14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”
Matthew 11:28

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., 4:30 p.m.
Monday 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Thursday 8:30 a.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.

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

Parish Staff
Pastor: Rev. Richard Kirkham
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Alexis Campbell, alexis@saintmartindp.org
Bookkeeper
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Anne Savoie, anne@saintmartindp.org
Music Ministry
Joe Davison, joe@saintmartindp.org
Director of Family Faith Formation
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Parish office hours at 303 King Road in Frisco
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday

REQUEST 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.

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Welcome, New Parishioners!

This is a very exciting time for St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, and we are thrilled that you have decided to join us.

If you have not yet registered in our parish, please do so today!

You can pick up a registration form at the church entrance, or you can also download a form online by visiting our website, www.saintmartindp.org.

Our New Families Committee will be hosting Meet & Greets after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday, July 29th, and the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, July 30th. We want to make sure you are included, so please register today. We look forward to welcoming you to our parish family!

Don't miss out on the blessings of service! At St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, we encourage EVERYONE to become active in parish life. Our ministries and volunteer opportunities offer many ways for you to get involved, enjoy fellowship, and deepen your relationship with God. We are in need of volunteers for ALL of our ministries, especially:

* Homebound Ministry
* Ushers
* Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Visit www.saintmartindp.org/ministries to see a list of our available ministries and volunteer opportunities. Ready to get started? Send a note to Alexis Campbell (alexis@saintmartindp.org) for next steps and volunteer information. Thank you for sharing your time and talent!

If you wish to have your child(ren) receive the sacrament of Baptism, please visit www.saintmartindp.org/baptism for important information. All first-time parents, those families new to the parish, and families who have not had a child baptized in the last five years must attend a Baptism Preparation class prior to having a child baptized. The next Baptism Preparation class will be held on Wednesday, July 19 at 5:00 PM. Please send a note to Anne Savoie (anne@saintmartindp.org) if you would like to attend this class.
Understand Senate Bill 4

Summary of the Bill. S.B. 4 changes the relationship between ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) and local police in two ways: first, police must comply with ICE requests to transfer local prisoners to ICE custody. If a sheriff or police chief releases an arrested person when ICE requests detention, they will be removed from office and punished with a $4,000 fine and/or 1 year in jail. Second, local governments must allow their police and attorneys to:

1. inquire into the legal status of a person who is arrested or detained,
2. send information about legal status to ICE,
3. help ICE enforce immigration law, and
4. permit ICE to enter local jails.

Police are allowed, for example, to ask for the legal status of someone stopped for a traffic violation. If a local government prohibits police and attorneys from carrying out these four actions, the government will be punished with a $25,000 fine per day. In addition, the leaders will be removed from office.

Exclusions. S.B. 4 does not apply to churches, hospitals, school districts, charter schools, public health departments, or community centers serving the mentally ill. In other words, employees of these institutions—including off-duty police—can be prohibited from carrying out the four actions above.

Second, local governments can prohibit on-duty police from enforcing immigration law in a church.

Last, police can ask witnesses or victims to a crime about their legal status only if the investigation requires it, or to provide information about the S Visa Program, which offers 250 visas each year to migrants who help police investigate criminal organizations.

Why the Bishops Opposed S.B. 4. We support the right of a sovereign nation to ensure the integrity of its borders and to enforce its laws. All residents in the U.S. are obliged to respect with gratitude the material and spiritual heritage of this nation, obey its laws, and assist in carrying out civic duties.

At the same time, governments are established to protect individuals’ God-given rights. We object when laws do not do so, such as when due process is not upheld. The U.S. immigration system, for example, is frequently absent of legal representation for migrants, lacks sufficient judges, and is reliant on large-scale detention. In many cases, migrants go through proceedings without impartial adjudicators, such as a jury of citizens.

In the long-term, we must address the deepest causes of flight: poverty, gang violence, climate change, and corruption. All governments should protect their residents’ God-given rights so that all people can live in their native country with dignity. In the short-term, we must improve our immigration system in a comprehensive way. In other words, both admittance requirements and enforcement must be addressed. To focus on only one of these, as S.B. 4 does, neglects the common good.

Finally, we opposed S.B. 4 because it charges our local police with enforcing immigration law. Specifically, S.B. 4 allows individual police officers to inquire into legal status, which will hurt trust between migrants and police. This damages communication, which is essential to community policing, and makes our communities less safe. The bill’s promise to protect victims and witnesses is not reassuring because of the S Visa’s small size and because the spirit of the law—which focuses only on enforcement—treats immigration as a problem.

