

# ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

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#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church seek to further the worship of Our Lord Jesus Christ within our local community while maintaining a loving attitude and servant's heart toward all. As St. Martin de Porres did, our community embraces and protects the vulnerable, and welcomes all as brothers and sisters in Christ. We respond to God's call by creating a vibrant and faith-filled community through worship, education, stewardship, Christian fellowship, and prayer. We strive to spread spiritual virtues by serving the Lord and each other through acts of love and compassion, sharing our time, our talents, and our blessings.

#### CELEBRATION OF THE MASS

First Saturday 12:00 pm Saturday 5:00 pm (Vigil)

7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, Sunday

1:30 pm (Spanish), 4:30 pm

Monday 8:00 am Tuesday 8:00 am Wednesday 8:00 am Thursday 8:00 am Friday 8:00 am

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00-4:30 pm (Chapel) Monday 7:00 pm (Chapel)

#### **ADORATION**

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am - 9:00 pm Friday 8:30 am - 12:00 pm 6:15 am - 7:15 am Saturday Sunday 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm First Friday Vigil 8:30 am - 6:30 am First Friday 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

**REQUESTS FOR** 

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#### CHRISTMAS WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 24

4th Sunday of Advent: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am and 1:30pm (Spanish)

Christmas Eve Vigil: 4:00pm and 7:00pm

Monday, December 25

Christmas Day: 8:00am and 10:00am (bilingual)

Tuesday, December 26

No Daily Mass or Eucharistic Adoration

Monday, January 1

Principal

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Mass at 10:00am

Susan Flanagan ..

#### PARISH AND SCHOOL STAFF

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#### This Week's Calendar of Events

#### Saturday, December 16th

4:30pm Rosary (Parish Hall & Chapel)

5:00pm Vigil Mass (Larry Adkins †)

#### Sunday, December 17th

6:45am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

7:00am Rosary (Parish Hall & Chapel)

7:30am Mass (Dr. Avelina Bartolome Torres †)

8:45am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

9:00am Rosary (Parish Hall & Chapel)

9:30am Mass (Special Intentions for D.M.)

10:45am Adult Bible Study (Multipurpose Room)

10:45am OCIA Adapted for Children (Classroom 149

10:45am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

11:00am Rosary (Parish Hall & Chapel)

11:30am Mass (*Pro Populo*)
1:00pm Rosary - Spanish (Parish Hall & Chapel)
1:30pm Mass - Spanish (*Bibiana Bayas*)

1:30pm Women's Advent Study (Multipurpose Rm)

4:00pm Rosary (Parish Hall & Chapel)

4:30pm Mass (George Siller)

6:30pm – 8:00pm Adoration (Chapel)

#### Monday, December 18th

7:20am Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Chapel)

8:00am Mass (Andrew Dillon)

8:30am – 9:00pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

6:00pm Elementary Faith Formation (Multipurpose Rm)

7:00pm Confessions (Chapel)

7:00pm Weekly Spanish Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

#### Tuesday, December 19th

7:20am Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Chapel)

8:00am Mass (Jane Wingert †)

8:30am – 9:00pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

9:30am Adult Catechism (Overflow Room)

10:30am Papal Encyclicals Study (Overflow Room)

12:00pm Prayer & Reparations Holy Hour (Chapel)

6:00pm Middle/High Faith Formation (Multipurpose Rm)

6:30pm Women's Advent Study (Overflow Room)

7:00pm Weekly Choir Rehearsal (Parish Hall)

#### Wednesday, December 20th

7:20am Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Chapel)

8:00am Mass (Pascal Munyampirwat)

8:30am – 9:00pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

2:30pm Millions of Monicas (Chapel)

7:00pm Elevate Youth Group (Multipurpose Room)

7:00pm Amplify Youth Group (Learning Lab)

7:00pm OCIA (Choir & Overflow Room)

#### Thursday, December 21st

7:20am Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Chapel)

8:00am Mass (Andrew Dillon)

