

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

*May our own
God, who is
Father, Son,
and Holy
Spirit continue to
inspire and enrich
your hearts this day
and always!*



JUNE 12, 2022
TRINITY SUNDAY

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

TRINITY SUNDAY

Gospel Theme for Today: *Real wisdom, ultimate knowledge*, is the experience of God in person. In the Church, we know God as the Spirit of truth, the Spirit of Christ, the Spirit sent by the Father.

You heard how Jesus promised the Holy Spirit to his disciples; that Spirit, he said, "will guide you to all truth." In this way, the Holy Spirit is the wisdom of God. From all eternity, God was Father, Son, and Spirit. "From of all I was poured forth; at the first, before the earth." God's Spirit, then, was always there, from the beginning of time. In his essence, God, three persons, has been unchanging.

- If we speak of the Holy Spirit, we mean, above all, the presence of God in the Church, within the community, within the tradition, within the family, within the doctrine, within the liturgy. These are not merely human actions; God is present in all of them. The Spirit of God is active in the Church. Indeed the Church is rightly referred to in the liturgy as the "unity of the Spirit." Now, where the Spirit is, there also is the Father; there also is the Son. God is not divided, in his relationship to us, in his actions in the world. As God is one, our relationship with him is one. On this, the Church Fathers, the great Scholastic theologians, and the great part of our tradition all agree.
- If we speak of the Holy Spirit, then, we are talking about the way in which God is with us in the community. Often, that presence is like an esprit de corps, an élan. The French have such words that cannot be translated. The "spirit" of a football team or a graduating class is hard to define; it can be a general mood, a common attitude a shared perspective, a wide optimism, a collective value system, a set of normative behaviors. Such a spirit, such an esprit de corps can fit one of those descriptions or all of them.
- Yet, when we speak of the Holy Spirit, we are talking about the very presence of God. It is not a question of another individual being, such as a third member of a three-man team. Rather, it is a different way of experiencing the one God. It is an indirect way, sometimes a subtle or unrecognized way. Above all, it is a communal way of experiencing God.
- Paradoxically, then, the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives is not so well expressed by prayer to him. That is not how our liturgical prayer is formulated. This principle has been well explained by the theologian Father Hugo Rahner, S. J. For him and for us, recognizing the rule of the Holy Spirit is recognizing the role of the

Church. In other words, our prayer in the liturgy, again and again, is directed to the Father, through the Son, in the Spirit. The prayers of the priest at Mass are not to the Spirit but in the Spirit. That little preposition makes all the difference. The Spirit is rightly understood as the power of God within us, the very presence of God in our midst.

The best Trinitarian prayer you can offer, then, is the prayer of the Roman liturgy: through Christ, in the Spirit, to the Father, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be Amen.

Father Michael Gilligan, Ph.D.

Closing Prayer: Lord God, eternal Father, we give you thanks and praise and glory. Hear our prayers and let your Spirit fill our hearts, through Christ our Lord.



VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY

St. Martin de Porres Food Pantry is looking for St. Martin de Porres men to volunteer in the Food Pantry on Wednesday and Thursday from 10a.m. until 12:00p.m. If you are interested in volunteering in the Food Pantry, please see Leon Williams or Richard Kimbrough.

**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 June 5, 2022

Envelopes	\$2,505.00
Loose	895.00
Kolbe House	<u>30.00</u>
Total	\$3,430.00

Mass Intentions for this Week

Sunday, June 12, 2022

+Phillip S. Graham, Happy Heavenly Birthday from your Mom, Patricia Graham and your Brother, Mark Graham

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. Baptism will be held every 2nd and 4th Saturday or Sunday after Mass.

GOD HAS PREPARED SOMEBODY TO PROVIDE AND SUSTAIN YOU IN THE MOMENT OF YOUR NEED

The Chapter 17:7-16 narrates the encounter of the Prophet Elijah and the unnamed widow of Zarephath and her unnamed son. The scripture narrative tells us that Elijah was told by the Lord to move to Zarephath of Sidon after the brook ran dry due to lack of rain in the land. The Lord informed Elijah that he has designated a widow to provide for him. The bible read, "Move on to Zarephath of Sidon and stay there. I have designated a widow there to provide for you. He left and went to Zarephath." [1King 17:9-10a]

It is my understanding that the designated widow was to provide, to sustain, and to feed him. In other words, the designated widow was to provide the basic necessities of life, that is, food, shelter, and water for him. Upon his arrival, Elijah found everything was as the Lord had said. The widow and her son received him, provided water, food, and shelter for him. Elijah was sustained because he trusted the Lord that he had to move to Zarephath, and he believed that God had prepared somebody to welcome him and host him in his moment of need.

The story of Elijah and designated widow of Zarephath, remind us of our own stories of meeting angels that God had prepared to help us in the moment of our need. These angels have been able to provide their shoulders for us to lean on until we become strong enough to stand in our own. It is worth noting that when God provide angels to help us, it does not mean necessarily the angels are in a better situation than us. Sometimes the contrary is true. For they are sometimes struggling as we are, they might be in need as we are, or they might not even have enough to sustain them for the next day. But still, they give it all.

However, what is remarkable about the angels of help that God provide are good hearted people who lack selfishness in their life. Often, they do not look at their life or at what they have rather the help they are supposed to provide. Certainly, once you meet them you become the epicenter of their charitable heart. For they give everything they have without making a big deal of what will cost them. In simple words, they sacrifice everything to save a life or to help somebody else.

Today I want to thank all the angels that have helped us in life. So please join me to say than you and to pray for all the angels of God who look and behave like the widow of Zarephath, who had little but gave everything to help Elijah. I pray that God may bless their diamond hearts and reward them with eternal cup of blessing. God bless you angels of help.

Fr. Thad

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

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 JUNE 12, 2022

Greeting:	Zoe Hernandez
First Reading:	Kailah Ellison
Responsorial Psalm:	Mariah Berry
Second Reading:	Zerik Hernandez
Gospel:	(John 16:12-15)
Prayer of the Faithful:	Janette Peters-Gruszczeni
Announcements:	Julie Richardson

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Michael McLemore, Norene Evans, Selma Dillon, Alexander Madden, Flora Yancy, 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 Gruszczeni, James Harris, Jerry Harris, Larry Mapp Jr., Essie Pledage, Imogene Rhodes, Nathaniel W. Hall, Pamela D. Gee, Julius Jones, Natalie Daves, Armonie Witherspoon, Shirley Gardner, Deborah Rutledge, Bertha Anderson, Callie Gee, Luvenia Parker, Veronica Hicks, John Mannette, Jewel Austin, Anthony Adams, Hazel Bills, Clarence Walker, Lucy Henry, Phyllis Riley, 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