As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven.
-Luke 24:51

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 6:30 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 Davison, 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
Faith, Family, Future.
469-362-2400
www.smdpcatholic.org
Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Today’s Readings:
Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
“God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.”
Ephesians 1:17-23
Luke 24:46-53

Mass Intentions for the Week

May 7
Saturday of the Sixth Week of Easter
5:00 PM Kyle and Alaina da Costa (special intention)

May 8
Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
7:30 AM Mother’s Day Novena 1
9:00 AM Mother’s Day Novena 2
11:30 AM Pro Popula

May 9
Monday of the Seventh Week of Easter
9:00 AM Mother’s Day Novena 3

May 10
Tuesday of the Seventh Week of Easter

May 11
Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Easter
6:30 PM Mother’s Day Novena 4

May 12
Thursday of the Seventh Week of Easter
9:00 AM Mother’s Day Novena 5

May 13
Friday of the Seventh Week of Easter
9:00 AM Mother’s Day Novena 6

Weekly Offering

Please make checks out to Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church
Week ending May 1, 2016

Weekly Offering: $4,404.00
Fiscal Report as of March 31, 2016

Offertory Income: $223,102.50
Other Income: $32,710.50
Total Income: $255,813.00
Expenses to Date: ($246,771.00)

$9,042.00 (net)

Last Week’s Mass Attendance

Saturday, 5:00 PM: 129
Sunday, 7:30 AM: 38
Sunday, 9:00 AM: 225
Sunday, 11:30 AM: 177
Total Mass Attendance: 569

Family Faith Formation

There are only TWO classes left, and we want everyone to make an effort to join us! The next class dates are May 15, and May 22 from 6-8:00 PM. If you haven’t yet turned in your registration form for next year, please do so ASAP. Forms are available at the church entrance, and on our website. If you have any questions about our program, please contact Laura Myers, Director of Faith Formation at laura@saaintmartindp.org.

Dear Parishioners,

Are you starting to plan your summer vacations? Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: TX706. Your gifts through Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances through the busy (but beautiful) summer months.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family with your time and talents as well as treasure!

God Bless You,
Rev. Richard Kirkham
Parish School News
Our Spring Book Fair starts this week! This is a great time to pick out books for summer reading enjoyment. Our book fair is held in the school library, and will be open for parishioners on Sunday, May 15 after the 9:00 and 11:30 AM Masses.

Prayer Breakfast
We will be hosting a prayer breakfast for all new and current Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers on Saturday, May 14 from 9-11:30 AM. If you are able to join, please send a note to Anne Savoie (anne@saintmartindp.org).

Looking for a Summer Day Camp? Le Broom is pleased to offer our summer program for current SMdP students and parishioners ages 3-12, right here at St. Martin de Porres! We are offering two sessions – May 30 through July 1, and July 11 through August 12. The hours of operation are 7:30 AM-6:15 PM, Monday through Friday. For more information, please call Francine Lane, Director, at 972-804-4979.

We are taking part in a raffle fundraiser with the Monsignor King Outreach Center in Denton! If we sell 100 tickets or more, St. Martin de Porres will get half of the proceeds from ticket sales, which we plan to use for our religious education programs. Raffle tickets are $10 each, and are available for purchase in the parish office. Please contact Rose Burke (rose@saintmartindp.org) for more information.

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.

First Communication Preparation will take place in the church at 10:00 AM today, May 8, and May 15. First Communion Mass will be held on May 21 at 3:00 PM. Confirmation Mass will take place at 9:00 AM on May 15.

The overflow room is open and available for your use. Please remember to be respectful of the classroom, and show reverence towards God when using it just as you would in the church.

Are you interested in volunteering for our church or parish school? We offer many opportunities to get involved, enjoy fellowship, and deepen your relationship with God. We are asking ALL NEW AND CURRENT volunteers to visit our website, and fill out the short form: www.saintmartindp.org/ministries.

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.

Looking for a way to grow in your faith? Consider joining our Saint Martin de Porres prayer group 15 minutes before the daily Masses on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

If you would like to participate in our music ministry, come see Joe Davison after Mass, or send him a note (joe@saintmartindp.org). Rehearsals take place on Thursdays from 7:00 PM in the church.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word takes place during the 9 and 11:30 AM Masses, and is designed for a PreK through 1st Grade age range. Children who have already made their First Communion should stay in Mass with their family.

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.

Bishop Michael F. Olson has established a “Firearms and Weapons Policy.” To view the policy, visit: www.fwdioc.org.

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