8:30am Eucharistic Adoration – Exposition (Chapel)

9:30am Women's Advent Study (Overflow Room)

6:30pm Women's Spanish Advent Study (Multipurpose Rm)

# This Week's Calendar (Continued)

#### Friday, December 22nd

7:20am Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Chapel)

8:00am Mass (Greg Feist)

8:30am – 12:00pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

**Saturday, December 23rd** 6:15am – 7:15am Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

6:30am Rosary & Litany of St. Joseph (Chapel)

7:20am Men's Fellowship (Multipurpose Room)

3:00pm Confessions (Chapel)

4:15pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

4:30pm Rosary (Parish Hall & Chapel)

5:00pm Vigil Mass (Victoriano Daral)



### Offertory Information

(new fiscal year began on July 1, 2023)

#### **December** 9-10 Collection

Offertory: \$7,516.75 Faith Direct: \$32,226.78 Christmas: \$925.00 \$3,189.00 Immaculate Conception: Year to Date Offertory Collected: \$524,288.09

**Diocesan and National Collections** 

Retired Religious: \$1,352.00



Hope. Love. Joy. Peace. These are the gifts of Advent.

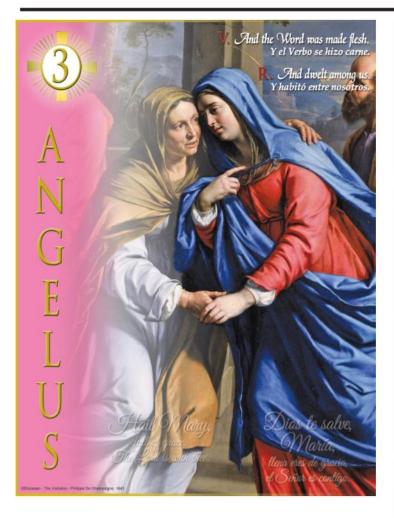
The Season of Advent is a meaningful time to reflect on your generosity. One special way to give is eGiving. It can simplify your stewardship and provide steady, consistent support to the parish – so we can be ready with programs and ministries for church families and those in our community. Your recurring gifts will sustain our parish, even if you need to miss a Sunday Mass. Enrolling is easy, and can be done in any of the following ways:

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- Text "Enroll" to 469-217-6310;
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- Call Faith Direct customer service at 866-507-8757.





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# This Week's Music

**Kyrie:** Chant Mass #858

Responsorial Psalm: pg. 40 R&A pg. 12 Gospel Acclamation: Advent Alleluia Offertory: Christ the Lord #583

**Eucharistic Acclamations:** Chant Mass Holy: #860 Memorial Acc: #861 Amen: #862

Agnus Dei: Chant Mass #896 Communion Antiphon: pg. 41

Communion: Christ, Circle Round Us #57 **Recessional:** People Look East #43



## Musica en Español

Entrada: Preparen el camino #294 Acto penitencial: Misa Gregoriana #11

Salmo Responsorial: pg. 43
Aclamación antes del Evangelio: pg. 43 **Ofertorio:** Letanía de Adviento #300 Aclamación Eucarística: Misa Gregoriana

Sanctus: #13 Post Consecrationem: #14 Amen: #15

Agnus Dei: #17

Antífona de Comunión: p. 189

Comunión: Amen. El cuerpo de Cristo #533

Salida: Un pueblo que camina #608

SMdP Prayer Warriors are waiting with open hearts...

# How can we pray for you?

prayers@saintmartindp.org



Join us for our annual Service of Lessons and Carols with Eucharistic Adoration! It is a beautiful and cheerful way to get into the season and sing Christmas carols with our wonderful choir!



#### Sunday, December 24

4th Sunday of Advent Masses 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am and 1:30pm (Spanish)

> Christmas Eve Vigil Masses 4:00pm and 7:00pm

#### Monday, December 25

Christmas Day Masses 8:00am and 10:00am (bilingual)

#### Tuesday, December 26

No Daily Mass or Eucharistic Adoration

#### Monday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Mass at 10:00am

The Parish Office will be closed December 25 through January 1, and will reopen at 9:00am on Tuesday, January 2.



