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
Accountant
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Music Director
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Niki MacDougall, nicole@saintmartindp.org
Receptionist
Peggy Salas, peggy@saintmartindp.org
School Principal
Nancy Kirkpatrick, nkirkpatrick@smdpcatholic.org

Parish office hours at 303 King Road in Frisco 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday.

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

Saint Martin de Porres Catholic School
469-362-2400
www.smdpcatholic.org
**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the **Kingdom of God.**

**Today’s Readings**

Ezekiel 18:25-28  
Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
“Remember your mercies, O Lord.”  
Philippians 2:1-11  
Matthew 21:28-32

Please remember to pray for the work of the Annual Diocesan Appeal as it supports our seminarians, deacons, Catholic Charities, Catholic schools, marriage and family life ministries and others.

**So far, 22 families from St. Martin de Porres have pledged $4,030 towards our parish goal of $23,700.**

We are striving for 100 percent participation by June 30. Text ADA to 99999, complete one of the commitment cards located in the parish office, or visit our website to make your donation today! Monthly installment payments are also available! Learn more at bit.ly/AnnualDiocesanAppeal

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**September 30**

Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church  
5:00 PM  Ann & Leo Kubiak (†)  
Requested by Marilyn Werner

**October 1**

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
7:30 AM  
9:00 AM  Pro Popula  
11:30 AM  
4:30 PM

**October 2**

Memorial of the Guardian Angels  
8:30 AM  Thomas Farrell (†)  
Requested by Karen Ybarra

**October 3**

Tuesday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time

**October 4**

Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi  
6:30 PM

**October 5**

Thursday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time  
8:30 AM  Sean, Katie and Dean (†)

**October 6**

Friday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time  
8:30 AM  Nehman Moses Audry (†)  
Requested by Charles Dietmerr

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, or visit our website.

**Stewardship News for Week Ending September 24, 2017**

**Weekly Need:**  $19,393.28  
**Offertory Collection:**  $11,078.30  
**Year to Date Budget:**  $252,112.64  
**Year to Date Collected:**  $103,697.86  
**Under: $148,414.78**

**Last Week’s Mass Attendance**

Saturday, 5:00 PM - 121  
Sunday, 7:30 AM - 49  
Sunday, 9:00 - 225  
Sunday, 11:30 AM - 238  
Sunday, 4:30 PM - 239  
**Total Weekend Attendance: 872**

**TRINITY PUBLICATIONS**

One God. One Church. One Company.

**Have you considered advertising in our weekly Bulletin?**
Advertising in our weekly bulletin is extremely important, because the ad dollars you spend allows the parish to have our weekly bulletins printed and delivered free of charge! Bill Strait with Trinity Publications will soon begin working on renewals and new sponsors. He can be reached at 972-743-3864, or bstrait@trinitypublications.com. Thank you, Sponsors!!

**Our next class will meet on Sunday, October 1st at 6:00 PM**

**Family Faith Formation**
"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me."

~ Matthew 25:35

YOUR GIFTS SUPPORT:
- Outreach to Rural and Needy Parishes and Schools
- Marriage and Family Life
- Marriage Tribunal
- Seminarians
- Permanent Diaconate
- Catholic Charities of Fort Worth
- Prison Ministry
- Catholic Schools
- Campus Ministry

TOTAL NEED: $3,300,000
New Parishioner Envelopes Are Here!

Please check to see if your box is one that has not been picked up when you come for mass, or call the parish office at 469-287-7624 to check.

Please note that if you contribute through Faith Direct, you will not receive a boxed set of envelopes.

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

Visit www.saintmartindp.org/ministries to see a list of our 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!

To those of you who are new or visiting we want to welcome you to St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church! This is a very exciting time for our parish, and we are thrilled that you have decided to join us.

Our parish was established in February 2015 by Bishop Michael F. Olson to serve the rapidly-growing areas of Frisco, Little Elm, and Prosper in eastern Denton County, Texas. We are part of the Diocese of Fort Worth. This is where we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, listen to the Word of God proclaimed, find forgiveness of our sins through Reconciliation and ways to give life to our Catholic faith.

