

# St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church

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*Drawing by Donal Keohane*

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**Office Hours:** Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Saturday - 8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Sunday - 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:** 5:30 pm  
**SUNDAY:** 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12 Noon & 5:30 pm

**DAILY:** 8:00 am & 5:30 pm  
**HOLY DAYS:** 6:30, 8:00 am & 5:30 pm

**RECONCILIATION:** 4:15 - 5:15 pm on Saturday, and by appointment. Please call the rectory office.

**BAPTISM:** 1:00 pm on Sunday and by appointment. Please call the rectory office to register.

**MARRIAGES:** Arrangements by appointment and a minimum of six months prior to marriage. Please call the rectory office.

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**FAMILY MASS** - Homily is more directed to children.

Children participate in the mass.

Sundays at 9:00 am

Diane Elder (310) 459-5044

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)** Those over 18 years of age who would like to join our faith.

Father Donie Keohane (310) 476-7403

**MUSIC DIRECTORS**

**TRADITIONAL CHOIR** - Sundays at 10:30 am

Dr. Nicole Baker (626) 287-6559

**CONTEMPORARY CHOIR** - Sundays at 5:30 pm

Nové Deypalan (310) 787-1999

**ORGANIST**

Dr. Richard Grayson (310) 394-2356

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

First Communion & Confirmation

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[smtchurchlady@aol.com](mailto:smtchurchlady@aol.com)

**WEDDING REHEARSAL DIRECTOR**

Antoinette Nolan (310) 470-3785

**LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Laura & George Braunstein (310) 476-3752

**SAFEGUARDING THE CHILDREN COMMITTEE**

Debbie Caldwell (818) 7835477

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Marlene Bathker (310) 472-5532

**COMMITTEE FOR THE POOR**

Richard Held (310) 476-6043

**YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES**

Janet Anderson (310) 573-0133



This weekend the Finance Council members present the Parish Financial Report to you. If you have any questions about this report please contact me or any member of the Finance Council. I am very grateful for your generosity, support, and commitment to our parish.

I am pleased to announce that we have selected Bruce Goldes to be the 10:30 Choir Director. Bruce is a fine man and has a strong background in Choral Conducting. He served as the interim director and now it is our joy to welcome Bruce to this new position.

As people, both the Pharisee and the tax collector are of infinite importance to Jesus. In fact, the rebuke and the teaching that are woven into the parable come from a place of concern for both of them. He sees that they are both struggling but only one of them is aware of this. The self-congratulatory prayer of the Pharisee presents a huge impediment to his relationship with God. It represents a mindset that prevents him from truly knowing who he is in terms of his relationship with God. He defines this relationship in terms of what he has done for God! The irony is he forgets that God provided the circumstances, the incentive and the very life that allowed for any accomplishment. This is a natural human response to our perception of achievement and a potentially dangerous one which is why Jesus makes it the subject of this parable. A healthy self-image is of utmost importance for all of us but it must be tempered with the knowledge of who we are before our God. Therein we find peace, comfort and the humility that Jesus acknowledges in the tax collector.

In the eyes our Creator, the greatest human achievement and the most devastating moral defeat are not distantly removed from one another because both can be great impediments in forming a loving relationship with God. We are all capable of doing both, but this parable teaches us that whatever condition we are in we don't have to prove ourselves to God, we just do the best we can, and we must rely on the mercy of God for us. Mistakes are a given in our human lives, but how we choose to do with our mistake (ignoring them like the Pharisees since he lists only the good things or begging for God's mercy) is of great importance.

In this parable we also see a deeper exposition of Jesus' teaching of loving God and neighbor. Most vividly we see the harmful effects of narcissism and self-centeredness in our relationships. If we consider ourselves better than others, more than likely our focus has shifted from God to our egos. Who are you relative to me? Rather than who are we all relative to God? The prototype for who we are before God is the tax collector. This is not the type of humility that undermines a healthy self-image because in bearing the humility of the tax collector we love our neighbor *as ourselves* and, together, acknowledge in loving gratitude our dependence on God.

