

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2023

AND JESUS SAID



"Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'
Therefore, stay awake,
for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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Sunday Mass at 10:00 am is available on LIVESTREAM

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November is Black Catholic History Month

St. Martin de Porres was born in Lima, Peru, on December 9, 1579. His father was a Spanish nobleman and his mother a black freed slave from Panama. At fifteen, he became a lay brother at the Dominican Friary in Lima and spent his whole life there as a barber, farm laborer, almoner and infirmarian among other things. St. Martin had a great desire to go off on a foreign mission to earn the palm of martyrdom. However, since this was not possible, he made a martyr out of his body, devoting himself to ceaseless and severe penances. In turn, God endowed him with many graces and wondrous gifts, such as, aerial flights and bilocation.

Martin's love was all-embracing, shown equally to humans and to animals, including vermin, and he maintained a cat and dog hospital at his sister's house. He also possessed a spiritual wisdom, demonstrated in his solving his sister's marriage problems, raising a dowry for his niece in three days and resolving theological problems. He was a close friend of St. Rose of Lima. He died on November 3, 1639 and was canonized on May 6, 1962.

ROSARY ONLINE - FRIDAY 6:30 PM

ZOOM Meeting # 282 564 5789

Mobile # (16465588656) (2825645789)

Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

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.



Are you in need of food?

St. Martin de Porres may be able to assist.

Help is available after Sunday Mass and during office hours.

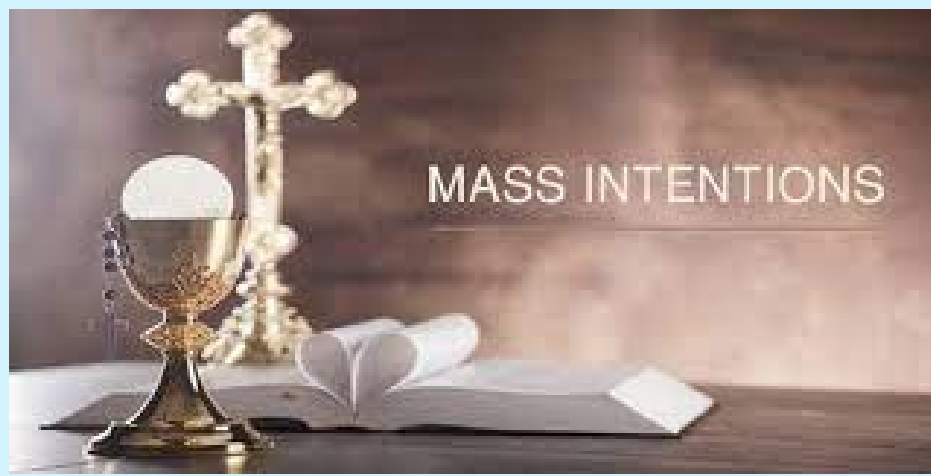
The Office of Black Catholics has revamped its website. Please visit: officeforblackcatholicsadphila.org to see the new changes!



A Soulful Christmas -10th Anniversary Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 7:30pm at the Kimmel Center Led by Creator & Director Dr. J. Donald Dumpson. Come hear holiday spirituals & gospel favorites. For more information & to purchase tickets, visit the Kimmel Center website



7:00 AM Mass in Rectory Schedule & Intentions



Begin your day with Mass

**Sunday, November 12, 2023
in the Church**

“For the People of the Church”

**Tuesday, November 14, 2023
Daniel Benasutti**

**Thursday, November 16, 2023
Robert DeLucia**

**Friday, November 17, 2023
Laraine Worley**

**Saturday, November 18, 2023
Barbara Stupp**

If you would like to have Masses offered for a loved one or friend, living or deceased, please call the office. The stipend is \$10 per Mass intention.

This prayer was written by Fr. Jim Goode, OFM who in 1989 founded the **National Day of Prayer for the African American and African Family**, observed on the first Sunday of Black History Month: God of Mercy and Love, we place our African American families before You today. May we be proud of our history and never forget those who paid a great price for our liberation. Bless us one by one and keep our hearts and minds fixed on higher ground. Help us to live for you and not for ourselves, and may we cherish and proclaim the gift of life. Bless our parents, guardians and grandparents, relatives, and friends. Give us the amazing grace to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Help us, as Your children, to live in such a way that the beauty and greatness of authentic love is reflected in all that we say and do. Give a healing anointing to those less fortunate, especially the motherless, the fatherless, the broken, the sick and the lonely. Bless our departed family members and friends. May they be led into the light of Your dwelling place where we will never grow old, where we will share the fullness of redemption and shout the victory for all eternity. This we ask in the Previous name of Jesus, our Savior, and Blessed Assurance. Amen. Holy Mary, Mother of Our Families, pray for us.

Bible Study with Deacon Burton

Luke 3:2-20

THURSDAY 6:30 PM

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**How does the Bible, written over 2000 years ago,
apply to our daily life in 2023? Join Deacon on Thursdays to find out!**



The power of prayer! Let us pray for the Sick.

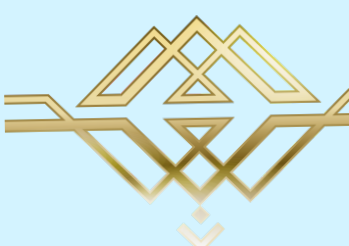
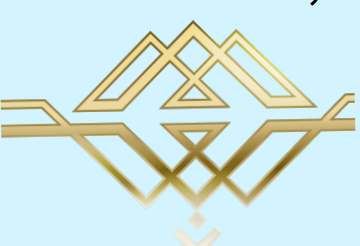
We pray for all in our Church Family who are

SICK AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM:

**JENAI BALLARD, CHERYL BELL, 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, JAMES
MASON, 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

November is Breast Cancer
Awareness Month. Work with
your provider to determine
your risk profile. Get your
Mammogram as suggested.





Saturday -11:00 a.m. Mass

Sundays - 9:15 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
or by appointment

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.



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.

Saturdays 12:00 p.m. LEGION OF MARY

Liturgical Etiquette - Spend **time in prayer** before Mass. - **Genuflect**, or bow before the Blessed Sacrament when you enter the Church as respect for Our Lord - **Bow your head** when the name of Jesus is mentioned. - **No walking around Church** when Mass begins. - **No walking** during the homily and Eucharistic Prayer

Rectory Office Hours:

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

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

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 are available. 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 215.228.8330.



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

