



# 3rd Sunday of Easter

## ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

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Pastor: Msgr. Thomas A Martin

**Mass Schedule:** Sat 5:30p Sun 8:00a & 11:00a Wed & Fri 9:00a **Live-Stream Mass:** May 01 at 9:30a

**Reconciliation:** Sat 10a or by appt.

**Office Hours:** Mon—Fri 9a-4p

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### MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Apr 30 5:30p **Mass** †Joe Madden  
by The VanderBeek family

May 01 7:35a **Rosary**  
8:00a **Mass** For the people of St. Martin  
9:30a **Last day of Religious Ed classes**  
**and Adult Study Group**  
9:35a **Parish Cenacle** till 10:30a  
10:35a **Rosary**  
11:00a **Mass** †Bill Brumleve  
by Mike & Carol Coppens

12:00p **May Crowning**  
May 04 6:30p **Holy Hour** at St. Edward's  
9:00a **Mass** †Clarence & Ann Fothergil  
by Larry & Judy LeVan

May 05 7:00p **RCIA** (Last week until Fall)

May 06 8:00a First Friday Adoration till 9:00a  
9:00a **Mass** †Deceased members of the  
Anthony Sokolowski family  
by Rita Sokolowski

9:30a First Friday Adoration till 7:00p  
May 07 7:30a **Men's Group**  
5:05p **Rosary**  
5:30p **Mass** †Trisha DeWolff  
by Mom, Dad & Jennifer

May 08 7:35a **Rosary**  
8:00a **Mass** †Paul Jepsen & Eugene LeVan  
by Larry & Judy LeVan  
**Farmer's Breakfast**  
10:35a **Rosary**  
11:00a **Mass** For the people of St. Martin  
**Farmer's Breakfast** till 1:00p



Otto Decker

April 26, 2022

*Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord*



Ethel Markan

April 25, 2022

*Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord*

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### LECTOR/USHER/SCRIP SCHEDULE

May 07 5:30p Lector: Nancy H

Ushers: Ken & Gail D, Doug & Deb S

Scrip sales: Volunteer

May 08 8:00a Lector: Szwaja

Ushers: Melissa C, Volunteer, Larry L, Joe R

Scrip sales LeVan

May 08 11:00a Lector: Angie S

Ushers: Coleen V, Cindy J, Jack & Lilli C

Scrip sales: Van Dalen

## INSIDE OUR PARISH

**FARMERS BREAKFAST IS NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 08 FROM 9:00A—1:00P** in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to join us.

**THE NEW LECTOR AND USHER SCHEDULES** will be prepared soon. If you anticipate any changes in your availability between June 4—August 13, please inform Sue in the Parish Office by no later than Friday, May 13.

**NEXT WEEKEND IS COMMITMENT WEEKEND FOR THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL.** This appeal is our opportunity as Christian stewards to show our gratitude for all God's gifts and to do what He has asked us to do--reinvest a small portion of our blessings into growing His Kingdom and continuing the work of Jesus Christ. When you give to the Bishop's Appeal, you make possible the more than 70 spiritual, pastoral, educational, and charitable programs and services provided through the diocese. Your gift does make a difference! Our parish goals are 100% participation and \$64,792. Your gift will help us accomplish both. You should receive your pledge card this week.

**MAY IS THE MONTH OF OUR HOLY MOTHER MARY.** We will be reciting the Holy Rosary twenty-five minutes before each weekend Mass beginning on Sunday, May 1st. We need volunteers to lead the Rosary. If you can volunteer, please see the sign up sheet in the narthex beginning on Apr 23/24.

**SOUTH COUNTY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** canned beans such as kidney, great northern, pinto, and black beans, Jello gelatin, breakfast cereal, & jelly. (The pantry cannot accept home canned items.) Toothpaste is also needed. Thank you for your continued support of our local food pantry!

**LAST WEEK TO SIGN THE LET MI KIDS LEARN PETITION!** Watch a video about this petition on our website at [www.stmartinvicksburg.org](http://www.stmartinvicksburg.org). Please prayerfully consider signing the two required petitions to create the scholarship program and tax credits to improve the education of Michigan's school children. This petition is available for signatures in the parish office Monday—Friday from 9a-3p. Petitions must be submitted no later than May 10!

