

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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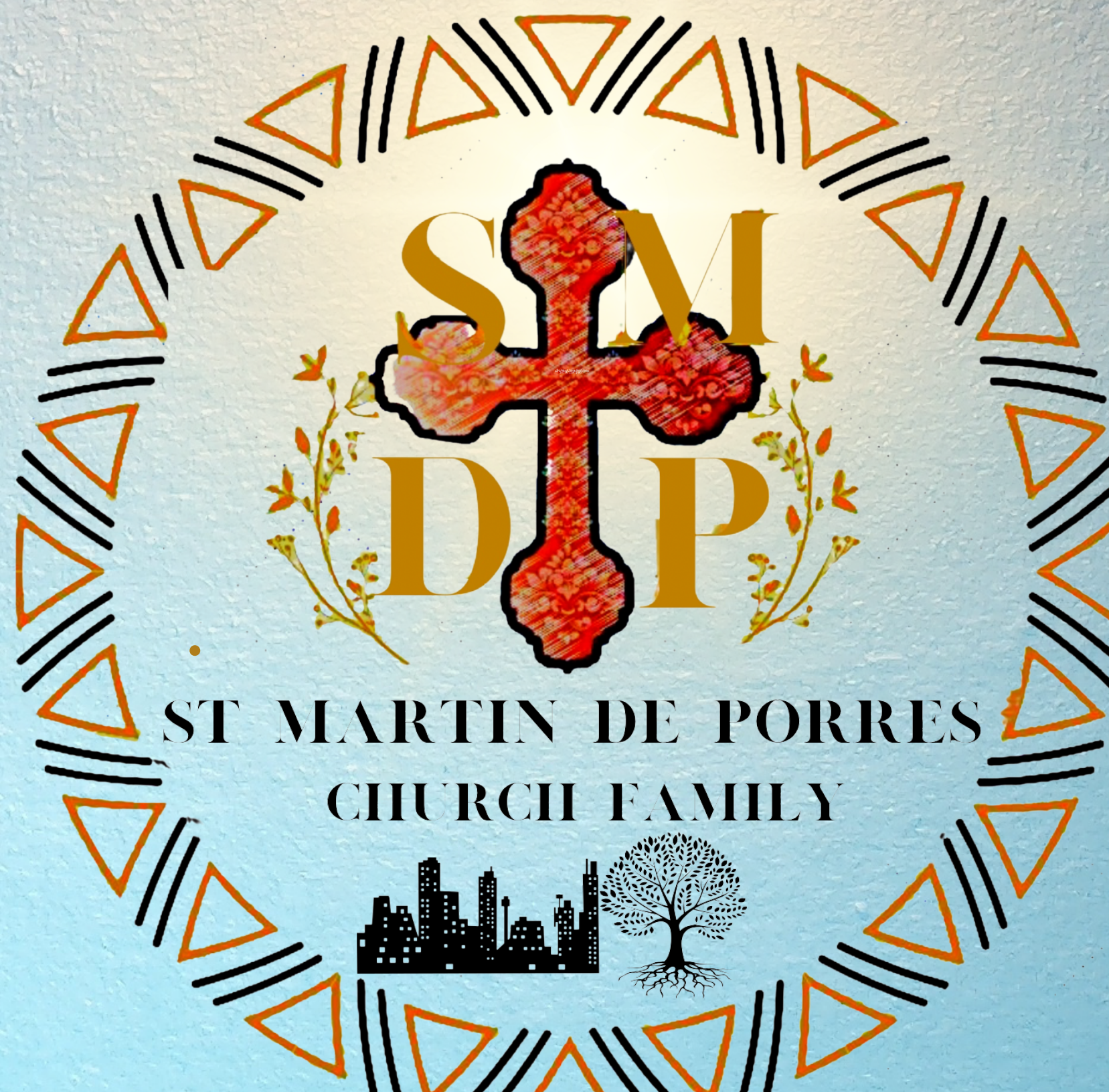
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Deacon Melvin Burton, Jr.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

March 24, 2024

AND JESUS SAID



“Take it; this is my body.”

“This is my blood of the covenant,
which will be shed for many.”

