

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 Deacon William Pouncy.

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.

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Thadeo Mgimba
Deacon Couple: Rev. Mr. William & Gayle Pouncy
Deacon Couple: Rev. Mr. Bruce & Sandra McElrath
Operations Director: Yvonne Coffey
Building Engineer: Roger Lozano
Assisting the Pastor with the DRE: Marvin McCurry
Parish Secretary: Ida Gray
Custodian: Frank Clark
Housekeeper: Trancio Angelica Carpio
Religious Education Director: TBA
Music Director: Darryl Petty
Websites & Social Media Administrator: Emily Dillon



APRIL 17, 2022

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**
APRIL 17, 2022

APRIL 17, 2022 EASTER SUNDAY

Gospel Theme: Easter celebrates our new life of baptism, our new hope for eternal resurrection, our victory in Jesus Christ.

This is the day the Lord has made!

Sermon: One of the choices available for the Second Reading today speaks of Easter as a new Passover. In 1 Corinthians, chapter 5, St. Paul asks us to “clear out the old yeast.” He is making a reference to the Jewish custom of getting rid of all the yeast, the leaven, in a household, before the Passover. Since that feast was at the beginning of a new year, it was appropriate to throw out all the old bread and anything else with yeast. St. Paul says that you are “unleavened”: you are without any yeast, at the very beginning of your new life in Christ. As a further reference to the Passover, St. Paul says that Christ is our paschal lamb, who has now been sacrificed for us; he is our Passover offering. So says St. Paul, let us celebrate Easter with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

- St. Paul is not recommending that we use unleavened bread for the Eucharist. For the first seven centuries of the life of the Church, everyone everywhere used regular bread for Mass, bread with yeast. Only in the Western Church, beginning in the eighth century, did one part of the Church begin to use unleavened bread. The scholars who advised the Emperor Charlemagne thought that Jesus used unleavened bread at the Passover meal. Therefore, they said we should do the same thing. In the West, too, bread without yeast was easier to store and less likely to produce crumbs. This is the reason why Catholics in the Western world still use unleavened bread. It is not our ancient tradition; but it has been our custom for about 1,200 years, even older than our custom of celibate priests. The Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Churches, to the contrary, maintain the ancient tradition of using regular, ordinary bread, with yeast.
- We recognize in Easter our origins in the Passover celebration, when Jewish people celebrated their protection by God and their freedom from slavery. They ate the Passover meal standing, as you know, following the Book of Exodus.
- Several elements of the Passover meal were carried over into the Christian Eucharist. Perhaps the most important element is the nature of the celebration: it is something carried out by the family, by the community, by the Church. It is by no means an individual act or a private ritual. To the contrary, God himself is involved, both in prescribing what

we do and in celebrating with us.

- Note also that the Passover meal was to be eaten standing, not sitting down or lying down. People were to wear a cincture, a belt. They were not to leave their shoes at the door but to wear them at the table. People were to hold a walking stick. Today, we generally wear a belt on our pants all the time; we wear shoes inside the building and outside; we don't carry a walking stick anywhere. In the Passover meal, the people were to eat standing up, not sitting down and certainly not kneeling. As the early Christians also thought best, today, we stand for all or part of the Eucharistic Prayer, for the Our Father, and for Holy Communion itself. For the fathers of the Church, the reason we stand for prayer on Sundays is that we are thinking of the Resurrection. We stand in union with Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

-Father Michael Gilligan, Ph.D.

Closing Prayer: Lord God, heavenly king, we thank you for the life and light of Easter. Hear our prayers and let us share your joy with all creation, through Christ our Lord.

*May you grow many folds!
May your journey as your heart wants.
May your family be safe and sound!
May in your heart Jesus Christ always
be found!*

***Wishing You
Happy Easter!***



CROP WALK WEST (CWW)

St. Martin de Porres Food Pantry will participate in Crop Walk West on May 1, 2022. Due to the continuation of the Covid Virus into 2022, St. Martin de Porres Food Pantry will walk again at our site on May 1, 2022. (Same as 2021)

Please Consider

Including

St. Martin de Porres Parish

in your Will

PARISH OFFICE

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

**Charitable Hands Ministry—Deacon William Pouncy
and Elizabeth Becnel Call Deacon Pouncy
Telephone No. (312)841-3974**

Weekly Collections for April 10, 2022

Envelopes	\$3,140.00
Loose	649.00
Solemnity of Mary	20.00
Christmas Flower	20.00
Easter Offering	231.00
Christmas Offering	20.00
Immaculate Conception	10.00
Kolbe House	45.00
Total	\$4,135.00

Mass Intentions for this Week

Sunday, April 17, 2022

+ In Memory of Eddie Brown, Sr. from the Mc Curry
Family

+In Memory of Robert Lee Curry from Fannie Curry,
Maxine and Charmine

We encourage our parishioners to pray for their loved
ones, living and deceased, by offering a Mass Intention.

