

Living the
Gospel

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2nd Reading: Revelation 5.11-14

Gospel:
John 21.1-19
(Jesus Appears on the Beach)

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**

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Learning to Truly Love Christ

In the Gospel this Sunday we're called to reflect on the rich and important exchange where Jesus asks Peter, "Do you love me?" Firstly, it is important to note the original translation of this passage. The first time Jesus asks Peter he uses the word "agape," which is an unconditional, self-sacrificial love. The same type of love that Jesus has for us. However, in Peter's response he uses the word "philia," which is the love between friends. Although philia is still beautiful, it isn't raised to the same heights of agape. This same exchange of agape and philia occurs the second time Jesus asks Peter. However, when Jesus asks the third time, it is He who uses the word philia, asking Peter if he can love Him as a friend. This is why it says Peter felt hurt, because it seemed like Jesus lowered the standard for the type of love Peter was called to.

However, the beautiful reality is that Jesus instead understands and meets Peter at the level of love he's currently comfortable with. Yet Jesus doesn't desire Peter to remain at that level. He goes on to foretell the kind of death he would one day suffer, signifying that He would one day be able to love Jesus' agape.

Jesus does the same in the lives of all of His stewards. He desires all of us to love Him unconditionally, yet He meets us where we currently are and helps us to slowly advance in love. Let us always seek to love Christ and His Church and pray this simple prayer, “Jesus, I love you, help me to love you more each day.”

Summary

When Jesus first asks Peter if he loves Him, he uses the term “agape,” signifying an unconditional love, to which Peter replies, “philia,” the love of friends. However, by the third time it is Jesus who asks Peter if he will love him philia, which, rather than an insult, is the beautiful reality that Jesus meets Peter where he currently is. So too in our lives, Jesus accepts the current level of love we’re comfortable with, but like Peter, He slowly desires and leads us to embrace a deeper way of loving Him and the Church.

Mass Intentions for the Week of May 3 / 4, 2025

Saturday May 3rd

6:30 pm + Jane Quinlan
+ Archimedes Sr.

Sunday May 4th

9:00 am + Andrew D'Cruz
+ Deceased members of the
Don Paul Family

10:30 am - For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm + Isabelita Roda (1st Death Anniversary)
+ Theresia Serensits

Monday May 5th

Tuesday May 6th

8:30 am + Julie D'Souza (Heavenly B'day)

Wednesday May 7th

8:30 am + John, Mary & Joseph Collins

Thursday May 8th

8:30 am

Friday May 9th

8:30 am + Douglas Taylor
+ Bridgette & Dominic Pinto



CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE 2025

Preparation Classes (In Person) – FOR ALL 3 SCHOOLS

Sunday, May 4th, 2025 - 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
 Sunday, May 18th, 2025 - 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
 Sunday, May 25th, 2025 - 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
 Sunday, June 1st, 2025 - 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
 Sunday, June 8th, 2025 - 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm (**Rehearsal**)

CONFIRMATION DATES

Tuesday, June 10th, 2025 @ 6:30 pm
 Wednesday, June 11th, 2025 @ 6:30 pm

ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND MASS FROM THE
 ENROLMENT DATE RIGHT UNTIL THE DATE OF
 THEIR CONFIRMATION



Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is hosting a celebration for the annual
 procession and the crowning of The Blessed Virgin Mary
 on **Saturday May 24th, 2025**, at St. Martin de Porres
 after the 5:00 pm Mass.

All are welcome to join and celebrate with us this
 special occasion as we pay homage to our
 Blessed Virgin Mary for all blessings received.

Thank you!

Chalice Sponsorship Weekend



May 3rd and 4th, open your heart to child sponsorship.

Chalice has come to St. Martin de Porres Parish!
 At the May 3-4 Masses, Canada's largest
 Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you
 the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the
 developing world through the benefits
 of Child Sponsorship. These are children in extreme
 poverty who need your support to excel in their education
 and fulfill their God-given potential. Please visit chalice.ca
 for more information about Chalice and its mission.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Classes begin on **Wednesday April 30th**.

Wednesday April 30th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 7th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 14th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 21st, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 28th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday, June 4th, 2025 - 6:30 pm (**Rehearsal**)

RECEPTION OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

June 21st, 2025 @ 9:00 am – St. Malachy
 June 21st, 2025 @ 11:00 am – St. Ursula
 June 21st, 2025 @ 1:00 pm – St. Martin De Porres



St. Martin de Porres Knights of Columbus Council 12909 CHARITY FUNDRAISER BUS TRIP TO

Saturday, June 7th, 2025.

First location pickup at 8:35 am,
 at 2452 Sheppard Ave. E

Second location pickup at 8:45 am,
 at Centennial Arena

(1967 Ellesmere Rd, just west of Markham Rd)

Donation: \$55.00

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Ticket Sales

Saturday May 3rd, 24th and 31st, 2025.

Available during the mass at 5:00 pm

Sunday May 4th, 18th and 25th, 2025. (until noon)

Available between masses at 10:00 am and 12:00 pm.

To book a seat e-mail: jason.shantz@gmail.com

Parish Weekly fact

The Paschal Candle 2025

At the beginning of The Easter Vigil ceremony, the Paschal
 Candle representing the Light of Christ, was marked with a
 Cross, the Alpha & Omega (the beginning & the end), and
 inscribed with the numerals 2025. Five grains of incense were
 inserted into the candle, marking the wounds of Christ. The
 Paschal Candle was lit from the new fire.

The Paschal Candle is lit for all masses in the Easter Season
 until June. Our 2025 Paschal Candle also has images of the
 Risen Christ and the Lamb of God above and below the Cross.



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

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