**SOME FUN FACTS ABOUT OUR MARY GARDEN:** The garden began almost 30 years ago with Pat Brumleve having an inspiration for a meditation garden. She recruited the entire parish to make her dream a reality. There were pancake breakfasts, spaghetti dinners, and other activities to raise money for a beautiful statue of Mary. Parishioners volunteered time, sweat, plants and money to create a beautiful debt-free garden. Pat was hopeful that the garden would continue to be a blessing to the parish throughout the years. And indeed it has!

Pat has said: "We've learned that gardening helps us "understand the delicate balance" and feel a part of our living planet. We see it as a way to respond to an inner voice telling us to seek a simpler life. We know that gardening helps us recuperate from stress, gives us pleasure and can stimulate us intellectually. Why am I not surprised at this? After all, time began in a garden."

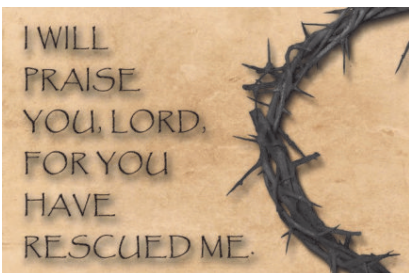
The St. Isadore Guild is honored, proud and happy to be able to carry on this tradition of a sacred meditation garden. We invite you to enjoy the garden whenever you can. Pray, read, dream, meditate, paint pictures the flowers, sing, smell the flowers, enjoy! We also invite you to participate in the maintenance of the garden. It's fun! And you will meet many wonderful people who also love the garden.

**ON MAY 15, OUR PARISH WILL TAKE UP THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION.** Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Please give generously to the collection, and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the six Catholic agencies the collection funds at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

### PARISH SUPPORT APRIL 24, 2022

Envelopes: 93	Weekly Goal:\$6,730
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Mailed in envelopes:	\$1,561.60
On Line Giving:	\$0
Total Collection:	\$6,446.60

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## St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church

**Mass Schedule:** Saturday 5:30PM  
 Sunday 8:00 and 11:00AM  
 Wed. & Fri 9:00 AM  
**Reconciliation:** 10-11:00AM Sat. or by appointment  
**First Friday Adoration:** 8-9AM, 9:30AM-7:00PM  
**Other Fridays:** 8-9:00AM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Third Sunday of Easter 7:35AM & 10:35AM: Holy Rosary 9:30AM-10:45AM: Last day of Religious Ed. Classes & Adult Study Group 9:30-10:30AM Cenacle After 11AM Mass: May Crowning	<b>2</b> St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church	<b>3</b> SS. Philip and James, Apostles	<b>4</b> 6:30-7:30PM: Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction at St. Edward's	<b>5</b> 7PM: R.C.I.A	<b>6</b> First Friday 8-9AM, 9:30AM-7:00PM: First Friday Adoration	<b>7</b> 7:30AM Men's Group 5:05PM: Holy Rosary
<b>8</b> Fourth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day 7:35AM & 10:35AM: Holy Rosary 9AM-1PM: Farmer's Breakfast	<b>9</b> 10AM Caring Hands	<b>10</b> St. Damien de Veuster of Molokai, Priest St. John of Avila, Priest & Doctor of the Church	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> SS. Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs St. Pancras, Martyr	<b>13</b> Our Lady of Fatima 8-9AM: Adoration	<b>14</b> St. Matthias, Apostle 7:30AM: Men's Group 5:05PM Holy Rosary
<b>15</b> Fifth Sunday of Easter 7:35AM & 10:35AM Holy Rosary	<b>16</b> 7PM St Vincent DePaul	<b>17</b> 1PM HALOS	<b>18</b> St John I, Pope & Martyr 6:30-7:30PM Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction at St. Martin's	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> St. Bernadine of Siena, Priest 8-9AM Adoration	<b>21</b> St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest & Companions, Martyrs 7:30AM Men's Group 5:05PM Holy Rosary
<b>22</b> Sixth Sunday of Easter 7:35AM & 10:35AM Holy Rosary	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 7PM Knights of Columbus	<b>25</b> St. Bede, the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church St. Gregory VII, Pope St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin	<b>26</b> St. Philip Neri, Priest	<b>27</b> St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop 8-9AM Adoration	<b>28</b> No Men's Group 5:05PM Holy Rosary
<b>29</b> The Ascension of the Lord 7:35AM & 10:35AM: Holy Rosary	<b>30</b> Memorial Day Parish Office closed today	<b>31</b> The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary				



