SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

“"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”
Matthew 17:5

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES
CATHOLIC CHURCH

ONE WORD. ONE PRAYER. ONE OPEN HEART.

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www.saintmartindp.org

School: 469-362-2400 • School Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8-4
www.smdpchurch.org

We are so glad you are here, and invite you to become involved in our parish.
To become a parishioner, please call the parish office or download a form online by visiting our website.
If you would like to volunteer in our parish, please send a note to volunteer@saintmartindp.org.
New parishioner welcome receptions are held several times throughout the year.

CELEBRATION OF THE MASS
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am
Monday 8:00 am
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 8:00 am (with school students)
Friday 8:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm
or by appointment

ADORATION
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
8:30-12:00 noon & 7:00-9:00 pm
Sunday Holy Hour for Healing will be offered on the 2nd Sunday of every month from 6:30-8:00 pm

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

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St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church - Frisco/Prosper
Today's Readings
Gn 12:1-4a
Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
2 Tm 1:8b-10
Mt 17:1-9

Today's Music
Entrance: ‘Tis Good Lord to be Here #122
Kyrie: Chant Mass #842
Responsorial Psalm: page 83
Gospel Acclamation: page 84
Offertory: The Lord is my Light #667
Eucharistic Acclamations: Chant Mass #844, 845, 846
Lamb of God: Chant Mass #848
Communion Antiphon: page 84
Communion: Transfigure Us, O Lord #499
Recessional: Leave in Silence

Interested in joining our Music Ministry?
We are always looking for choir members, instrumentalists, and cantors! Please see Joe after Mass, or send him a note: jdavisson@saintmartindp.org

Mass for the Week

March 7
Saturday of the First Week of Lent
5:00 PM   Bob Mader (†)

March 8
Second Sunday of Lent
7:30 AM   Pro Populo
9:30 AM   The Murphy Family
11:30 AM  Grant William Mackey (†)

March 9
Saint Frances of Rome, Religious
8:00 AM   Courtney Jacobsen

March 10
Tuesday of the Second Week of Lent

March 11
Wednesday of the Second Week of Lent
8:00 AM   James Riley (†)

March 12
Thursday of the Second Week of Lent
8:00 AM   Bob Pritchard

March 13
Friday of the Second Week of Lent
8:00 AM   All Souls in Purgatory (†)

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. Mass Intention forms can be found in our parish office, or online at www.saintmartindp.org/intentions-and-prayers

Upcoming VIRTUS Safe Environment Session
at St. Martin de Porres

In the Gym of the St. Martin de Porres School Building - 4000 W. University Dr. Prosper - please use the main school entrance

Saturday, March 21st
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
virtusonline.org

Please contact Alexis Campbell acampbell@saintmartindp.org with any questions or help with registration.

NO children under the age of 18.

NO LATE ADMITTANCE. DOORS WILL BE LOCKED.

Visit the Fort Worth Diocese Website for a full list of upcoming Sessions

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com
Offertory Information

February 29 - March 1 Collection
Offertory Collection: $10,520.50
Deficit Reduction: $1,000.00
Year to date Offertory Collected: $569,677.17

National Collections
Home Missions: $844.00
Rice Bowls: $290.00

Total Weekend Mass Attendance: 1,582
Saturday, 5:00PM - 335
Sunday, 7:30AM - 115
Sunday, 9:30AM - 555
Sunday, 11:30AM - 577

So far, 58 of our registered families have contributed $22,800.93 towards our parish goal of $51,500. We are striving for 100% parish participation! Please text ADA to 91999, or you can find a form in the Narthex.

Dear SMdp Parishioners,

My name is Laurie Trevizo, and I am the Chair of the St. Martin de Porres (SMdp) School Advisory Council (SAC). I am also a parent of two daughters that attend SMdp Catholic School. The SMdp SAC was formed at the beginning of the 2018-19 school year and has nine members, consisting of both parents and parishioners. For the past year and a half, we have worked diligently on a Strategic Plan for SMdp Catholic School along with Mrs. Flanagan and Father Stephen. The approved strategic plan can be found at www.smdpatholic.org/strategic-plan. The plan outlines a greater vision for the school and identifies the goals and objectives to achieve that vision. The Strategic Plan was integral in the SMdp school accreditation approval last October. The visiting accreditation team was very impressed with the Strategic Plan and the effort of the SAC to include stakeholder suggestions. Currently, members of SAC work together to manage several committees: Catholic Identity, Marketing and Development, Technology, and Finance. These committees, along with the SAC, help to implement the goals to work to achieve the greater school vision. This spring and next fall the SAC will continue to implement the goals in the Strategic Plan with the mission to provide a quality Catholic education which educates the whole child in mind, body and spirit.

