# ST. MARTIN DE PORRES BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 22, 2023

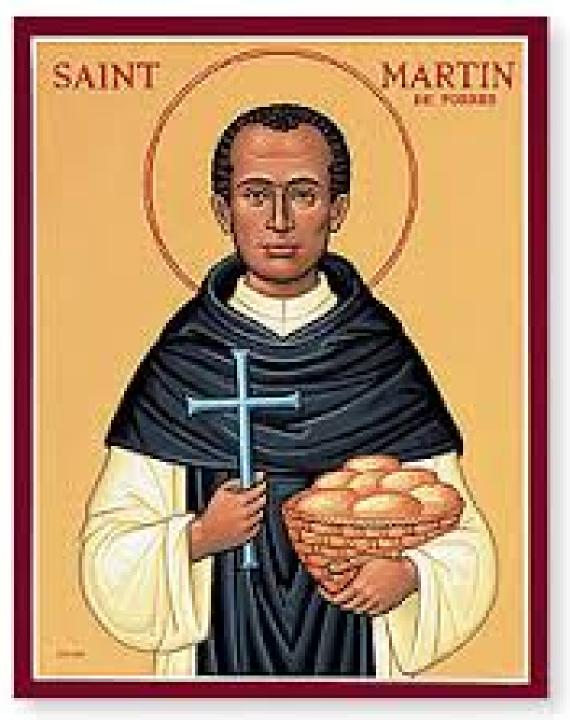
# AND JESUS SAID



**RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

St Martin de Porres Parish has always been a welcoming oasis for those seeking faith. Please know that you are welcome to begin your search as a participant in our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). If you are a faith seeker, or know someone who is interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Faith, please email Fr. Mekonnen as soon as possible - fathermekonnen@gmail.com

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On May 16, 1962, Pope John XXIII, in a ceremony at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, made Martin de Porres the first black American saint. Martin was born on December 9, 1579, in Lima, Peru, the illegitimate son of Don Juan de Porres of Burgos a Spanish nobleman, and Ana Velasquez, a young freed Negro slave girl. Martin was born on December 9, 1579, in Lima, Peru, the illegitimate son of Don Juan de Porres of Burgos a Spanish nobleman, and Ana Velasquez, a young freed Negro slave girl. From early childhood Martin showed great piety, a deep love for all God's Creatures and a passionate devotion to Our Lady. At the age of 11 he took a job as a servant in the Dominican priory and performed the work with such devotion that he was called "the saint of the broom". He was promoted to the job of almoner and soon was begging more that \$2,000 a week from the rich. All that was begged was given to the poor and sick of Lima in the form of food, clothing and medicine.

Martin was placed in charge of the Dominican's infirmary where he became known for his tender care of the sick and for his spectacular cures. In recognition of his fame and his deep devotion, his superiors dropped the stipulation that "no black person may be received to the holy habit or profession of our order" and Martin was vested in the full habit and took the solemn vows as a Dominican brother. As a Dominican brother, he became more devout and more desirous to be of service. He established an orphanage and a children's hospital for the poor children of the slums. He set up a shelter for the stray cats and dogs and nursed them back to health.

Martin lived a life of self-imposed austerity. He fasted continuously and spent much time in prayer and meditation. He was venerated from the day of his death.

Many miraculous cures were attributed to Brother Martin. Today throughout South America, Central America and the islands of the Caribbean, people tell of the miraculous powers of St. Martin de Porres. St. Martin de Porres's feast day is November 3rd.

# Man Up Philly

March 4, 2023

Please save the date on your calendar Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York will be keynote speaker on Campus of Cardinal O'Hara Springfield, PA

## **Have a Mass Offered**

The tradition of having a Mass offered for someone goes back to the early Church, and has been a constant part of the life of the Church since then. Masses are normally offered for the repose of the soul of the dead, but can also be offered for the intentions of the living; such as on a birthday, or in a time of ill health. Please specify whether the person the Mass being offered for is living or deceased.

It is customary to make a donation to the Church at which the Mass is being said -our recommended amount is \$10.

