

Third Sunday of Advent

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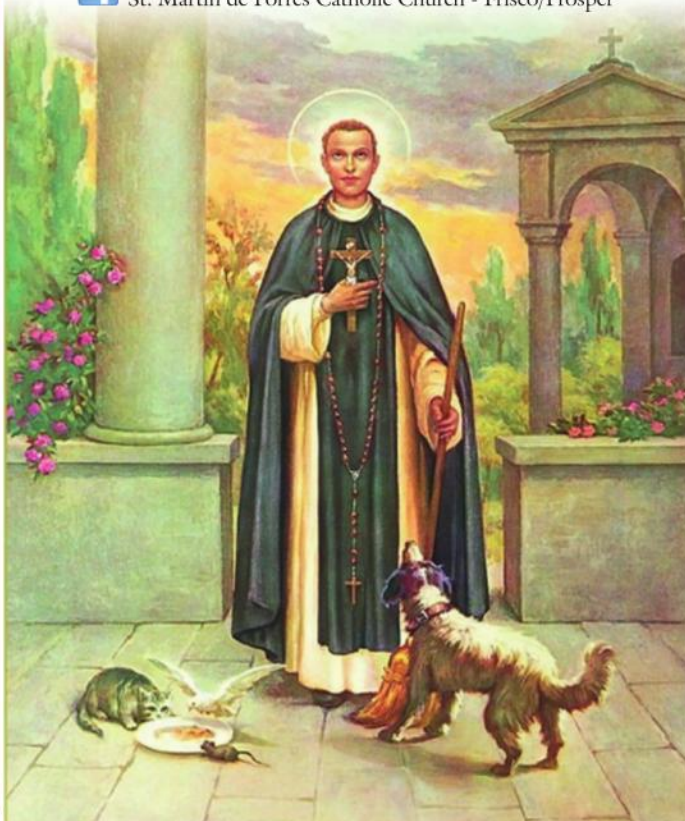
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Joy

"Behold,
I am sending
my messenger
ahead of you:
he will prepare
your way
before you."

Matthew 11:10



WELCOME TO SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES CATHOLIC CHURCH!

We invite you to become involved in our parish. If you wish to become a member, please complete a Parish Registration Form. Forms are available after all Masses and can also be found on our website.

Celebration of the Mass

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 11:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m.
Monday 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Thursday 8:30 a.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. (with school students)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:15-4:45 p.m.
or by appointment

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Richard Kirkham

Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper

Rose Burke, rose@saintmartindp.org

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Anne Savoie, anne@saintmartindp.org

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Director of Family Faith Formation

Laura Myers, lauramyersoll@gmail.com

Parish office hours at 303 King Road in Frisco
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday.

REQUESTS FOR EUCHARIST FOR THE SICK, HOMEBOUND & HOSPITAL VISITS
Please call the parish office at 469-287-7624.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated by appointment. If you wish to have your child baptized, please contact our Sacramental Coordinator, Anne Savoie. Parents and godparents are required to attend a pre-baptismal class, which are held the third Wednesday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Those wishing to marry should contact the Sacramental Coordinator as soon as possible, but at least six months prior to anticipated date of marriage.

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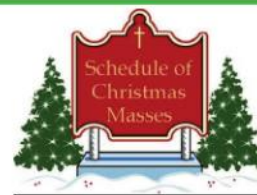
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Today's Readings:

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
Psalms 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
"Lord, come and save us."
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11



Christmas Eve, 4:00 PM
Christmas Eve, 7:00 PM
Midnight Mass, 12:00 AM
Christmas Day, 10:00 AM

Please join us 30 minutes before each Mass to enjoy music from our Music Ministry!

*No Daily Mass Monday, December 26 through Friday, December 30.
Regular Mass schedule New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.*

Mass Intentions for the Week

December 10

Saturday of the Second Week in Advent

5:00 PM (Sunday Vigil) Tony Serment (+)

December 11

Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM Pro Popula

9:00 AM

11:30 AM Donald Myers (+)

4:30 PM

December 12

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:30 AM Joy and Chip Turpin (special intention)
By Karen Ybarra

December 13

Memorial of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

December 14

Memorial of Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

6:30 PM

December 15

Thursday of the Third Week in Advent

8:30 AM

December 16

Friday of the Third Week in Advent

9:00 AM

If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, and/or you would like to have a Mass dedicated to someone, please call or visit the parish office. You can also download and print a Mass Intention Form by visiting our website, www.saintmartindp.org.