Many Blessings,

Laurie Trevizo
The Gift of Faith

Sometimes we can feel awkward during the season of Lent, like we are standing out from the crowd. Between ashes on Ash Wednesday and not eating meat on Fridays and if we have given up a favorite food or drink, we can feel like we are drawing more attention to ourselves than we are comfortable with. These are small things which set us apart from our broader group of friends or community at work. It is our actions and behavior which should be setting us apart and distinguishing us from persons not of our shared faith. We hear in all three readings this weekend about the difficulty which can come from living the gift of faith.

Most of us are comfortable with the idea that faith is a gift. We don’t earn this gift. We can predispose ourselves to receive it, but we can never merit it. Often, the issue is not whether we have received the gift of faith but whether we have opened it. Have we truly received a gift if we have not opened it? Faith is a gift which requires its use in order to be fully received or realized.

Faith is that which is hoped for but not yet realized. Trust in the Lord is proved when it is challenged by the desire to rely on what we are more comfortable with in our life; be it others or ourselves or our experiences. It is hard to trust what we don’t have control over, perceived or actual control. It is through testing and challenging where the gift of faith is purified and refined within us. The truth is, it is us who is being purified and refined and not our faith. Through the difficulty of living our faith and trusting the Lord in a world which does not know Him or has rejected Him, we have those parts of our heart which have become attached to that world removed.

The difficulty of living the gift of faith is the very working of the gift of faith. Only when it is tested is it proved strong and valuable. Talent is refined in practice. Every musician, every athlete, every artist refines their gift through struggle. We simply call this struggle practice. May this Lenten Season allow you to unwrap the gift of faith given to you in baptism and prove its strength. An unwrapped present on a shelf is a gift given but not received.

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News from the Principal’s Desk

These first few months have certainly flown by for us! January was a busy time with Catholic Schools Week, our Night in Monte Carlo fundraiser, and the Runnin’ with the Nighthawks Fun Run. We had great support from our school families and our church families for both big events, and our proceeds surpassed our expectations. The Night in Monte Carlo casino night, dance and auctions made a profit of $21,104.86, while the Fun Run’s profit was $9,468.54. Wow! Thank you to everyone who participated, donated, and worked the events! We couldn’t have done it without you!

We have two more big fundraising events coming up in the next couple of months. Here’s a hint: Chocolate, Chocolate, Chocolate!!! We kick off our World’s Finest Chocolate event on St. Patrick’s Day, March 17th. The sale will run for three weeks, and it’s a great way to stock up on Easter candy!! Our second event is the return of our Nighthawks’ Golf Tournament scheduled at the Tribute for Monday, May 11th. It should be a great time for all. Look for details on the tournament at our school table in the Narthex in the next few weeks.

Our middle school and elementary school archery teams have again qualified for the TX-NASP State Bullseye Tournament at the end of the month in Belton, TX. We had 26 archers qualify for this event. The results of this competition will determine if we attend the Nationals again this year. Also, March 27th is the PSIA District Academic Competition. We have 50 students participating in 16 out of 19 events in grades 1-8. We are hoping to again have some participants qualify for the State Competition in May.

Finally, we are in open enrollment season for the 2020-2021 academic year. We are offering school tours for any families interested in learning more about our parish Catholic school. Information can also be found on the school website. Tuition assistance is available for those who qualify, and we currently have openings in all grade levels. We have a great school with dedicated teachers, small class sizes, wonderful programs, and a nurturing environment. Come check us out!

Blessings,

Susan Flanagan
Easter Lily and Decoration Donation
ORDER FORM

Lilies that will decorate our Parish Hall and Chapel for Easter may be dedicated in honor of or in memory of, a family or individual for a donation of $20 per plant. Names will be listed in our Easter bulletin.

Please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or return it to the parish office by Friday, April 1st. Names received after this date will not be included in the bulletin due to printing schedules.

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Direct Donation to the Art & Environment Fund $

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All proceeds from the lily donations will go to the St. Martin de Porres Art and Environment Fund. This fund directly supports the preparation of the parish hall and chapel for each liturgical season.