Welcome to St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church!

We are so glad you are here, and invite you to become involved in our parish. If you wish to become a parishioner, please pick up a registration form in our narthex, call the parish office, or download a form online by visiting our website. New parishioner welcome receptions are held several times throughout the year.

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 Jean-Marie Miesch, jean-marie@saintmartindp.org
Administrative Assistant Alexis Campbell, alexis@saintmartindp.org
Bookkeeper Eileen Aliteri, eileen@saintmartindp.org
Kathy Campbell, kathy@saintmartindp.org
Communications & Sacramental Coordinator Anne Savage, annes@saintmartindp.org
Facilities Manager Ryan Marsland, ryan@saintmartindp.org
Family Faith Formation Director Laura Myers, laura@saintmartindp.org
Music Director Joe Davison, joed@saintmartindp.org
RCIA & Family Life Director Niki MacDougall, nikim@saintmartindp.org
Receptionist Peggy Salas, peggy@saintmartindp.org
School Principal Nancy Kirkpatrick, nikirkpatrick@smdpcatholic.org

Parish office hours at 4000 W. University Drive in Prosper: Monday-Friday 9:00 am-3:00 pm.

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


St. Martin de Porres Catholic School 469-362-2400
www.smdpcatholic.org
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today’s Readings

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9
“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”
1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Mark 1:21-28

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

Our parish was established in February 2015, by The Most Reverend Michael F. Olson, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth, to serve the rapidly-growing areas of Frisco, Little Elm, and Prosper in eastern Denton County, Texas.

Bishop Olson appointed Rev. Richard Kirkham as the first Pastor of the parish. The first mass of St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church was celebrated on February 8, 2015, at Purefoy Elementary in Frisco. The Diocese of Fort Worth purchased 52 acres in Prosper on March 4, 2015, upon which St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church and St. Martin de Porres Catholic School was to be built. In June 2015, all masses were moved to the St. Martin de Porres Catholic School building, located at 303 King Road in Frisco. The last mass at that location was celebrated on Monday, December 11, 2017.

We encourage you to become a registered parishioner of St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church! You can pick up a registration form in our narthex, call the parish office at 469-287-7624, or download a form online by visiting our website.

Our next New Parishioner Welcome Reception will be February 10-11, stay tuned for details!

Mass Intentions

January 27
Saturday of the Third Week in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM Susan Watts (†)
Requested by Theresa Gagne

January 28
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Jose Maria Briseno (†)
Requested by Sara Trombley
9:00 AM
11:30 AM Pro Popula
4:30 PM

January 29
Monday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM

January 30
Tuesday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

January 31
Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest
6:30 PM

February 1
Thursday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM

February 2
Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
8:30 AM

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.

Second Collection
This Weekend!

Catholic Schools Week 2018 will kick off in the Diocese of Fort Worth with a second collection for the Catholic School Tuition Assistance Fund the weekend of January 27-28. Bishop Michael Olson invites you to be especially generous in this special collection. One hundred percent of the proceeds remain in the diocese to increase available financial aid for qualifying families who desire a quality Catholic education for their children.

The Catholic School Tuition Assistance Fund was established in 2006 to increase available financial aid for families who demonstrate financial need. The goal is to offer affordable Catholic school education to as many families as wish to send their children to a Catholic school.

Please generously support the Catholic Tuition Assistance Fund Collection this weekend, or Text SCHOOLS to 91999.

For more information, please visit: www.fwdioc.org/catholic-schools-tuition-assistance
VEGAS NIGHT CARNIVAL
Benefits Holy Cross GIFT Campaign, St. Sophia, St. Martin de Porres Parish, and KofC 8493 Charities

Saturday, February 10, 2018
Holy Cross Cafeteria
7000 Morningstar Drive
The Colony, TX 75056

6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m. Social Hour and Food
7:30 p.m.—11:00 p.m. Gaming

Buy in advance and SAVE!
Individual ticket - $35.00
Buy before Jan 31, 2018 for $30
(includes “$5,000” in free game chips & 1 Raffle Ticket)
Couple ticket - $65.00
Buy before Jan 31, 2018 for $60
(includes “$10,000” in free game chips & 2 Raffle Tickets)

SPONSORSHIPS are available!
See reverse side for details

Raffle Prizes:
Char-Broil 6-Burner Stainless Steel LP Gas Grill
Nintendo Switch Game System With Joy-Con
Kitchen Aid 5-Quart Tilt-Head Stand Mixer

Raffle tickets are $5 each or 5 for $20
Winner Need Not Be Present

Drawing to be held at the end of the event

Bring this flyer the night of the event for a bonus “$1000” in free game chips.
Donations of items for our auction are also welcome!

