Welcome to Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church!

We invite you to become involved in our parish. If you wish to become a member, please complete a Parish Registration Form. Forms are available after all Masses and can also be found on our website.

Celebration of the Mass
- Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:30 a.m.
- Monday: 9:00 a.m.
- Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday: 9:00 a.m.
- Friday: 9:00 a.m. (with school students)

Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Saturday: 4:15-4:45 p.m.
- or by appointment

Parish Staff
- Pastor: Rev. Richard Kirkham
- Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper: Rose Berke, rose@stmartindp.org
- Communications & Sacramental Coordinator: Anne Savoie, anne@stmartindp.org
- Music Ministry: Joe Davisson, joe@stmartindp.org
- Director of Family Faith Formation: Laura Myers, laura@stmartindp.org

REQUESTS FOR EUCHARIST FOR THE SICK, HOMEBOUND & HOSPITAL VISITS
Please call the parish office at 469-287-7624.

Sacrament of Baptism
Baptisms are celebrated by appointment. If you wish to have your child baptized, please contact our Sacramental Coordinator, Anne Savoie. Parents and godparents are required to attend a pre-baptismal class, which are held the third Wednesday of each month.

Sacrament of Marriage
Those wishing to marry should contact the Sacramental Coordinator as soon as possible, but at least six months prior to anticipated date of marriage.

Saint Martin de Porres Catholic School
469-362-2400
www.smdpcatholic.org
TODAY’S READINGS:
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Psalm 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30
“O bless the Lord, my soul.”
Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

Ordinary Time

Besides the times of the year that have their own distinctive character, there remains in the yearly cycle thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated, but rather the mystery of Christ itself is honored in its fullness, especially on Sundays. This period is known as Ordinary Time.

Ordinary Time begins on Monday, January 11, and continues through Tuesday, February 9—the day before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten Season. It will resume when Easter ends—Monday, May 16, the day following Pentecost.

Dear Parishioners,

Happy 2016! Why not help our own parish prepare for this new year by signing up with Faith Direct? By supporting Saint Martin de Porres through Faith Direct, both you and our parish can more easily project your future contributions.

You can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: TX706, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the parish office.

God Bless,
Rev. Richard Kirkham

Masses For The Week

January 9
Saturday after Epiphany
5:00 pm  Thomas Draught (†)

January 10
Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
7:30 am  Pro Popula
9:00 am  Thomas Draught (†)
11:30 am

January 11
Monday of the First Week in Ordinary Time
9:00 am  Thomas Draught (†)

January 12
Tuesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time

January 13
Wednesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time
Saint Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
6:00 pm  Thomas Draught (†)

January 14
Thursday of the First Week in Ordinary Time
9:00 am  Thomas Draught (†)

January 15
Friday of the First Week in Ordinary Time
9:00 am  Thomas Draught (†)

If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, and/or you would like to have a Mass dedicated to someone, please call or visit the parish office.

Gifts for God

Please make checks out to Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church

Weekly Need:  $5,000.00
Christmas Offering:  $8,545.00
December 27, 2015:  $6,186.00
January 3, 2016:  $3,817.00
Total Offertory:  $18,548.00

Annual Need to Date:  $140,000.00
Annual Collection to Date:  $143,514.00

$3,514.00
IN OUR PARISH

- 2016 Contribution envelopes are available for pick-up after all Masses this weekend, or during the week at the parish office at the school Monday 9:30-4:00, or Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday 9:30-3:00.

- We are in dire need of a person (or couple) from each Mass to coordinate the Ministry Schedule. The parish office will provide you with a list of lectors, ushers, Eucharistic ministers, and altar servers for your Mass. It would be your job to schedule these groups for a two-month period.

- We are looking for people who would be willing to substitute at Mass. Maybe it doesn’t work for you to be on the ministry schedule on a regular basis, but if you wouldn’t mind filling in every once in a while, please ask to be put on our substitute list!

- ALL Liturgical Ministers are asked to check-in 15 minutes before Mass. Even if you are not scheduled, please see the sacristan to see if you are needed.

- Our parish is in need of many volunteers for different jobs. If you have some spare time and want to help, please contact Rose (rose@saintmartindp.org) or Anne (anne@saintmartindp.org) in the parish office. Visit our website to learn about the different ways you can serve in our parish: www.saintmartindp.org/ministries.

- No parking in the fire lane at any time.

If you have a submission for the bulletin, please contact Anne Savoie (anne@saintmartindp.org) by Monday at 5 pm.

The 9:00AM Mass ensemble rehearses at 8:25AM on Sunday. The 11:30AM Mass ensemble rehearses at 10:30AM.

Mass Attendance

Christmas: 714
4:00PM-364; 6:30PM-153; Midnight-90; and 10:00AM-106

December 27, 2015: 410
5:00PM-97; 7:30AM-45; 9:00AM-105; and 11:30AM-163

January 3, 2016: 470
5:00PM-100; 7:30AM-32; 9:00AM-160; and 11:30AM-178

Thank you to everyone who either donated money or purchased an item from Father’s wish list. We collected over $2,600 in additional donations to purchase items for our church! If you are still interested in giving, please contact Rose or Anne, or ask to see the wish list in the parish office.

O Bless the Lord my soul.

Upcoming Family Faith Formation dates are below. Classes are held from 6-8:30pm. Registered families are encouraged to join the Family Faith Formation Facebook page! Find us on Facebook—“SMDP Family Faith Formation.”

January 10
January 24
February 14
February 28

The Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites welcomes you to attend a continuing series of discussions of Carmelite Spirituality. These started on January 9, and will be held on the second Saturday of each month at St. Mark’s Catholic Church in Denton, Room 207, 2:30-3:30 PM.

Contact amdawson33@gmail.com or paul.dworak@sbcglobal.net for more information about these sessions or to learn about membership in the secular order.

Lost & Found

Did you leave something behind after Mass? Please check with the parish office—we have several things in our lost and found basket!