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# St. Martin De Porres Parish

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## Parish Contacts

### **Pastor**

Rev. Anthony Gonsalves (ext 105)

## Parish Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 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 9:00 am to 4:00 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 Family Services: 416-921-1163

(counselling for individuals and families)

Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages) 416-281-6007

Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544

Catholic Cultural Services 416-757-7010

New Beginnings 416-222-1101

St. Vincent de Paul Society 416-284-6131



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - *DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY*



**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:**  
Acts 2.42-47

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**  
1 Peter 1.3-9

**Gospel:**  
John 20.19-31

### 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://smartindeporessc.archtoronto.org/ea/>

### *Receiving and Sharing Merciful Love*

In 2000, when Pope John Paul II was canonizing St. Faustina, he declared that the Second Sunday of Easter will be called Divine Mercy Sunday for the entire Church. This Sunday, let us reflect on Jesus who longs to forgive us and to shower His love and mercy on us. We should never tire of running to Him for healing. St. Therese of Lisieux says “even though I had on my conscience all the sins that can be committed, I would go, my heart broken with sorrow, and throw myself into Jesus’ arms, for I know how much He loves the prodigal child who returns to Him.”

As good stewards of Christ we should first accept the mercy of God in our lives and then share it with others through our acts. Some spiritual works of mercy we can begin to cultivate are to “instruct the ignorant” and “counsel the doubtful” by helping with parish catechesis ministries. We can also “forgive offenses” and “pray for the living and the dead” through personal prayer as well as by joining various prayer groups within the parish. Some corporal works of mercy we can adopt is to “feed the hungry” and “clothe the naked” by taking part in parish organizations such as the St. Vincent de Paul society. We can also “visit the sick” and “visit the imprisoned” by seeking ministries that care for the sick and elderly.

This Divine Mercy Sunday let us seek to be filled with God’s mercy. Let us then let His mercy overflow into our deeds within the parish so that we may become stewards of God’s merciful love.

### *Summary*

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### Mass Intentions for the Week of Apr 11/ Apr 12, 2026

#### Saturday Apr 11<sup>st</sup>

5:00 pm                      †Roberta Byrne  
                                     †Maria D’mello

#### Sunday Apr 12<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 am                      †Mae Choong  
                                     †Pinto Family

10:30 am                      - For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm                      † Tadeusz Kalabis  
                                     Nina & Lea Barnachea  
                                     (Thanksgiving)

#### Monday Apr 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Tuesday Apr 14<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am

#### Wednesday Apr 15<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am

#### Thursday Apr 16<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am                      Danota Kalabis  
                                     (Healing)

#### Friday Apr 17<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am                      †FH. Amala Kumar  
                                     †Gloria Zuniga

### **Divine Mercy Sunday Parish Weekly** fact

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II as an Official Catholic Holiday at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

Saint Faustina Kowalska was a polish nun who received visitations and visions of Jesus. She wrote about her vision of the feast of Divine Mercy granting the biggest promise of Grace. The first Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday was held on March 23, 1937.

**SACRAMENTAL PREP NEWS**

**COMMUNION CLASSES**  
**(IN PERSON)**

- Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.



**EDGE Youth Ministry**  
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**Upcoming EDGE nights:**

**April 24, May 22, and June 19.**  
Drop-off at 6:45 pm and Pick-up at 8:45 pm.

**For more info & RSVP:**  
Theresa Vandebroek, Youth Minister  
[smdpyouth24@gmail.com](mailto:smdpyouth24@gmail.com)

**50+ GROUP - MOVIE AFTERNOON**

Please join us **on April 23rd at 12.30 pm** for a Movie Afternoon

**Bring your own lunch.** Popcorn and snacks will be provided. You get to choose which movie you would like to watch from a shortlist of family friendly movies.

***All are welcome.***  
**We look forward to seeing you.**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**COUNCIL 12909**

***Parish Bingo and Chili Night!***  
**Saturday, April 18, at 6:30-9:00pm**  
**at St. Martin De Porres Church Hall**  
**Bingo ticket: \$15**

***Tickets will be sold after Sunday mass***

**For more info:**  
[robertcheeatow@gmail.com](mailto:robertcheeatow@gmail.com)



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

**LOVE EVERYONE**

**God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in Him (1 John 4:16)**

Some may cringe at what this chapter calls for. This is not just my advice, however. It is Christ's commandment. He is the one who said, "love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). Since He loved everyone, it follows that He expects us to do likewise. We may therefore trust that he would never have commanded us to do something that is impossible.

There is a special kind of love about which the Scriptures speak. This love, or agape(charity), goes far beyond the demands of natural human love (see John 15:9-13). *Charity wishes the best for all and is willing to become involved in their lives to help them to grow.* It is possible for us to love everyone in this manner. The remaining thirty-seven chapters in this book can help us to do just that.

Do we wish the best for everyone? Are we indifferent to the welfare of people outside our immediate circle of family and friends? Are there even people whom we would like to see harmed? It is natural to feel indifferent and sometimes resentful toward certain people. Our natural romantic and familiar loves will not prevent us from doing so. But we are not free if we feel this way, God's self-giving love cannot move freely through our being if we do not care about all people.

Charity means more than caring and well-wishing, however. It also calls for *involvement* in the lives of others. We should remember that we can become significantly involved with everyone on this earth by praying for them. More specifically, though, charity calls for becoming involved in the lives of those people with whom we come in contact on a regular basis.

What kind of involvement? No one can give a pat answer to this question- and we should be suspicious of anyone who tries. Simply Struggling with the question is an important spiritual practice. As Saint Francis de sales used to say, "You learn to speak by speaking, to work by working; and just so you learn to love God and man by loving... Begin as a mere apprentice, and the very power of love will lead you on to become a master in the art."

So, enough of this business of wishing well to some, harm to others, and indifference to most. We no longer have to decide whom we shall love and whom not (although we will always have to decide upon friends and lovers. The answer is simple: love everyone all the time. If we strive to do so, we will be living as children of God-which is exactly what we are.

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