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Sunday Mass at 10:00 am is available on LIVESTREAM

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Why do we have processions ?

Thousands of Philadelphia fans enjoyed a victory parade when the Phillies won the World Series in 2008 and again, when the Eagles won the super-bowl in 2018. That procession was a way to help facilitate a participation in these teams's victory over all of the other teams, that they had to defeat in order to win in their league. I am a Phillies and an Eagles' fan, however, I have spoken to several Philadelphians who are not fans of either team. I do support these teams because I live here in Philadelphia, but I'm not a fanatic that follow statics and watch every game religiously. My level of support consists of wearing their gear and watching their games on rare occasions. Nevertheless, I was happy and proud that they won in their leagues. To some degree, it seems to have brought a sense of unity for thousands of Philadelphians. I say some degree, because some people did choose to vandalize private property, which doesn't constitute as unity or prosperity for our society.

Psalm Sunday is the day in which we commemorate the period when the people of God celebrated Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The Israelites that day didn't know that they were celebrating Jesus' victory over sin, death and the spirit of the world. This was, in fact, the same crowd incited by the Jewish leaders that turned on Jesus and demanded His crucifixion by Pontius Pilate.

We have a procession, when we received our first Holy Communion and Confirmation. That procession is a sign of participating in obeying Jesus when he said "follow Me". We participate in His victory over evil ,inso far as, we continue to follow Jesus. He is the King of kings, and if we follow Him to Calvary then, we follow Him into His rising from the dead on Easter morning. We will experience a conversion, in which we die to self, sin and the Spirit of the world and live our life for Christ.

in J.M.J
Fr.Mekonnen

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024

7:00 PM, Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, March 29, 2024

3:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024

8 p.m.



8:00 AM Mass in Rectory Schedule & Intentions



Sunday, March 24, 2024

“For the People of the Church”

Monday, March 25, 2024

Frances Ann Hall S.S.J.

Wednesday March 26, 2024

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HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 pm Last Supper

GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 pm

EASTER VIGIL

8:00 pm

Bible Study will resume on April 4th

John 13: 1-17

Jesus' example suggests that loving as he has loved means taking the role of a servant, caring for the needs of others without expecting anything in return. His example suggests that it is to do this not only for those who treat us well, but even for those who disappoint and hurt and betray us.



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



Palm Sunday

When you are absent from Mass, please remember to continue your donations. Our church really depends on you.

Thursday of Holy Week, March 28, 2024
10:00 AM, Chrism Mass in the Basilica
(Livestreamed Mass)

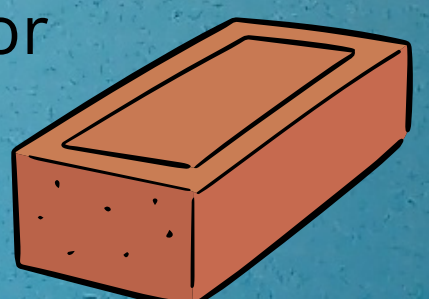
All parishioners are welcome to attend this Mass..

Amen, amen I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. (John 12:24)

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Saturday -11:00 a.m. Mass

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

All are Welcome!



LEGION OF MARY



**Both online Rosary and Legion of Mary
are canceled this week.**

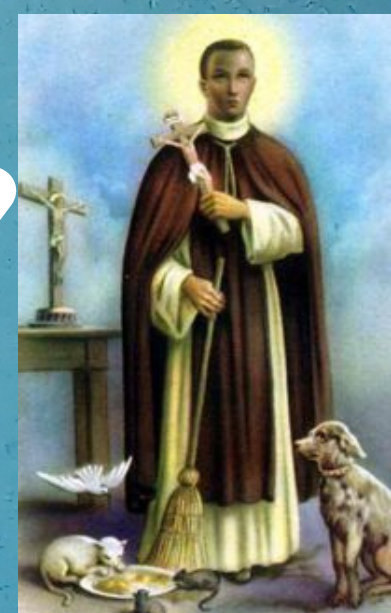
Rectory Office Hours:
Thursdays and Fridays 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturdays 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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 March**

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



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