# 7:00 AM Mass in Rectory Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, January 22, 2023 in the Church **Church Family** 

Monday, January 23. 2023 **Church Family** 

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 **Church Family** 

Wednesday, January 25. 2023 **Church Family** 

Thursday, January 26, 2023 **Church Family** 

Saturday, January 28, 2023 in the Church **For Special Intentions** 

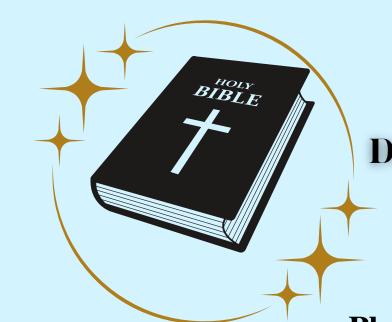
#### Let us pray for the Sick.

We pray for all in our Church Family who are

#### **SICK AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM:**

JENAI BALLARD, CHERYL BELL, HAROLD BOND, MURIEL BOOKER, CHRISTOPHER BROWNE, BILL BROMLEY, EUNICE BROWN, LUCILE BROWN, ANDRE CARTER, BARBARA CARTER, JANICE WHITMORE CARTER, LAMONT CHASE, KENNETH CLARK, DONNA COLLIER, ELLA COMBS, DANIELLE DANIELS, JOHN DAVIS, STEPHANIE DURRELL, BARBARA DUNN, GEORGE ELLINGTON, SHARON FAISON, RITA FELDER, SHIRLEY FIELDS, JANICE FLOYD, CHARING GARNETT, JEFFREY GRAY, KERRY HALL, THERESA HART, VAINIDA HAMPTON, LYNETTE FORD-HAVENS, HARRY W. HUBBARD,

JEFFREY JOHNSON, AUGUSTUS JOHNSON, MARIE LAWRENCIN, MARY LIVINGSTON, TIFFANI LIVSEY, TERESA LOWRY, HAZEL MARSH, YAKAISHA MARSH, LISA MCLOED, **DONNA MOORHEAD, MARVA MURRAY, WILLIAM** PATTERSON, NORMA PLENTY, JAMES PORTER, KEVIN REAVES, ANDRE ROBERTS, ELIAS ROBINSON, IRA ROBINSON, ALMA ROSS, GLORIA RUSSELL, DORIS SIMMONS, LOIS STREETER, TAYLOR STRINGER, RENEE TURNER, VICENTE **VELAZQUEZ, AUDREY VICTOR, WILLIAM VICTOR, DEVON** WALKER, LISA WILLIAMS, MARY JEAN WILLIAMS, SYLVIA WILLIAMS, CHERYL WRIGHT



BIBLE STUDY DEACON MELVIN BURTON, JR.

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**Lectio: Samuel 3: 4 - 10** 

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- Budgeting
- Asset Building

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- Career Wardrobe
- Income Taxes
- Rental Assistance
- Community Legal Services

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- Apply for:
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    - → CRP, CAP & TAP

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- Mock Interview & Dress for Success
- Referrals to Training & **Education Programs**

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**Saturdays** -11:00 a.m. Mass 12:00 p.m. Legion of Mary

**Sundays** - 9:15 a.m. Sacrament of Reconcilliation All are Welcome!

Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, whatever your past or present religious affiliation, whatever your personal history, age, background, race, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at Saint Martin de Porres Parish. There are no strangers at this Parish, only friends we have not met.

The essential aim of the Legion of Mary is the sanctification of its members through prayer, the sacraments and devotion to Mary and the Trinity, and of the whole world through the apostolate of the Legion.



When we pray the Rosary, we put ourselves and our intentions into God's hands. As we pray, we can let go of any worries we may have and we can choose to completely trust in God, knowing that He is listening to our prayers and that He wants the best for us and those we pray for.

ROSARY ONLINE - WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM
ZOOM Meeting # 282 564 5789
Mobile # (16465588656) (2825645789)
Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament





Eucharistic Revival The Solemnity of Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) begins a three year Eucharistic Revival in the United States. More information on how our parish will participate in the Eucharistic Revival will come in the near future. May we unite together in giving thanks to Jesus Christ for the gifts of His Body and Blood.

If you are sick or in the hospital, please contact the church office, 215.228.8330 for a visit from Fr. Mekonnen.