



# 6th Sunday of Easter



# ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

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## PARISH & MASS SCHEDULE

<b>May 17</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
8:00 a.m. Private Mass	†William Rafferty by Sam Waldron
11:00 a.m. Private Mass	For the people of St. Martin
<b>May 18</b>	<b>Monday</b>
<b>May 19</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>
<b>May 20</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
9:00a.m. Private Mass	†Dawn Stuut
<b>May 21</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>May 22</b>	<b>Friday</b>
9:00a.m. Private Mass	†Joe Thamann by Dcn Tom & Pam Thamann
<b>May 23</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
5:30 p.m. Private Mass	†James Lezotte by Raymond & Martha Lezotte
<b>May 24</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
8:00 a.m. Private Mass	†Jerry Hendenach by Lenny Jaworski
11:00 a.m. Private Mass	For the people of St. Martin

**Mass Schedule**  
Saturday 5:30p Sunday 8:00a & 11:00a Wed. & Fri. 9:00a  
Reconciliation on Saturdays 10:00-11:00a  
Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9:00a-4:00p

## ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH STAFF

**Pastor:** Msgr. Thomas A. Martin  
**Deacons:** Thomas Thamann and David Guido  
**Administrative Assistant:** Colleen Takacs  
**Bookkeeper:** Bobbie Appelgren  
**Director of Religious Education:** Tim McNamara  
**Coordinator of Youth Ministry:** Shannon Sheets  
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"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." (1 Peter 3:17)

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result that was intended or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

## WORD OF LIFE MAY 17, 2020

"As Americans, as Catholics and as pastors of our people, we write therefore today to call our fellow citizens back to our country's founding principles, and most especially to renew our national respect for the rights of those who are unborn, weak, disabled and terminally ill. Real freedom rests on the inviolability of every person as a child of God."

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops  
"Living the Gospel of Life," © 1998 USCCB.

## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION - MAY

### For Deacons

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

*"I will not leave  
you orphans; I will  
come to you."*



### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Jody Cunningham, Fr. Frances Faraci,  
Judy Hansford, Gina Hygema,  
Vicki Pearl, Monica Pelto, Leo Swiat

## SPSPONSOR OF THE WEEK: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## PARISH SUPPORT MAY 10, 2020

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**DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR ST. MARTIN OF TOURS**

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Happy May to you and yours! Praying and hoping that everyone is safe and well.

As we step into May and with summer running right up after, I wanted to invite and encourage your family to dive into some faith engagement opportunities. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these:

- 1) Family At-Home Retreat - The Diocese of Kalamazoo created a retreat for you and your family to dive into together, discussing important topics such as having a relationship with Jesus and considering our service to others, among several other topics. Please consider doing some or all the retreat at a pace that works for your family.  
Check out this retreat offering at [www.diokzoo.org/retreatathome](http://www.diokzoo.org/retreatathome).
- 2) Formed - Formed is the online faith based platform that is paid for by St. Martin of Tours (and thus free for each of us!) and offers a bunch of series and videos (in English and Spanish). You are sure to find something for the whole family, whether that be livestream Mass and Bible studies to Q and A about faith and morals to cartoons for the kids. Please check it out! If you don't have an account yet,
  1. visit FORMED.org
  2. Click Sign Up
  3. Select "I belong to a Parish or Organization"
  4. Find your parish by name
  5. Enter your email-and you're in!
- 3) Bishop Bradley's Latest Pastoral Letter to All the Faithful - Our dear Bishop Bradley has written us each a letter, encouraging us to look forward in hope during these days of pandemic. The letter is called "From Darkness to Light: Hope for a New Pentecost". You can read this letter on the home page of the St. Martin website.

**YOUTH MINISTER:**

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Youth Group Zoom meeting this Wednesday at 7:00pm. We will be hearing the conversion and discernment story of seminarian, Bobby Tull. Email Shannon at [ym@stmartinvicksburg.org](mailto:ym@stmartinvicksburg.org) for the link to join us!

Check out Project YM's live broadcasts with incredible speakers every Sunday at 8pm. Use this link to view: <http://projectym/watchGroup>

**Updates:**

For the safety of everyone, Catholic Heart Work Camp has canceled all of their 2020 summer camps, so our wonderful youth will not be able to attend. Ideally, we would like to host a local replacement activity, so please keep us in your prayers as we seek alternative plans and wait for clearance to begin planning. Please contact Shannon if you would like to assist with or help in the planning of the local activity (of course, due to our current situation date is TBD).

We have the following confirmed graduating seniors in our parish. If you know of anyone who should be on this list, please email Shannon at [ym@stmartinvicksburg.org](mailto:ym@stmartinvicksburg.org) or call the church office and leave a message.

Madison Aguilon  
 Sophia Bleeker  
 Maisy Milo Crawford  
 Johnathon Hunter  
 Leah Johnson  
 Madalyn Johnson  
 Anessa Laske  
 Ashlyn Girolami  
 Michael Sirotti  
 Chase Stenger  
 Simon Swager  
 Kaitlynn Szydlowski  
 Emma Wykert

## INSIDE OUR PARISH

**EMAIL UPDATES:** In an attempt to alert parishioners of any changes going on during Covid19 we have been sending bulk emails. We have received errors of either incorrect emails or unable to deliver due to anti spam issues. If your NOT receiving an email and would like to be included please email bullein@stmartinvicksburg.org with the email you'd like us to use.

