



St. Agatha - St. Martin de Porres Parish

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 20, 2022



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Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Masses: Sunday 11:00 am

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Thursday: 9:00 am (Service & Adoration)

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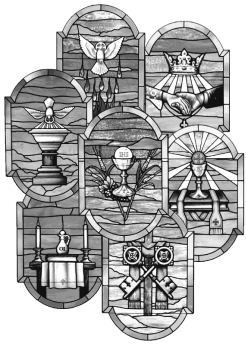
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Monday - Friday

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, November 13, 2022

St. Agatha
Mass Offering \$2,846.50
GiveCentral 1950.00
\$4,796.50

St. Martin de Porres
Mass Offering \$3,021.00
Special: Kolbe House 10.00
\$3,031.00

Thank you for your generosity!



For whom shall we pray...

Anthony Adams, Walter Adams, Bertha Anderson, Kristina Anderson, Jewel Austin, Kyle Becnel, Hildegard Bezdicek, Hazel Bills, Diondee Brown, Christopher Browne, Sandra Coffey, Ernestine Cottrell, William Crown, Jermaine Curtis, Jeanette Dandurand, Natalie Davis, Tylesia Day, Shelma Dillon, Elnora Dorsey, Carter Evans, Joyce Evans, Norene Evans, Hildred Fuller, Zenobia Fuller, Danny Gardner, Shea Gardner, Callie Gee, Pamela D. Gee, Yvonne Gibson, Marian Graham, Kia Gray, Stan Gruszczycki, Bill Hainey, Nathaniel W. Hall, Mary Harrell, Diane Harris, Jasmine Harris, Jennifer Harris, Johnny Harris, Lejerriion Harris, Leutrice Harris, Maryann Harris, Tony Harris, Lucy Henry, Veronica Hicks, Elia Hinogosa-Cangey, Joesaya Henderson, Kesiea & Melinda, Kim Henderson, Leonard Henderson, Jerron Johns Jr., Sr., Julius Jones, Jacqueline Kelly, Brian Lares, Sayyid Lestrade, Laurita Lockhart, Anthony Lyons, Alexander Madden, Keith Mahaffey, John Mannette, Larry Mapp Jr., Arelys Marquez, Isabel Marquez, Catherine Martin, 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 Pledge, 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, a chant that is often sung at a funeral during the final commendation of the deceased and incensing of the body is this: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." This is the appeal that is made to Jesus, dying on the cross, by the man crucified next to him typically referred to as 'the good thief.'

Today, we formally end our journey through one liturgical year and enter a new one the following Sunday with the First Sunday of Advent. It may seem strange that the last Gospel of the year is an account of Jesus dying on the cross and not one of Resurrection.

We live in a society that would rather move us directly to Resurrection and put the cross behind us. But the universal Church is reminding us that the life, suffering, death and entombment of Jesus are part of the whole package. We cannot fully rejoice in resurrection when many individuals and racial, ethnic and gender groups still daily suffer, die and are often entombed in structures of injustice and inequality. For one example, those of us who are considered 'white' would rather just admit our sad history of oppression of the Black community and then move on. We fail to recognize the daily sufferings, crucifixions and entombment that many Black individuals and families suffer due to systemic racism – very clearly exemplified in the power of the police, criminal justice and prison industrial complex that depends on a consistent flow of Black and brown bodies to support their jobs and profits.

We, of course, want to celebrate the triumph of Jesus over persecution, discrimination, denial, betrayal, suffering and death because it gives us hope that we will follow his path to Resurrection and eternal life and love in heaven. But we are not there yet and we all still have work to do to help others carry the burden of their individual and system-imposed crosses. We may die alone, but our Resurrection is dependent on how we have chosen to care for each other and worked for justice and peace in our world. And we cannot do any of those things to the best of our ability unless attached to the heart and mind of Christ who teaches and guides us, fortifies and strengthens us, to be the very best versions of who God created us to become, but who gave us the choice to say 'yes' or 'no' to partnership with Him or to choose other gods to follow.

