

## July 9, 2023: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Latest Update: Father Martin Centennial (Sunday, August 6, 11:30 AM)

We are only **one month away** from the **Great Celebration** of the **100th Anniversary of the death of Father Narcisse Martin (1845-1923)** on **Sunday, August 6 !!** This will be one of the most **Powerful** and **Joyful Celebrations** EVER held at **Our Lady Help of Christians!**

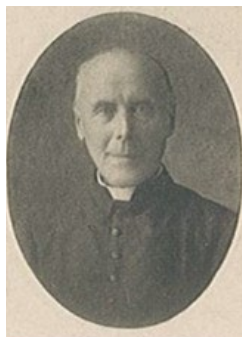
**MOST POWERFUL!** We are celebrating the **life of a Saint** who served the entire areas of Waldorf/Baden/Accokeek for 29 long and holy years (**1894-1923**). Father Martin was a true **inspiration** in ways to **evangelize** recent immigrants including German- and French-speaking farmers (from Europe), African-Americans (many former slaves), and Native Americans (the Piscataway Indians). We are **remembering the legacy** of someone who demonstrated the heroic virtue of a **"ZEAL for SOULS"**, the basis for his being considered by Cardinal Gregory as a candidate for **"SERVANT OF GOD"**, the first step in the canonization process to be approved by Pope Francis, following Cardinal Gregory's recommendation. We are currently awaiting the nomination of a **Postulator** to advise Cardinal Gregory on the next steps of the process.

**MOST JOYFUL!** Thus far, I had simply asked each of you to **Save the Date**. Today, **I am personally inviting you to join us on Sunday, August 6 at the 11:30 am Mass** and to the **Festival of Joy, 12:30 to 3:00 PM** that follows!! **WHY** should you come? **WHY** should you invite your family and friends to come also? It is **ALL ABOUT JOY!** Below are **some of the highlights** we have planned for the **August 6 Celebration**:

1. 11:30 a.m. Mass will celebrate the top priority given by Father Martin to the **EUCCHARIST** as the center of **worshipping God** as a **community in communion with one another**. **An entire community**, made up of **different cultures being One in the Eucharist**, **ALL** becoming **ONE IN CHRIST**, independently of different cultures---**Intercultural Unity!**
2. What will be especially **Joyful** about this 11:30 a.m. Mass?
  - A. **Bishop Roy Campbell**, a **native son** of **Charles County**, and **first-ever African-American Bishop** born in Charles County, will be the **Presider** and **Homilist**. A reminder to all of us of the largest community served by Father Martin (Baptisms, First Communions, Weddings) was **African-American** (including feed slaves and local tobacco farmers), together with **Native Americans** (parents and relatives of Father Robert Pittman).
  - B. This unique **Memorial Mass**, the exact **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** (a Centennial), will pay special tribute to **Father Martin's legacy**. It will include the **world premiere** of an **"Offertory Meditation for Organ and Soprano"**, and a brilliant **"Sortie for Organ Solo"**, newly composed by a young and talented French composer. The composer chose the English words of the **Vocation Prayer** (promoting the priesthood and Father Martin's intercession) for The **Lyrics of Meditation**. The current organist of St. Matthew's Cathedral has agreed to join us for this world premiere!

I will inform you of the highlights of the Festival of Joy (12:30 pm to 3 pm) in next week's column. Stay tuned!

One in Christ,  
Fr Alain



**\*We are asked to pray for:**

George Gallagher  
D'Vaughn Webster  
Lynette Washington  
David Mesler  
Ken Housewright

Wanda Lapinski  
Tiffany Chase  
Monica Halloran  
Kathryn & David Newman

*Names will remain for three months or until healed*



**Mass Intentions this Week**

**Saturday, July 8,**  
9:00 AM: Maria Santos (+)  
5:00 PM: Enrique Barrera (+)  
**Sunday, July 9,**  
8:30 AM: Sr. Rosario  
10:00AM: Lorrin Green (+)  
11:30 AM: Sarah Dixon(+)  
1:00 PM:  
7:00 PM: OLHOC Parishioners  
**Monday, July 10,**  
9:00AM: Deacon Isaac Sagastume

**Tuesday, July 11,**  
9:00AM: Souls in Purgatory  
**Wednesday, July 12**  
9:00 AM: Milton & Lexy Galvan  
7:00PM: HisaKe Monica Reumont (+)  
**Thursday, July 13,**  
9:00 AM: Rosalene Morales  
**Friday, July 14,**  
9:00: AM: Valerie Emenike

**The Diaconate**



**El Diaconado**

Have you ever wondered what exactly is the role of the deacon in the Church?

Our summer Deacon Isaac Sagastume will present on the role of the diaconate!

Come and find out!

**Friday, July 14th at 7 PM**  
Fr. Martin Hall



**viernes, 14 de julio 7 PM**  
Salón P. Martin

¿Se ha preguntado alguna vez exactamente el oficio del diácono en la iglesia?

¡Nuestro diácono Isaac Sagastume presentará el oficio del diácono!

¡Ven y entérate!

**Tuesday Scripture Study** - Join us on Tuesday mornings after the 9 am Mass to study the readings for the next Sunday.

**Friday Scripture Study** - The Friday night scripture study is now online. Please call the office for information on how to join us.

**First Friday** - The first Friday of each month the evening Mass in Latin is dedicated to promoting the Priesthood. Following evening Mass, devotion to the Alliance of the two Hearts.

**First Saturday** - Join members of the Marian Group on the first Saturday of the month after the 9 am Mass. Learn more about consecrating your life to Jesus through Mary.

**Divine Mercy** - Join us on the first Saturday of each month as we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet as a community at 3 PM.