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## PICK OF THE WEEK

May 1, 2022

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### REACHING OUT TO TODAY'S CULTURE BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

Saints Philip and James each lived extraordinary lives of missionary zeal. In this insightful talk, Bishop Barron shares his advice on how to live similar lives of mission within a culture dominated by media and misconceptions about faith.



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**DIOCESE OF KALAMAZOO CAREGIVERS CONNECTIONS.** Caregivers meet to support each other and to build relationships. Meetings are held via Zoom each month. Sign up to participate at <https://www.diokzoo.org/caregivers> Next meeting is this weekend Sunday, May 01 at 2:00p.

**JOY-FILLED MARRIAGE UPCOMING RETREAT** dates: A marriage formation weekend for engaged couples. The Joy-Filled Marriage process is a comprehensive marriage preparation program rooted in virtues as well as Theology of the Body. The program incorporates rich Catholic theology with sound psychology. MAY 14-15 SEPTEMBER 10-11 To register, visit [diokzoo.org/marriage-preparation](https://www.diokzoo.org/marriage-preparation)

**YOUR INVITED TO WIDOWED FRIENDS:** Wed, May 18 from 4p-5p We invite men & women who are widowed, to join in conversation, prayerful support, and sharing of ideas to walk with one another in faith. We offer virtual gatherings once a month—typically on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. For details contact [struchan@diokzoo.org](mailto:struchan@diokzoo.org)

## GOING ALL IN! THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord.” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. John 21:7

Peter was all in, literally speaking. This passage above is taken from one of the appearances of Jesus to the Apostles after His Resurrection. They were fishing all night and caught nothing. Jesus, from the shore, told them to cast the net off the right side of the boat. When they did this they caught more fish than they could handle. When John realized it was Jesus and said so, Peter could not contain his excitement and jumped into the water to go and meet his Lord.

What a wonderful image this is to reflect upon. Specifically, it's wonderful to consider the interior excitement of Peter that led him to jump into the water and swim to the shore. His excitement could not be contained.

Would you jump into a lake to go to our Lord? That may seem like an unusual question but it's worth considering in a literal way. If you encountered our resurrected Lord, would you be so excited to see Him that you would be compelled to enter into His presence, even if it meant you had to jump into a lake? This action of Peter should be seen as a symbolic gesture for our own spiritual lives. The fact that Peter did not hesitate reveals how we should react when we encounter Jesus.

Obviously we do not encounter Jesus in His resurrected form in the way Peter did in this passage, literally and physically. But we do encounter Him every day, if we only have eyes to see. He is alive within our own hearts through prayer and by His indwelling presence. He is truly present in the people we meet every day. And He is most certainly present in the Sacraments, especially the Most Holy Eucharist.

There are two questions you should consider regarding this passage. The first is whether or not you actually do perceive Jesus' presence throughout the day. Peter did not recognize Him at first, even though Jesus spoke to him and the others in the boat. It took the miracle for them to recognize it was Him. The second question is how you react to His presence when you do perceive Him. Are you indifferent? Do you lack enthusiasm? Or are you filled with much joy?

Reflect, today, upon these two questions and resolve to become more attentive to the presence of our Lord every day, throughout the day. Resolve, also, to react as Peter did when you see Jesus. Let your heart and passion be drawn to Him and react with extraordinary joy and enthusiasm. Don't be afraid to go all in for our Lord!

Lord, help me to see You, alive in my life, alive in the lives of others, and alive in Your Church, especially in the Most Holy Eucharist. So often I am blind to Your divine presence all around me. Help me to see You every day. Help me also to respond with much joy and enthusiasm to Your divine presence. I love You, dear Lord. Help me to love You more.

Jesus, I trust in You.



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