Donation for Mass is \$10.00.

BAPTISMS FOR SMALL CHILDREN

If you need the Sacrament of Baptism for Babies and
small children, call the **Parish Office** during weekday
business hours.

Deacon William Pouncy will contact you. There will be
a meeting for Parents & Godparents after we set the
date for the new date for Baptism.

HAPPY EASTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy Easter.

Christ has risen Alleluia! Alleluia! I would like to wish you a happy Easter. May the risen Lord, Jesus Christ, fill you with his blessing to you and your family. May the good risen Lord open a way to peace, love and prosperity in the world that is torn apart by conflict between people and nations. Blessings to you all.

Happy Easter and God bless you and your family.

Fr. Thad

EASTER AND HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

April 14, 2022 Time 7p.m. Holy Thursday Mass

April 15, 2022 Time 7p.m. Good Friday Service

**April 16, 2022 Time 7p.m. Holy Saturday
Easter Vigil**

**April 17, 2022 Time 10a.m. Easter Sunday
Celebrant: Rev. Fr. James Flynn**

**April 24, 2022 Time 10a.m. Divine Mercy Sunday
Celebrant & Homilist: Rev. Thulani Magwaza**

**May 8, 2022 – Time 10a.m. Mother's Day
Celebration**

Guest Speaker: Nicole (Niki) Harvey

**June 5, 2022 – Time 10a.m. Pentecost Sunday
Celebrant & Homilist: Rev. Fr. John Breslin**

**June 26, 2022 – Time 10a.m. Healing Mass
Celebrant & Homilist: Rev. Fr. Brian Walker**

OUR PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is open weekdays from
9:30am to 5:00pm.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

Every Tuesday morning mass at 9:00

Every Thursday Communal Service with Adoration and Benediction at
9:00am

St. Martin de Porres Men's Group Pancake Breakfast on Saturday,
April 23, 2022 at Purcell Hall. Tickets are \$10.00 Dine in or Carry
Out. Come One Come All

Announcement: Communication via SMdeP Parish Robocall

St. Martin de Porres has opened a Robocall account from a Company
named Call Multiplier. So far, we have sent to you two test messages
from Oklahoma area code - 405 number. Please be informed that we
will use this number to update you on the most important issues of the
parish affairs.

READERS FOR APRIL 17, 2022

Commentator:	Julie Richardson
First Reader:	Ciara Jones
Second Reader:	Michelle Williams



PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Arvella Milhouse, Patrick McAnany, Hildred Fuller, Danny
Gardner, Sandra Coffey, Melvin Clark, LaVita Norris, Sofia
McFarland, Keith Mahaffey, Elia Hinogosa-Cangey, Mariano
Palacios, Carter Evans, Jerome Dillon, Jan F. Peters, Sylvia
Peters, Michael Parham, Jermaine Curtis, Stan Gruszczycki,
James Harris, Jerry Harris, Larry Mapp Jr., Essie Pledage,
Imogene Rhodes, Nathaniel W. Hall, Pamela D. Gee, Julius
Jones, Natalie Daves, Armonie Witherspoon, Shirley Gard-
ner, Deborah Rutledge, Bertha Anderson, Callie Gee,
Luvenia Parker, Veronica Hicks, John Mannette, Jewel Aus-
tin, Anthony Adams, Hazel Bills, Clarence Walker, Lucy Hen-
ry, Phyllis Riley, Dawn Hicks, Ernestine Cottrell

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 Matthew, 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 Matthew

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: TBA
R.C.I.A.: Deacon William Pouncy
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: Joseph Brown
Couple's Ministry: Angela & Michael Wilson

Travel & Entertainment: Joyce Riley
Liaison: Yvette Henderson & Angela Wilson