

St. Martin de Porres Parish

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Mass Times

Sunday: 10:00am

SACRAMENTS

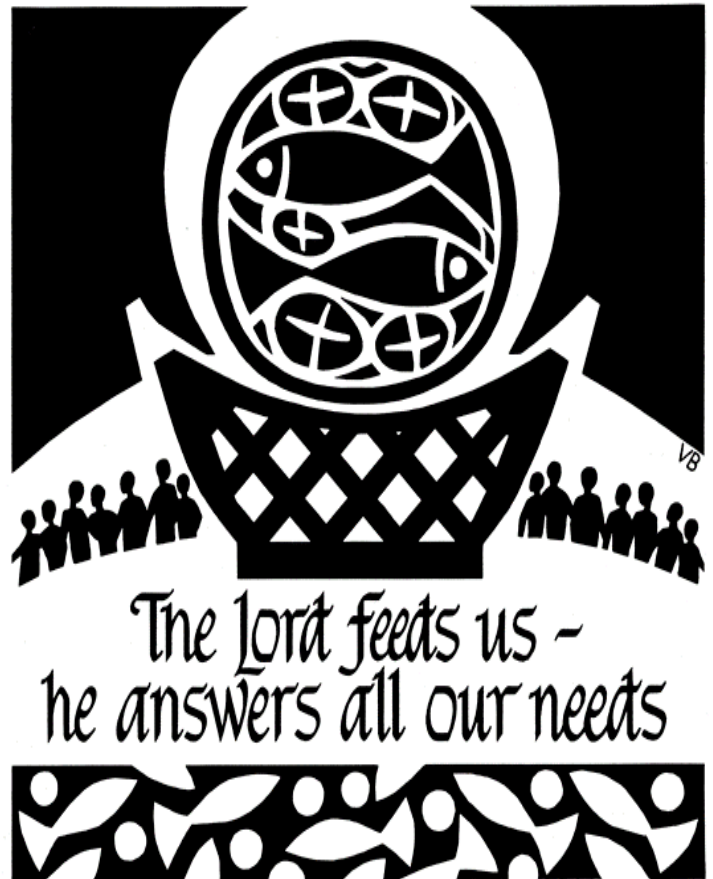
Baptism: The Parish has set calendar dates for the baptism of babies and small children. Parents should contact the Director of Religious Education to register.

R.C.I.A. Adults seeking Baptism or to make their Profession of Faith and other sacraments should contact the Director of Religious Education to register.

Reconciliation is available upon request.

Marriages: Couples must contact the Pastor six to twelve months prior to a proposed wedding date. Attendance at a Pre-Cana Session will be required.

Ministry to Sick and Shut-In: If a member of the church is in a hospital, nursing home or homebound, please call the parish office if they would like to receive the Eucharist.



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Pastor: Fr. Thadeo Mgimba

Deacon: Rev. Mr. William Pouncy

Parish Operations Director: Yvonne Coffey

Director of Religious Education: Christine A. Riley

Parish Building Engineer: Andre Nelson

Parish Secretary: Ida Gray

Our Mission Statement

We the people of Saint Martin de Porres Parish have come together as a **Community of Believers** to profess our faith by evangelizing ourselves, others and fostering full participation in the concern for the needs of all. We strive to bring faith, hope and love to our Westside Community

July 25, 2021

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME**

By Father Michael Gilligan, Ph.D

**Gospel Theme for Today:
The Banquet of the Eucharist
is a greater miracle than that of Elisha:
this shows that Christ
is a much greater prophet.**

**Today, that Eucharist makes us one body,
unified and strong.**

Today, and for several Sundays to come, we will reflect on the Eucharist, the Mass, the Divine Liturgy, Holy Communion. The Scripture, Sunday by Sunday, will illuminate the meaning of our liturgy, the focus of our attention, the purpose of our prayer.

As you know, the Eucharist is a banquet of unity, a consensus of faith, of belief, of agreement. As the Pope said not long ago, the Eucharist is not so much a means of unity, a way of promoting that consensus, as it is an expression of a unity that already exists. It is the Mass itself which is the highest form of celebrating what we believe in common. It is the Eucharist itself which is the most intimate, most powerful expression of our identity.

