MASSES
Saturday 5:30 PM
Sunday 7:15 AM,
8:45 AM, 10:30 AM,
12:15 PM, 5:30 PM
For CHILDREN During
8:45 & 10:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES
8:00 AM & 6:30 PM
Saturdays 8:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
Tuesdays 7:15 PM,
Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
24 Hours a Day,
Every Day

CLERGY
Pastor: Fr. Sy Nguyen
Parochial Vicar:
Fr. Jeff Droessler
Parish Director/Deacon:
Denis Zaun
Deacon: Nick Sherg

OUR PARISH
MISSION & VISION
St. Martin de Porres is a
Stewardship and
Hospitality parish. As
Catholic Christians
guided by the Holy Spirit,
we are Christ’s disciples
dedicated to faith
formation, worship,
community life, and
service. All are welcome
as we use our unique
gifts to serve the world as
a visible sign of God’s
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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM (Closed Noon to 1:00 PM)
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
As you review your 2015 tax planning, please consider a year-end gift to support St Martin de Porres Parish. Your charitable gift may be given directly to St Martin’s Parish in support of our many ministries, organizations, and programs.

You can donate on-line through the Parish Web Site (www.smdpyl.org), you can drop off a check or make a credit card payment at the Parish Office, or you can receive a tax benefit by making gifts of appreciated securities. The last day to make a year-end gift this year is Thursday, December 31, 2015.

To learn more about ways to make a year-end gift, please contact Deacon Denis today at the Parish Office 714-970-2771 or denisz@smdpyl.org. As the year comes to a close, open yourself up to new possibilities and success achieved through giving and receiving.
FAITH FORMATION

CHILDREN FAITH FORMATION

Eucharist I & II

“There are no Eucharist classes this week. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and enjoy the time off with your family. Be sure to listen for next week’s announcement for the ‘Word of the Week’. Don’t forget to keep it a secret.”

SUNDAY PRESCHOOL

3-4 Year Old Class: In today’s lesson, Thank you God!, the children will name something for which they thank God and explore various ways of thanking God.

Last Week’s Highlight: Ms. Leanne was sitting with the children talking about the beautiful churches which had been constructed from popsicle sticks, a little too much glue, and stickers. Eleanor turns to Ms. Leanne and says, “My daddy says I am a princess.” Ms. Leanne responds, yes Eleanor, we are all princesses in God’s eyes. Our children are blessed with the many wonderful volunteers teachings these classes and loving our youngest.

4-5 Year Old Class: In today’s lesson, Jesus Is Our King, the children will learn that Jesus, the son of God, is also our King!

NO CLASS NOVEMBER 29th!

FREE SUNDAY CHILDCARE

Childcare for children 6 months through 2 years of age is now open!. Registration forms can be found in the parish office or Childcare room. Please complete and submit a registration form to the parish office. For more information please contact Colleen Picou at ColleenP@smdpyl.org.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation 1: December 8th Safety training
Confirmation 2: December 1st Safety Training
XLT: November 29th—Confirmation students need to attend 2 a year

For questions: gerardob@smdpyl.org or marym@smdpyl.org

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES
YOUTH MINISTRY
YORBA LINDA, CA

Middle School: Youth Nights is 30th, 7-8:30 pm
High School: December 6th, 7-8:45 pm
Middle School First Eucharist: December 6th, 4-5 pm

For questions contact: Gerardo Butalid: geradob@smdpyl.org or Mary McDevitt: marym@smdpyl.org

The retreat is a relaxing, spiritual, joy-filled and inspirational moment just for you to spend with our God and your women friends.

April 29-30th, 2016 at St. Martin’s Parish Hall
The retreat starts at 5:30 p.m. on Friday night and ends on Saturday Evening.
Registration forms are available in the St. Martin office, the vestibule of our church, and on our parish web site.

