Lent week 4

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 Burke, rose@stmartindp.org
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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
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469-362-2400
www.smdpcatholic.org
Fourth Sunday of Lent
Laetare Sunday

TODAY’S READINGS:
Joshua 5:9a, 10-12
Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
“Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.”
2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Dear Parishioners,

Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help your parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide Saint Martin de Porres with consistent support, and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes.

Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season! You can quickly sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: TX706, or by mailing an enrollment form available in the parish office.

God Bless!
Rev. Richard Kirkham

Easter is fast approaching! If you are interested in donating an Easter Lily in memory or in honor of a loved one to help decorate our Altar, please pick up an envelope at the church entrance. The cost is $20 per plant. Please write your loved one’s name, and return with your donation to the parish office by March 23rd. Names will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

Weekly Offering
Please make checks out to Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church
Week ending February 28, 2016

Weekly Need: $5,000.00
Weekly Offering: $5,066.00
Faith Direct: $3,870.00
Fiscal Year* Need to Date: $185,000.00
Fiscal Year Collection to Date: $194,890.00

$9,890.00

* Fiscal Year: July 1, 2015—June 30, 2016

Last Week’s Mass Attendance
Saturday, 5:00 PM: 123
Sunday, 7:30 AM: 49
Sunday, 9:00 AM: 187
Sunday, 11:30 AM: 155
TOTAL: 514

Looking for a way to grow in your faith? Consider joining our Saint Martin de Porres prayer group 15 minutes before three of the daily masses: Monday 8:45 AM; Wednesday 5:45 PM; and Thursday 8:45 AM. Our prayers give praise and thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ, using small booklets that have the Liturgy of the Hours sequence of morning or evening prayers. Shorter Christian Prayer booklets are available, or you are welcome to bring your own.
The Week Ahead

- Welcome to those who have recently joined our parish family! What a blessing it is to see so many new faces. If you have not yet registered in our parish, please pick up a Parish Registration Form at the church entrance.

- Do you receive our emails? If not, you may be missing out on events and important information! Send a note to Anne Savoie (anne@saintmartindp.org) and ask to be added to our mailing list. Also, if you move or otherwise change your contact information, please let us know.

- Starting this weekend, we will pray The Chaplet of Divine Mercy 15 minutes before each Mass.

- ALL Liturgical Ministers are asked to check-in 15 minutes before Mass. This month, we have many holes in our ministry schedule due to spring break and Easter travel. Please see the schedule in the parish office, and substitute if you are able.

- Family Faith Formation will meet this Sunday, March 6, from 6-8:30 PM. Please contact Laura Myers (laura@saintmartindp.org) for information.

- Children’s Liturgy of the Word is designed for a PreK through 1st Grade age range. Children who have already made their First Communion should stay in Mass.

- We sometimes take photos at church events to use on our website and Facebook page. If you prefer not to have your photo posted, please call the parish office.

- In light of the new state law that enables individuals to openly carry guns, Bishop Michael F. Olson has established a “Firearms and Weapons Policy.” The policy bans firearms and weapons in all diocesan locations, including churches, schools and all other facilities that are located on parish or diocese sites. To view the policy, visit: www.fwdiocese.org

Parish School News

- Sponsors are needed for the St. Martin de Porres Catholic School Annual Golf Tournament benefitting special programs on April 11! Register online at www.smdpcatholic.org/april-11-2016, or pick up a flyer at the church entrance for additional information and sponsorship opportunities.

Please join us again this Friday for food and fellowship. Stations of the Cross will begin at 6:30 PM, followed by our Lenten Dinner. Suggested donation is $8 per adult, $6 per child or adult over 60, or $25 for families.

Eucharistic Adoration will begin at 8:00 PM on Holy Thursday and will continue until midnight. We will need two guardians every hour during this 4-hour period. If you can volunteer, please use the sign-up sheet in the parish office after all Masses this weekend, or call the parish office.

Holy Week Schedule

March 20 (Palm Sunday)
Regular Mass schedule

March 24 (Holy Thursday)
7:00 PM—Mass of the Lord’s Supper

March 25 (Good Friday)
3:00 PM—Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM—Good Friday of the Lord’s Passion

March 26
8:00 PM—Easter Vigil

March 27 (Easter Sunday)
Regular Mass schedule. Weather permitting, we will have an Easter Egg Hunt after the 9:00 and 11:30 AM Masses.

If you have a submission for the bulletin, please contact Anne Savoie (anne@saintmartindp.org) by Monday at 5:00 PM.
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