

St. Martin de Porres

Blessed be God forever!

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Blessed are they who hope in the Lord



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From the Parochial Administrator's Desk

May Jesus Christ, who shows compassion to those who place their trust in him, be with you!

We are quickly running through the month of February. During this month, we have experienced different weather patterns; below normal temperatures, snow, ice, and for a moment mild weather. May we endure this roller coaster of climate change for the next month or so. Let us also remember in our prayers those living and working in this rapidly changing weather. May they find warmth and comfort.

In two weeks, the season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. This season is a time for self-spiritual reflection, Lenten obligations of fasting, charitable works of mercy, and penance. Take this blessed season as a time for spiritual renewal and deepening your relationship with Christ.

Now, how about them Eagles? Many sports analysts had Kansas City Chiefs to win by a few points. They can't always be correct. Congratulations to the 2025 Superbowl Champions - the Eagles. The "Hunt" is over and fans continue to shout "Go Birds!", "Fly Eagles Fly!"

Don't forget to add to your prayer list, our parish. Keep in prayer our homebound and sick parishioners, those who have yet to return to Church, and those who are struggling with their faith. For our parish to remain viable, vibrant, and vital, we need our parishioners in the pews.

Today our readings at Mass offer us deep challenges. We have heard these scriptures many times. For some, we can live this challenge. and for others, it is too difficult. To love your enemies and pray for them can be challenging. We all struggle with parts of the Commandments. May we continue to turn to Christ for help and openness.

Peace and Blessings.

Msgr. Britto

Question of the Week

What about my life is Jesus calling me to change so I can be blessed? If I have plenty of money, food and happiness what can I do to be blessed?

Season of Lent

Lent begins in two weeks. Besides offering something up for Lent, what other things can you do for Lent? Consider attending Mass during the week, or read scripture or join a Bible Study Group; or perform some work of charity. Use the Lenten Season as part of your spiritual journey

BINGO

Saturday February 22 at 1:00 in SCHOOL AUDITORIUM.
Tickets are \$ 25.00 at door or \$ 20.00 if purchased in advance at school office (hours 7:30 - 4:00).

"BLACKS IN WAX"

February 28 at 6 pm in school auditorium Tickets are \$5.00 and must be purchased in advance in school office. Please see flyer.

Note from Sister Nancy,

I just wanted our church family to know that I will be having knee replacement surgery towards the end of February, therefore you will not be seeing me in church (I assure you I will not run away). After surgery I will be recovering at St. Joseph Villa in Flourtown for about 6 weeks. I need to be able to handle "all the stairs" in the convent before returning (believe me, we have a LOT as does school). While recuperating I will be keeping all of you in my prayers. Feel free to pray for my healing and PATIENCE !!! Thanks so much!



Rosary / Bible Study
with Deacon Burton
Wednesday 6:30PM
with Deacon Melvin
ZOOM Meeting # 570-117-8316
Call in by phone - 1-646-568-7788
Host Key # 20165



The power of prayer!

Let us pray for the Sick.

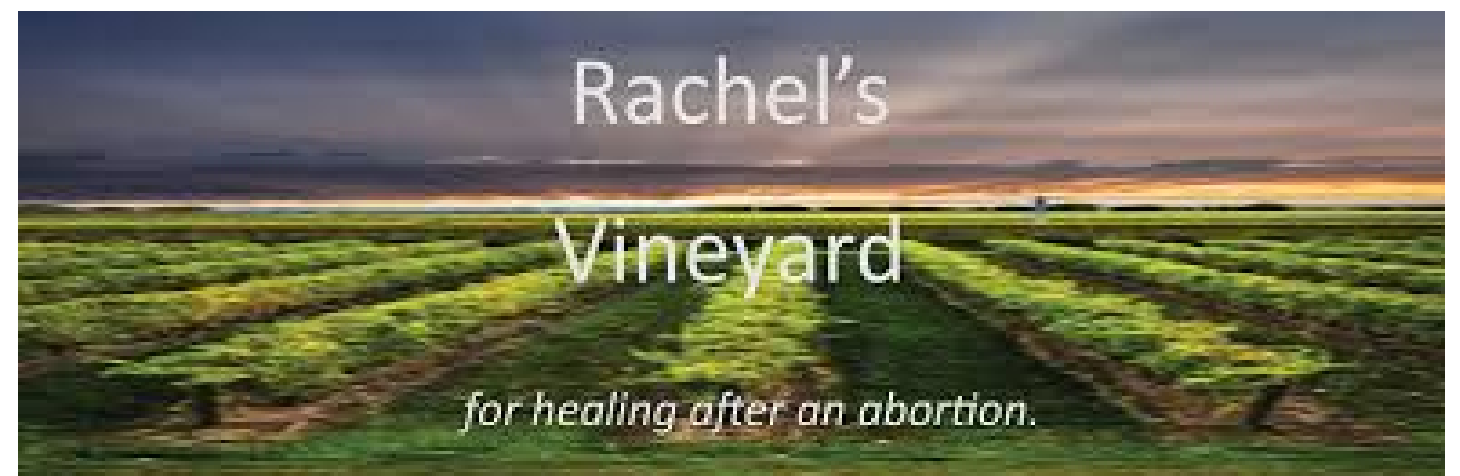
We pray for all in our Church Family who are
SICK AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM:

JENAI BALLARD, 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, LISA MCLOED, WILLIAM PATTERSON, CLARENCE PRESTON, ALMA ROSS, LOIS STREETER, TAMIKA TENDER, RENEE TURNER, VICENTE VELAZQUEZ, AUDREY VICTOR, JANICE WHITMORE, LISA WILLIAMS, MARY JEAN WILLIAMS, ROSA GALLON, LENORA CHAPMAN, FLORA HALL

Please notify the Parish Office when a name should be removed from the Sick List.

2024 Contribution Statement If you would like your 2024 statement of contribution for Income Tax purposes, please call the rectory.

MASS INTENTION
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2025
Gertrude Comegys Johnson



Sundays - 9:30 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation
or by appointment
Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m.
All are Welcome!

Come to our Healing Weekend Retreat
April 4-6, 2025
At the National Shrine of Our Lady of
Czestochowa

To register, or for more information, please call
Evelyn at (215) 317-5752.



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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.

Anointing of the sick/ Homebound Parishioners If you know a homebound parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion and a visit, please contact the rectory to set up an appointment. If you know or are caring for a sick parishioner, please contact the rectory to set up a visit for anointing and Communion for the sick and dying.

Rectory Office Hours:
Monday through Thursday 8am - 4pm

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.

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

