

St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church

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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
Michelle Steffes

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
Bruce Goldes (661) 298-2890

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Last Sunday we collected \$11,000 for the Committee of the Poor. If you would like to support this project (our goal is \$20,000) please use the special envelopes in the pews. Thank you for your generosity.

Next Sunday, Nov 18th, is our annual Thanksgiving Dinner. It will be after the 5:30 pm Sunday mass, please call Janet Anderson or the Rectory to make the reservation. We would love to see you there.

The German philosopher, Schopenhauer, was walking along a street in Dresden one day, seeking answers to questions that bothered him. Passing by a garden, he decided to sit down and look at the flowers. The owner was suspicious and called the police. A policeman arrived and asked him, "Who are you?" Schopenhauer paused and said, "If you can help me find the answer to that question, I will be eternally grateful to you!" The readings for this weekend reveal one key aspect of who we are as human beings, that is, we will live forever!

The First Reading and the Gospel speak to us about the Christian endeavor to experience life in terms that both embrace and transcend our biology. This understanding of life is revealed to us by God in the life and teachings of Christ and is palpable to our faith in the Resurrection of the Lord. As Christians we live from an eternal context that is informed by this faith. This context is also more deeply apprehended as we progress both individually and collectively on our faith journey. What is most striking about this, is that life lived from an eternal context is not something that occurs in a distant future but is very much a part of our lives now; hence, the wellspring of courage that flows from the brothers in the First Reading as they confront persecution and death. They understand that the life in which they participate is not something that physical death can touch. It is the life that is of God which lovingly embraces Creation and the laws that sustain it, but at the same time transcends both in scope and power. This understanding is antithetical to the notion that life is a finite experience that ends in death. From the latter perspective we divorce our physicality from our relationship with God and identify ourselves in strictly biological terms. When, in fact, it is our relationship with God that informs our self-understanding both physically and spiritually. This is a teaching that can sometimes be challenging for us as believers. Therefore, the Second Reading assures us that God our Father has "loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace" and also reminds us that the encouragement and

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6
 Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8
 Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98; 2 Thes 3:7-12;

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time; Veterans Day
 Monday: St. Josaphat
 Tuesday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
 Thursday: St. Albert the Great
 Friday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude
 Saturday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

MASSSES for the WEEK

Saturday, November 10

5:30 – George B. Fitzhugh, R.I.P.

Sunday, November 11

7:30 – Emil Dimich, R.I.P.

9:00 – All Souls

10:30 – Michael Rubbo, R.I.P.

12:00 – Our Parishioners

5:30 – Harold & Yellie Chan, R.I.P.

Monday, November 12

8:00 – All Souls

5:30 – Charelle Cunningham, R.I.P.

Tuesday, November 13

8:00 – Maria Lidia Argumedo, R.I.P.

5:30 – All Souls

Wednesday, November 14

8:00 – All Souls

5:30 – Charelle Cunningham, R.I.P.

Thursday, November 15

8:00 – Elaine Marie Davis, R.I.P.

5:30 – All Souls

Friday, November 16

8:00 – Patrick Minehane, R.I.P.

5:30 – All Souls

Saturday, November 17

8:00 – Jardelina Lancio, R.I.P.

5:30 – All Souls

ALOHA!

Imagine yourself sitting on the beach in Maui! You can win a trip for two to Hawaii for 8 days/7 nights at the Royal Lahaina Resort plus \$500 spending money. The Father Murray Scholarship Fund Raffle, generously donated by the William Hannon Foundation, provides assistance to St. Martin's students in need. Try your luck at \$5 per ticket or a book of 5 for \$20. Additional tickets will be available in the rectory. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Father's Club Christmas Dinner Dance on **December 7th**. **WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.** Please take a moment to consider this very worthy cause and mail or drop your tickets off at the rectory.

ENRICHMENT

A new Enrichment series continues on Monday at 7:30 p.m.

This week's focus will be on
"Sacramentality and Sacraments"

All are welcome
 Refreshments are served

Respect Life News

The Respect Life Committee is having a luncheon meeting on Tuesday, November 27th at 11:30. Please call Judy at (310) 476-9234 to receive details and RSVP.

The St. Martin of Tours Respect Life Committee is seeking volunteers to visit with the elderly retired Sisters living at Carondelet Center (adjacent to Mt. St. Mary's College). The Sisters are truly delightful and are appreciative of any amount of time spent with them. Anyone wishing to participate please call Judy Salz at (310)476-9234.



St. Martin of Tours Thanksgiving Dinner – Our Thanksgiving Dinner is just a week away, Sunday, November 18, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. Reservations are necessary and due by this Wednesday, November 14th. Extra reservation forms are available at the hospitality table outside the church or in the rectory. Please consider joining us for this very special and delicious dinner. All are welcome! Call Janet Anderson at 573-0133 if you have any questions.

Bible Study

The focus of this week's study is
St. Paul's Letter to the Romans.

We meet on Wednesdays at
 9:00 a.m.

All are welcome; coffee is served.

**COMMITTEE FOR THE POOR**

Please help the Committee for the Poor collect safe, **WRAPPED**, excess Halloween candy. The candy will be used as stocking stuffers for the needy at Christmas. Place the candy in the box at the side entrance of the Church. We help serve those less fortunate through fund raising, food and clothing drives .

All Souls Intentions

We will offer Mass each day in November for those who have gone before us. You can write their names in the provided Book of the Dead or use envelopes in the pews. Please return the envelopes to the rectory or drop them in the collection basket . **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen!**