

Saint Martin De Porres

November 3



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Children's Bulletin

MARTIN DE PORRES WAS BORN IN LIMA, PERU IN 1579. A LOT OF PEOPLE MADE FUN OF HIS DARK SKIN. HIS FATHER ABANDONED HIM AND HIS MOTHER.

Poor boy... his father is gone and the other children won't play with him.

BECAUSE THEY WERE SO POOR MARTIN WENT TO WORK FOR A DOCTOR-BARBER WHEN HE WAS 10.

Scissors, please.

HE BECAME A DOMINICAN LAY BROTHER AT AGE 15.

How are you feeling?

MARTIN WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF LOOKING AFTER THE SICK IN THE MONASTERY.

MIRACLES STARTED HAPPENING. PEOPLE EVEN SAW HIM GO INTO LOCKED ROOMS TO HELP THE SICK.

How did he get in there?

MARTIN BEGGED FOR MONEY TO HELP THE POOR AND SICK PEOPLE, AND FED OVER A HUNDRED EVERY DAY.

Good morning, Brother Martin!

ST. MARTIN DID PENANCE EVERY DAY FOR HIS SINS AND FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS. HE NEVER ATE MEAT, AND HE PRAYED FOR HOURS EVERY NIGHT.

SAINT MARTIN DIED WHEN HE WAS 60. HE HAD BEEN KIND AND LOVING TO EVERYONE EVEN THOUGH HE HAD BEEN BULLIED AS A CHILD. BY THE TIME HE DIED EVERYONE KNEW THAT HE WAS A SAINT. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TREATED BADLY? SHOULD THAT STOP YOU FROM BEING A LOVING PERSON TO OTHERS?

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All Souls Day

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What can we do for the souls suffering in Purgatory?

Use every other letter to fill in the blanks and you will have a little prayer you can say for them every day!

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Praying for the Holy Souls

All Souls' Day is a special day when we pray for the souls in Purgatory. Do you know what Purgatory is?

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.



When people die, their souls go either to Heaven or Hell- if they loved God they will go to Heaven, and if they chose not to love God then they will go to Hell. But some people love God and still do sins. Their souls are dirty with the stain of sin, but they did not choose to reject God altogether. Those souls need to be cleaned before they can go into Heaven.

Purgatory is the place where the souls go who are not clean enough to go straight to Heaven. They have to wait until they have suffered enough to make up for their sins.



Probably most people we know who have died are in Purgatory. We should pray for them whenever we think of them- if we see a picture of them, or hear someone talking about them, or if we hear of someone who just died.

God will hear our prayers and accept the sacrifices we make for the holy souls so that they can go to Heaven sooner. Do you think they will pray for us when they get there?



Answer to front page puzzle: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord! Answer to the Word-Find: PURGATORY

Word-Find

Wisdom 3:1-6

Find the words from today's first reading that are in CAPITALS in the puzzle.

Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks:

Today's feast day is a special day of prayer for the souls in

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YEDEADWORTHY
TDORFURNACEY

The souls of the JUST are in the hand of God, and no TORMENT shall TOUCH them. They seemed, in the VIEW of the FOOLISH, to be DEAD; and their PASSING AWAY was thought an AFFLICTION and their GOING forth from us, utter DESTRUCTION. But they are in PEACE. For if before MEN, indeed, they be PUNISHED, yet is their HOPE full of IMMORTALITY; CHASTISED a little, they shall be greatly BLESSED, because God TRIED them and found them WORTHY of himself. As GOLD in the FURNACE, he proved them, and as sacrificial OFFERINGS he TOOK them to himself.