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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



"We cannot find God in noise or agitation. Within nature: trees, flowers and grass grow in silence. The stars, the moon, and the sun move in silence... In silence, He listens to us;

in silence He speaks to our souls. In silence we are granted the privilege of listening to His voice. Silence of our eyes. Silence of our ears. Silence of our minds... In the silence of the heart, God will speak."

Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta.

The Children's Chapel is open Monday to Friday, from 10am to 3pm, for personal prayer and meditation before the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle. Also, we will continue to gather in the Church every Friday from 7pm to closing with benediction at 830pm.

Everyone is invited and welcome to stay as long as time allows.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. (Jb 7:4) **Psalm:** Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted. (Ps 147) **Or:** Alleluia. **Second Reading:** If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! (1 Cor 9:16) **Gospel:** He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons. (Mk 1:34). Excerpts from the

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WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-13/Ps 132/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-30/Ps 84/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37-40/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106/Mk 7:24-30

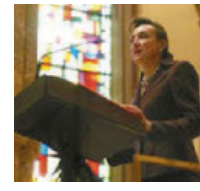
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106/
Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/
Mk 1:40-45

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 4, 2024

Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.
(Psalm 147)



THE YEAR OF EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Eucharistic Revival: Altar Setup

Hopefully as music is played and being sung, one can meditate on the beauty of the mystery that is about to happen right in front of us, which is, as Fr. Luke Spannagel puts it, "Jesus Christ's one perfect sacrifice before the Father is made present to his spouse, the Church, and the bread and the wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ."

But of course for that to happen, the main two things we need of course are unleavened bread and grape wine. And even before that, one may notice many things put on or by the altar. Things that one should notice are the candles, crucifix, missal, corporal, chalice, paten, purificator, paten, and ciborium.

Have you ever thought of everything that is put on the altar? In the next couple of articles, we will go in depth on these materials that are needed for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Visit: www.eucharisticrevival.org

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PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS - February 4 - 10, 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
4 Bishop Michael Pham	5 Bishop Felipe Pulido	6 Rev. Higinio Garcia	7 Rev. Anthony Garibaldi, OFM	8 Rev. Robert Gavotto, OSA	9 Rev. Adnan Ghani, OSA	10 Rev. Msgr. Anthony Giesing



Brothers and Sisters,
Saint Martin of Tours Parish is pleased to participate in the **2024 "United in Christ"** Annual Catholic Appeal.

This appeal supports charitable needs throughout the Diocese of San Diego. Your gifts make possible the work that impacts so many in our diocese: those who attend Catholic school, formation of new priests and care for our retired priests, evangelization and accompaniment of Young Adults, and the consoling presence of Christ for those imprisoned. Please make your intention to the Annual Catholic Appeal. You can make your contribution online at giving.sdcatholic.org, or by filling out the brochure card mailed to your residence. Please be generous.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Order of Malta and the Diocesan Office for Life, Peace and Justice invite the community to celebrate the World Day of the Sick in observance of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. **Fr. Elmer welcomes everybody, especially those in need of mental, psychological, physical and spiritual healing and comfort, for Anointing of the Sick on Friday, February 9, after the 830am Mass.**

ADULT CONFIRMATION

We approach Adult Confirmation preparation as continuing Faith Formation. If you are at least 18 years old, high school graduate. Are practicing your faith and have not been confirmed, this year's Adult Confirmation process will start on Tuesday, February 20 at 7pm in the small meeting room in Food Assistance Room.



Please contact Christine Davis,
OCIA Coordinator at chris@saintmartinoftours.cc

PASSING OF FATHER JOHN KELLER.



It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Father John Keller OSA. Father Keller died peacefully after a brief illness on Friday, January 26. He was a beloved member of our parish for many years. He was a parishioner at the time of his ordination in 1964, and celebrated his very first Mass at Saint Martin of Tours. He will also be remembered for his long association with Saint Augustine High School, as well as the many years he celebrated Mass for us and inspired us with his homilies. Funeral plans are pending. Please keep Father Keller and his family in your prayers.

THE LITTLE BLACK PRAYER BOOKS FOR LENT

are for sale this weekend and the weekend of February 11, before and after all Masses. They are \$3.50 each. The books have a daily reflection and prayer for each day of Lent. We have limited quantities. Buy yours now. They will be available after all weeked Masses, until sold out.



