

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 11, 2024

AND JESUS SAID



**"For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it."**

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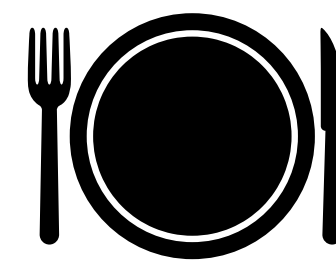
Sunday Mass at 10:00 am is available on LIVESTREAM

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What is Lent?

Lent is a season in which we repent from sin so that we become more like Jesus. Lent is the time we focus on following Jesus, who reveals Himself as “the Way” to follow, “the Truth” to believe and “the Life” to live. Lent is in the season of our time, as children says is we played the game Simon says. Simon a children's game for three or more players. One player takes the role of "Simon" and issues instructions (usually physical actions such as "jump in the air" or "stick out your tongue") to the other players, which should be followed only when prefaced with the phrase "Simon says". Players are eliminated from the game by either following instructions that are not immediately preceded by the phrase, or by failing to follow an instruction which does include the phrase "Simon says".

It is the ability to distinguish between true and false commands, rather than physical ability, that usually matters in the game; in most cases, the action just needs to be attempted. Lent is an intense time in which we do what the Church says, because of our Faith which tells us Jesus is the Head of the Church. Therefore, Jesus says through the Church, we are called to follow Him by coming to Mass every Sunday. Jesus says, we are called to fast as He fasted according to our age and medical situation. Jesus says we are called to practice Almsgiving and prayer through mediation on the Sacred Scriptures.

In J.M.J.

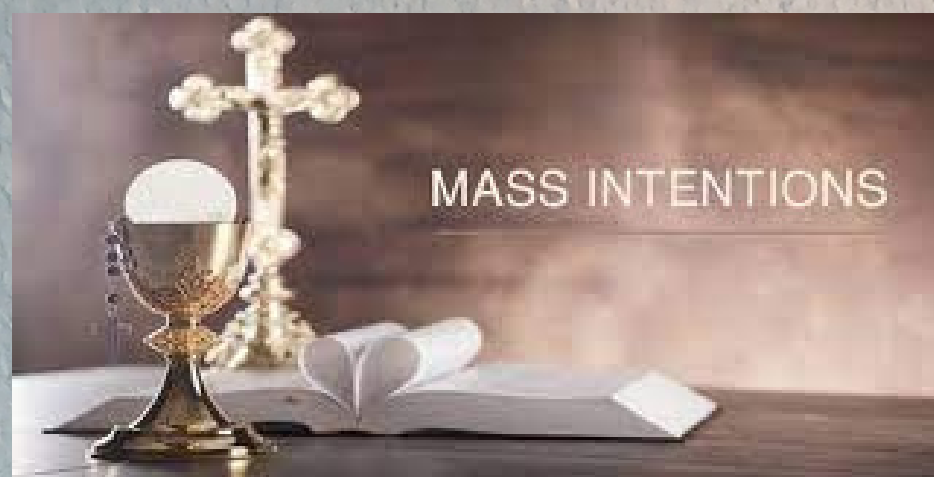
Fr. Mekonnen

The 16th Annual Archdiocesan Catholic Men’s Conference will be on Saturday, March 2, 2024, at St. John Vianney Hall Theater at Cardinal O’Hara High School. Register at: manupphilly.com.



Friday, February 23, 2024 at 6 p.m.
Please join the 8th grade students of **St. Martin de Porres Catholic School** as they showcase their knowledge at the 2nd Annual Blacks in Wax Presentation & Exhibit **Featuring Inventors**

7:00 AM Mass in Rectory Schedule & Intentions



Begin your day with Mass

Sunday, February 11, 2024

in the Church

“For the People of the Church”

Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024

7:00 am Mass

12:00 pm Parish Mass

7:00 pm Prayer Service

(all of the above in the church)

“For the People of the Church”

Thursday, February 15, 2024

Ken Schiller

Friday, February 2, 2024

AMargaret & James Morro

Saturday, February 3, 2024

Rev. James P. Morro CSB

Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities and the Deaf Community will be held on Sunday, March 10, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

Hallahan - Class of '74 50th Reunion

Sunday, May 19, 2024

12 p.m. Brunch at Panache

Additional details email:

HallahanClassof1974@gmail.com

**Bible Study
with Deacon Burton**

Matthew 6: 6 - 18



THURSDAY 6:30 PM

Meeting ID: 570 117 8316

Phone# +6468769923, 5701178316

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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, MARSHA COOPER, 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, LOIS STREETER, TAMIKA TENDER, RENEE TURNER, VICENTE VELAZQUEZ, AUDREY VICTOR, JANICE WHITMORE, LISA WILLIAMS, MARY JEAN WILLIAMS, SHARON WILLIAMS, SYLVIA WILLIAMS

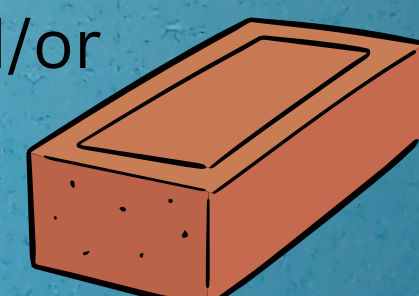
Please contact the church office to add or remove loved ones from our Prayer list. 215.228.8330

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Contact Rectory office staff and/or complete application form

215-228-8330



February 17, 2024
Saturday 8:00 MASS
Sundays - 9:15 a.m. Sacrament of
Reconciliation or by appointment

All are Welcome!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAYS FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF MASS IN THE CHURCH HALL



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

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.



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 wishes 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.

Blessings and prayers for all celebrating Birthdays in the Month of February



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