Contact Lynn Clark at (714) 970-7452

The retreat

Sacred Relics Of The Saints: Treasures Of The Church—December 2

St. Martin de Porres Parish presents a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics on Wednesday December 2 at 7:00 pm. Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross will be here with his very special ministry to teach about these holy objects. He will bring with him over 150 relics, some as old as 2000 years. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. In the Church’s history many miracles and healings have been worked in the presence of relics, and many have been healed through this ministry. Please do not miss this opportunity. You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards, etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession. For more information contact Curtis Keddy at curtisk@smdpyl.org or visit our website at www.smdpyl.org
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St. Martin de Porres “Small Christian Communities” (SCC’s) provide a welcoming small group home-based forum where we reflect on the Word of God, explore and share our Catholic faith, engage in fellowship and pray together, and connect more deeply with the larger parish community. For more information please contact Mark or Kris Jablonski at (714) 524-9757 or mark.jablonski@stjoe.org

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Are you a non-Catholic who is curious about Jesus Christ and his Church? Join us for a weekly conversation on Sundays from 10:00-11:00am in the St. Rose of Lima room (in the Parish Hall). There is no commitment required. For more information contact Curtis Keddy at curtsk@smdpyl.org or visit our website at www.smdpyl.org/becoming-catholic.

FAITH FORMATION

ALTAR SERVER OF THE YEAR

Deacon Denis Zaun and Bishop Vann join in recognizing Madison Danenberg as St. Martin de Porres’ Altar Server of the Month.

ALTAR SERVER OF THE MONTH – OCTOBER

Please join the Altar Server Ministry in recognizing Sophia Luzzi as our Altar Server of the Month for the month of October 2015. Sophia serves our 10:30 mass and has been diligently doing so for over three years. In that time, she has demonstrated that she knows what it takes to be a good altar server—competency, awareness, calm, and dedication. Sophia’s command of the various server positions and the skills she possesses have been noticed and appreciated by our parish priests. Congratulations on your award, Sophia, and thank you for your service to St. Martin’s!

BE A PART OF A SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

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Questions:

Describe a time that was the end of your world as you then knew it. How did you come to know a new future?

What are some things in our life that have the potential to make us drowsy to Christ’s presence?

What helps keep you vigil for Christ in the world?

WOMEN, LET YOUR SPIRIT SOAR WITH WINGS!

WINGS—Women In God’s Spirit will meet on Wed., Nov. 25, at 9 a.m. in the St. Martin de Porres Parish Hall. To celebrate the beginning of the holiday season, for this special program, we will enjoy light refreshments while seated at festively decorated tables. Fr. Jeff Droessler, St. Martin Parochial Vicar, will share his personal spiritual journey—from successful businessman to priest. To help the attendees get started on their Thanksgiving preparations, the meeting will end by 10:30.

A ministry of faith and fellowship that began at St. Martin 28 years ago, WINGS includes women from many Orange County parishes, in all ages and stages of life.

WINGS meets Wed. mornings, October through May. Membership in WINGS is $50 per year. Free childcare and light refreshments are provided. Registration forms can be found in the Church office, downloaded at smdpyl.org, or you can register at the meeting. Contact WINGS Moderator Christie Shyne at wings@smdpyl.org or 714-280-9422 for further information. Come soar with WINGS!

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

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PRO-LIFE HEPLINE

www.optiononline.org or 800.712.HELP(4357)
COMMUNITY LIFE

Tamales
PRE-ORDER
THIS WEEKEND

The Guadalupanas will be taking preorders for your Holiday Tamales after every mass this weekend November 21 & 22 in the court yard outside of church. Any questions, please call Rose Marie Murrietta at 714-746-8004 or by e-mail at Murriettar@yahoo.com.

ST. MARTIN’S OUTREACH NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR HELP AT THE OUTREACH CENTER

Please consider helping out just a few hours at the St. Martin’s Outreach Center (located right here on the church grounds). These are the shifts in desperate need of volunteers: Tuesdays, 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM  Thursdays, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
The Orange Diocese’s screening process is quick & easy, and you’ll be a tremendous blessing to those in need. For further questions or volunteer details, please contact John Messina at 714/970-0147.

SIMBANG GABI 2015

Come prepare your heart for the coming of Jesus Christ through the beautiful rituals of Filipino traditions of the St. Martin de Porres community. The 9 day Novena begins Wednesday, December 16 thru Thursday, December 24, 2015 at a 6:30 am mass and 8:00 am on Saturday, December 19. There will be a celebration reception on Saturday, December 19th after 8 am mass. All are welcome to attend. Food and donations will gladly be accepted. For more information you may contact: Clarita Albertson (714) 779-8656 or Jessie Sioson (714) 350-0089.

