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DAILY: 7:00 am & 8:15 am

SACRAMENTS:

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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Hearing the Word of God



When the Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself is speaking to his people and Christ, present in his own word, is proclaiming the Gospel. (GIRM, n.29). The words of Sacred Scripture are unlike any other texts we will ever hear, for they not only give us information, they are the vehicle God uses to reveal himself to us, the means by which we come to know the depth of God's love for us and the responsibilities entailed by being Christ's followers, members of his Body. What is more, this Word of God proclaimed in the liturgy possesses a special sacramental power to bring about in us what it proclaims. The Word of God proclaimed at Mass is 'efficacious' that is, it not only tells us of God and God's will for us, it also helps us to put that will of God into practice in our own lives.

How, then, do we respond to this wonderful gift of God's Word? We respond in word and song, in posture and gesture, in silent meditation and, most important of all, by listening attentively to that Word as it is proclaimed.

The Gospel is the highpoint of the Liturgy of the Word. The readings from the Old Testament tell us of God's promises and his preparation of his people for the coming of his Son; the epistles and other pre-Gospel New Testament readings offer the reflections of St. Paul and other contemporaries of the Lord on the life and message of Christ; in the Acts of the Apostles we have a history of the early Church. We believe that all Scripture, the Old and New Testaments, is inspired by the Holy Spirit, but the Church has always given special honor to the Gospel because in the Gospel we have not simply the preparation for and prefiguring of Christ, nor reflections on his message, but the words and deeds of Christ himself.

What then must we do to properly receive the Word of God proclaimed at Mass?

The key word in all of this is listening. We are called to listen attentively as the reader, deacon or priest proclaims God's Word. Unless one is unable to hear, one should not be reading along with a text from a missal or missalette. Rather, taking our cue from the General Instruction itself, we should listen as we would if Christ himself were standing at the ambo, for in fact it is God who speaks when the Scriptures are proclaimed. Carefully following along with the printed word can cause us to miss the gentle voice of the Holy Spirit, the message that the Spirit may have for us in one of the passages because we are anxious to 'keep up,' to move along with the reader.

Perhaps the best way to understand the readings at Mass and our response to them is offered by Pope John Paul II in his Instruction *Dies Domini*. He encourages those who take part in the Eucharist, priest, ministers and faithful ... to prepare the Sunday liturgy, reflecting beforehand upon the Word of God which will be proclaimed and adds that if we do not, it is difficult for the liturgical proclamation of the Word of God alone to produce the fruit we might expect. (n. 40).

Safeguard the Children Committee - St Martin of Tours

Safeguard the Children parish committees were mandated by Cardinal Roger Mahony in 2002. The parish committees are foundational in ensuring the safe environment of parishes and schools throughout the Archdiocese. These permanent committees coordinate initiatives such as education opportunities, site evaluations and local presentations by speakers including police, nurses and therapists. The committees are also responsible for implementing archdiocesan safe environment policies and procedures. The Saint Martin of Tours Safeguard the Children Committee provides ongoing support, education, training and resources to help prevent child abuse and to address children's safety in our parishes, schools, homes and communities. For more information, contact Alex Paen, SMT Committee Chairperson, at (310)476-7403. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.



**The Mabel Mosler Auxiliary
Annual Holiday Boutique
Benefitting St. Anne's Residential
Facility**

Saturday, October 11th,
10:00 a. m. - 3:00 p. m. Sunday,
October 12th

After the masses beginning with the 9:00 a.m. mass. Lots of new vendors!!! Holiday decorative items, home baked goodies, casseroles, jewelry, casual clothing, art by Fr. Donie, gifts, toys, linens, lace, handbags, clocks.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OPEN HOUSE

The Knights of Columbus are holding an informational open house on Monday, Oct. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the parish center. Please come by and find out what the Knights are all about. This is an important step in the formation of a council at St. Martin of Tours. If you have any questions, contact Tim Trepany at (310) 384-3699 or smtknights@gmail.com.

Next weekend, together with Catholics all over the world, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Our celebration will center on prayer and sacrifice for the missionary task of priests, sisters, brothers and lay catechists who are helping their people to know the love of Christ. They work in village missions, small schools, medical outposts, orphanages, refugee camps and crowded cities throughout Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and remote regions of Latin America.



St. Martin of Tours School is now accepting applications for the 2009/2010 school year. Our Annual Open House is Wednesday, October 22, 2008 from 8:30am-10:30am.

Please join us for a Kindergarten Presentation and tour of our campus. For an application, please contact Michelle Berlin at 310-472-7419 ext. 236 or visit our website at www.smtschoo.net.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

The St. Martin of Tours Respect Life Committee is sponsoring their annual "SHOWER THE UNBORN DRIVE" during the month of October. NEW baby clothes (sizes 3 mo. to 1 yr.) are being collected. Please wrap and label your gifts ("boy" or "girl") and place them in the bassinet to the left of the altar in church.

Youth Ministry is looking for adult and young adult parish members who are interested in volunteering their time to be a part of the parish Core Team. This team works with the youth ministers in planning and running the programs for the youth.

