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 Alheit, eileen@saintmartindp.org
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Facilities Manager: Ryan Marsland, ryan@saintmartindp.org
Family Faith Formation Director: Laura Myers, laura@saintmartindp.org
Music Director: Joe Davidson, joe@saintmartindp.org
RCIA & Family Life Director: Niki MacDougall, nicole@saintmartindp.org
Receptionist: Peggy Sola, peggy@saintmartindp.org
School Principal: Nancy Kirkpatrick, nkirkpatrick@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
Third Sunday of Lent

Today's Readings
Exodus 20:1-17
Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 11
“Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.”
1 Corinthians 1:22-25
John 2:13-25

Please note that there are no daily masses March 5 - March 8

Mass Intentions

March 3
Saturday of the Second Week of Lent
5:00 PM  Harold Martin (†)

March 4
Third Sunday of Lent
7:30 AM
9:00 AM  Pro Popula
11:30 AM
4:30 PM

March 5
Monday of the Third Week in Lent
8:30 AM  NO DAILY MASS

March 6
Tuesday of the Third Week of Lent

March 7
Wednesday of the Third Week in Lent
6:30 PM  NO DAILY MASS

March 8
Thursday of the Third Week in Lent
8:30 AM  NO DAILY MASS

March 9
Friday of the Third Week in Lent
8:30 AM

If you would like to have a Mass dedicated to someone, please visit the parish office, or www.saintmartindp.org/mass-intentions

Baptism Announcement
Congratulations to Kinsley Rose Dickie, who was Baptized this weekend! She is the daughter of Todd and Kristen Dickie. Godmother is Kelly Wijrowski, and Christian Witness is Leon Zola.

Holy Baptism

If you want information about having your child(ren)
Baptized at St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, please visit www.saintmartindp.org/baptism

Stewardship News for Week Ending February 25, 2018

Weekly Need:  $19,393.28
Offertory Collection:  $18,318.22
Year to Date Budget:  $678,764.80
Year to Date Collected:  $382,048.17
Under:  $295,641.57
Central and Eastern Europe:  $5.00
Black and Indian Mission:  $25.00

Last Week’s Mass Attendance:
Saturday, 5:00 PM: 301
Sunday, 7:30 AM: 105
Sunday, 9:00 AM: 300
Sunday, 11:30 AM: 400
Sunday, 4:30 PM: 323
Total Weekend Attendance: 1,429

St. Martin de Porres Catholic School
serves students in grades PK3, PK4, and Kindergarten-7th. Grade 8 will be added for the school year 2018-2019. We offer a traditional Catholic academic education in partnership with our parents. Please send inquiries or questions to office@smdpcatholic.org or call 469-362-2400. School office hours are Monday-Friday 7:45AM-4:00 PM, or by appointment. Guided campus tours are offered Tuesdays 9:00AM and Thursdays 1:00PM.

Our school is currently looking for new members to join the School Advisory Council! This is an opportunity for people who do not have students attending the school. Member applications are available in the narthex. You may also contact Nancy Kirkpatrick, school Principal (nkirkpatrick@smdpcatholic.org) for more information.
Parish Advisory on Texas Right to Life

The organization Texas Right to Life at times seeks volunteers from parishes and Catholic schools to participate in their efforts. We write to inform you of our concerns with Texas Right to Life and we urge parishes not to participate in their activities or allow the organization to use parish sites. (Texas Right to Life is not to be confused with Texas Alliance for Life or Texans for Life Coalition, which are separate organizations and remain consistent with the bishops’ positions.)

1. Conflicts on pro-life reform. Texas Right to Life often opposes the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops and has implied that the bishops do not faithfully represent Church teaching. Part of the dispute is rooted in Texas Right to Life’s rejection of incremental pro-life reforms, which bishops support following the guidance of St. John Paul II’s Evangelium Vitae. An incremental reform is one which improves the current situation but does not reform the status quo as much as we might desire. It is “incrementally” better than the status quo. Evangelium Vitae states:

A particular problem of conscience can arise in cases where a legislative vote would be decisive for the passage of a more restrictive law, aimed at limiting the number of authorized abortions, in place of a more permissive law already passed or ready to be voted on... This [vote] does not in fact represent an illicit cooperation with an unjust law, but rather a legitimate and proper attempt to limit its evil aspects. (EV, 73)

2. Conflicts on end-of-life reform. The bishops have been compelled to publicly correct Texas Right to Life’s misstatements on end-of-life care and advance directives, in which Texas Right to Life implied that the legislation the bishops were supporting allowed euthanasia and death panels rather than the reality that the legislation reflected the long-standing Church teaching requiring a balance of patient autonomy and the physician conscience protection.

3. Texas Right to Life’s voter guide. Finally, Texas Right to Life publishes a scorecard that purports to show which Texas legislators are pro-life. We believe this publication is not based on a fair analysis of a legislator’s work, but rather upon whether the legislator has followed voting recommendations of Texas Right to Life. Unfortunately, a number of legislators who have consistently voted for pro-life and end of life legislation have been opposed by Texas Right to Life.

Catholics must continue to engage. This guidance should not be used to discourage pro-life ministry or advocacy in any way. To this end, we strongly recommend that Catholics volunteer at and contribute to their local:

- diocesan Respect Life office,
- Gabriel Project,
- Project Rachel,
- 40 Days for Life, and
- pregnancy resource centers, which can be found by visiting the Texas Pregnancy Care Network’s Find a Provider page.

We encourage all Catholics to engage in pro-life legislative advocacy by engaging with the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops, joining the Texas Catholic Advocacy Network, and by supporting pro-life groups which engage in respectful legislative advocacy.