**OLHOC Prayer Chain**

If you have a prayer request, please call the parish office or send email

**Mass Readings for July 16, 2023**

**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**\*First Reading**  
Isaiah 55:10-11 (103A)

**\*Second Reading**  
Romans 8:18-23

**\*Gospel**  
Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)


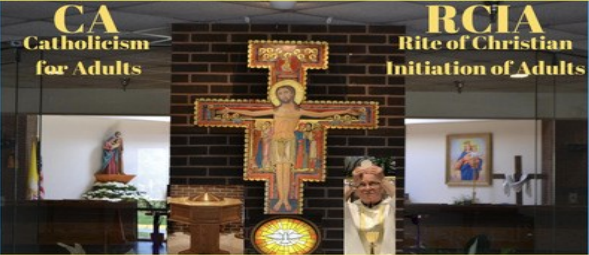


## French Mass every Sunday 1 pm

*By popular demand, the French Mass will be every Sunday at 1 pm beginning July 2.*

*Everyone is invited to enjoy this beautiful Mass! .Don't know French? No problem, we have a booklet that you can follow along with us. Mass is followed by a fellowship lunch in the Narthex*

Interested in joining & learning about the Catholic Church for the first time?  
Want to complete a Sacrament (Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation)?  
Want to learn and understand your Catholic Faith better?

<p><b>CA</b> Catholicism for Adults</p> <p>For more info. or to sign-up please contact Deacon Rich deacon@olhoc.org</p> 		<p><b>RCIA</b> Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</p> <p>The Rite of Christian Initiation is designed for adults who seek to learn more about God, our Faith &amp; desire to enter the Christian faith!</p>
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**Classes Meet on  
Wednesdays at 7 pm**  
Location - Fr. Martin Hall  
All parishioners are welcome and invited to join us!

### Rito de Iniciacion Cristiana para Adultos (RICA)

Esta interesado en unirse o aprender sobre la Iglesia Catolica por primera vez? Desea completar sus Sacramentos (Bautismo, Eucaristia y/o Confirmacion) Quiere aprender o entender mejor la Fe Catolica El Programa del RICA (Rito de Iniciacion Cristiana) disenado para 18 anos y adultos. Empezamos el 27 de Agosto 2023

Informacion con Milton Galvan/ Maria Lam 240-551-3295 Las Clases son los Domingos a las 4:30 pm Salon 103

Because of 7 PM Concert of Priests and Youth,

**FIRST FRIDAY LATIN MASS on July 7th** will be exceptionally at 6 PM  
preceded by 5 PM ADORATION

**A Night with our Priests & Youth in Concert:  
Benefit Dinner for WYD 2023 in Portugal**

All are invited to join us for a benefit dinner accompanied by music, entertainment by some youth and priests (Fr Jan will play the drums.) Please RSVP, proceeds from this benefit dinner will support the youth going on the pilgrimage. There will be live and silent auctions, raffles & other opportunities to support the youth.



**Friday, July 7th  
7 PM  
in the Fr. Martin Hall**

**Suggested donation  
\$20 per person**  
Questions, contact Fr Jan



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*"We are seeking to hire a part time building maintenance person." 5 days 3 hours per day.*

*If interested please see Dick Potter (607-728-0668), (potterra28@yahoo.com) or leave contact information in Office.*

*"Estamos buscando una persona para mantenimiento del Edificio". 5 dias /3 horas por dia.*

*Si esta interesados por favor vea a Dick Potter o deje su informacion en la Oficina*



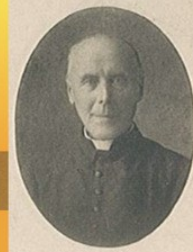
## 100th Anniversary of the Death of Fr. Narcisse Martin, S.S.

December 31, 1845 - August 6, 1923

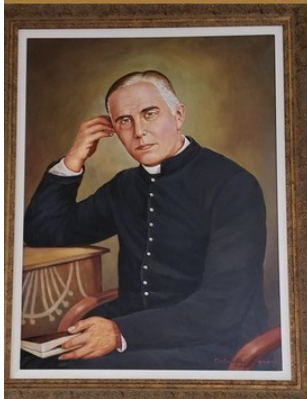
Professor, Theologian, Author & Pastor

Serving the people of Waldorf from 1894 - 1923

Current parishes (St Michael Baden with its own mission church  
St Dominic's, St Peter's and Our Lady Help of Christians)



**Save the date!**



**August 6th**

**11:30 AM Memorial Mass**

**followed by a Festival of Joy**

**from 12:30 PM - 3 PM**

(music, a play about the life of Fr Martin,  
delicious food, games for the children & adults...)

For more details visit [www.olhoc.org/frmartin](http://www.olhoc.org/frmartin)



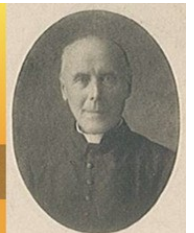
## 100 Aniversario de la Muerte de Padre Narcisse Martin, S.S.

31 de diciembre, 1845 - 6 de Agosto, 1923

Profesor, Teólogo, Autor y Pastor

Sirviendo al pueblo de Waldorf de 1894 - 1923

Parroquias actuales (San Miguel en Baden con la iglesia misionera  
Santo Domingo, San Pedro y Maria Auxiliadora)



**Aparte la fecha!**



**6 de Agosto**

**11:30 AM Misa en Su Memoria**

**despues de la Misa El Festival De La Alegria**

**desde las 12:30 PM - 3 PM**

(musica, una Obra acerca de la vida del Padre Martin,  
deliciosa comida, juegos para niños y adultos...)

Para mas detalles visite [www.olhoc.org/frmartin](http://www.olhoc.org/frmartin)