PLEASE SUPPORT ST. MARTIN’S CUB SCOUTS

The St. Martin’s Cub Scout Pack 851 is selling poinsettias after Mass on Saturday, November 28th and Sunday, November 29th. Please support our scouts.

THE HOME VISIT MINISTRY HAS BEEN KNOCKING ON DOORS

As you can see from the accompanying map, the light is growing! We have visited over 350 of our more than 3800 registered parishioner homes, and are excited that our humble beginnings are yielding some wonderful outcomes. “The families we met today were very happy to see us. Very positive about the church.” Have we visited you yet? If not, we will! It will take quite a while to reach everyone, so your patience is appreciated as our Home Visitors make their way through the parish. Do not be afraid! Our visit teams come in a spirit of greeting, not in request or judgment. It’s simply a way of extending Father Sy’s ability to spend a few minutes with everyone. Since visits only take a couple of minutes, we ask for your gracious welcome when you receive their knock on your door. “The ministry making the effort to come to meet parishioners speaks volumes of the church’s care and concern for the parishioners.” May the power of the Holy Spirit strengthen our family of faith through their efforts. For any questions, or to become a Home Visitor, please refer to the brochures in the pews, or contact Susan Sandoval, 714-695-1729, sandovalhome@mac.com.
OUTSIDE THE PARISH

AUDIO GIRL MINISTRIES
A Bold and Active Voice For the Unborn

Would you like to learn ways to share a pro-life message in the secular world? To know the truth about the progress being made in the pro-life arena and be encouraged and inspired to help save lives? Please join us to be entertained with music, inspirational talks and videos as we see the Power of 7 app. and learn how they work to “end the crisis not the pregnancy”.

Please join us on the Vigil of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception December 7th. Respect Life Mass will be offered at 6:30 pm followed by refreshments and Audio Girls presentation at 7:15 in the Parish Hall. Evening is sponsored by St Martin’s Youth Ministry, Respect Life & Family and Knights of Columbus. Babysitting will be provided – please email respectlife@smdpyl.org for babysitting or more information.

VETERANS DAY MEMORIAL

Below: Deacon Denis and Ann Evans (parishioner) at the ceremony to honor Gold Star Families and KIA military personnel, 2003 to the present. The Ceremony is held twice a year, Veterans Day, November 11 and Memorial Day.

SERVICE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
TOY DRIVE SPONSORSHIP TODAY

Knights will be passing out Sponsorship Cards for the children of Active Marines at Camp Pendleton. Sponsor a child by buying them a gift, and help us serve the families that serve us all by protecting our freedom. Please return the Sponsor Card and gift on November 28 and 29 after all Masses. Thank you!

Keep Christ in Christmas
Next Sunday November 29
Nativity Scene -Tree Lighting after 5:30 Mass!
Free Chili and Cornbread Dinner in the hall!

Save the date February 7, 2016
2nd Annual Knights of Columbus Parish Super Bowl Party!

For information on joining the Knights of Columbus, e-mail: koc-8238@smdpyl.org

INTERFAITH SHELTER NETWORK

Watch For Our Grand Opening! Our Interfaith Shelter Network guests will be here before you know it and we want to be prepared to offer them a “Five Star” experience when they arrive. Our team leaders are in place, but we still need volunteers. Here’s a list of the areas and the corresponding coordinator’s email address. Just send them a quick message, along with your name and phone number, and they’ll get back to you.

Overnight and Weekend Supervision, Deacon Nick Sherg, nicks@smdpyl.org.
Transportation, Ted and Kim Hoyt, thoyt@workholdingconnection.com.
Christmas Gift Exchange Committee, Debbie Barker, djbinyl@aol.com.
New Year’s Eve Party Committee, Lisa Sherg, lisas@smdpyl.org.

Remember, our guests will be arriving December 12th. Thanks again for your support and let’s keep up the momentum!
WORSHIP

PERPETUAL ADORATION
24/7 Adoration Going Strong! Our Perpetual Adoration has taken off and many people are receiving abundant graces. We are still looking for souls willing to commit an hour to Our Lord. Please log in to our website link www.smdpyl.org, and click on “quick access”, email us: adoration@smdpyl.org or call us 657-888-4631 to sign up for your hour. He's waiting for you!

