

# ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

## BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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Deacon Melvin Burton, Jr.  
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 30, 2023

## AND JESUS SAID



"The Kingdom of heaven is like yeast  
that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour  
until the whole batch was leavened."

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Sunday Mass at 10:00 am is available on LIVESTREAM

Dir. of Parish Services - Mr. James Andrews

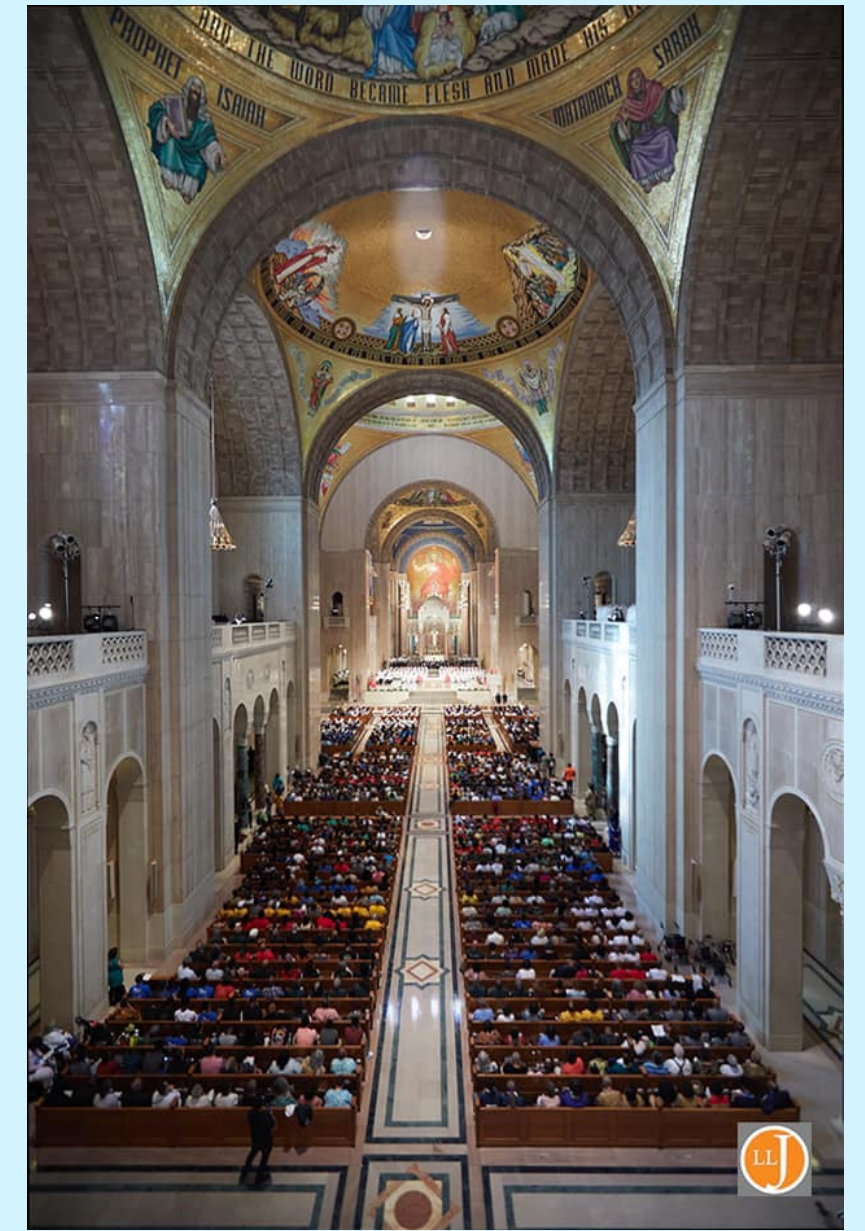
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Sending forth the participants of the 13th National Black Catholic Congress at their July 23 closing Mass in the Washington, D.C., area, Bishop John H. Ricard offered them an admonition that he said he learned from his days as a youth camping in the woods – “Don’t let the fire go out!” Bishop Ricard – the superior general of his religious order, the Josephites, who formerly served as the bishop of Pensacola-Tallahassee, Fla. – was the homilist at the Mass, celebrated at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center in National Harbor, Md. He encouraged the congress participants to be enlivened by the flame of the Holy Spirit, and bring that spirit of faith back to their homes, parishes, dioceses and to the African American communities in their cities and towns.



Congratulations Journee Victor on being Baptized on July 16th. May your life be filled with joy love and endless Blessings that come from God! In the picture with Deacon - Mother Jada Victor; Godparents Donovan & Zakia Victor



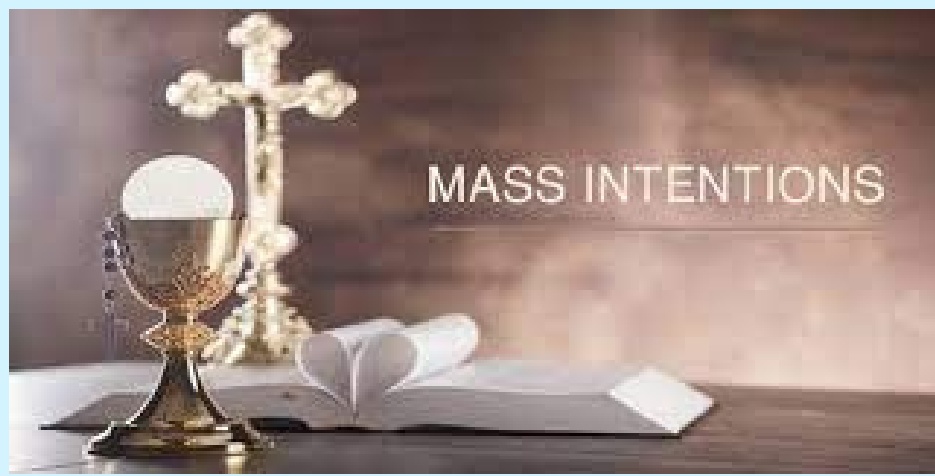
August 27 4-5 on Zoom  
 SMdP Library Committee  
 Book Club  
**BLACK CATHOLICS**  
 on the  
**ROAD TO**  
**SAINTHOOD**