Saint Martin's Women of Faith Ministry welcomes all women of the parish to their meeting on Thursday, February 1 at 630pm in the Parish Hall Meeting Room. Join us and share fellowship with the women of the parish. For questions or more information, please call Mary Margaret Kissel at 619.698.4845.



Saint Martin's Women of Faith Ministry is collecting travel size toiletries for women who are choosing to have their babies. As opposed to ending their pregnancies. In February, we will put together gift bags from your donations and distribute them on Valentine's Day through East County Pregnancy Care Clinic. For questions, please call Mary Margaret Kissel at 619.698.4845.

Families & Children

Prepare for Lent

Prayer · Fasting · Almsgiving



Faith Formation Classes

2/4, 2/11 Children's Liturgy, 2/25

Sacramental Preparation

Congratulations to all the children who made their First Reconciliation ... we ask for prayers for their continued preparations for the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Contact: lisaz@saintmartinoftours.cc

Saint Martin of Tours High School Youth Group

February 2024

SUN., FEB., 04: MASS AND YOUTH GROUP

SAT., FEB. 10: SERVICE PROJECT
OPPORTUNITY

WED., FEB. 14: ASH WEDNESDAY!

SUN., FEB. 25: MASS AND YOUTH GROUP

MON-WED, FEB. 26-28: PARISH LENTEN
MISSION

For more information or to register, please contact Helen Deen at
helend@saintmartinoftours.cc



O.C.I.A.

**"Order of Christian Initiation for
Adults"**

Interested in becoming Catholic
O.C.I.A. is the process by which
adults enter the Catholic Church.

If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, completing Sacraments or learning more about the Catholic Faith, this is the process for you.

This is a spiritual journey, led by the Holy Spirit, which can lead to Full Initiation into the Catholic Church through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. It is also, a way to learn more about the Catholic Faith. One of the goals is to develop a personal relationship with God, accomplished through prayer, scripture and worship.

Everyone is welcome to join us on Tuesdays at 7pm in Barry Hall. February 6 topic is: Lent, Prep for Rite of Election and Mardi Gras.

If you would like to be part of this Faith Journey to become Catholic, or to help facilitate the Journey, please contact Christine Davis at
chris@saintmartinoftours.cc or 619.465.5334.

Saint Martin of Tours Middle School Youth Group

February 2024

SAT., FEB. 03: MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH
DAY

FRI., FEB. 09: ESCAPE GATHERING AT
ST. LUKES

SAT., FEB. 10: SERVICE PROJECT
OPPORTUNITY

MON., FEB. 12: YOUTH GROUP

WED., FEB. 14: ASH WEDNESDAY!

MON-WED, FEB. 26-28: PARISH LENTEN
MISSION

For more information or to register, please contact Helen Deen at
helend@saintmartinoftours.cc



Mass Intentions

February 4 -11, 2024

- Sat 5:00pm** Mass for the People
- Sun 7:00am** Robert & Helen Kincaid†
9:00am Jo Ellen La Rue-Birthday
 James & JoEllen La Rue -
 55th Wedding Anniversary
11:00am Angelo Cusumano†
5:00pm Johnny Lopez-Healing
- Mon 8:30am** Kathy Homier†
- Tue 8:30am** Fr. Elmer, Fr. Chris & Fr. Alex-
 Intentions
- Wed 8:30am** Silvia Ivanovich†
- Thurs 8:30am** Norma Aguilar-Birthday
- Fri 8:30am** Betty Burke†
- Sat 5:00pm** Pavlovich-Sargeant Family-
 Blessings
- Sun 7:00am** Mass for the People
9:00am Academy & FF Blessings
11:00am Nadia Clayton-Healing
5:00pm Raquel Ramirez†

Remember in your Prayers... All expectant Mothers, Sherry Warner, Lidu Camacho, Frank Hebert, Fr. Ignatius Kissell, O.S.M., Nadia Clayton, Jill Meyer, Joe & Doris Garrido, Stella Agbogun, Raymond Wilson, MeghanBeth Reynolds, Blanche Stetleir, Erin Heneghan, Fr. Jim Poulsen, Bobby Laminen, Margaret Laminen, Sergio Toscano, Lizette Torres, Berta Villanueva, Teresa Climaco Pantig, Lissa Barber. Miguel & Martha Soto, Ricardo & Consuelo Soto, Walter "Chino" & Delia Urteaga, Shuk Family, Dave Sheppard, Andrew Dietsch, Don Rakestraw, Dora Castaneda, Diana Houze, Rita Bongard, Maria Murrieta, Cindy Mendez, Tanya Mendez-Smith, Joseph Green Gonzalez, Vincent Iagmin, Larry Smith, and healing for all suffering from Covid-19... may they find joy in the healing love of Christ.