SACRAMENTS/RITES
Anointing of the Sick
Call the Parish Office with your request.

Baptism for Infants
Come to the Parish Office to pick up an information packet (3 months ahead).

Funeral Rite
Call the Parish Office at your earliest convenience after the death of a loved one for our Bereavement services.

Marriage
Call the Parish Office for an appointment with a priest/deacon at least six months prior to the planned date of marriage.

Reconciliation
Tuesdays 7:15 PM, Saturdays 4-5 PM

SCRIPTURE
READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28
Thanksgiving Day, Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
Fr John Bradley
Frank Mandap
Mr. Vu (Father of Fr Sy)
Tom Brown
Frank Krigbaum
Baby Bernie Heimos
Chris Herrera
Seph Randell
Lester Willoughby
James Stevenson
Linda Englebreton
Bill Donavan

Additional names are in the Book of Remembrance Petitions along the back wall of the church.

MEMORIAM
Oscar Bugarini

ADMINISTRATION

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS
Send to pulpitann@smdpyl.org plus a copy to ParishOffice@smdpyl.org by the Tuesday prior to the weekend. Contents are to be only 1-2 sentences.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
Submit articles 10 days before the weekend. (Holiday submissions vary.) Send to Becky Fautch at: bulletineditor@smdpyl.org or leave a printed copy at the parish office.

FACILITY RESERVATION REQUESTS
For requests which includes tables in the outdoor Gathering Plaza, please click on this link: smdpyl.org/reservations. Requests much be submitted two weeks in advance. After your request has been approved and entered, you will receive a confirmation from the parish office secretary.

DONATE FROM YOUR SMART PHONE
St. Martin de Porres offers a mobile version of our online giving page to make it easy for you to give anytime from your smartphone. It’s a fast and easy way to donate to St. Martin’s!

PARISH WEEKLY TITHE REPORT

Thank you for your contribution!

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WEDDING BANNS
Michael Rollino—Katherine Oborny
St. Francis Catholic Identity Ministry presents...

Prepare the Way...

A Family Advent Reflection Event

Thursday, December 3rd 6:00-8:00 pm. Glynn Center

“Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; He will prepare your way.’ A voice of one crying out in the desert: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord. Make straight His paths.’” Mark 1:3

Plan for the Evening

6 p.m. — Gathering and Food Collection
6:15 p.m. — Opening Prayer and Dinner Served
6:45 p.m. — Advent Reflection and Music
7:00 p.m. — Family Advent Wreath Activity

All families who attend can decorate a family Advent wreath together, to take home for the Advent Season.

It’s a Potluck Dinner

Please bring a salad or family favorite side dish for 8 to share. We will be providing the main dish and dessert.

The WHOLE family is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Please RSVP in your child’s classroom or to Rita K. at rkaczmarek@sfay1.org by Monday, Nov. 30th so we can “be prepared” for your family with food, Advent activity supplies and seating!

Would you like to help sponsor the main dish or any element of this event? Contact us! We’d love the support!
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Contact Numbers for Parish Ministries & Organizations:
(All phone numbers are area code 714 except as noted)

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“GOOD GRIEF! HERE COMES CHRISTMAS!

For most people, the holidays are highly anticipated days of family celebration, re-union, gift-giving and fun. Others dread the holidays or simply endure them. For them, the holidays represent loss and loneliness.

If you have recently lost a loved one or you have had losses in the past that cause you to associate sorrow with the holidays, you are invited to this retreat.

A simple time of retreat and reflection for persons who have suffered loss and are experiencing bereavement. In addition to reflection, practical suggestions for how to “be” during the holiday season will be offered. Treat yourself to a little TLC as we move through this busy time.

There is no cost for this retreat on:

Tuesday, December 15, 2015
7:00—9:00 PM
Christ Cathedral Pastoral Center
Room 1AB
13280 Chapman Avenue
Garden Grove, Ca 92840

Register Online here
You can also RSVP to:
Esther Ramirez
by Tuesday, December 1st to earnest@rcbo.org or
at (714)282-6001.