**IN LOVING  
 MEMORY**

*To Father Addisalem Mekonnen, Monsignor Wilford Pashley, Church Family, Friends, and all who helped to make my husband's, **Robert E. Brown Jr.**, Homegoing a Celebration of Life and Love. Thank you for your prayers cards, hugs, love and support throughout his illness and his passing. We thank God for you. May God forever Bless you with His Divine Love and Care. With much love and appreciation,  
**Mrs. Lucile Brown and Family***



# 9:00 AM Mass in Rectory Schedule & Intentions



Sunday, July 30, 2023  
in the Church

**“For the People of the Church”**

Monday, July 31, 2023  
**Constance Ward, S.S.J.**

Tuesday, August 1, 2023  
**Helen Gilbert Mann, S.S.J.**

Wednesday, August 2, 2023  
**Mary Elizabeth Guyer, S.S. J.**

Thursday, August 3, 2023  
**Anne Thomas Taylor, S.S.J.**

Saturday, August 5, 2023  
**Clare Madeline Tully, S.S.J.**

## Bible Study will resume in September



**The stairlift has been installed!** There is still time to donate. You can support Fr. Mekonnen's pilgrimage from SMDP to Shrine of Czestochowa by scanning the QR code below. As you know we have been raising funds to install a stairlift in the Church Hall. We still need your help to reach the goal!

The QR code will take you to Parish Giving! The installation is scheduled for the end of this month.



## The power of prayer!

### 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, MURIEL BOOKER, LUCILE BROWN, ANDRE CARTER, BARBARA CARTER, JANICE WHITMORE-CARTER, GERALD CARTER, MELODY COOPER, MARY COOPER, HELEN DIRKSON, RITA FELDER, JANICE FLOYD, THERESA HART, LYNETTE FORD-HAVENS, HARRY W. HUBBARD, AUGUSTUS JOHNSON, MARIE LAWRENCIN, HAZEL MARSH, YAKAISHA MARSH, LISA MCLOED, WILLIAM PATTERSON, CLARENCE PRESTON, ALMA ROSS, LOIS STREETER, TAMIKA TENDER, RENEE TURNER, VICENTE VELAZQUEZ, AUDREY VICTOR, JANICE WHITMORE, LISA WILLIAMS, MARY JEAN WILLIAMS, SHARON WILLIAMS, SYLVIA WILLIAMS

Please contact the church office to add or remove loved ones from our Prayer list. 215.228.8330

The Kings & Ladies of St Peter Claver  
Labor day Raffle



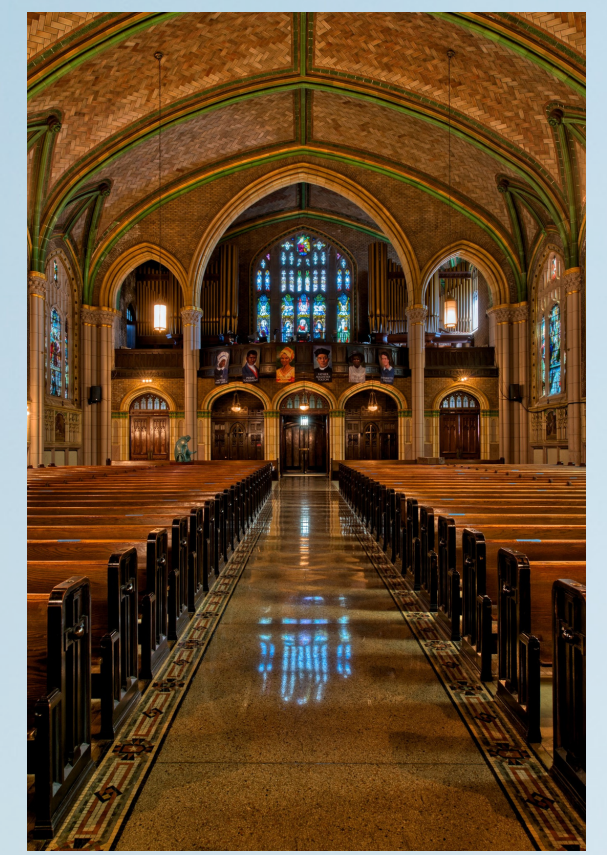
See any member to purchase raffle tickets

## New Rectory Office Hours:

Thursdays and Fridays 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturdays 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

*Fr. Mekonnen Installation as Pastor  
September 24, 10 a.m.  
Reception after Mass*



**Saturdays -11:00 a.m. Mass**

**12:00 p.m. LEGION OF MARY**

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

**Welcome to Saint Martin de Porres Church. Based in North Philadelphia, we are a Catholic Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We are one diverse spiritual community called to follow Jesus Christ. "God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life" - John 3:16.**

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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**

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.



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**New Parishioners New Parishioners are most welcome and are encouraged to register as soon as possible after moving into the Parish. Please see an usher after church and request a form.**

**Home blessings & Holy Communion Anyone who wishess their home blessed, please call the rectory. If any of our homebound or shut in parishioners wish to receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory.**



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

