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# St. Martin De Porres Parish

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## Parish Contacts

### **Pastor**

Rev. Anthony Gonsalves (ext 105)

### **Parish Office Secretary**

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## 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

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## 28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading**  
**Isaiah 25.6-10a**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**  
**Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20**

**Gospel**  
**Matthew 22.1-14**

**28th Sunday  
Ordinary Time**

### ***Count Your Blessings***

We celebrate Thanksgiving this weekend which is a time to be more intentionally thankful for the gifts and blessings God has graciously bestowed on us. However, it is important to not relegate our gratitude to solely one weekend a year. As stewards we are called to be grateful disciples of Christ. Gratitude is at the very core of what it means to be a steward.

Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship\* says that “the deepening of the ‘attitude of gratitude’ will enhance our commitment to prayer and Eucharistic adoration, to the flourishing of lay engagement in the mission of evangelization, to an increase in the response to the call to the priesthood and religious life, to a courageous and effective dedication to social justice, and so on.” Essentially, it all begins with growing in gratitude.

One practice that is often recommended to children is to “count your blessings.” There is great spiritual fruit to be discovered through this practice, even as adults. Often times we place greater weight on the few negative things in our lives rather than focusing on the hundreds of blessings. Let us intentionally set aside a few minutes this weekend to concretely identify all of the blessings the Lord has bestowed on us this past year. We can then begin to move from gratitude to generosity by offering up these blessings to our parish community.

### **Summary**

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### **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/>

### **Mass Intentions for the Week of Oct 10/Oct 11, 2026**

#### **Saturday Oct 10<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 pm    Miel Family  
(Holy Rosary for Thanksgiving)  
Rodney & Kevin (Birthday Blessing)

#### **Sunday Oct 11<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 am    † May Choong  
D'Mello Family (Thanksgiving)

10:30 am    For All Parishioners of SMDP

12:00 pm    † Julie Malijan  
† Renato Dodoy Malijan

#### **Monday Oct 12<sup>th</sup>**

Caterina Corrado (Thanksgiving)

#### **Tuesday Oct 13<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am    † Edmond Lang  
† Ed Pitre

#### **Wednesday Oct 14<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am    † Hilario Gonsalves  
† Barry Gorman  
† Don Pepperal

#### **Thursday Oct 15<sup>th</sup>**

8.30 am    † Kevin Ballan  
† Rick Cullen

#### **Friday Oct 16<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am    † Maria Tambong & Nilda  
† Renato Tolentino &  
Vrianna Lacerna (Birthday Blessing)

Oct 11, 2026

## SACRAMENTAL PREPNEWS

### Classes for 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation

Wed, Oct 14th @ 6:00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.

Wed, Oct 21st @ 6:00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.  
(Rehearsal)

Wed, Nov 4th 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation 6:00pm



**The Legion of Mary**  
is hosting a  
**LIVING ROSARY**  
on **October 17**  
right after the 5:00 p.m. Mass.  
*All are welcome to attend  
in this special occasion.*

**Bundle Up**  
for the  
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**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**  
*Experience the joy of the season!*  
**Saturday, November 28, 2026**  
**9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**  
**St. Martin de Porres Church**  
4179 Lawrence Ave East, Scarborough

Holiday shopping • Festive café • Homemade baked goods  
Artisan crafts • Silent auction • White elephant  
Christmas baskets raffle

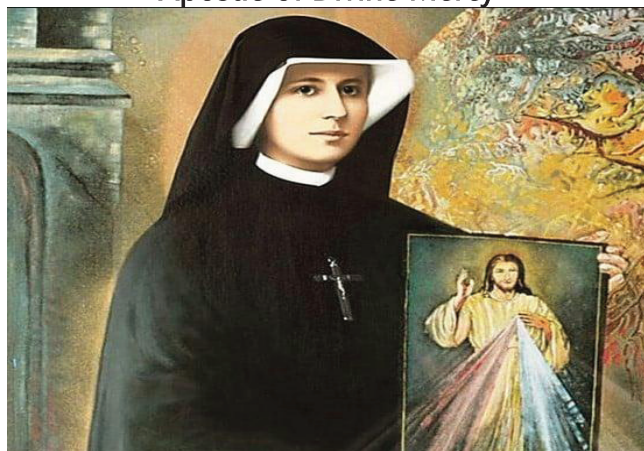
*Come celebrate with our parish community  
and support our church ministries!*



## SAINT FAUSTINA KOWALSKA OCTOBER 5

*Dear Jesus, You appeared to St. Faustina and asked her to encourage widespread devotion to the Divine Mercy. Imitating her faithfulness, may we pray the chaplet often and at the hour of our death receive Your mercy*

\*\*\*\*\*Apostle of Divine Mercy\*\*\*\*\*



Born into a devout Catholic family on August 25, 1905, in Glogowiec,, Poland, Faustina had only three years of formal education. She began doing household jobs in the homes of others at the age of sixteen. In 1925, she joined the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Krakow and served as cook, gardener, and door keeper in various convents of the Congregation.

On February 22, 1931, the Saint had a vision of Jesus with hand raised in blessing and the other hand at His breast. Jesus told her to have an image made of what she saw and have the following words printed on it: "Jesus I trust in You." He also asked her to promote the Second Sunday of Easter as a celebration of Divine Mercy. Fulfilling this request on April 30, 2000, the date of Faustina's canonization, Pope St. John Paul II officially proclaimed the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday.

Saint Faustina, by order of Jesus Himself, recorded her visions, revelations, hidden Stigmata, gifts of reading souls, and prophecies in her spiritual Diary. Through her work, devotion to Divine Mercy grew by leaps and bounds. She died on October 5, 1938.

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