Facilitator: Dr. Kathy Schinofen
Kathy holds a Doctorate of Ministry in Pastoral Counseling. She is an active counselor and regular presenter in the field of Pastoral Care and Counseling. She is an instructor in these fields for Loyola Marymount’s Certificate Programs and for IPM in the Diocese of Orange.

Sponsored by the Office of Pastoral Care of the Diocese of Orange.
We are in need Christmas cards with stamped envelopes (preferably Forever postage stamps) Cards will be handed out to adults and youth incarcerated in the Orange County jails and juvenile detention facilities to send to their families and loved ones. Please ensure the cards reflect our love for Jesus through the celebration of his Holy birth. Cards must be store bought all paper ONLY! (NO foil, glitter or any other sparkly materials)

Please consider purchasing extra cards for this ministry while doing your Christmas shopping this season.

We also accept Christmas cards and stamps any time throughout the year. Please mail or bring the cards and stamps to us at: Office of Restorative Justice/Catholic Detention Ministry 1820 W. Orangewood Ave., Suite 101 Orange CA 92868. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

For more information about us, check out our web site found at: www.rcbo.org

Advent Retreat for Adults
“Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem... let us be drawn by the Light of God made man.” Pope Francis

Sunday, December 13th
10am – 3pm, Mass at 2pm
Includes lunch
Freewill offering greatly appreciated

Heart of Jesus RETREAT CENTER

Please RSVP by December 11th to 714-557-4538 or heatofjesusrc@sbcglobal.net
2927 S. Greenville St. Santa Ana
**“AMAZONSMILE” DONATION PROGRAM -AT ST. MARTIN’S**

St. Martin de Porres has joined AmazonSmile, a web based shopping program operated by Amazon. AmazonSmile lets you enjoy the same wide selection of products, services, great low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com including Amazon Prime member benefits. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to St. Martin de Porres Church.

If you shop on smile.amazon.com using an internet browser on your desktop or laptop computer, your mobile phone, or your tablet (including any Kindle Fire device), then your AmazonSmile purchases will be eligible for donations. Purchases made using an Amazon Shopping App are not currently eligible for donations.

**DIVORCED AND SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUPS**

St. Norbert Church in Orange and St. Timothy Church in Laguna Niguel are hosting 13 week programs to support those going through the emotional pain of divorce or separation. Key challenges and unique family dynamics as a result of this unexpected journey will be addressed as well as a safe environment to share concerns and reconnect with understanding and a new hope. A donation of $35 includes a book and a journal. To register call Kelly Klaus at 949-292-7281.

**RETREAT FOR WOMEN**

St. Martins Retreat for Women will be held on Dec 4-6th 2015 at the Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center in the city of Sierra Madre. The retreat, which is preached by the Passionist Retreat Team, begins Friday evening and concludes early Sunday afternoon. The lovely grounds and peaceful atmosphere of Mater Dolorosa make this a perfect spot for a weekend of spiritual growth.

Theme: “No Greater Love Than This”, Requested Donation: $240.00 ($50.00 non-refundable deposit), Facilitated by: Passionist Retreat Team

Please phone Shirley Espique 714-394-2309 or email Shirleyspk@aol.com, our parish retreat Captain for information or to make your reservation. You may also reach Suzanne Mills (714) 993-7868 or emailsuzmills@sbcglobal.net

**WE REMEMBER**

The month of November is the traditional season for Catholics to prayerfully remember all those who have gone before us ‘marked by the sign of faith.’ Following the Solemnity of All Saints that remembers all those who have lived the life of faith with integrity and are now one with the Lord in heaven, we celebrate All Souls Day. This day of prayer for the dead provides the opportunity for us to surround our beloved dead with our prayers, especially through the Eucharistic celebration, as we companion them on their journey to the Father.

Each and everyone one of us will be touched by the reality of death in the course of our journey of faith. We have all experienced the painful leave-taking of a loved one in death as we prepare for our own ‘going forth’ through death to eternal life in Christ.

The funeral rites of our Church help us to remember that no one truly dies alone but is accompanied by the community of believers as eternity opens for each one of us. The reformed liturgy of our Church and particularly its funeral rites provide opportunities for family and friends of the deceased to actively enter into this moment of passage as we shape a truly fitting farewell for our loved ones.