Last Week's Mass Attendance

Saturday, 5:00 PM: 119

Sunday, 7:30 AM: 61

Sunday, 9:00 AM: 199

Sunday, 11:30 AM: 181

Sunday, 4:30 PM: 141

Total Mass Attendance: 701

Stewardship News for Week Ending December 4, 2016



Weekly Need:	\$6,800.00
Offertory Collection:	\$9,667.50
Year to Date Need:	\$156,400.00
Year to Date Collected:	\$158,641.92
Total Overage:	\$2,241.92



Dear Friends in Christ,

In this season of Advent, we are continuously preparing ourselves for the celebration of Christ's birth. Why not help our own parish prepare for the coming new year by signing up with Faith Direct? By supporting St. Martin de Porres through Faith Direct, both you and our parish can save some time and peace of mind this holiday season.

Already using Faith Direct? Don't forget to add your Christmas or End-of-Year contributions to your account. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **TX706**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,

Rev. Richard Kisham



2017 Contribution envelopes are available to pick-up after all masses this weekend in the school entrance. If you registered in the parish after August 3, your envelopes will be here at the end of the month. Please note that if you contribute through Faith Direct, you will not receive a boxed set of envelopes.

Our parish has an opening for a part-time bookkeeper. The bookkeeper provides day-to-day financial support with services including accounts payable, payroll processing, and deposits as well as maintaining parishioner tithing records and providing occasional general office support. Previous bookkeeping experience required. For more information, or to apply, please send your resume and cover letter to Human Resources at jobs@fwdioc.org.

**JOB
OPENING**

St. Martin de Porres Catholic School



Thank you to everyone who helped our school sponsor 725 wreaths! If you would like to attend the annual wreath laying ceremony on December 17, come to the school entrance at 8:45 AM to caravan to DFW National Cemetery in Arlington.

The St. Martin de Porres Catholic School Rhinestone Rodeo Gala will be held on at The Tribute Golf Club on Saturday, February 4, 2016 at 6:00 PM. For more information about this event, or to sponsor or donate, please send a note to gala@smdpcatholic.org call the school at 469-362-2400, or visit www.smdpcatholic.org.



End-of-Year Contributions

The end of the year is an exciting time. Families come together, and we get to retell the story of our Savior's birth. In all the hustle and bustle that goes with this season, we ask that you prayerfully consider including St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church in your end-of-year giving. Your gift, in any amount, will assist in your plans to create a meaningful and lasting impact on our church. **All contributions must be received by December 31, 2016.**



Christmas Choir practices will be held on Saturdays from 3-4 PM, and on Sundays from 2-3 PM in December. Interested in joining our Music Ministry? Please send a note to **Joe Davison** (joe@saintmartindp.org) or see him after Mass.

St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church is on AmazonSmile! **Support your parish while you do your Christmas shopping** - Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases directly to our Church. Simply enter our parish link (smile.amazon.com/ch/47-3083287) and shop as you normally would. Thank you!

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If you would like to donate flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please reach out to Anne (anne@saintmartindp.org) in the parish office.

We will be decorating the altar with beautiful poinsettias for Christmas. **These poinsettias can be dedicated in honor or in memory of a loved one for a cost of \$20 per plant.** If you wish to donate, please pick up an envelope at the church entrance and include your loved one's name(s) on the envelope with your donation. **Please return your envelope to the parish office by Sunday, December 18.**



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

- The new Liturgical Year Lector Workbooks are in the parish office. Current lectors may pick up after any Mass, or Monday through Thursday from 9-2. Suggested donation is \$15 per book.
- Be sure to visit our website, www.saintmartindp.org, and Facebook page (St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church - Frisco/Prosper)** often to see all the latest news, calendar of events, and other important updates!
- A few opportunities remain to advertise in our bulletin! **Bill Strait with Trinity Publications is currently working on renewals and new sponsors.** He can be reached at [972-743-3864](tel:972-743-3864), or bstrait@trinitypublications.com.
- If you would like to participate in our music ministry,** come see **Joe Davison** after Mass, or send him a note (joe@saintmartindp.org).
- Are you interested in volunteering for our church or parish school?** We offer many opportunities to get involved, enjoy fellowship, and deepen your relationship with God. Please visit our website, and fill out the short form: www.saintmartindp.org/ministries.
- We have an overflow room and a room for families with young children available for your use. **Please remember to be respectful of the classrooms.**
- We sometimes take photos at church events to use on our website and Facebook page. If you prefer not to have your photo posted, please call the parish office.

If you have a submission for the bulletin, please contact Anne Savoie (anne@saintmartindp.org) by Monday at 5:00 PM.

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