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
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

REMEMBERING



1st Reading: Wisdom 3.1-9

2nd Reading: Revelation 21.1-5a, 6b-7

Gospel: Luke 7.11-17

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 & 12:00 noon

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Giving our First Fruits

The image of Zacchaeus, a man short in stature climbing a tree to see Jesus, is probably one that is very familiar to us. However, despite this familiarity, there is a deep message that can often be overlooked. When Zacchaeus has a conversion experience, he vows not only to correct the wrong he has done, but to give back "four times as much." Zacchaeus teaches us that we shouldn't give the bare minimum but seek greater generosity in our gifts, especially of our time and talents.

The USCCB's Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* proclaims that "stewards must consider prayerfully the gifts they have received from God, and they should make a decision (in advance, from the "first fruits" instead of what is left over after other obligations have been met) about what will be given." We should periodically ask ourselves, are we really giving God the best of our time and talents or do other obligations take priority?

For example, with respect to time, we should strive to establish and protect scheduled moments of daily prayer. Likewise, with our talents, we should try to offer our gifts first for the good of the church before our own personal interests. For example, do we rarely volunteer or only assist at the parish volunteer days when we happen to have leftover time, or do we proactively schedule our week so as to ensure that it is a priority? Let us prayerfully review how we use our time and talents and seek ways to better serve the Kingdom of God within our parishes.

Summary

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Mass Intentions for the Week of Nov 1 / 2, 2025

Saturday Nov 1st

5:00 pm + All souls in Purgatory from the Miel's Family

+ Angela & Charles Burrows

Sunday Nov 2nd

9:00 am + Andrew D'Cruz & All deceased members

of the Don Paul Family

+ Mae Choong

10:30 am - For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm + Kevin Edmonson + Ruben Brual

Monday Nov 3rd Feast of St. Martin De Porres

8:30 am + Lionel & Yvonne Middlecoat and Joan Fernandes

- Thanksgiving Mass

Tuesday Nov 4th

8:30 am + All souls in Purgatory

+ Horace & Margaret Mascurine

Wednesday Nov 5th

8:30 am + Walter Allard

+ Joanne Brennan

Thursday Nov 6th

8:30 am + Nicola & Maria Macri

+ S.I. for Curtis Fan

Friday Nov 7th

8:30 am + Emeteria & Amante Vicente

+ Alberto Pereira (Heavenly B'day)



Wednesday November 5, 2025 6:00 pm (Rehearsal)

- ATTENDANCE IS MADTORY -

RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION Wednesday November 12th @ 6:00 pm



The Month of November is dedicated to all deceased souls.

A "**Book of Remembrance**" is placed in front of the pulpit along with special envelopes if you wish to donate.

All the envelopes will then be placed on the alter and prayed for throughout the month of November.





Bundle Up Weekend

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot over the weekend of **November 15th & 16th**. Now is the perfect time to check your closet for those items of clothing that are still in good condition, but which you no longer wear. We accept gently used clothing, shoes, and household items.

Thank you for your generosity.



St. Martin De Porres Christmas Bazaar

Saturday Nov 15th 2025 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

International Food Café, Silent Auction, Christmas Basket Raffles & much more

Bring your Family and Friends and join us for a day of Festive Fun!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

A Knights of Columbus Scholarship of \$500 is available to a member of St. Martin de Porres Parish who is attending a full-time post-secondary program in the 2025-26 academic year. Consideration will include the applicant's involvement in Parish and/or Community activities, either currently or in the past. Application Forms should be requested from smithwriter@rogers.com by email.

The deadline for return of applications is November 30, 2025



Prayer to Saint Martin de Porres

To you Saint Martin de Porres we prayerfully lift up our hearts filled with serene confidence and devotion. Mindful of your unbounded and helpful charity to all levels of society and also your meekness and humility of heart, we offer our petitions to you.

Pour out upon our families the precious gifts of your solicitous and generous intercession; show to the people of every race and every color the paths of unity and of justice; implore from our Father in heaven the coming of his kingdom, so that through mutual benevolence in God men may increase the fruits of grace and merit the rewards of eternal life.

Parish Weekly fact

St. Martin de Porres is the patron saint of helping the poor, of mixed race people, and public health workers.

His feast day, November 3^{rd,} occurs the day after All Souls' Day. St. Martin de Porres was a friend of St. Rose of Lima and his shrine is located near the shrine of St. Rose in the Convent of Santo Domingo in Lima, Peru. The parishes dedicated to these saints are adjacent along Lawrence Avenue East in Scarborough.

Because of his lowly duties in the monastary, St. Martin is often depicted with a broom, a mouse, and a cat or dog. Thus the tradition of Blessing Pets on his feast day.

Sunday Missals will be on sale for \$5 at all weekend masses in the hall. These missals come into use on the weekend of Nov 29/30 – The **First Sunday of Advent**

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

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