The Diocese of Orange has recently published two helpful resources for families and individuals who are called upon to plan a funeral celebration for a loved one. They are a Guide to Catholic Funerals and Words of Remembrance – Guide for Writing a Funeral Reflection. Both resources are available in the parish offices, Catholic cemeteries as well as online. These resources can be a helpful guide to families as they help shape a funeral celebration that both respects the funeral tradition of our Church as well as personalize this important moment of remembrance and prayer.

The most advantageous time of preparation is before the crisis of an immediate death. In the course of a grave illness of a loved one, it would be both beneficial and comforting for family members to familiarize themselves with these guidelines. May they assist you in preparing a fitting and worthy celebration of prayer and remembrance for a brother or sister as they prepare for the fullness of eternal life.

**Mark Your Calendars!**

Because before you know it, it will be time to pack your bags for...

**18th Annual**

St. Francis of Assisi Auction

February 20, 2016
MEALS ON WHEELS ARE AVAILABLE
Do you know someone who would benefit from having meals delivered? We at Placentia Yorba Meals On Wheels deliver to citizens in Placentia, Yorba Linda, and Anaheim Hills. Three meals a day, Monday through Friday. Those who cannot pay are subsidized by MOW. MOW is non-profit, depending 100% on local contributions from citizens, organizations, and the business community, as well as annual fundraisers. While the food is cooked and packaged at a state-of-the-art kitchen in Anaheim and brought to our office for distribution, we welcome volunteers to help make the deliveries to the clients. Please give us a call! 714/524-5056. Placentia Yorba Meals on Wheels, 1130 Yorba Linda Blvd., Placentia, CA 92870-3828.

BE A CHILD’S VOICE IN COURT!
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Orange County is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates and mentors for abused, abandoned and neglected children. A CASA volunteer visits with a child they are matched with on a regular basis, interacts with all professionals involved in the case and makes recommendations directly to the court, ensuring the child’s best interests are not overlooked. Volunteers must be 21 years old and be able to dedicate 10-15 hours per month. For more information about volunteering, please call 714/619.5155 or visit our website: www.casaoc.org

POPE PIUS XII RELIGIOUS EMBLEM INFORMATION MEETING
Parent and Youth Information Meeting. Learn how to earn this award. This program is for Catholic Venturing Scouts, ages 14 to 20, boys and girls. It is conducted in small groups with a counselor. In this program you will learn more about vocations and life states in your faith. Hunter Piper, lippoe@aol.com. Please RSVP with your reservations. When: Sunday, December 6, 2015 Where: Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church 19767 Yorba Linda Blvd Yorba Linda, CA 92886 Time: 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

HOW DOES SOMEONE BECOME CATHOLIC? THEY JOIN THE RCIA!
What is the RCIA? RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults but, according to a young man who recently went through the process, it should also stand for Righteous, Compassionate, Inspirational and Amazing. He speaks for the hundreds of individuals who have been a part of this challenging, exciting, and life-changing experience at St. Martin’s.
Have you or a friend ever considered joining the Catholic Church? The RCIA process will give you the opportunity to ask questions, learn about the Church’s teaching, and be part of a community who will walk with you on your journey of faith. Those who are not baptized, were baptized in other Christian denominations, or were baptized Catholic but have not been Confirmed or received the Eucharist are led by a team made up of clergy, staff and volunteers through an unforgettable one to two year process. RCIA meets mostly on Sundays after the 8:45 AM Mass, culminating with Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. If you would like to have a Righteous, Compassionate, Inspirational and Amazing experience leading to full communion with the Catholic Church, call Curtis Keddy at 714/970-2771 or email curtisk@smdpyl.org.

FILIPINO COMMUNITY OF ST. MARTIN DE PORRES (FCSMDP) SAVE THESE DATE!
DECEMBER 16-24, 2015 SIMBANG GABI
AND, be part of the action now! Register as part of our group at the Parish Office where membership application forms are available. We need you! Contacts:
Clarita Albertson - 714/779-8656
Ed Baluyot - 714/288-0800
Tessa Bautista - 714/878-4665
Ivy San Juan - 714/261-1323
Jessie Sioson - 714/350-0089
Joe Tiamzon - 714/782-4330
Liza Virgo - 714/269-1151

LEGION OF MARY MEETS WEEKLY
If you have devotion to Mary, join her wonderful army: the Legion of Mary. We meet on Tuesdays at 7:15 PM, in the St. Rose of Lima Room. If you have questions, call Tom Copenhagen Phone: 714/225-7736; Email: tcopenhaver@tbcontractors.com The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic organization which has a program of prayer and service, in union with the Holy Spirit which operates through Mary, Mother of the Church.