In the Old Testament, the teacher Elisha provided food for 100 men; that was truly a good deed, a miracle from God. Yet, Jesus Christ in today's Gospel provides for 5000 people. How much greater is this prophet from Nazareth! How much more powerful is the Lord Jesus Christ! How much greater is the Eucharist of the Catholic Church!

Today, "in bread that is broken, in wine that is shared," we celebrate unity with the past, the present, and the future. We thank God for our continuity with the Church of the Apostles, with the Church of the New Testament, with the early Church of the Roman Empire, with the medieval Church of saints and scholars, with the counter-Reformation Church of preachers and writers. We go back to the beginning, gladly and freely.

We also celebrate unity in the present, with all the diverse rites of the Catholic Church, from East to West. Centered on Rome, Constantinople, Alexandria, and Antioch/Edessa, we are really four great

families. United in one family, we are Roman Catholics, Byzantine Catholics, African Catholics, and Syrian Catholics. These are the four great traditions that make up one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, spread over the whole world. And all of us are in communion with the Bishop of Rome, Pope Francis.

Today, too, we celebrate unity in the future, even the near future, with Eastern Orthodox, with Oriental

Orthodox, with other Christians, and with all people of good will. Especially with the Churches of the East, there is already substantial unity in the faith, common agreement on doctrine, shared belief in the same teachings. This unity must be the basis for a future sharing of the Eucharist, Holy Communion, holy sharing.

No signs of division could break us apart;
the Spirit's own sunlight, it dwells in our heart.

Our faith will not falter; we see by the sun.

In sharing your supper, O Lord, make us one.

So, soon we will enter, in freedom and peace,
in Zion's great city, where joy will not cease.

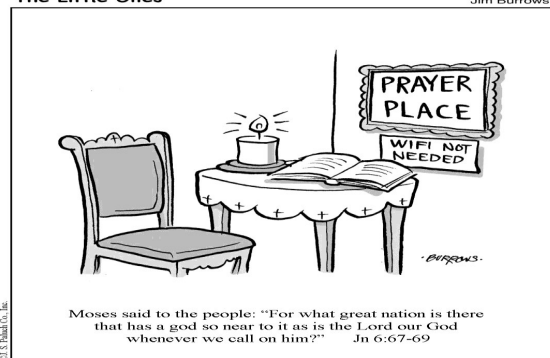
O Lord, let us see it when daylight is done;
in sharing your supper, O Lord, make us one.

Closing Prayer: Lord God, Father of all, we thank you for giving us one hope by our common calling. Hear our petitions. By the grace of this Eucharist, make your people one, united in Spirit and joined to Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



PARISH OFFICE
St. Martin de Porres Credit Union:
 Located in

Purcell Hall 4300 W. Washington,
 Tel. 773-626-0776

Open Saturdays: 10:30-1:30p.m.
Purcell Hall Rental Information: Contact
 the Parish Office

Weekly Collections for July 18, 2021

Envelopes	\$ 1,987.00
Loose	626.00
Kolbe	208.00
On Line Giving	<u>250.00</u>
Total	\$ 3,071.00

Please Consider Including
St. Martin de Porres Parish
in your Will

Mass Intentions for this Week

Sunday, July 25, 2021

Caryn & Michael Kondrat from Linda Wallin

Camille Parrilli from Joanne Walsh

We encourage our parishioners to pray for their loved ones, living and deceased, by offering a Mass Intention. *Donation for Mass is \$10.00.*

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sandra Coffey, Jan F. Peters, Sylvia Peters, Jermaine Curtis, Stan Gruszecski, James Harris, Jerry Harris, Bobbie Hicks, Larry Mapp Jr., Essie Pledage, Imogene Rhodes, Nathaniel W. Hall, Pamela D. Gee, Julius Jones, Natalie Daves, Armonie Winterspoon, Shirley Gardner, Deborah Rutledge, Bertha Anderson, Callie Gee, Luvenia Parker, Veronica Hicks, John Mannette, Elnora Dorsey, Jewel Austin, Anthony Adams, Elizabeth Henry, Hazel Bills, Martha Reed, Clarence Walker, Lucy Henry, Theresa Cole, Phyllis Riley, Dawn Hicks, Tyrone Fennell, Ernestine Cottrell, Marian Davis

2021 Legacy Planning

Q: Who Needs an Estate Plan?

