

# St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church

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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  
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

**CONTEMPORARY CHOIR** - Sundays at 5:30 pm  
Nové Deypalan (310) 787-1999

#### **ORGANIST**

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#### **ST. MARTIN OF TOURS SCHOOL**

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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

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#### **WEDDING REHEARSAL DIRECTOR**

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#### **LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Laura & George Braunstein (310) 476-3752

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Debbie Caldwell (818) 7835477

#### **ALTAR SERVERS**

Marlene Bathker (310) 472-5532

#### **COMMITTEE FOR THE POOR**

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We are at the end of our liturgical year with the Solemnity of Christ the King this Sunday. Next Sunday will be the First Sunday of Advent. Liturgically, there are 3 year cycle: A, B, and C. Year A uses the gospel of Matthew, Year B uses the gospel of Mark (plus 6 weeks of John) and Year C uses the gospel of Luke. This year, we are ending with Luke (C) and are beginning with Matthew (A).

Beginning this Sunday we will pray together as a community for the increase of vocation to religious life. St. Martin of Tours has produced only one priest and none to any other religious life. You will find the prayer in the pews and in the back of the missalette.

In case you haven't noticed, we just launched our re-designed website. It will be updated weekly, so please visit us at [www.saintmartinoftours.com](http://www.saintmartinoftours.com) to find out more about our parish.

Jesus as our King is a source of profound reassurance for us. The kingdom and the kingship that he reveals to us in his life and ministry are of a different order than traditional, earthly monarchies. In fact, one of the most revolutionary things that Jesus did was redefine our conception of leadership and power by presenting himself as a first among equals. The first is to be last and in service of the many, an idea which resonates more with public service in democracies than the tyrannical monarchical models. The second Person of the Blessed Trinity chose to incarnate with the express purpose of bridging the distance that separates humanity from God. Jesus' infinite power and reign are inherent to his Person and evident in his undertaking on the cross, yet he approaches humanity and extends an invitation to participation in his kingdom through service, humility, and selfless sacrifice.

The self-disclosure of our God that began with Abraham and continued through Moses was fully realized in the Person of Jesus. "He is the image of the invisible God," we are told in Colossians this week. This second reading elaborates more completely on the divine majesty that clothed itself in our human garb and suffered death for our freedom and friendship. As King, Jesus extends to us participation in his divine inheritance, making us siblings not subjects. It is almost too easy to lose sight of his transcendence, since he emptied himself of it to be with us. It is also difficult to articulate the mystery of the Incarnation since what we are trying to identify is deeply hidden in Jesus' humanity. This hiddenness is what our faith reaches out for when we acknowledge Jesus as our God and our King. In the Gospel we see that one of the men recognizes the hiddenness of God in Jesus, asking to be remembered in his Kingdom and Jesus does not hesitate to reassure him, a convicted criminal, "Amen, I say to you, today, you will be with me in Paradise." Such is the personal welcome and reassurance our King extends to each of us.

**Fr. Ben**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4  
 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11  
 Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28;  
 Lk 21:12-19  
 Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28  
 Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22  
 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36  
 Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Rom 13:11-14;  
 Mt 24:37-44

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ the King  
 Monday: Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time  
 Friday: St. Andrew  
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday; World AIDS Awareness Day

### MASSSES for the WEEK

#### Saturday, November 24

5:30 – Patricia Inayan, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**

#### Sunday, November 25

7:30 Our Parishioners **Fr. Ben**  
 9:00 – All Souls **Fr. Ed**  
 10:30 – Frank Milewski, R.I.P. **Fr. Donie**  
 12:00 – Janet Sweeney R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**  
 5:30 – Harold & Yellie Chan, R.I.P. **Fr. Donie**

#### Monday, November 26

8:00 – All Souls & Joseph L. Boyle, R.I.P.  
 5:30 – Edward Kroll, R.I.P.

#### Tuesday, November 27

8:00 – Rolando Garcia, Spec. Int.  
 5:30 – All Souls

#### Wednesday, November 28

8:00 – All Souls  
 5:30 – Mark Clinnon, R.I.P.

#### Thursday, November 29

8:00 – Neil Brouman, R.I.P.  
 5:30 – All Souls

#### Friday, November 30

8:00 – All Souls  
 5:30 – Krystyna Puchalski, R.I.P.

#### Saturday, December 1

8:00 – Glen Perkins, R.I.P.  
 5:30 – Francis & Margaret Kelly, R.I.P.

**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  
**"The Beatitudes"**  
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.

**The Baptism Preparation Class**  
will be held on  
**Wednesday, December 5th**  
at 7:30 p.m. in the  
Parish Center.

**The Committee for the Poor** will have its monthly collection of food for the poor and homeless at **next Saturday and Sunday masses**. 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!

**Santa Claus** will be in the parish center on Sunday, **December 2nd** after the 9:00 a.m. mass. Have the kids bring a **new unwrapped gift to mass** and have a picture taken with Santa Claus.

**Sunday, December 9th**

Will be the day to collate the bags for direct distribution to the poor. Last year 1,600 bags were assembled. You are all invited to help anytime between 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., in the Parish Hall.

**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 .