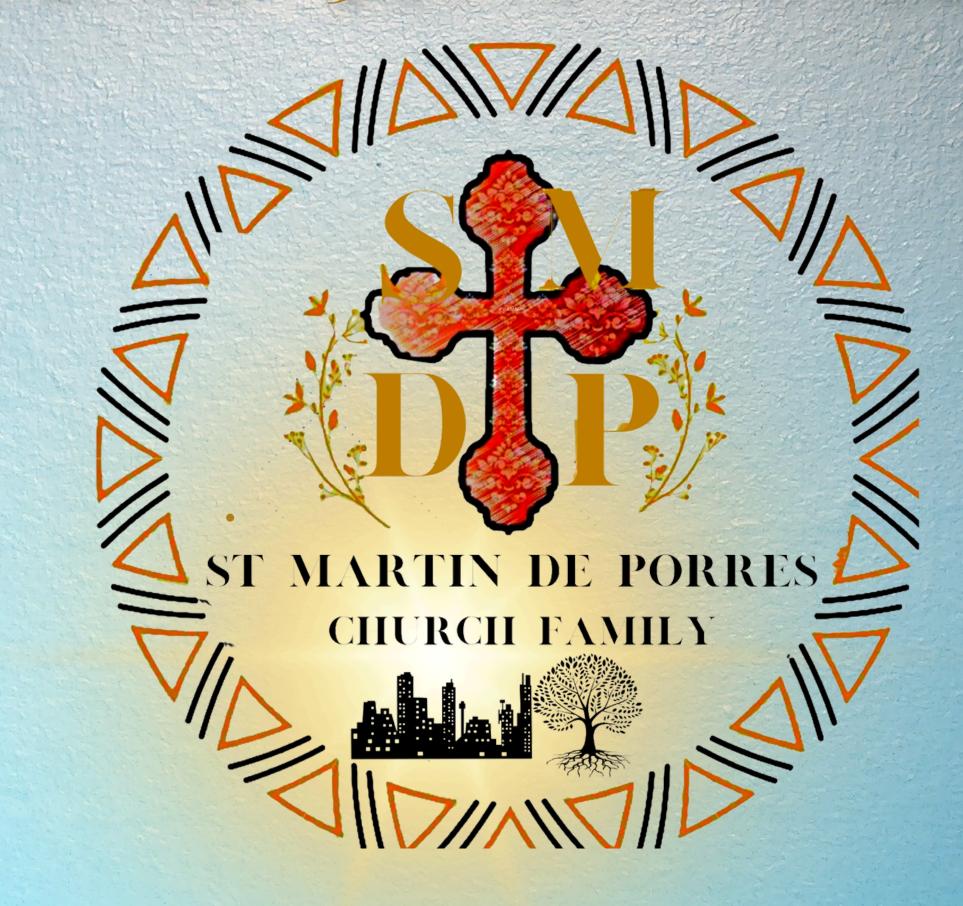
## ST. MARTIN DE PORRIS BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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Deacon Melvin Burton, Jr.
Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2024

# AND JESUS SAID



"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

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### 7:00 AM Mass in Rectory Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, May 5, 2024 in Church "For the People of the Church"

> Tuesday, May 7, 2024 Josephine Melville

Thursday, May 9, 2024 Sister Maryann Mulzct,SSJ

Friday, May 9, 2024 Rosalie, Maria, Tricia, McCarthy

Saturday May, 10, 2024 Paul Romanon, Lucy, Dimitri

Saturday Mass is 7:00 AM on May 10

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for a visit from Fr. Mekonnen.



# Bible Study with Deacon Burton

Bible study @ 6:30PM with Deacon Melvin / ZOOM Meeting # 570-117-8316 / by phone -16468769923,,5701178316 /



#### 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,
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WHITMORE-CARTER, GERALD CARTER, MARSHA COOPER,
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MARSH, YAKAISHA MARSH, JAMES MASON, LISA MCLOED,
WILLIAM PATTERSON, CLARENCE PRESTON, LOIS STREETER,
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VICTOR, JANICE WHITMORE, LISA WILLIAMS, MARY JEAN
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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

**Deadline: April 30th** 

### Food for thought with Fr. Mekonnen



A young boy named Jamal had been doing a lot of favors for his mom lately, And he felt that he needed to be compensated for all of his hard work. So, he wrote a list of all the things he had done that week, and priced them accordingly. As his mom was in the kitchen preparing dinner, Jamal came down the stairs and sat at the kitchen counter. He presented his folded, handwritten receipt to her. She opened it and began to read what he had written. She was shocked, as she read what was a list of all the chores and tasks that he had done and each one was assigned a price.

This was the list:

Taking out the trash:\$25.00
Washing the dishes:\$25.00
Setting the table: \$10.00
Walking the the dog: \$40.00

Everything on his list came to a total \$100.00. After she read the list, she folded it back in half. She then sits right next to him, grabs his pencil and makes a list of her own on the same piece of paper. On her list, she wrote: when she carried him as a baby in her tummy for nine months when she stayed up all night with him when he was sick. She included the toys she purchased for him, and even the night she cried over him. However, unlike his list, next to every item she wrote, she let him know that there was no charge. Jamal then looks up at his mom as he realizes all of the things that she had done for him out of genuine love. He gives her a big hug and tells her that he loves her. Then he grabbed his pencil and wrote, "PAID IN FULL"on his paper. Jamal learned that his mother never counted the cost because of her unconditional love for him. This is why we as a nation we celebrate Mother's Day, because mothers, both living and decease, deserve to be celebrated for everything they do and have done for their children.

Our Blessed Mother is celebrated for the entire month of May, and we honor her every day of the year, because she said "YES," and never counted the cost. This is the time to offer up thanks and praise to God for giving us Holy Mary and the Holy Church, as our Mother who loves us unconditionally. This is the time to remember, not to count the cost, but to pray the rosary. Each mystery prayed is a way for us to see Jesus with the eyes of faith that our Blessed Mother reflected on, as His beloved disciple. Theotokos, Mother of God.

in J.M.J Fr.Mekonnen Sundays - 9:15 a.m. Sacrament of Reconcilliation or by appointment

Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m.

All are Welcome!





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.

Saturdays 12:00 p.m. LEGION OF MARY



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.

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





