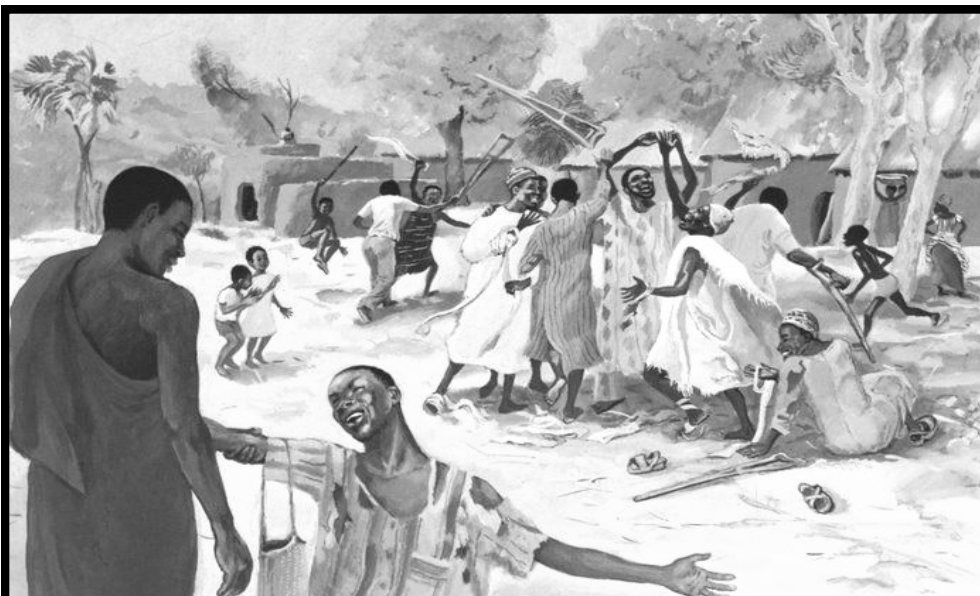




St. Agatha - St. Martin de Porres Parish

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 9, 2022



**"Ten were cleansed,
were they not?
Where are the other
nine? Has none but this
foreigner returned to
give thanks to God?"
Then he said to him,
"Stand up and go;
your faith has saved
you." Luke 17:18-19**

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Church Office Hours

Monday thru Friday 9:00 am - 1 p.m.
Masses: Sunday: 11:00 am
Tuesday: 9:00 am
Thursday: 9:00 am (Service & Adoration)

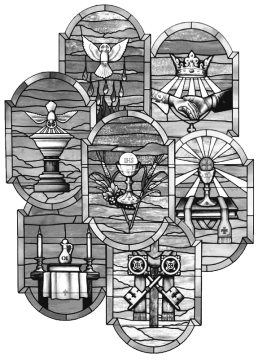
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Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Masses: Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
Thursday 7:30 a.m.



Sacramental Information

Baptism: Please call the church office for appointment at least two months prior to date. A prep class is required. Parents should contact Deacon William Pouncy.

RCIA: Adults Seeking Baptism and/or Making a Profession in the Catholic Christian Faith should contact Deacon Greg Shumpert.

Marriage: Please contact the parish office before setting your date. The Church asks that couples be parish members for at least 6 months before setting a date. Participation in Pre-Cana and a Premarital Inventory required.

Funerals: Please contact the parish office before going to see a Funeral Director. We will accommodate the needs of your family to help you through the loss and healing.

Ministry to Sick and Shut-In/ Anointing of the Sick/ Home Visitation/Receiving Communion at Home: If you or a loved one is in need of a minister from St. Agatha-St. Martin de Porres to visit for Communion, Anointing of the Sick or any other pastoral need, please contact the church office as soon as the need arises. Fr. Larry, Fr. Thad or one of the Care Ministers will gladly visit in a time of need.

Hospital Stays: If you or a loved one is going into the hospital, please notify the office in order that a priest or care minister can call or visit the hospitalized person and be support to the family.

Your Stewardship of Treasure for the Mission of Jesus Christ Sunday, October 2, 2022

<u>St. Agatha</u>		<u>St. Martin de Porres</u>	
Mass Offering	\$ 3054.95	Mass Offering	\$ 3013.00
GiveCentral	<u>2088.16</u>	Special: Kolbe House	<u>93.00</u>
	\$ 5,143.11		\$ 3,106.00

Thank you for your generosity!



For whom shall we pray...

Anthony Adams, Walter Adams, Bertha Anderson, Kristina Anderson, Jewel Austin, Ted Bergh, Hildegard Bezdicek, Hazel Bills, Christopher Browne, Melvin Clark, Sandra Coffey, Ernestine Cottrell, William Crown, Jermaine Curtis, Jeanette Dandurand, Natalie Daves, Tylesia Day, Shelma Dillon, Elnora Dorsey, Carter Evans, Joyce Evans, Norene Evans, Hildred Fuller, Zenobia Fuller, Danny Gardner, Shirley Gardner, Callie Gee, Pamela D. Gee, Marian Graham, Kia Gray, Stan Gruszczeni, Bill Hainey, Nathaniel W. Hall, Mary Harrell, Diane Harris, Jasmine Harris, Jennifer Harris, Johnny Harris, Lejerrion Harris, Leutrice Harris, Maryann Harris, Tony Harris, Lucy Henry, Veronica Hicks, Elia Hinogosa-Cangey, Joesaya Henderson, Yvonne Gibson, Kesiea & Melinda, Kim Henderson, Leonard Henderson, Jerron Johns Jr., Sr., Julius Jones, Jacqueline Kelly, Laurita Lockhart, Alexander Madden, Keith Mahaffey, John Mannette, Larry Mapp Jr., Arelys Marquez, Isabel Marquez, Patrick McAnany, Melik McCloud, Sofia McFarland, Robert McGee, Latrice McGee, Carmella Miller, Connie Montoya, Arlene Moore, Josh Morrow, LaVita Norris, Clara Orlando, Mariano Palacios, Michael Parham, Luvenia Parker, Emma Peradas, Gordon Perry, Jan F. Peters, Sylvia Peters, Essie Pledage, Queenie Randle, Elberta Raschke, Lucy Redmond, Imogene Rhodes, Marvin Register, Phyllis Riley, Deborah Rutledge, Lorraine Sanford, Eunice Scripp, Rosa Solano, Brenda D. Taylor, Clarice Thomas, Michael Triplett Sr., Terri Triplett, Deano Tretter, Joseph Tretter Sr, Charese Troupe, Clarence Walker, Shirley West, Walter Whitlow, Armonie Witherspoon, Beverly Wright, Flora Yancy.

