

Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church

In the Kingdom of North Philadelphia

"The Kingdom of God is among you." Luke 17:21

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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 1, 2018

HE TOUCHED ME

Shackled by a heavy burden,
'Neath a load of guilt and shame.
Then the hand of Jesus touched me,
And now I am no longer the same.

He touched me, Oh He touched me,
And oh the joy that floods my soul!
Something happened and now I know,
He touched me and made me whole.

Since I met this blessed Savior,
Since He cleansed and made me whole,
I will never cease to praise Him,
I'll shout it while eternity rolls.

He touched me, Oh He touched me,
And oh the joy that floods my soul!
Something happened and now I know,
He touched me and made me whole.



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our Mass is recorded with video and audio!*

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On a Spiritual Note

We are treated today to two beautiful stories about the care Jesus gives to two women, one an adult and the other a young girl whose father pleads for her. What these folks have in common is their faith in Jesus. They came to him, and then just put everything in his hands. And that, according to Jesus, is what made all the difference. He said to the woman, "Daughter, your faith has saved you." And to the man, even when the word has come that the little girl has died, Jesus says, "Do not be afraid; just have faith."

God wants life and happiness for all of us. As today's first reading says, "God did not make death..." Death is the "gift" of Satan. Yet Jesus has overcome even death. We will all die one day. The woman with the hemorrhage eventually died, and the little girl eventually grew old and died. So, what does Jesus have to offer? Life. A man named G. K. Chesterton once said something to the effect that Christianity has a God who knows the way out of the grave.

The same Jesus who was so kind to the woman with the hemorrhage, and to the little girl, will greet us on our last day, with that same kindness. All he asks is that we put everything in his hands. Jesus knows the way out of the grave and out of every suffering and sorrow. "Do not be afraid; just have faith."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 1, 10 am

For the Church Family

Tuesday, July 3, 8 am

Wednesday, July 4, 10 am

*Join us for Mass as we pray for our country
and celebrate our independence.*



Thursday, July 5, No Mass today

*"Thank you to the St. Martin de Porres
Church Community for all of your support
to my family during our time of bereavement
on the loss of our mother,
Mrs. Angelean Edwards.*

*We acknowledge, with sincere appreciation,
the comforting messages, prayers, floral
tributes, and other expressions of kindness."*

*May God Bless and Keep You,
Dr. Germaine Edwards and Family"*



***Congratulations to KhaLesha Williams,
Merion Mercy Academy and Jordan
Wright, Malvern Prep. Both earned***

***Distinguished Honors on their recent report
cards.***

*Thank you to all who are supporting the
White Sunday Special Collection. Each
member is asked to donate an
additional \$100. We will use this
money to make repairs to our buildings.
We will celebrate "White Sunday" on
September 9.*

Thanks for your support!

**Calling all Elders... join us for
'Elders Bible Camp' beginning
on July 10. See the insert in
today's bulletin or Sister Lynn
Marie or Sister Mary Norbert
for more details**

Let us pray for the Sick...

We pray for all in our Church Family who are sick and those who care for them: Annie Andrews, Arlene Berkley, Harold Bond, Dorothy Bradley, Andre Carter, Janice Whitmore Carter, Kivia Carter, Lamont Chase, Helen Clowney, Mario Coleman, Donna Collier, Ella Combs, Danielle Daniels, John Davis, George Ellington, Frances Floyd, Janice Floyd, Renee Turner Freckleton, Patricia Freeman, Charing Garnett, Mary Ann Gill, Martina Granger, Jeffrey Gray, Vainida Hampton, Lynette Ford-Havens, Henry Hoffman, Harry W. Hubbard, Jeffrey Johnson, Gus Johnson, Mamie Keitt, Harold Lavender, Marie Lawrencin, Mary Livingston, Tiffani Livsey, Hazel Marsh, Donna Moorhead, Marva Murray, Erma Patterson, Norma Plenty, James Porter, Kevin Reaves, Andre Roberts, Elias Robinson, Ira Robinson, Gloria Russell, Doris Simmons, Maxine Turner, Audrey Victor, William Victor, Mary Ann Wallace, Lisa Williams, Mary Jean Williams, Thomas Williams.

*If you are in the hospital, please call the Church
Office: 215- 228-8330*

Jubilee Year! 1993-2018
Theme: ‘The best is yet to come’



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As we prepare for our Jubilee Celebration on October 28, 2018, we are assembling a photo directory and Church history book. All Church members are asked to have their photograph taken. Sign up after Mass for a time slot. Please see Rick Cothran for more information.

*Also, please consider purchasing a brick for yourself or your family. These bricks will be placed in the sidewalk outside of Church and blessed on Jubilee Sunday.
Please see Kathy Waters for more information.*

*This is a time of thanksgiving to God for the many blessings
we have received over these past 25 years.*