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# St. Martin De Porres Parish

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## Parish Contacts

### **Pastor**

Rev. Anthony Gonsalves (ext 105)

### **Parish Office Secretary**

Zelena Cardoza (ext 104)

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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 families)		New Beginnings	416-222-1101
Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages)	416-281-6007	St. Vincent de Paul Society	416-284-6131



## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in  
Ordinary time

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:**  
Zephaniah 2.3;3.12-13

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:**  
1 Corinthians 1.26-31

**Gospel:**  
Matthew 4.5-12  
The Beatitudes

### 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**

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

A good and faithful steward is one who lives a life immersed in the Beatitudes, hoping to one day receive the blessings promised in today's Gospel. And as stewards, God has given us many gifts for the building up of the Kingdom of God in our parish communities. The most important gift God has given us is our very lives – the time we have in this world, entrusted to each of us in our brief journey through life.

Another great gift that God has given us are our talents, fruitfully using them and encouraging others to do the same with theirs, for the common good. Joy in life comes from using our time and talent creatively and fruitfully, for the glory of God and in the service of our neighbour, and from celebrating the differing gifts of the people around us. It is through the stewardship way of life that our baptismal call to discipleship is fulfilled through the mission and ministry of the parish and gives us confidence and hope of our future.

This is the spirit of "deep stewardship", the fruit of which are vibrant parishes, which are joyful to live in and attractive to others. As more people, living a life immersed in the Beatitudes, actively engage in the sharing of their time and talent in generous service, they will experience the full richness of the parish community and focus their energy outward to make Christ more visibly present in the world.

#### Summary

A good and faithful steward is one who lives a life immersed in the Beatitudes, hoping to one day receive the blessings promised in today's Gospel. Stewardship is a profound disposition of the heart and mind which transforms everything we do: it is an awareness that each of us has been entrusted with the gift of time and talent, and that all will benefit if we fruitfully develop and share these gifts in service to God and our neighbour. This is the spirit of "deep stewardship", the fruit of which are vibrant parishes, which are joyful to live in and attractive to others..

### Mass Intentions for the Week of Jan 31 – Feb 6, 2026

#### Saturday Jan 31<sup>st</sup>

5:00 pm      Kurt and Jenny Ibarrientos

#### Sunday Feb 1<sup>st</sup>

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

10:30 am      - For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm      + Mary Joyce Iruithayathas

#### Monday Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:30 am

#### Tuesday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:30 am

#### Wednesday Feb 4<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am

#### Thursday Feb 5<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am

#### Friday Feb 6<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am



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in the Church Foyer until **Sunday February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.**  
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your number will be assigned to someone else.

**PLEASE DO NOT USE YOUR 2025 DONATION  
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Thank you.



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**Saturday** January 24th, 31st, February 7th, 21st, 2026.

Available during the mass at 5:00 pm

**Sunday** January 25th, February 1st, 8th, 22nd, 2026.

Available between masses at 10:30 am and 12:00 pm.

To book a seat e-mail: [jason.shantz@gmail.com](mailto:jason.shantz@gmail.com)

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"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:3 The phrase "poor in spirit" can be confusing. Think of it in this sense – poor in spirit means depending on God's providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthy things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.



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

**Parish Weekly** *fact*

**Why do we sing at Mass?**

The Mass is the Lord's gift to us and fills us with blessings. The Mass is also us giving praise and thanksgiving to God and fosters our **relationship** with our Lord. As we seek to give praise and worship to God, music is an important part of this. Catholics express their love for God by singing, especially during Mass. Worshipping God by singing sacred music and hymns in Mass allows Catholics to join with the angels who sing a song of praise forever in Heaven. The use of music as a means to give praise and worship to God is biblical. Singing has always been an important part of worship, even before Christianity. The Psalms were meant to be sung, and other songs and hymns can be found in the Old Testament. The Catholic Church continues the tradition of singing in the Sacred Liturgy. The **Gloria, Sanctus, Alleluia, and Responsorial Psalm are regularly sung at Mass**, in addition to **Entrance, Communion, and Recessional hymns.**

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