- Recognition by name or company logo on the sponsor board at the entrance
- $2000 in free game chips
- 4 raffle tickets
- 2 event tickets

Event Sponsor - $1000

- Recognition by name or company logo via a placard on a game table
- $1200 in free game chips
- 12 raffle tickets
- 6 event tickets

Table Sponsor - $250

- On the food table, bar, and crap table
- One reserved table and recognition by name or company logo via a placard
- $3000 in free game chips
- 30 raffle tickets
- 10 event tickets

VIP Sponsor - $500

Please contact Richard Anderson at randerson@andersonleal.com or Frank Ramirez at frankramirez38@gmail.com if you are interested in being a sponsor.
The mission of Catholic education in the schools of the Diocese of Fort Worth is to open the doors so that our students can see further than the walls that otherwise would enclose them in darkness. What does seeing deep into eternity really look like? It involves being able to recognize, to appropriate, and to cherish the eternal and transcendental goods of Truth, Beauty, and Goodness. These three transcendental goods depend upon each other within the envelope of eternity.

Most Rev. Michael F. Olson
Bishop of Fort Worth
Diocese of Fort Worth Catholic Schools

Holy Trinity Catholic School - **Grapevine**
HolyTCS.org

Immaculate Conception Catholic School - **Denton**
CatholicSchoolDenton.org

Notre Dame Catholic School - **Wichita Falls**
NotreDameCatholic.org

Sacred Heart Catholic School - **Muenster**
SHMuenster.com

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School - **Keller**
SEASCS.net

St. John the Apostle Catholic School - **N. Richland Hills**
stjss.org

St. Joseph Catholic School - **Arlington**
StJosephTX.org

St. Maria Goretti Catholic School - **Arlington**
SMGSSchool.org

St. Martin de Porres Catholic School - **Frisco**
SMDPCatholic.org

St. Mary’s Catholic School - **Gainesville**
SMSMustangs.com

### Diocese of Fort Worth Catholic School Students:
- graduate from high school (99%) and attend college (96%);
- are 3 times more likely to consider Priesthood or Religious life;
- are 7 times more likely to pray daily, attend Church, remain a Catholic into adulthood, and donate to the Church;
- vote, are engaged in their communities, and are committed to service as adults.

**Please donate to the special collection for the Tuition Assistance Fund for the Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Fort Worth on January 27-28. Or text the word ‘schools’ to 91999 to donate.**

**Help make a Catholic education possible for every family!**
**Stewardship News for Week Ending January 21, 2018**

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**Last Week’s Mass Attendance:**
- Saturday, 5:00 PM: 250
- Sunday, 7:30 AM: 101
- Sunday, 9:00 AM: 376
- Sunday, 11:30 AM: 500
- Sunday, 4:30 PM: 182
- Total Weekend Attendance: 1,409

Effective immediately, and until further notice, we are suspending the Precious Blood for all masses during flu season. EMHCs will not be needed during this time.

As a reminder, in receiving the Blessed Sacrament under one species, you are still receiving our Lord in Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. Also, in an effort to minimize the spread of infection to all of us, but especially those most vulnerable in our parish family, all are encouraged to: not shake hands during the sign of peace (just a smile and nod is enough!); not hold hands during the reciting of the Our Father; and please stay at home if you are sick. *Stay safe and healthy!*

**Faith Direct**

Dear Parishioners,

I am so thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, Faith Direct!

Faith Direct will automatically process any offertory or second collections donation of your choosing. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://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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**St. Martin de Porres Catholic School Prospective Family Open House**

Have you seen our parish school yet? Come for a tour this Sunday, January 28th from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM, and find out how we can offer your child a challenging curriculum in a Christ-centered environment for PreK3 through 8th Grade. Learn more at [www.smdpiscopal.org](http://www.smdpiscopal.org)

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**The next RCIA inquiry session will be held on Sunday, February 11, following 9:00 AM Mass!**

Are you or someone you know interested in the Catholic Faith? St. Martin’s will soon begin a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These sessions also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask those questions you may have about the Church. These gatherings are for inquirers and are open to adults who are unbaptized, as well as adults who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds.

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 learn more about the Catholic faith
- Who are baptized Catholic in need of First Communion and/or Confirmation

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, please join us! There is no obligation and no fee. Contact Niki MacDougall, RCIA and Family Life Director at nicole@SaintMartinDP.org for more information. **We are also in need of volunteers to help us with this new RCIA session. Reach out to Niki if you can help!**

You are invited to join our parish community in a Catholic Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark. This study will be led by Father Walter Dworak and will be held on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM beginning February 6. Please bring a Catholic bible. For more information or to register, please email Niki MacDougall at nicole@SaintMartinDP.org. Unable to attend but interested in participating in future Bible and Faith Studies? St. Martin’s has several more opportunities planned throughout the year. Stay tuned for more details soon!