#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

"O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee. O Israel."

Advent is a time to embrace this commonly heard song into our own hearts. Let Eucharistic Adoration lead you to this place of faith, hope, and trust in the only One who can save us, our families, our community, and our world.

Come and spend a moment of peace and calm with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament to surrender ourselves and all that our hearts hold to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Jesus is waiting for YOU.

Next 24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration is January 4th / 5th (always the Thursday before the First Friday of every month)

\*Committed adorers most needed during the 9pm-4am time frame of our monthly 24 –Hour Adoration

#### **Regular Adoration Hours:**

Mon-Thurs (8:30am-9:00pm); Fri (8:30am-12:00pm); Sat (6:15-7:15am); Sun (6:30pm-8:00pm)

To become a weekly or 24-Hour Committed Adorer, sign up at: http://adorationpro.org/martintx

#### St. Martin de Porres Catholic School



#### School Employment Opportunities

St. Martin de Porres Catholic School is seeking part -time After School Care Workers for the 2023-2024 school year. The position hours are 3:15-6:15pm daily while school is in session.

Desired applicants will fulfill the mission of St. Martin de Porres Catholic School by modeling the teachings of the Church, by providing a safe and engaging environment, and being able to manage students in an appropriate way. Minimum qualifications are a high school diploma or its equivalent. The position is a 10-month, non-exempt position. Interested applicants should contact Mrs. Susan Flanagan, Principal via email at **sflanagan@smdpcatholic.org**, or call the front office at 469-362-2400.

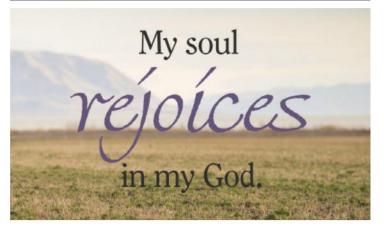


# Did you know that EVERY MONTH is Ministry Month?

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bit.ly/SMdP\_Ministries





# **Smart Ways to Give Before 2023 Ends**

Would you like to finish this year with a gift that maximizes your impact and reduces your taxes? Consider these options:

#1 Make an Immediate Difference

When you support our mission with cash, a credit card, or simply by writing a check, you make great things happen and may receive a federal income tax charitable deduction. If you itemize, you can write off the amount you're donating, resulting in lower taxable income. Unsure of whether your gift is tax-deductible? Contact your financial advisor or tax consultant.

Did you know? Your envelope must be postmarked on or before Dec. 31 for your donation to qualify this year. Cash must be in-hand and deposited before Dec. 23. Credit card gifts are effective on the date the card is charged.

#2 Use Appreciated Securities

Federal tax law allows a charitable deduction for the full market value of the securities on the transfer date of your gift. By donating appreciated securities that you have owned for longer than one year, you receive the same income tax savings as you would by making a gift of cash. You also eliminate any tax on the appreciation. This option is done through the Advancement Foundation. Visit <a href="https://www.advancementfoundation.org/ways-to-give">https://www.advancementfoundation.org/ways-to-give</a> or pick up the "Electronic Transfer of Stock/Mutual Fund" form in the Narthex or by the Chapel entrance.

#3 Make a Gift from Your IRA

If you are 70½ or older, you can give any amount up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth Advancement Foundation. (Note: this amount will be higher in subsequent years to adjust for inflation.) You will not pay income taxes on the transfer. If you are required to take minimum distributions, you can use your gift to satisfy all or part of your obligation. Your IRA administrator must remove the funds from your account by Dec. 31 for your donation to qualify this year.

Did you know? If you have check-writing features on your IRA, your check must clear your account by Dec. 31 to count toward your required minimum distribution for the calendar year.

Did you know that your gift could be matched dollar for dollar by your employer?

