

# ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

## BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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August 25, 2024

TWENTY-FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME



# AND JESUS SAID



***August is the month of the Immaculate heart of Mary***

## “WOMAN, BEHOLD YOUR SON, ...BEHOLD YOUR MOTHER”

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Sunday Mass at 10:00 am is available on LIVESTREAM

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# Daily Mass Cancelled August 28 — August 31

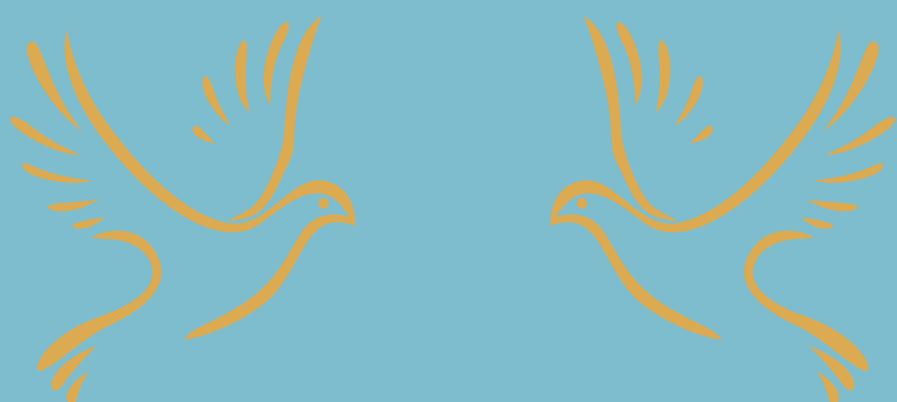
Sunday, August 25, 2024

in Church

**“For the People of the Church”**



DAILY MASS CANCELED  
AUGUST 28—31



I invite you, my beloved Church Family, to pray with me in spirit the Angelus prayer at 6:00 am, or 12:00 pm, or 6:00 pm. I will pray for everyone during my retreat.



**Food Pantry give away**  
**every *FOURTH SUNDAY* after *MASS***

**Parish OFFICE HOURS**  
**WEDNESDAY , THURSDAY,**  
**FRIDAY**  
**8:00 am- 3:00 pm**



**Bible Study**

**with Deacon Burton TUESDAY**  
**is canceled on August 27, 2024**

**Wednesday Rosary within adoration**  
**6:30PM with Deacon Melvin / ZOOM**  
**Meeting # 570-117-8316 / by phone -**  
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**The power of prayer!**

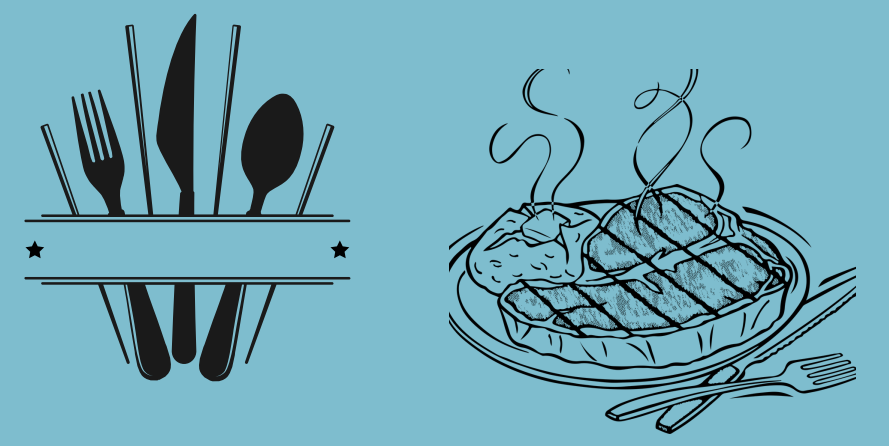
**Let us pray for the Sick.**

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, , MARIE  
LAWRENCIN, HAZEL MARSH, YAKAISHA MARSH, JAMES  
MASON, LISA MCLOED, CLARENCE PRESTON, LOIS  
STREETER, TAMIKA TENDER, RENEE TURNER, VICENTE  
VELAZQUEZ, AUDREY VICTOR, JANICE WHITMORE, LISA  
WILLIAMS, MARY JEAN WILLIAMS, SHARON WILLIAMS,  
SYLVIA WILLIAMS, TALLUAH WILSON, CYNTHIA ORTA,  
EDDIE JENKINS, VONITA HALL

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



**READ SLOWLY** the following Scripture two or three times.

Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this, he said to them, "Does this shock you? What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe." Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe and the one who would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father." As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him. Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." (John 6:60-69)

**MEDITATION** After the reading, take some time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

### CONTEMPLATION

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me? "What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? When have I felt confirmed in my faith? When have I felt God's presence most strongly? The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life." What Scripture passages do I turn to when I need inspiration? What Scripture passages do I turn to when I need to feel closer to God? "For this reason, I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father." How do I show my gratitude for the gift of faith?

How can I help others come to the Father?

### JOURNAL

Write out all your answers so that you can fully understand what the Holy Spirit is saying to you personally, and the response you give back to Him. Lectio Divina is not a monologue, but rather a dialogue between you and God.

### CHALLENGE

How can I make my life a gift for others in charity? Read and pray with Scripture for 15 minutes a day each day this week.



**Sundays - 9:15 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation or by appointment**  
**Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m. *All are Welcome!***



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



**ROSARY ONLINE WITH FR. MEKONNEN**  
**WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM**  
**ZOOM Meeting # 282 564 5789**  
**Mobile # (16465588656) (2825645789)**  
**Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**



## LEGION OF MARY



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**



***Are you or someone you love hurting from an abortion? You're not alone. You can find the peace, healing, and the forgiveness you, so deeply desire. To learn more: Contact [Office@RachelsVineyard.org](mailto:Office@RachelsVineyard.org), call 1.877.HOPE.4.ME,***

**New Parishioners are most welcome and are encouraged to register as soon as possible after moving into the Parish. Please see an usher after Mass and request a form. Home Blessings & Holy Communion are available. Anyone who wishess their home to be 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 their Birthdays in the Month of September**