Fr. Ben

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17  
 Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21  
 Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30  
 Thursday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a  
 Friday: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9;  
 Jn 6:37-40  
 Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29;  
 Lk 14:1, 7-11  
 Sunday: Wis 11:22 — 12:2; Ps 145;  
 2 Thes 1:11 — 2:2; Lk 19:1-10

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
 Wednesday: Halloween  
 Thursday: All Saints — Holy Day of Obligation  
 Friday: The Commemoration of all the Faithful  
 Departed (All Souls); First Friday  
 Saturday: St. Martin de Porres; Blessed  
 Virgin Mary; First Saturday

### MASSSES for the WEEK

#### Saturday, October 27

5:30 – Daniel Wilner, R.I.P.

#### Sunday, October 28

7:30 – Kay Lane, R.I.P.

9:00 – Edmund Partyka, R.I.P.

10:30 – Edward Masterson, R.I.P.

12:00 – Rolland Gaydou, R.I.P.

5:30 – Harold & Yellie Chan, R.I.P.

#### Monday, October 29

8:00 – Richard Meola, R.I.P.

5:30 – John Fasano, R.I.P.

#### Tuesday, October 30

8:00 – Tom Barton, Spec. Int.

5:30 – Patria Inayan, R.I.P.

#### Wednesday, October 31

8:00 – Alfredo R. Aguirre, R.I.P.

5:30 – Joe Novello, Spec. Int.

#### Thursday, November 1

8:00 – All Souls

5:30 – Teresa Robles, R.I.P.

#### Friday, November 2

8:00 – All Souls

5:30 – Marco Guillis, Sr. Spec. Int.

#### Saturday, November 3

8:00 – All Souls

5:30 – William Tebo, R.I.P.

**St. Martin of Tours School Fall Carnival is coming up!**



Please mark your calendar for **Saturday, November 3rd** Support your Parish School and join us for a day of fun for the entire family!!!

**All Saints Day Masses  
November 1**

Masses on Wednesday 5:30 pm vigil;  
Thursday 6:30 am, 8:00 am and 5:30 pm  
**There will not be a 9:00 am school mass**



**BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**November 6th**, will be the first Tuesday of the month and there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. **Please come and spend some time with the Lord.**

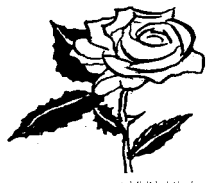


**The Baptism Preparation Class** will be held on **Wednesday, November 7th**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.



**St. Martin of Tours  
Thanksgiving Dinner**

– It seems hard to believe but the holiday season is just around the corner. There's no better way to begin the season than with our annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Please mark your calendars and save the date, Sunday, November 18, 2006. Everyone is invited to attend. Information flyers/reservation slips are available at the hospitality table outside the church and in the Rectory. If you have questions or would like to help out please call Janet Anderson at 310-573-0133.



**RESPECT LIFE NEWS**

The St. Martin of Tours Respect Life Committee will be sponsoring their annual "SHOWER THE UNBORN DRIVE" during the month of October. **NEW** baby clothes (sizes 3 mos. to 1 year) are being collected. Please wrap and label your gifts ("boy" or "girl") and place them in the bassinet in church. All donations will benefit St. Anne's Maternity Home.



**The Committee for the Poor** will have its monthly collection of food for the poor and homeless on **November 3 & 4**. Please see the suggested shopping list inserted in today's bulletin. Monetary donations that will be used to purchase additional items are also accepted. Please leave donations inside the church near the front side door. Thank you!

**Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors**

All current and interested Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors are invited to attend a meeting on either October 29<sup>th</sup> or November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at St. Martin of Tours Church. We will provide training and updates on new procedures for these ministries.

**ENRICHMENT**

A new Enrichment series continues on Monday at 7:30 p.m.  
This week's focus will be on "The Church – development and history".  
All are welcome.  
Refreshments are served.

**High Schools News**

**Attention: All 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys!** See if Crespi Carmelite High School is right for you. Find out at 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visit Day on Friday, November 2 from 8:30 am to 1:15 pm Contact Rob Kodama or Anita Rezzo at 818 345-1672 for a registration form. Don't miss out on this fun and informative day.  
**Crespi Carmelite High School Open House:** Bring the entire family to our Open House on Sunday, November 11, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm (the last tour leaves at 3:00 pm) Experience "Crespi Carmelite Family" hospitality, first hand. No reservation necessary.