Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church
3990 W. University Dr., Prosper, TX 75078
469-287-7624
www.saintmartindp.org

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. Stephen Hauck
pastor@saintmartindp.org
Accountant
Jean-Marie Miesch, jean-marie@saintmartindp.org
Administrative Assistant
Alexis Campbell, alexis@saintmartindp.org
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Music Director
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RCIA & Family Life Director
Niki MacDougall, nicole@saintmartindp.org
Receptionist
Peggy Sales, peggy@saintmartindp.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.

Faith, Family, Future.
St. Martin de Porres Catholic School
469-362-2400
www.smdpcatholic.org
Susan Flanagan, Principal
sflanagan@smdpcatholic.org

“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.”
John 6:35
Welcome Principal Flanagan!
Saint Martin de Porres Parish is very excited to welcome Mrs. Susan Flanagan as the Principal of our elementary school! Mrs. Flanagan and I have already been working together and we are both eager for this new year. We are extremely blessed to have someone with her experience, dedication, kindness, and faith as part of our wonderful, vibrant, and growing community. Our elementary school is at the very heart of Saint Martin de Porres Parish.

As we grow, we do so not only in number of parishioners and students but also deeper in our shared faith. I am certain that with your family, Mrs. Flanagan, and myself; God will continue the good work already begun. This coming academic year is exciting because it is a new opportunity for challenge and growth. Together, any challenge becomes an adventure!

Our parish is committed to our wonderful school. St. Martin de Porres himself had a deep love of God and of children. We would not be living up to our namesake if our school was not at the heart of our mission. As I have told Mrs. Flanagan, I say also to our parents, St. Martin de Porres Parish is fully and totally committed to our St. Martin de Porres Elementary School, and I stand ready to assist her in the great task she has been entrusted with as our Principal.

I hope you will help me welcome Mrs. Flanagan after all Masses this weekend! You will have an opportunity to introduce yourself, your family, and welcome her to our parish family. Please continue to pray for her, pray for our school, and pray for me! Please know of my prayers for you and your family. Welcome Principal Flanagan! We are blessed to have you with us!

May God Bless you and your family,

[Signature]

Stewardship Information
Week Ending July 29, 2018
(new fiscal year began July 1)

Offertry Collection: $7,245.69
Year to Date Collected: $49,877.43

Last Week’s Mass Attendance
Saturday, 5:00 PM - 255
Sunday, 7:30 AM - 127
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 290
Sunday, 11:30 AM - 429
Sunday, 4:30 PM - 250
Total Attendance: 1,351
St. Martin de Porres Catholic School students go back to school on Monday, August 13! We still have openings for the 2018-2019 school year-stop by after all Masses this weekend to meet Mrs. Flanagan, and see our beautiful facility!

Our school provides a solid academic experience which focuses on the essential core areas of religion, reading, language arts, math, science and social studies. We are adding new curricula programs and materials this school year which are intended to enhance the classic educational experience. Most importantly, we will be focusing on our Catholic faith, values, and virtues throughout this academic year.

We serve students in PreK-3 through Grade 8, and currently have space in all grade levels except PreK-4 and Kindergarten, where we have wait lists.

I am excited to bring my love for Catholic education and my continued desire to make a difference in the lives of those students entrusted to my care here at St. Martin de Porres. I look forward to meeting my fellow parishioners and school families!

Have a blessed week,

Susan Flanagan, Principal
St. Martin de Porres Catholic School
sflanagan@smdpcatholic.org
469-362-2400 (school office)
The **School Advisory Council** is seeking new members from the parish community (who are not current school parents) to join this important board that engages in matters pertaining to the mission of St. Martin de Porres Catholic School.

The School Advisory Council is a consultative board, established by the pastor, to assist him, the school principal, and the school’s administration in the governance of the school through support, guidance, and advice - not oversight. The school administration and faculty are responsible for the day-to-day operations of the school. Council members provide input, often drawn from their own professional experiences and backgrounds, in areas such as:

- formulation of school policy (it does not, however, provide final approval or enact policies);
- planning, development, finance, and institutional advancement; and
- public relations, and evaluation of board and mission effectiveness.

A candidate for the St. Martin de Porres School Advisory Council must be able to commit to one meeting per month for the full board, and participate in committee work as well. Interested parishioners should contact the school office at 469-362-2400 for more information, or to receive the board member information sheet. **Discernment for potential board members will be on Sunday, August 26th, in the school’s Chapel at 1:00 PM.**

We currently have **openings for aides in our after-school program** from 2:45 - 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday. We are looking for energetic, friendly people who enjoy working with children. Qualified candidates will be 18 or older, and pass a background check. Interested candidates should send a resume and cover letter to Susan Flanagan, St. Martin de Porres Catholic School Principal, at sflangan@smdpcatholic.org.
"Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." - Matthew 25:40

At St. Martin de Porres Parish, we recognize that each and every member of our parish has God-given talents. Our Ministries provides everyone with an excellent opportunity to fulfill their baptismal call of service to one another by sharing those talents within our parish family, as well as the broader community. After all, it is through the words of our Lord that we choose to live out our faith with joy and passion to better know, love and serve Him.

Simply put, by utilizing the talents of our parishioners, we make our parish community a better place! Whether participation is through “behind the scenes” preparation and planning, or through a more public role of service within the Mass, parishioner contributions help our liturgies to be truly life-giving celebrations.