Many companies have a Matching Gift program for charity and educational purposes. Check with your employer to see if they have a donation matching program, as we do receive matches from companies like Toyota, Pepsico, and Abbott Labs.



#### SAFE ENVIRONMENT

UPCOMING TRAINING SESSIONS

Protecting God's Children - Adults

For NEW volunteers in the Fort Worth Diocese

Sat., January 13th @ 9:00 AM (St. Martin de Porres School)

RENEWAL: A Promise to Protect

For CURRENT volunteers who have already attended the 3 hour session in the Fort Worth Diocese

Fri., January 12th @ 6:30 PM (St. Martin de Porres School)

#### **REGISTRATION REQUIRED: VIRTUSONLINE.ORG**

Visit the Fort Worth Diocese Website for a full list of upcoming Sessions Questions: acampbell@saintmartindp.org





# BECOME ONE OF THE MILLIONS OF MONICAS

One Hour One Purpose Our Children

WEDNESDAYS 2:30-3:30PM IN THE CHAPEL ST MARTIN DE PORRES CATHOLIC CHURCH 3990 W UNIVERSITY DR. PROSPER TX 75078

Join with other mothers as we pray to grow in holiness and humility and for our children's faithful return to the Catholic Church



St. Martin de Porres Council #17304

**BRISKET TACOS:** On December 17th after the 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30am Masses, Knights of Columbus Council 17304 is selling Breakfast Brisket Tacos. Prices are: 1 for \$3.00 or 2 for \$5.00.

#### **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS MAGNETS:**

Knights of Columbus Council 17304 is selling Keep Christ in Christmas car magnets after the 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30am Masses next weekend, December 17th. Prices are \$6.00 each and will be available until they sell out.

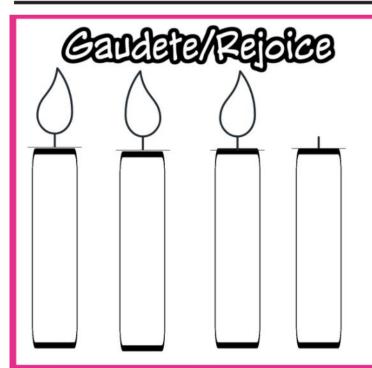
# Knight of the Month NOVEMBER 2023

Brother Carlos Olivarez has been selected by Council 17304 as the Knight of the month for November! Carlos is a native of Dallas Texas and has seen so many changes over the years in DFW. He and his wife Lore are parents of 4, plus one daughter-in-law and his youngest is a sophomore



at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville. They now live in Celina after bouncing back and forth between north Dallas and the Nashville area over the last 15 years as he worked with Nissan. He is now at Dell and working from home so is free to roam.

He has been a brother of the order for 39 years. He was a Columbian Squire prior to his membership and made his 1st Degree once he turned 18. He has served in several capacities over the years in numerous councils and assemblies that included Grand Knight, Faithful Navigator, and District Deputy. He has helped start both a council in TN and an assembly in Allen, TX as well as multiple round tables over the years. He has been in IT for over 30 years, but his passion is more in the creative world. He has done some acting on stage, radio, commercials, and movies and is now working on his first novel. He enjoys being with family and friends, traveling, board games, and cooking. He is a veteran and part of the American Legion in Celina and continues to support veteran causes. He has also been very involved with his parishes over the years and attended events such as World Youth Day (2005) in Germany with his sons, March For Life in DC, ACTS Retreat, Cursillo, and CHRP.



Space for the little ones... Third Sunday of Advent Even while preparing remember the celebration ahead!

#### Readings:

#### Book of the Prophet Isaiah 61:1-2A, 10-11

I rejoice heartily in the LORD, in my God is the joy of my soul; for he has clothed me with a robe of salvation and wrapped me in a mantle of justice,

#### Responsorial Psalm:

My soul rejoices in my God.

#### FIRST LETTER TO THE THESSALONIANS 5:16-24

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit.

#### Gospel according to St. John 1:6-8, 19-28

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light.