RCIA

A new instruction class for those wishing to inquire about being Catholic continues on Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Please tell a friend.

Are you a Catholic Leader? Are you interested in discussing important issues facing our parishes and our region? **The Our Lady of Angels Pastoral Regional Council (OLAPRC)** is interested in hearing from you! The OLA Regional Council will be holding a special meeting to gather Catholic leaders (you!) from our region. The OLAPRC is an advisory council of Bishop Edward Clark and our goal is to work closely with parish Pastoral Councils, Finance Councils, staff and ministry leadership in addressing the needs of our parishes and region through the implementation of the Synod Initiatives. Come join us at Immaculate Heart of Mary School Auditorium, 1055 N. Alexandria Ave, 90029, on Oct 21 at 7-9pm. For more information or to submit your input online, please visit <http://lolacouncil.org>



Bible Study

What Scripture says about 'Holiness' is the focus of our Bible study this week. Wednesday, at 9:00 a. m. All are welcome

Please pray for our sick relatives and friends

Harold Martinez, Alexandra Payne, Kaylee Cote, Forough Mesbahzadeh, Howard Kaufman, Joy Vinasirt, Jessie Snyder, Krissy Kobata, Mary Munjone, Carmen Vella, Ellen Kelly Daley, Juan J. Ortega, Kivi Irwin, Bill Schroder, Lucy DeCilla, Tracy Thomas, Lisa Guggenheim.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 4

8:15 – Lucy DeCilla, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**
4:15 – Confessions **Fr. Donie**
5:30 – Genevieve Bogle, R.I.P. **Fr. Donie**

Sunday, October 5

7:30 – Our Parishioners **Fr. Donie**
9:00 – Sister Miriam Joseph, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**
10:30 – Lena Ey, R.I.P. **Msgr. O’L.**
12:00 – Jacques Civet, R.I.P. **Fr. Stephen**
5:30 – David & Millie Laverty, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**

Monday, October 6

7:00 – Helen Corrigan, R.I.P.
8:15 – Irene Strong, R.I.P.

Tuesday, October 7

7:00 – Mary West, R.I.P.
8:15 – John Jones, R.I.P.

Wednesday, October 8

7:00 – Lucy DeCilla, R.I.P.
8:15 – Clare Hunt, R.I.P.
Fred S. Charlot, Jr., R.I.P.

Thursday, October 9

8:15 – Helen Corrigan, R.I.P.

Friday, October 10

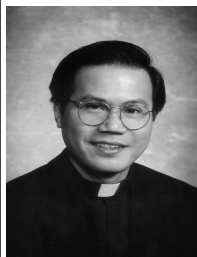
8:15 – Clare Hunt, R.I.P.

Saturday, October 11

8:15 – Josefina Frunjillo, R.I.P. **Fr. Donie**
4:15 – Confessions **Fr. Donie**
5:30 – Harold & Yellie Chan, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**

Sunday, October 12

7:30 – Our Parishioners **Msgr. O’L.**
9:00 – John Jones, R.I.P. **Fr. Stephen**
10:30 – Harold Helblock, R.I.P. **Fr. Donie**
12:00 – Stanley Williams, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**
5:30 – Domenica & Henry Tomei, R.I.P. **Fr. Rich**



The Parish Annual Report was sent to you this week which presents to you the state of our parish and the vision for the future. If for some reason you have not received this report please let us know. Also, if you have not registered to become a member of our parish but wish to receive this report please contact the Rectory and we will be happy to provide a copy of the report for you either by mail or by email.

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. We have booklets available at the Information Table which shows how to pray the Rosary. I strongly encourage you to pray and teach your children this beautiful prayer of our Church.

According to an account by fifteenth-century Dominican, Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to St. Dominic in 1206 and gave him the Rosary and told him to preach it to others. If we turn to history, we see many great triumphs of the Rosary. Early tradition attributes the defeat of the Albigensians at the Battle of Muret in 1213 to the Rosary. St. Pius V attributed the great defeat of the Turkish fleet on the first Sunday of October, 1571. A second great victory over the Turks occurred on August 5, 1716, when Prince Eugene defeated them at Peterwardein in Hungary. Thereupon Clement XI extended the feast of the Rosary to the whole Church.

The Rosary is Christocentric (Christ-centered) setting forth the entire life of Jesus Christ, the passion, death, resurrection and glory. Of course, the Rosary honors and contemplates Mary too, and rightly so: "Because of the mission she received from God, her life is most closely linked with the mysteries of Jesus Christ, and there is no one who has followed in the footsteps of the Incarnate Word more closely and with more merit than she" (*Mediator Dei*).

Also, the month of October is the Respect Life month. Pope John Paul II spoke about the "culture of death" which is a pervasive attitude that accepts the intentional killing of an innocent human being as a solution to a social or economic problem. In his recent visit to US, Pope Benedict said, "The Church is called to proclaim the gift of life, to serve life, and to promote a culture of life...this is the message of hope we are called to proclaim..."

Fr. Ben