In sum, S.B. 4 neglects Christ’s call to welcome the stranger and undermines our nation’s heritage to offer the light of freedom to the oppressed.
How can we make our community safe?

Know the facts. Immigrants make up 17% of Texas’ population. A coalition of mayors and business leaders have found the economic impact of immigrants to be positive on the US economy. Texas immigrants are far more likely to be of working age than the US-born population. (www.newamericaneconomy.org/locations/texas/) In addition:

- About 15% of non-citizens are eligible to receive legal status, but they often don’t have access to legal assistance or screening resources to seek relief.
- Occupations with the highest share of foreign-born workers in Texas are: painters and maintenance work (60%), maids and housecleaning (60%), grounds maintenance (51%) and construction (50%). Businesses, workers, and customers all benefit from these relationships.
- The U.S. detains about 400,000 people each year, more than double the number detained in 2004. We limit the number of refugees accepted to 50,000 annually.
- More than 8 million people living in the United States are eligible to become US citizens; only about eight percent of them seek citizenship each year.

In sum, the federal agencies working on immigration are frequently bureaucratic, punitive, and ineffective. People are frequently detained for an indeterminate time, due to a tremendous backlog in the judicial system. This is destructive to family life, creates a cynicism toward American institutions, and denies basic human dignity to migrants.

Maintain a welcoming community. First, pray for our police, who sacrifice to keep us safe; for migrants, who seek a better life for their families; for our leaders, who seek the common good; and for ourselves, that we all may be worthy of the promises of Christ.

You can also:

- Provide Know Your Rights cards at your business or workplace. Ask your children’s school, your doctor, local media, and law enforcement to consider distributing them. You can obtain printable digital files at txcatholic.org/SB4.
- Work with your diocesan Catholic Charities and local legal professionals to establish a legal network for immigrants. Contact Catholic Charities at (817) 534-0814 or go to Catholic Charities immigration assistance web site at: www.immigrationadvocates.org
- Know your own 4th Amendment rights: ICE cannot enter your business, home, church or children’s school without a search warrant. Learn what a valid search warrant is by visiting Catholic Legal Immigration Network’s (CLINIC) website at http://cliniclegal.org.
- Encourage your co-workers, neighbors, family members, and friends who are migrants to consider becoming U.S. citizens or apply for legal status. An online screening tool is available at http://immi.org. Catholic Charities offers free legal services to help in this process.
- Organize a Know Your Rights workshop with resources from CLINIC (https://cliniclegal.org/resources/none-your-rights-law-enforcement) which contains:
  - what you need to know and do when encountering law enforcement in different places
  - information about how to read a warrant
  - twelve things for you and your family to remember in any situation
  - an emergency planning checklist
  - a workplace planning checklist
  - an emergency contact information sheet
  - a step-by-step plan for what to do if a loved is detained.
Dear Parishioners,

This summer, I pray that you will have some quiet and restful time that includes the love, joy, and peace of being with family and friends. During these summer months, your generosity through Faith Direct can help provide the consistent resources we need to operate our parish ministries.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: TX706.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,

Rev. Richard Kirchman

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**Stewardship News for Week Ending July 2, 2017**

Our fiscal year for 2016-17 is completed. Our weekly contributions for this fiscal year were $42,261.23, 11.7% over our budgeted contributions. Thank you!

As we prepare our 2017-18 parish budget our operating expenses will significantly increase from the previous year. July 1, 2017 begins our new fiscal year. Based on the parish’s anticipated growth and the completion of our new church and school building facilities our anticipated weekly need is $19,393.23.

**Weekly Need:** $19,393.23

**Offertory Collection:** $3,748.85

**Children's Offertory:** $355.32

**Total Offertory:** $4,104.17

**Year to Date Budget:** $19,393.28

**Year to Date Collected:** $4,104.17

**Under:** $15,289.11

**Special Collection:** $10.00 (Peter's Pence)

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**Last Week's Mass Attendance**

Saturday, 5:00 PM - 130
Sunday, 7:30 AM - 49
Sunday, 9:00 - 127
Sunday, 11:30 AM - 208
Sunday, 4:30 PM - 78

**Total Weekend Attendance:** 529

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**Catholic Home Missions Appeal**

**What Is a Home Mission Diocese?**

Home mission dioceses are those dioceses in the United States and its territories and former territories that cannot provide basic pastoral services to Catholics without outside help. Basic pastoral services include Mass and the sacraments, religious education, and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters and lay people. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses are considered home missions.

**Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today!** Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support funds programs—such as religious education, seminary formation and lay ministry training—to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.