If you are not already a volunteer, please prayerfully consider sharing your time and talents with your parish family. We are currently planning in-service training sessions for both new and seasoned volunteers - please stay tuned for details!

Ready to start? Great! Send us a note at volunteer@saaintmartindp.org for next steps. Want to volunteer but aren’t sure where to start? No problem! Turn the page to see a list of our volunteer opportunities, or reach out to us and we can help see what might be a good fit. Thank you!
Adult Faith Formation
Volunteers are needed to help facilitate Bible Studies and Faith Sharing groups. Must be a practicing Catholic at least 18 years of age and have received Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

Altar Servers
All boys and girls who have received First Communion are invited to serve at the altar.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
All ministers of Holy Communion should show the greatest reverence for the Most Holy Eucharist by their demeanor, their attire, and the manner in which they handle the consecrated bread or wine. You must be at least 18 years of age, in good standing with the church, and have received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Homebound Ministry (facilities and home visits)
We make an effort to stay connected with those parishioners who are not able to join us as mass due to illness or other incapacities so they know they are not forgotten. This ministry is split into two groups - those who wish to visit facilities on Thursday mornings at 9:30 AM, and Sundays at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM, and those who visit parishioners in their homes.

Hospitality
Once a month, they welcome parishioners and serve donuts and coffee after masses.

Ladies of St. Zita
Parish Hall housekeeping. We welcome ladies with a devoted desire to maintain the cleanliness of our place of worship. This includes but is not limited to: vacuuming the chapel, "Swiffer" mopping the sacristy floor, dusting pews and kneelers in the chapel, light dusting of window ledges and wall ledges in entries, chapel and parish hall, tidying restrooms, etc.

Lectors
A rewarding way to participate in our mass is to proclaim God's Word as a lector.

New Member Welcoming
These happy people greet and welcome new parishioners, and help them get involved in parish life.

Music
Music ministers include choir members, cantors, and instrumentalists.

Office Help
We have many volunteer opportunities in our parish office! Please call the parish office to inquire.

RCIA
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process for individuals who wish to become Catholic. Volunteers are needed in many capacities such as hospitality, group facilitators and sponsors. You must be a practicing Catholic of at least 18 years of age and have received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation to volunteer in RCIA.

Sacristans
Sacristans arrive at least 45 minutes prior to mass prepare liturgical vessels, books, bread and wine, and all other materials necessary for the liturgy. They also ensure all scheduled volunteers are present, and find additional volunteers if needed.

Safe Environment Volunteer
Assist the Safe Environment Coordinator with clerical support and/or facilitating Safe Environment training classes for children, teens and adults. Please contact Alexis Campbell for application procedures.

Ushers
These friendly folks welcome those joining in celebration at each mass, help those arriving to find seats, and take up the collection during mass. They also help dismiss rows for Holy Communion and hand out bulletins as parishioners leave.
Celebrated every year on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay - a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a Holy Day of Obligation. The parish office will be closed.

We will celebrate two Masses on Wednesday, August 15:

8:30 AM (with SMdP school students) and 6:30 PM

Joyous welcome and blessings to Christian Burton Anderson, who received the sacrament of Baptism this weekend! He is the son of Bobby and Laura Anderson. Godparents are Chad and Mary Anne Potts. Congratulations!

Our special collection today is for the Priest Care Fund. One hundred percent of this collection remains in the Diocese of Fort Worth to pay for medical and long term care expenses not covered by insurance. Please “Care for Those Who Care for Us” with your generous support to the Priest Care Fund.

Family Faith Formation registration will be re-opening soon! At SMdP, families grow in faith together as a faith community. We invite you to learn more by visiting our website:
https://saintmartindp.org/family-faith-formation

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process in which interested adults learn more about what it means to become Catholic. Adults, baptized or unbaptized, and children above the age of 7 who are not baptized or who have not previously received catechetical instruction are invited to join RCIA. Please contact Niki MacDougall at nicole@saintmartindp.org if you are interested in learning more.

Thank you to all who attended our first session in our Adult Faith Formation series, Exploring our Catholic Faith! We had a great turnout and are looking forward to continuing this series. The next Exploring our Catholic Faith session will be held on Monday, August 27 from 7pm-9pm in the Parish Hall. Questions and discussion are welcome and will be a part of every session. Please send any advance questions you might have or topic suggestions to Niki MacDougall at nicole@saintmartindp.org. Come join us to meet other parishioners and have an opportunity to talk with Father Stephen as we explore our faith together!

PLANNED GIVING: Increase your retirement income and shape the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth Advancement Foundation’s future with a charitable gift annuity! The gift annuity rates are now the highest they’ve been in years.

HOW IT WORKS: With a charitable gift annuity, you make a donation using cash, marketable securities or other assets, and we, in turn, pay you a fixed amount for life. You can boost your retirement income AND feel secure because you will receive reliable, predictable payments for as long as you live. For a personalized illustration at no obligation, contact Renée Underwood at 817-945-9441 or runderwood@advancementfoundation.org

Family Faith Formation

We are so glad you are a part of our St. Martin de Porres family! As you prepare for the end of summer and the start of a busy autumn, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Simply visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: TX706. Thank you for your continued support!