If you would like to join our parish family, please pick up a Parish Registration Form at the church entrance, or you can download a copy online on our website, www.saintmartindp.org.

In Him,
Rev. Richard Kirschman

St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church is on AmazonSmile! Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases directly to our Church. Simply enter our parish link (smile.amazon.com/ch/47-3083287) and shop as you normally would. Thank you for your support!

Would you like to donate and dedicate the altar flowers for a week? It's easy to do, and a great way to beautify the church! Flowers can be dropped off at the church by 2pm on Fridays, or we can arrange delivery. If you would like information about donating flowers for our Altar in honor of a special occasion (such as a birthday, anniversary, or memorial), please contact Anne Savoie (anne@saintmartindp.org).

Beginning Experience Retreat for Separated, Divorced or Widowed individuals is a weekend program to help move from the darkness of grief into the light of a NEW beginning of hope for the future, rooted in the Catholic tradition, open to men and women of all faiths. The next weekend retreat will be held Oct, 20-22, 2017. To register please call (682) 233-3946, or e-mail beginningexperiencedfw@gmail.com. More information can be found at www.beginningexperiencedfw.org

The LORD is near to all who call upon him.
Dear Parishioners,

With the arrival of autumn, I’d like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish’s electronic giving program. Our to-do lists can get lengthy during this season, but Faith Direct’s eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week - no more envelopes to find before you go to Mass.

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 Knuthman

Anyone interested in becoming a Cantor at St. Martin de Porres is invited to come to an information and training session on Saturday, October 7th from 10:00 AM to noon! Qualifications include a pleasant singing voice, a good sense of rhythm and tempo, and the ability to learn music and sing in tune. Also need to be open to instruction and constructive criticism. If you are interested, please contact our Music Director, Joe Davison at joe@saaintmartindp.org or speak with him after Mass.

Our RCIA inquiry sessions have just begun, but we are still waiting for YOU!

Are you searching for...
A deeper relationship with God?
A sense of belonging in a faith community?
A greater fulfillment of your mission in life?

Have you been curious...
Ever wonder what is the difference between the Catholic and Protestant Bibles?
Ever wonder how Catholics relate to Mary and the saints?
Ever wonder about the Catholic moral life?

Come join us at a RCIA session to discover the answers to these questions and so much more! The next two inquiry sessions will be held on Wednesday, October 4 and Wednesday, October 11 at the King Road Location. We will be meeting in one of the upstairs classrooms. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, please join us!

The Rite of Christian Initiation, or RCIA, is for those:
~ Who are in need of Baptism
~ Who are baptized in another Christian tradition who desire to become Catholic
~ Who are baptized Catholic in need of First Communion and/ or Confirmation

Please contact Niki MacDougall with any questions you may have: nicoie@saaintmartindp.org

Have you ever wanted easy access to Catholic resources but didn’t know where to start?

St. Martin’s is happy to announce that we now have a subscription with Formed.org for all parishioners that provides this!

FORMED, a revolutionary online platform, provides access to the best Catholic audio talks, movies, e-books, and video-based studies from trusted providers like the Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, Catholic Answers, Sophia Institute Press, and St. Paul Center - right at your fingertips! There are great resources available for all ages—children and adults! Sign up for your FREE account by visiting formed.org/register and enter in the Parish Code 7VWZRG (NOTE: code is case-sensitive).

Questions? Contact Niki at nicoie@saaintmartindp.org

- If you regularly attend Mass at St. Martin de Porres, we encourage you to register and become a parishioner! Registering in the parish is a declaration of your desire to be a part of our parish family, and to make a commitment to the life of the parish. To register, you can pick up a form at the church entrance, or you can download one by visiting our website, www.saaintmartindp.org.

- Be sure to visit our website, www.saaintmartindp.org, and Facebook page (St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church - Frisco/Prosper) often to see all the latest news, calendar of events, and other important updates!

- 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.

If you have a submission for the bulletin, please contact Anne Savoie (anne@saaintmartindp.org) by Monday at 3.