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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33nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 15, 2020

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Mass is LIVESTREAMED at 10:00 am on Sunday!

On a Spiritual Note…

Jesus has a way of getting our attention! When he teaches, he uses images and stories and situations that people know about. Today, he is talking about a master, no doubt a shrewd businessman, who wants his business and his wealth to grow. And he demands that his servants work to spread his influence.

To the people who were listening to Jesus, the message was clear. The Master is God, and we are the servants. God wants us to take the "talents" he has given us, and spread his influence. Of course, God's influence is not about money or business, but about his Kingdom, - his Kingdom of love. Spreading God's influence is spreading the message of the Gospel. God wants us to use whatever our talents are for that purpose. Whether we have a talent for speaking well, teaching, organizing, building, fixing, nurturing the young, caring for the sick, etc., etc., etc., - our talents can serve to build up God's Kingdom.

How is that going for you? Do you think anyone looks at you and sees the Kingdom of God? Do they see someone who is trying to spread God's love? Someone who is trying to spread God's influence? Do you think anyone ever says that you remind them of Jesus?

As the Church's year winds down, the Church encourages us to think about the "winding down" of our lives, which will come to each of us. So, the "settling of accounts" in today's Gospel should make us think about our legacy for the Kingdom of God. As we look back, what matters most?

Mass Schedule and Intentions

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Saturday, November 14, 2020, 4:00 pm
Special Intention

Sunday, November 15, 2020, 10:00 am
Juanita Barlow

Monday, November 16, 7:00 am
Barbara Lewis
Tuesday, November 17, 7:00 am
Sister Helen Marguerite Burke, SSJ
Wednesday, November 18, 7:00 am
Sister Patricia Ruth, SSJ
Thursday, November 19, 7:00 am
John Reilly
Friday, November 20, 7:00 am
Sally Graham

We offer prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Patricia Freeman, who recently passed away. May she rest in peace!

Bible Study on ZOOM

Every THURSDAY at 6:30 pm

Directions: 1) Get your Bible
2) Log onto Zoom
3) Type in the meeting identification #: 812-526-9359
4) One tap mobile / +16465588656,,8125269359#

Please share your blessings and bring a canned good to Mass with you and leave it at the Shrine of Saint Martin de Porres. This will help us help others!

As you know, we offer Mass on Saturdy and Sunday. Beginning, Saturday, November 7, Saturday evening Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 PM. All are welcome to join us!

Staying safe… starting next week, we will be taking the temperatures of all who come to Mass. This is another way we are doing our best to be safe in God's House for worship.

If anyone is in need of food, please contact the Church Office. We will offer bags of food after Mass next Sunday, November 22.

Check out more good news on our Church webiste and facebook page. Also, see the inserts in today's bulletin.

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Let us pray for the Sick…

We pray for all in our Church Family who are sick and those who care for them: ***Harold Bond, Muriel Booker, Dorothy Bradley, Arthur Brandt, Christopher Browne, Andre Carter, Janice Whitmore Carter, Kivia Carter, Lamont Chase, Helen Clowney, Mario Coleman, Donna Collier, Ella Combs, Danielle Daniels, John Davis, Stephanie Durrell, Barbara Dunn, George Ellington, Gloria Felder, Shirley Fields, Frances Floyd, Janice Floyd, Delores Ford, Noah Michael Freeman, Charing Garnett, Mary Ann Gill, Paul Giovetsis, Martina Granger, Jeffrey Gray, Kerry Hall, Theresa Hart, Vainida Hampton, Lynette Ford-Havens, Harry W. Hubbard, Jeffrey Johnson, Marie Lawrencin, Mary Livingston, Tiffani Livsey, Hazel Marsh, Yakaisha Marsh, Lisa McLoed, Donna Moorhead, Marva Murray, Erma Patterson, John Perry, Norma Plenty, James Porter, Kevin Reaves, Andre Roberts, Elias Robinson, Ira Robinson, Gloria Russell, Mary Ann Skipper, Bucky Shimp, Doris Simmons, Lois Streeter, Taylor Stringer, Larry Tillman, Renee Turner, Vicente Velazquez, Audrey Victor, William Victor, Mary Ann Wallace, Willam Ward, Tyanna Wallace, Lisa Williams, Mary Jean Williams, Sylvia Williams, Cheryl Wright.***

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
NEWLY CONFIRMED CATHOLICS
THEY RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2020
IN THE CATHEDRAL

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SYBREE JOHNSON ST. FRANSICO

NEVAEH HALL ST. HELENA

JOSSLYNN BALLARD ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

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TALEEM CLARK ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

AMIR WILSON ST. SEBASTIAN

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