*Names will remain listed for four weeks.
 Please call the Parish Office at 619.465.5334
 or email: Info@saintmartinoftours.cc to add or delete
 names on the list.*

CLERGY

Rev. Elmer Mandac, Pastor
Rev. Christopher Bongato, Assoc. Pastor
Deacon Allen Rosker
Rev. Alex Aquino (Supply Priest - Retired)
Rev. Jim Poulsen (Supply Priest - Retired)

SACRAMENTS & MINISTRIES updated 01/24

ALTAR SERVERS: Jaime Paredes, Coordinator 619-581-0686
 Email: STMARTINALTARSERVERS2023@gmail.com

BAPTISM: Call Parish Office 619-465-5334 (Pre-baptism seminar required)

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY: Elvira Medina, Coordinator 619-465-5334
 or Email: elvira@saintmartinoftours.cc (in office Mon/Tue/Fri)

BIBLE STUDY: Deacon Al Rosker, Coordinator 619-851-8578
 Saturday 9:30am-11:00am Barry Hall
 Thursday 6:30pm-8:00pm are on Zoom
 Jeff Seaman-Leader, jkseam@outlook.com

BUILD-A-MIRACLE: Jerry & MaryJo Crouch, Coordinators
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 Email: lisaz@saintmartinoftours.cc (Ages: 4y—6th Grade)

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 Saturday 5:00pm with Cantor & Organist
 Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am with Cantor & Organist

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 Junior High (7th and 8th Grade)
 High School (9th and 12th Grade)

PRAYER FOR THE YOUTH

Dear Lord,
Be with our young people this week and always—keep them in Your care. Help them to form godly friendships, speak the truth, and know you in the personal way that will challenge, shape, and guide them. Amen.



The IRS will only allow parishioners who itemize their tax returns to deduct their contributions if they can provide a written parish contribution statement or copies of bank records. Unidentified cash contributions can no longer be included in tax returns. Consequently, everyone wishing to deduct their contributions will need to use a parish envelope, a personal check or a direct deposit from the bank. The Parish Office can track the contributions of registered parishioners and produce the required statement for contributions made during 2023.

Please note that all tax statements for the 2023 year will be available after **January 15, 2024**. To request a copy of your 2023 tax statement, please call the Parish Offices on Tuesdays through Thursdays at 619-465-5334 9:00am – 4:00pm or email: dorac@saintmartinoftours.cc. Tax statements will be mailed out to **only** those who request them. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Our Gifts to God and Parish

We are grateful to you for your presence, your participation, and your financial support of St. Martin of Tours Catholic Parish.

January 6-7, 2024

Sunday Envelope Collection:	\$ 7,071.00
Weekly Sunday Mail-in Envelopes:	\$ 3,440.00
Sunday E-Giving (Jan. 1-7, 2024):	\$ 3,613.81
TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:	\$14,124.81

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SAN DIEGO YOUNG ADULT AND ADULT COMMUNITY

Please go to www.sandiegocac.org, to learn more about activities and a social network for adult Catholics: College Age, Young Adults: 20s & 30s, Adults: 40s & 50s and Active Adults 60+.



2024

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Celebrating Catholic Schools

Catholic Schools Week kicked-off last Sunday with an open house and tours. Thank you to our new and existing families, alums and parishioners who stopped by the school and preschool. Each day was a special event. An Honor Assembly (police, fire, military) kicked off the busy week with Big Friends/Little Friends activities, class color day, talent show, cultural dress day, visit with Auxiliary Bishop Pham, and a family Valentine Day dance ending on Friday. We love our school!



Students read books to their Big Friends / Little Friends.




Enrollment Begins for 2024-2025 Academy and Preschool



We are currently accepting applications for the 24-25 school year. Admission information is located on the school website. The school is also offering a 10% military discount this year! Tuition assistance is open until March 31, 2024. We hope parish families will consider enrolling their children at SMA!

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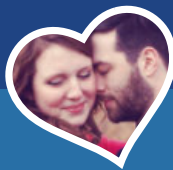
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