saturday and Sunday Mass Times

April 17th - Holy Thursday

6:30 pm - Washing of the Feet and **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

April 18th - Good Friday

Services - 12:00 noon and 3:00 pm 2:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

April 19th - Easter Vigil at 6:30 pm

April 20th - **Easter Sunday** 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon



The 2025 Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held on Saturday, March 29th, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. This year's theme is "Power from On High." The adult Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins. You can purchase tickets online at www.ljhr.ca

Parish Weekly This past week, on March 19th, we celebrated the Feast of Saint Joseph, the principal Parton Saint of Canada. 400 years ago, missionary Father Joseph Le Caron celebrated the first Mass at Huronia on August 12, 1615. He named St. Joseph as the patron of the country in his memoir dated March 19, 1624: "We held a great solemnity where all the inhabitants and several native peoples were present, by a vow we made to St. Joseph, whom we chose as our patron saint of the country and protector of this newborn church." Pope Gregory XVI definitively approved Father Le Caron's vow made in 1624, and St. Joseph officially became the Patron Saint of Canada. St. Joseph was thus honoured as patron and protector of the Church in Canada, before being declared patron and protector of the universal Church by Pope Pius IX on December 8, 1870.



ENTEN CONFESSION

Please join us for our Lenten Confession Night on Wednesday April 9th from 6 - 8 pm.



Please join us in praying the Stations of The Cross every Friday at 6:30 pm beginning March 7th, 2025. All are welcome!

SL ShareLife





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The first upcoming ShareLife Collection date is March 29th / 30th, 2025





St Martin de Porres - Knights of Columbus Council 12909 Fallsview Casino Resort trip Saturday March 29th, 2025 Donation: \$55.00 Includes: \$40 free playing credits

You must have a Player's card for Fallsview Casino Resort and a valid Government ID. 50/50 Draw.... Snacks To book a seat e-mail: jason.shantz@gmail.com

Ticket Sales: Sunday March 9th, 16th and 23rd, 2025. after the masses 10:30 am and 12:00 noon masses.

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

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