Gaudete means "rejoice" in Latin.
The Catholic Church uses the color rose to indicate a joyful feast day or holiday.

ST. Martin's Kid's Corner

# December Outreach

# The Children's Advocacy Center for North Texas

Needed items

#### Gift Cards

Target, Amazon, Kroger, Walmart

#### **Bath & Body Gift Sets**

for Girls & Boys

#### **Hats, Gloves Scarves**

child to adult

#### Socks & Underwear

child to adult sizes

Please drop off items in the designated outreach cart throughout the month of December



# December Outreach

#### **MEATS**

Canned Beef Canned Beef Stew (38oz./24oz. can) Canned Chicken Canned Chicken & Dumplings Canned Ham (small) Canned Ravioli

#### **FRUITS**

Applesauce Canned Pears Canned Pineapple Canned Mixed Fruit Canned Mandarin Orange

#### **VEGETABLES**

Canned Asparagus Canned Beets Canned Carrots Canned Beans (Lima, Pinto, Garbanzo) Canned Mixed Vegetables Canned Potatoes

#### MISC

Vegetable Oil (48oz.) Boxed Cake Mix & Frosting **Boxed Rice Dishes** Grape Jelly White Sugar (4-5lb bag) Creamy Peanut Butter

#### MEXICAN FOOD

Tortillas, Refried Beans, Masa

#### NO JUNK FOOD PLEASE

Please drop off all items in the outreach carts throughout the month of December



to our parishioners, Outreach Committee, volunteers, and Middle & High School Youth Groups. You helped Neighbors Nourishing Neighbors provide Thanksgiving Meals to **200** local families.









The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor"

Proverbs 22:9 NIV

# THANK YOU

to our parishioners, the students and families at St. Martin de Porres Catholic School, the Outreach Committee, and volunteers.

The Chidlren's Advocacy Center for North Texas will help fulfil Christmas wishlists for over 500 children in need this holiday season.

Thank you for selflessly giving of your time and resources to help provide hope, joy and Christmas.



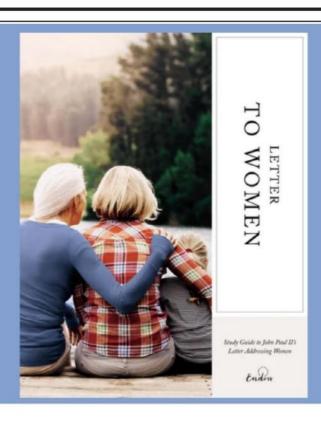


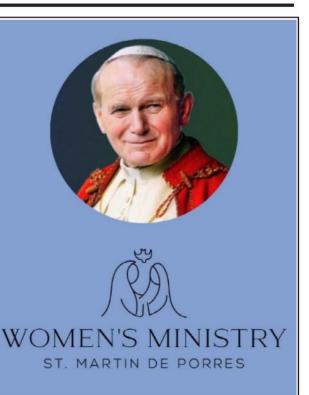




"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:40





# REGISTER NOW TO JOIN US FOR OUR ENDOW STUDY LETTER TO WOMEN

JOIN THE WOMEN OF ST. MARTIN DE PORRES THIS NEW YEAR BY DIVING DEEPER INTO YOUR FAITH. THIS LETTER ACQUAINTS US WITH THE THOUGHTS OF POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II AND IS THE PERFECT INTRODUCTION TO THE CHRISTIAN CONCEPT OF WOMAN AND HER INDISPENSABLE ROLE IN THE CHURCH, THE FAMILY, SOCIETY, AND THE WORLD.

#### STUDY INFO

- THURSDAY EVENINGS FROM 7-8:30PM
  - 1/4, 1/11, 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8 IN THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
- · OPEN TO ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH
- · CHILDREN ALWAYS WELCOME
- REGISTER BY DEC 9 TO BE INCLUDED IN OUR BULK ORDER AND RECEIVE DISCOUNT

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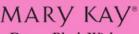


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