SAN ANTONIO WOMEN PRESENT:
A Christmas Concert Experience not to be missed! Award winning music artist and host of the TV show Waking UP in America, Tajci Cameron comes to San Antonio De Padua Church, 5800 E. Santa Ana Canyon Road, Anaheim Hills. Share a story of longing to believe...In the true meaning of Christmas told through stunningly beautiful music “Emmanuel” Saturday Dec. 12, 2015 at 7:30 PM (Doors open at 6:30 PM). Order your tickets now... as seating will be limited. $25.00 Adults and $15.00 Seniors and Students. For more information contact Judi Moallem: 714-309-8248 or 714-281-2328 or email SanantonioSAW@aol.com. Check Tajci out at iDoBelieve.com
**Hospice Volunteers**

Hospice Volunteers are needed in our community to provide supportive services to terminally ill patients and their families. VITAS Innovative Hospice Care® is seeking interested individuals who can commit an average of two hours per week to make a difference with patients or in our offices – you can volunteer around your schedule and in the area you live or work. The only necessary qualifications are a caring heart, the ability to listen, and a willingness to learn. Please contact Judy Andoe, Volunteer Manager at 714/921-2273 or email Judy.andoe@vitas.com

**Catholic Detention Ministry is Looking for Volunteers!**

Every day nearly 5,000 Catholics call Orange County jails and juvenile facilities home! The Bible calls us to visit those in prison (Matt 25:36). How about you! Can you spare a couple hours each month to visit our incarcerated brothers and sisters, sons and daughters? If you would like to learn more or to join our ministry, please sign up for our Overview presentation. For dates, times and more details, go to www.rcbo.org/restore or call us at 714/634-9909.

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**OUTREACH MINISTRY SUMMARIES - JULY & AUGUST 2015**

**Craig Park Ministry Report – July 2015:** On July 12th, the Craig Park Ministry took place at the La Habra Hills Presbyterian Church in the city of La Habra. Our SMdP Volunteers served 56 of our family members (48 adults and 8 children) a hot lunch and later distributed weekly groceries. Lunch consisted of Sloppy Joe's, golden corn, cookies, fresh fruit and cold lemonade. The La Habra Hills Presbyterian Church added cake and French toast to the meal. Second meals and take-home lunches were plentiful on this day, and we were fortunate to help provide groceries to two of our homeless brothers. SMdP Outreach provided 15 Boxes of Love to our families. This was made possible by the great response from SMdP Parishioners who contributed to this program. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped serve the working poor of our community—YOU ARE A BLESSING!!!

**Craig Park Ministry Report – August 2015:** The Craig Park Ministry was held on Sunday, August 9th, at the La Habra Hills Presbyterian Church in the city of La Habra. A total of 65 people (45 adults and 20 children) were served a hot lunch. Sloppy Joe's, golden corn, fresh fruit, cookies and cold lemonade were served that afternoon to all our family members. After lunch, weekly groceries were distributed. The La Habra Hills Presbyterian Church parishioners also distributed backpacks filled with school supplies to all the children. Thanks to all the amazing SMdP Volunteers—YOU ARE A BLESSING!!!

**Isaiah House Ministry Report – July 2015:** On July 1st, a team of five St. Martin de Porres volunteers prepared salads for the Civic Center and Isaiah House. The tossed green salad had every delicious and healthy green vegetable. We were given this assignment with open arms. We were a small team but efficient in the preparation of these salads for over 220 people. After the salads were delivered, we prepared a traditional summer favorite for the 20 Isaiah House women. This meal consisted of hot dogs, bake beans and salad. Leah wanted to clear the refrigerator of the items. The 20 ladies thanked us for sharing our time and dedication to serve. We all felt good for our time there. Due to the small number of ladies of Isaiah House, the St. Martins team seem to be limited in the number of warm meals we were asked to prepare. Hopefully this will change. The Isaiah House kitchen is now fully operational.

