# St. Martin De Porres Parish

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#### **Pastor**

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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
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(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



1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 15.1-2, 22-29

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 21.10-14,22-23

Gospel: John 14.23-29 (The Promise of the Holy Spirit)

#### 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 & 12:00 noon

https://stmartindeporressc.archtoronto.org/eg/

#### Peace Be with You

The life of the Christian disciple is one that should be filled with great peace. However, peace does not mean the absence of difficulties or trials. Rather, true peace is living in joy despite the turbulences we may experience. We're reminded in the Gospel that we can only receive this peace from Jesus. He tells us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives."

How does the world give peace? The world tells us that if we have lots of money in the bank, the fancy car, the extravagant house and the perfect looks, then we will be at peace. It promotes peace as something that is achieved through exterior possessions or circumstances. However, what does the world offer us when difficulties arise? How does the world teach peace in the midst of tough financial situations or an unfavorable medical diagnosis? This is where the peace of Christ triumphs.

We can achieve a sense of interior peace despite the exterior sufferings when we fix our minds on things that are heavenly. We can always draw great strength from realizing our identity as beloved children of God. God loves us. This reality alone has the profound effect of easing the greatest of crosses. St. Teresa of Avila says "Let nothing perturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience achieves everything." God is always faithful towards us. The next time we're in a moment that threatens to rob us of our peace, let us take a deep breath, call to mind the smiling gaze of Christ towards us, and pray, "Jesus, I love you."

#### Summary

Jesus tells us "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives." The world promotes peace as something that is achieved through exterior possessions or circumstances, yet it offers no remedy for times of great trial. On the other hand, with Jesus, the next time we're in a moment that threatens to rob us of our peace, let us take a deep breath, call to mind the smiling gaze of Christ towards us, and pray, "Jesus, I love you."

#### Mass Intentions for the Week of May 24/25, 2025

Saturday May 24th

5:00 pm + Elizabeth Maskell (1st Death Anniversary)

+ Joaquim Azavedo

Sunday May 25th

9:00 am + Maria Zophia Javier

- Thanksgiving for good health &

Blessings received

10:30 am - For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm + Cynthia Dawson

+ Erasmus Duru

Monday May 26th

Tuesday May 27th

8:30 am - S.I & Blessings for Fr. Anthony

Wednesday May 28th

8:30 am - S.I. & Blessings for Tincy & Matthew on

their 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Thursday May 29th

8:30 am - S.I & Blessings for Fr. Anthony

Friday May 30th

8:30 am



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



#### **CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE 2025**

#### <u>Preparation Classes (In Person)</u> – FOR ALL 3 SCHOOLS

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 DATE**

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

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

#### Legion of Mary



Annual Procession and Crowning of The Blessed Virgin Mary 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!





#### **50 + Group**

A bus trip to Martyr's Shrine on Saturday June 14th, 2025. Tickets are \$40.00 per person (includes a bag of chips & a bottle of water). Please bring your own lunch.

Tickets will be available after all masses this weekend and next weekend in the foyer, so get yours now to avoid disappointment.

Timing for the bus departure will be posted in the bulletin next week.

Thank you.



#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Wednesday, May 28th, 2025 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 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





#### Your love leads the way!

On June 8th, you can extend God's compassion and solidarity to our brothers and sisters. Together with your support, let us illuminate His light in the darkest of places, providing strength to those enduring unimaginable hardships. Because of you, people who feel the weight of the world on their shoulders can experience some relief.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

# Parish Weekly fac



Most Canadians think of the weekend nearest the 24th of May as Victoria Day, a celebration of the birthday of Queen Victoria with a holiday and fireworks. May 24th is also the day to honour Mary, Help of Christians, a title which expresses the confidence of Catholics in their Mother in heaven, a mother always ready to defend her children from every evil. Throughout history, the Blessed Virgin has always given her protection to the Church, but in times which were difficult ones, humanly speaking, at open attacks from the enemies of Christ, Mary has gone even more clearly to the aid of her children. Our passage through this earth is like a long and dangerous voyage; a protracted trip through all the seas of the world, in the teeth of wind and storm, sailing onward towards the safe harbour which the Lord offers us in glory. On the horizon of our life, the Blessed Virgin is Stella Maris, the star of the sea, who guides us, who protects us, and invites us to change course when we lose our bearings.

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