August 1st – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A: Everyone.

Your estate includes everything you own, regardless of size. If you want your assets to be given to the people and charities you care deeply about after your passing, then it's important for you to establish a formal estate plan. Not only will it give you peace of mind, but your loved ones will also appreciate not having to make tough, stressful decisions during an already difficult time.

There are five key elements to an effective estate plan: (1) financial power of attorney, (2) will, (3) beneficiary designations, (4) charitable beneficiary designations and (5) health care documents, such as a living will and a health care power of attorney.

Please consult an attorney and financial advisor when creating your estate plan. For more information, please call the Parish Office, 773-261-0206. *To request the free guide, "Tips for Creating an Effective Estate Plan," please contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.*



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Jesus said, "It is the spirit that gives life, while the ..."

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O	V	O	I
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Answer: *Hebrew 12:10*

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OUR PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is open weekdays from 9:30am to 5:00pm. When calling the **office Ida Gray, the Parish Secretary** can be reached at **Extension #3**, **Fr. Thad**, can be reached at **Extension #4** and our Operations Director, **Yvonne Coffe** can be reached at **Extension #5**.

For the time being you can reach **Fr. Tom** through the **Parish Secretary's Extension #3** Please leave a message if they are unable to answer your call.

BAPTISMS FOR SMALL CHILDREN

If you need the Sacrament of Baptism for Babies and small children, call the Parish Office during weekday business hours. Christine Riley, our Director of Religious Education will contact you. There will be a meeting for Parents & Godparents after we set the date for the new date for Baptism.

READERS FOR THE 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Commentator: Mary James
First Reader: Julie Richardson
Second Reader: Dr. Fred Richardson

SUNDAY OFFERINGS AND ONLINE GIVING

We want to thank everyone who continues to support our parish by making their offering at mass on Sunday as well as those who mail in their offerings, drop them through the rectory mail slot or use the online giving process. If you would like to make an offering to the church online, you can use the following link which the Archdiocese has set up for us. Just follow the instructions at:

<http://www.archchicago.org/offertory>

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So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. Jesus then took the loaves, and having given thanks, he distributed to those who were seated, likewise also of the fish as much as they wanted. Jn 6:10-11

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Parish Council

Meets 1st Thursday of the month at 7p.m.

Chairperson: Michael Wilson

Vice Chairperson: Jan Peters

Secretary: Michelle Haynes

Other Council Members: Marvin McCurry, Janice Rasheed, Yvette Henderson, Janice Henry & Angela Wilson

Finance Council

Chairperson: Carolyn Morris

Secretary: Linda Vick

Other Council Members: Paul Morris & Diane Levy

Liaison: Michael Wilson

Parish Commissions

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMISSION

Food Pantry: Leon Williams & Richard Kimbrough

Resale Store: Patricia Buford

Bereavement: Janice Henry

Ministers of Care: Janice Henry

Liaison: Janice Henry & Janice Rasheed

SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMISSION

Minister of Music: Darryl K. Petty

Liturgy Committee: Deacon William Pouncy

Lector/Commentator: Marvin McCurry

Extraordinary Ministers: Adrienne Curtis and Jewel Austin

Liaison: Marvin D. McCurry

EDUCATION COMMISSION

St. Angela Elementary School & Christ the King High School

Sacramental Prep: Christine Riley

R.C.I.A.: Christine Riley

Lectionary Program: Julie Richardson

Liaison: Michelle Haynes & Janice Henry

PARISH LIFE COMMISSION

Fundraising Committee: Diane Levy

Grady Anderson Auxiliary Liaison: Marvin D. McCurry

Hospitality: Patricia Buford

Ladies of Peter Claver: Stella Palmer

Knights of Peter Claver: Michael Davis

Legion of Mary: Gerard Dupee

Men's Group: Willie Wilson

Couple's Ministry: Angela & Michael Wilson

Travel & Entertainment: Joyce Riley

Liaison: Yvette Henderson & Angela Wilson