Leah at Isaiah House informed me she may be considering another scheduling change. I will send out a general notice to all our volunteers if a change in schedule does occur. With God’s blessings, I hope a new schedule will not impact our tremendous support.

**Isaiah House Ministry Report – August 2015:** On August 5th, a team of four St. Martin de Porres volunteers served a delicious cream-chicken entree along with corn casserole, fruit salad, and apple pie alamode dessert. (The ladies of Isaiah House loved the dessert to no end!)

Prior to serving dinner to the women, we assisted the volunteers for the Civic Center meal group in loading their van. We were a small team but efficient in the preparation of the night’s dinner and assisting those in need. There was plenty of food for the Isaiah House women this night, with many coming for seconds.

Again, the ladies thanked us for sharing our time and dedication to serve. We all felt good for our time there. Leah, Isaiah House facilitator, asked if we were still interested in changing back to the third Wednesday of the month to accommodate more volun-
teers. I mentioned we would stay with our next date of September 2nd, and I would send out a general notice to see how many prefer the third Wednesday of the month instead of the first Wednesday of the month.

The number of ladies at Isaiah House is still about 20-plus. Maybe this will change, but we had a great group who gave it their all while we were there. With God’s blessings, we continue to serve and receive many blessings in return.

Soup Kitchen Report - July 2015: St. Martin’s Soup Kitchen Ministry served over 100 hungry souls at the Southwest Community Center (home of the Soup Kitchen) for the month of July. A big "THANK YOU" to our July Team Leaders and volunteers—Your service and devotion to the Soup Kitchen Ministry is greatly appreciated! Now on to the reports...

On Saturday, July 18, St. Martin’s fed 45 hungry folks at the Soup Kitchen in Santa Ana, and 25 folks came back for seconds. It was raining, so our numbers were down. The attendees enjoyed Sloppy Joe’s, coleslaw, apples & oranges, cookies, coffee & punch. All were appreciative and asked us to thank the parishioners of St. Martin’s for making the meal possible! Many thanks to those who donate to Outreach and a special thank you to the wonderful volunteers. God Bless you all!!!

Sunday, July 26, was a perfect day of service in Santa Ana — the sun was out with clear blue skies, and we had a turnout of about 60 locals. Along with the Team Leader, we had eight people volunteer, and they were all eager to help, which made it a relaxed day. Our menu was: Hot Dogs smothered in chili, Corn, Watermelon, Lemonade, and M&M Chocolate-chip cookies for dessert. We were prepared for 100 people and had a strong turnout, serving lots of seconds...our guests for the day were well fed. The team had some extra time today, but everyone stepped up and kept smiling throughout. This was the perfect team for a perfect day...and everything went PERFECT!!

Soup Kitchen Report - August 2015: St Martin’s Soup Kitchen Ministry served 90 hungry souls at the Southwest Community Center (home of the Soup Kitchen) for the month of August thanks to our ever-giving Team Leader couple and their amazing volunteers! YEAH Soup Kitchen Ministry! Note: We were advised by the Health Department this month that homemade items are no longer allowed to be served at Southwest Community Center; only store-bought items may be served.

Apparently the word didn't get out that our team was serving our world-famous chili-cheese dogs, because only about 40 hungry souls showed up on Sunday, August 23rd, for our delicious spread. The delicious meal consisted of tossed green salad with an enormous variety of ingredients, chili-cheese dogs, sliced peaches, tortilla chips, green beans, chocolate-chip cookies and champagne-flavored punch. Many of the diners came back for seconds, and a few health-conscious ones wanted only salad and green beans. Everyone left happy, including our team of St. Martin servers.

Saturday, August 29th, was a sweltering day in Santa Ana, but the Soup Kitchen crew kept their cool and served a delicious lunch to 50 hungry and grateful souls, with 10 coming back for seconds. Lunch consisted of turkey sandwiches with lettuce, tomato, cheese, mayonnaise, and mustard on a Kaiser roll, with pickles on the side along with a bag of potato chips. Ice-cold lemon tea and a dessert of ice cream sandwiches were also served. As you can imagine, the ice cream was a big hit with the hot and hungry lunch crowd. Lunch began at noon, and by one o'clock, the crew had served, cleaned up, packed up and was headed home. Everyone involved felt blessed and was looking forward to the next time.