The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops is a federation of all Roman Catholic dioceses and ordinariates located in the State of Texas. For more information, please call us at 512-339-9882, visit us online at txcatholic.org, or email jennifer@txcatholic.org.
We hope you'll join us for Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM and our last Lenten Fish Fry hosted by the St. Martin de Porres Men's Club on March 9th! Dinner will be served from 5:45-6:15 PM, and again after Stations of the Cross.

This is a wonderful opportunity to have a delicious meal, meet new friends and enjoy fellowship.

Suggested donation for the fish fry is $10 per adult, $6 per child (10 and under), $8 per senior (60 and over), or $30 per family of 4.

Easter is quickly approaching! Why not buy a gift card for your Easter feast and help our parish reach our Phase I Building Campaign goal?! You can purchase HoneyBaked Gift Cards in increments of $10, $25, $50 or $100. They NEVER expire, and there are NEVER any additional fees! They also make awesome gifts for friends, family, neighbors, teachers, customers and employees, and they can be used at any HoneyBaked Ham location in the USA!

**Best of all, 20% of the proceeds will benefit our Founding Families Campaign!**

**How it Works:**

- Visit [https://honeybakedfundraising.com/fundraisers/Founding_Families_Building_Fund_Campaign](https://honeybakedfundraising.com/fundraisers/Founding_Families_Building_Fund_Campaign) and purchase your gift card.
- Use the gift card to purchase your items online, or in any HoneyBaked location (there is a store on Preston in Frisco).
- ENJOY!

*Thank you for supporting St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church!*
St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church
Parish Registration Form

Please return completed form to Church office or place in collection basket during Mass.

☐ YES  ☐ NO  Do you need offertory envelopes (annual boxed set) OR
☐ YES  ☐ NO  Do you wish to receive information about contributing electronically? (Faith Direct)

Family Contact Information

Family Name __________________________________________ Primary Phone Number __________________________
Street Address ______________________________________ City ____________ Zip Code __________
Email Address ______________________________________

☐ Do NOT list my family in the Parish Directory.

Head of Household

Salutation: ☐ Mr.  ☐ Mrs.  ☐ Mr. & Mrs.  ☐ Ms.  ☐ Miss  ☐ Dr.  ☐ Other________________________
Last Name __________________________ First Name __________________________ MI ______ Nickname ______

Date of Birth __________________________ Ethnicity __________________
Email __________________________________________ Preferred Language __________________
Phone __________________________ ☐ cell ☐ work Religion __________________
Occupation __________________________________________ Employer __________________

Sacraments Received: ☐ Baptism  ☐ First Communion  ☐ Reconciliation  ☐ Confirmation
Current Marital Status: ☐ Single  ☐ Married (Date: ______/_____/____)  ☐ Divorced  ☐ Separated  ☐ Widowed
Married by a Priest or Deacon? ☐ Yes  ☐ No
Parish Name __________________________ City, State ________________

Spouse

Last Name __________________________ First Name __________________________ MI ______ Nickname ______

Date of Birth __________________________ Ethnicity __________________
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469-287-7624
If it has been a while since your last confession, please do not be afraid!
We invite and welcome you to come and experience the amazing gift of God's mercy. Several priests will be available to hear individual confessions. For a printable guide on how to examine your conscience and confess your sins, please visit www.saintmartindp.org/confession

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Dec. 9-16
You’ve been asking for it! Now it’s time to make your Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Dec. 9-16, 2018. Explore the roots of your faith. Walk in Jesus’ footsteps. Watch your most cherished beliefs come to life! Visit Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Jericho, Cana, the Mount of Olives, Sea of Galilee, Nazareth and much more! Register with a $550 deposit. All-inclusive $3,961 each, double occupancy. Singles are $4,802. Five star hotels. Fully escorted and SAFE! Spaces are limited! First come, first served! Information Sessions 3/27 and 5/3 at 7 p.m. at The Catholic Center. Call or email Paula Parrish 817.945.9440 pparrish@advancementfoundation.org

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 St. Martin de Porres with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season! Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: TX706. Thank you for your continued support of our parish!

God Bless You,
Rev. Richard Knabhan

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES HAVE ARRIVED!
If you ordered a boxed set of envelopes, please pick them up after Mass, or come to the parish office during our regular business hours (Monday - Friday from 9:00 to 3:00).

The next RCIA inquiry session will be on Sunday, March 11th at 10:00 AM (immediately following 9:00 AM Mass) in the School Learning Lab. Come join us! Are you or someone you know interested in the Catholic Faith? These inquiry sessions are free and imply no commitment on your part to join the Catholic Church! They are a great way to learn what the Church teaches, and to meet some of our parish members who serve in this ministry. These sessions also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask any questions you may have about Jesus Christ and the Church. They are open to people who are not baptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds, or baptized Catholics who have not received their First Communion or Confirmation. WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR MORE RCIA HOSPITALITY TEAM MEMBERS! RCIA hospitality team members bring refreshments (home-made or store-bought), or assist with set up and take down of RCIA sessions. Help is needed at either Wednesday evening or Sunday morning sessions. To learn more about the RCIA process, or if you are able and willing to help, please send a note to Niki MacDougall, RCIA and Family Life Director at nicole@saintmartindp.org

So far, 128 families (26% of total registered families) have pledged $30,876.45 towards our parish goal of $23,700! Although we have reached our goal, we are still striving for 100% participation from ALL of our registered families by June 30, 2018!

Please 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. Text ADA to 99999, complete one of the commitment cards located in the narthex, visit our website to make your donation today at bit.ly/AnnualDiocesanAppeal. You can even make your donation in monthly installments as little as $5/month instead of making a one-time gift!

By Contributing for the Common Good you support Marriage & Family Life Ministries, including counseling services and marriage preparation.