

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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September 22, 2024

TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME



AND JESUS SAID



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

September is the month of the Seven Sorrows of our Lady

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Sunday Mass at 10:00 am is available on LIVESTREAM

Music Director - Ms. Tonya Dorsey

Business Manager- Mr. John Duffner

Bookkeeper - Ms. Ramona Milburn

Office Manager- Ms. Elizabeth Comby

7:00 AM Mass in Rectory Schedule & Intentions



Sunday, September 22, 2024
in Church

“For the People of the Church”

Wednesday, September 25, 2024
Joan Meets

Thursday, September 26, 2024
Susan Kershne

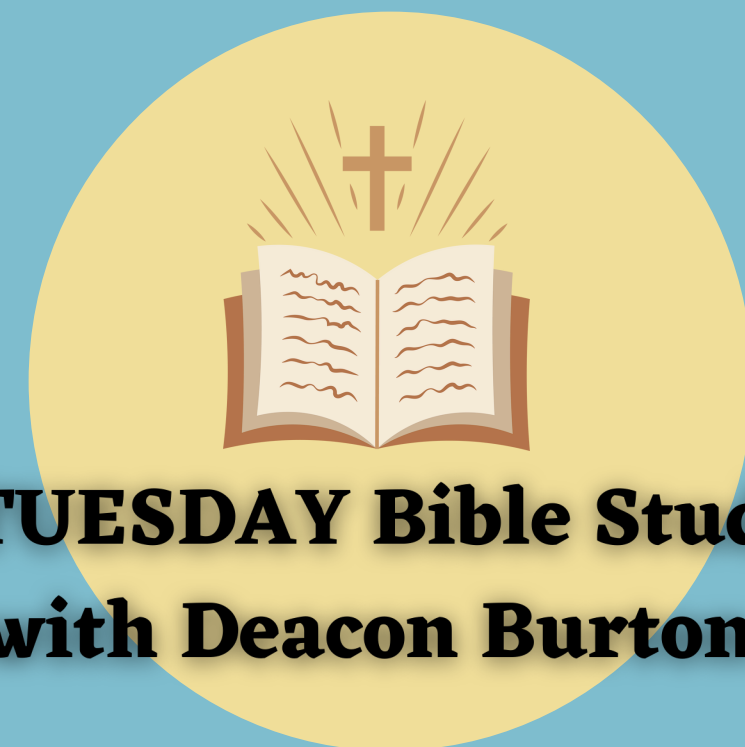
Friday, September 27, 2024
Micael Paraschak

Saturday Mass at 11:00 AM
September 28, 2024
Daniel Sock



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

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



**TUESDAY Bible Study
with Deacon Burton**

**Bible study @ 6:30PM with Deacon
Melvin / ZOOM Meeting # 570-117-
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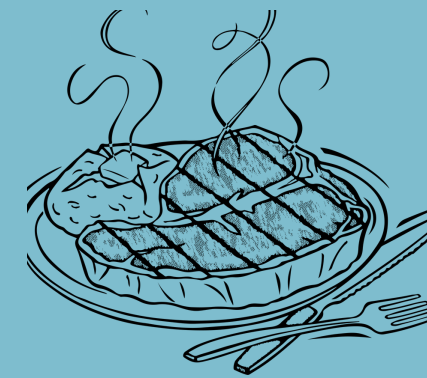
**The power of prayer!
Let us pray for the Sick.**

We pray for all in our Church Family who are

SICK AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM:

JENAI BALLARD, CHERYL BELL, MURIEL BOOKER,
BRIANNA SIMONE BRISCO, 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



Lectio Divina on the Third Sorrowful Mystery

READ SLOWLY the following Scripture two or three times. The Loss of Child Jesus in the Temple “And having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the Child Jesus remained in Jerusalem; and His parents knew it not. And thinking that he was in the company, they came a day’s journey, and sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And not finding Him, they returned into Jerusalem, seeking Him” (Luke 2: 43-45).

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

We can relate to our Blessed Mother at different levels whenever our patience and our faith is tested, such as, when we lose that which we love, be it an object, or person we have a relationship with. Perhaps we felt fearful and disappointed when we lost something like a family heirloom and said a prayer to St. Anthony of Padua. Have you ever looked at all the sufferings in the world and felt impatient and thought to yourself where is God ? It would appear, in that context that God had disappeared. Our Lady was not blind and deaf to Israel’s sufferings under the governance of the Roman Empire, where as, a young she had patiently prayed for the anticipated Messiah to come. Imagine an event in your life when you sought some grace from God and you felt like God was ignoring you or telling you to wait. Our Blessed Mother receive the greatest grace which was to have Jesus present to not only her beautiful eyes of faith, but also her physical eyes. The sorrow she experience was intense and those three days felt like an eternity. Her faith was purified, that is, she had to sacrifice not having the consolation of having Jesus’ physically present because it was the will of our Heavenly Father. What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of you?

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



Saturdays 12:00 p.m. 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.

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 wishes 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 Birthday in the Month of September