This weekend the Catholic Church in the US asks all of us to support CCHD, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. It is the arm of the Church that seeks to offer a hand-up to groups and organizations run by community residents in communities of poverty to improve their lives, their social and economic equality. It empowers them to claim the dignity of self-sufficiency and it empowers us by calling forth the gifts God has given us that we are required to share in care for those among us who have greater need than ourselves.

Gentle Peace! Fr. Larry

Thanksgiving



Mass

**Wednes., Nov. 23rd
7 p.m. St. Agatha**

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**Thurs, Sept 24th
9:00 a.m.
St Martin de Porres**

We Give Thanks to You—A Blessing at Thanksgiving Meal

As we bow our heads to pray, we give thanks to you God, for this Thanksgiving Day. We thank you, Father, for our families, friends, and for all the blessings, both big and small, that you pour out on us each day. We give thanks to you for this food and for the hands that have prepared it. We ask your blessings upon this meal: that it will nourish our bodies and refresh our souls. We give thanks to you for this wonderful time together, and for each one present here today. We ask you, dear Lord, let each one of us feel your love, comfort, and presence in our lives today and every day. Let us not forget those who can't be here with us today. We give thanks to you for them, too. We miss our loved ones, Lord, but we are thankful for all the good times that we had with them. We know, Lord, that this life is not all there is; that the best is yet to come if we live for you. So, help us each day to live our lives in ways that honor and please you. And we'll not forget to give you all the praise and glory. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Next Sunday, November 27, 2022
First Sunday of Advent
Readings: Isaiah 2: 1-5
Romans 13: 11-14
Matthew 24: 34-44

Celebrant Mass Schedule

	St. Agatha	St. Martin de Porres
11/20/22	Fr. Thad	Fr. Larry
11/27/22	Fr. Larry	Fr. Thad
12/04/22	Fr. Thad	Fr. Larry
12/11/22	Fr. Larry	Fr. Thad
12/18/22	Fr. Thad	Fr. Larry

Franciscan Outreach Gala
Honoring Our Past, Celebrating Our Future

Honoring our beloved friend, the late Phil Doran,
 whose legacy guides and shines!

Celebrating Our Pandemic Heroes

Franciscan Outreach's courageous frontline staff
 Chicago Department of Family and Support Services
 Chicago Department of Public Health
 Lawndale Christian Health Center
 Rush University Medical Center

**Congratulations to
 Parishioners**

**Christine Riley &
 Dr. Tom Huggett**



Mass Intentions for this Week
Sunday, November 20, 2022

Tommy Trifone

Joseph Brown, From Yvette Henderson

Roger and Martha Villalba
 For Safe Travels

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

Donation for Mass is \$10.00

St. Martin de Porres Credit Union

Located in Purcell Hall

4300 W. Washington Blvd.
 773-626-0776

Open Saturdays: 10:30a.m.-1:30p.m.

Purcell Hall Rental Information

Contact the Parish Office

Charitable Hands Ministry

Deacon William Pouncy and Liz Becnel
 Call Deacon Pouncy (312) 841-3974

FOOD PANTRY

St. Martin de Porres

Wednesday - Thursday 10 a.m. - Noon

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

Prayer for Healing for Victims of Domestic Abuse

Lord, I adore you and give you thanks for creating me to be just who I am. You created me to enjoy the fullness of life, Your life in me. Heal me of any incidents of abuse in my life or in the lives of my children that have made us feel unworthy or inferior. Heal us of all experiences of abuse in our home that have made us feel guilty and ashamed, that has caused us to reject ourselves and to lose hope. Surround me with Your light, Jesus, and penetrate the very depths of my being with that light. Let there remain no areas of darkness in me or in my children, but transform our whole being with the healing light of Your love. Open me completely to receive Your love, Jesus. AMEN.

Domestic Violence Services: Catholic Charities Chicago.
Community Casework and Counseling. 1800 N. Hermitage .
Chicago, IL 60622 . Intake: (312) 655-7700

National Domestic Violence Hotline:
1-800-799 SAFE (7233)