From the Desk of Fr. Larry...

My brothers and sisters, today we are invited to ponder two stories about 10 lepers who were seeking to be cured of their disease by one they perceived as capable of doing this for them. The story is straightforward. All are eventually cured of their disease. Only one of the 10, a foreigner, returns to give praise and thanks to the one through whom they are cured. All are cured. Nine do what they are told to do to go through the ritual of going to a temple priest who would formally declare them cured, and thus enabled to reenter the regular community from which they had previously been banished from. Only one comes back and gives thanks. 1 out of 10: perhaps not a morale booster for Jesus who would have hoped for more.

So what difference does it make whether they returned to give thanks to Jesus or not? The difference is this: All were cured. Nine went on to live their lives, perhaps not even thinking about the person who cured them. For the one who did return, he was able to recognize a greater sense of healing and holiness in Jesus as a true vessel of the living God. We can assume he takes the time to get to know Jesus and bond with Him in a way the others missed out on. In this personal encounter with Jesus, he was touched with a joy that would carry him into the future days and weeks. In this encounter with Jesus, He is fed by Jesus' words of encouragement and likely attracted to continue to follow Jesus in order to deepen that feeling of joy.

How many times, when confronted by trials and tribulations in life, do we reach out and ask God for help? Do we believe He can help us? We probably do. Is He likely to help us if it is in our best interests? Of course He will. Do we then just fall back into the same pattern of living our lives, now free of this particular problem, and continue to take for granted the blessings of each day? In today's Scriptures, it would suggest that 90% of just go back to our old patterns.

So what do we miss out on by not making connections with Jesus on a daily basis? I would claim that we miss out on a lot! We miss out on the great gift of daily encounters with Jesus, with the Father, with their Holy Spirit through greater awareness of all the ways that God has been and continues to be faithful to us.

Jesus has no need of our praise and thanksgiving. Such praise and thanksgiving adds nothing to His greatness. What our praise and thanksgiving does for us is connect us more deeply to the God who seeks only for us to embrace, the healing, wholeness and joy that He can offer and that our natural response, then, is to love Him in return through our love of all of our brothers and sisters in the world.

Gentle Peace! Fr. Larry

P.S. I want to encourage parents and grandparents to give your children and grandchildren of our excellent Religious Education and Formation Classes beginning next Sunday at the St. Martin de Porres Campus at 10:00 a.m.

**St. Agatha - St. Martin de Porres
Catholic Parish
"Walking in Faith,
Moving Forward with Christ"
*"be church after church!"***

**Next Sunday, October 16
29th Sunday Ordinary Time
Readings: Exodus 17:8-13
2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
Luke 18:1-8**

Celebrant Mass Schedule
St. Agatha St. Martin de Porres

10/09/22	Fr. Larry	Fr. Thad
10/16/22	Fr. Thad	Fr. Larry
10/23/22	Fr. Larry	Fr. Thad
10/30/22	Fr. Thad	Fr. Larry
11/06/22	ONE MASS SMdeP Fr. Larry/Fr. Thad	



FOOD PANTRY

St. Martin de Porres
Wednesday & Thursday
10:00 a.m. to Noon

St. Agatha
Tuesday
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Parish Women's Faith Sharing



Every Wednesday 10:00 -
 11:00 am **Dial in at**
 (267) 807-9533
 Access code: 386562#
JOIN US !!!

Mass Intentions for this Week
Sunday, October 9, 2022

Anthony Llorens Sr.
 From the Llorens Family

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

Donation for Mass is \$10.00

**GIVE YOUR
 CHILD THE
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 OF
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 EDUCATION
 AND
 FORMATION**



Classes begin next Sunday,
October 15th from 10:00 -10:50 a.m.
St. Martin de Porres Campus
Signup with one of our Catechists
after Mass today!

Join Us !!!

CONVERSATIONS ON RACE
St. Agatha Canvas
Tuesday, October 11, 2022 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Beginning with dinner, viewing video on
an issue related to race and racism,
And then small group circle conversations

All Seniors are Welcome to
Golden Age Group

Food, Fellowship, Info for Seniors,
Other Activities

Every 3rd Monday 12:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Monday, October 17th St. Agatha Site
Transportation provided for
St. Martin Seniors
RSVP to Ms McGowan (773) 522-3050

St. Martin de Porres Credit Union

Located in Purcell Hall 4300 W. Washington Blvd.
 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 (312) 841-3974