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

Please visit the Diocesan website at [www.diokzoo.org](http://www.diokzoo.org) for updates.

### LIVE STREAM MASSES WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN ST. MARTIN'S AND ST. EDWARD'S EACH WEEK.

This weekend Mass will be at St. Martin's at 8:00a on May 17.

### VOLUME ISSUES FOR ST. MARTIN'S LIVE STREAMING:

Here are some general checks you can do for volume settings--

#### Option 1

For computers with separate amplified speakers (like desktops, etc.) make sure to check the volume knobs on the (typically) right speaker itself. Make sure these are set to at least 75% but usually not 100% as this can cause distortion.

#### Option 2

For laptops, desktops, etc. there are also software settings you can access via a icon that looks like a speaker, located in the lower right corner of the desktop, usually next to the date and time. Click once to popup the screen with a slide bar, then adjust to 75% or similar.

#### Option 3

When playing video from a website, etc. there will usually be another volume setting on the video itself. Normally this is somewhere on the screen in the lower left or right and uses a similar icon as the speaker for windows down by the clock.

For hardware, such as with a tablet/cell phone/etc. It is common for those to have hardware buttons located on the outside left or right to manually adjust the software controlled volume (similar to option 2)

If these suggestions do not work for you here are some other Mass viewing options:

1. Channel 8 on TV every Sunday has Mass from the Grand Rapids Cathedral at 10a.
2. Comcast parishioners have watched EWTN channel 61 and viewed Masses several times a day and Sunday Masses.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE.** New videos and messages from Msgr Martin, our Diocese and St. Martin's Ministries are updated periodically.



### 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 17, 2020

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God" everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us; God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins. 1JN 4:7-10

# *Mother's Day 2020*

## *Spiritual Remembrance*

### *Donor*

Lorraine Burnham  
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Elizabeth Lowe  
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Marion Vogler

### *In Memory*

Frances Noga  
Phyllis Podkol  
Violet Young  
J. Escamilla, D. Kelley, M. Sutton

Henrietta Kosacek & Marie Gardner  
Ivak Darrance, Ivy Lowe, B. Haines  
Wilma Maneikis  
Rose LaMere  
Mary Gragory, Therese Sokolowski  
Catherine Taucker

### *In Honor*

In Honor of Stacy Outman  
J. Escamilla, D. Kelley, M. Sutton

In Honor of Angie Cahue Kozacek  
In Honor of Mitzi Resseguie



## KEEPING IN TOUCH THROUGH COVID 19 UPDATE FROM MSGR MARTIN MAY 12, 2020

*I am sending my prayers and best wishes to my parish families of St. Edward the Confessor and St. Martin of Tours ~*

*It is hard to believe that we are already in the fifth week of the Easter Season. This has been the most unusual Easter that anyone could imagine. For many of us these have been stressful and unsettling times. But, perhaps these times have also been the occasion of blessing. The restrictions imposed on us all have offered us a respite from the frantic pace of our normal lives. This unexpected quiet time presents us with opportunity to reflect on our lives, to discover what really matters, what is necessary, what is essential and what gives meaning to our life.*

*For many people this time of confinement has helped them to engage in a renewed and deeper relationship with our Lord Jesus. I hope and pray that each of us have grown deeper in our relationship with our savior during these difficult times.*

*As we move forward, it is with great anticipation that we look toward the public celebration of Mass. This could occur as early as the weekend of May 31st, Pentecost. Return to the public celebration of Mass will take place in phases. Bishop Bradley is consulting with Diocesan Presbyteral Council and His Bishop's Leadership Team to assemble a plan for our reentry into the public celebration of the Mass. This information will be made available to you as soon as it is complete.*

*Please continue to visit the St. Martin web page and St. Edward face book for new information. Incidentally, St. Edward's now has its own web page. You can check it out at [www.stedwardmendon.org](http://www.stedwardmendon.org).*

*Thank you to all the parishioners and friends who have been following our live streamed Sunday Mass. Last Sunday we were at St. Edwards. This Sunday, May 17th we will live stream the 8 AM Mass from St. Martins. Thanks to Kathy Laske for making this possible. I understand that some have had technical difficulties getting our live stream. Keep us in prayer. We want to do our best for you and of course for our Lord.*

*I looked at last Sunday's live stream and I had to laugh at myself. I haven't been able to get my hair cut in almost two months. Looking at my hair it was a flashback to the 1970's.*

*Finally to the good people of St. Martin and St. Edward who have been so very faithful in your financial support of your parish family...Thank You and God Bless You!*

*I miss celebrating Mass with you and the people of St. Edward's and St. Martin are remembered daily in my prayers and masses. Please remember our deacons and staff at both parishes and me in your prayers. May almighty God bless you, In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

*Sincerely in Christ*

*Rev. Msgr. Thomas A. Martin*