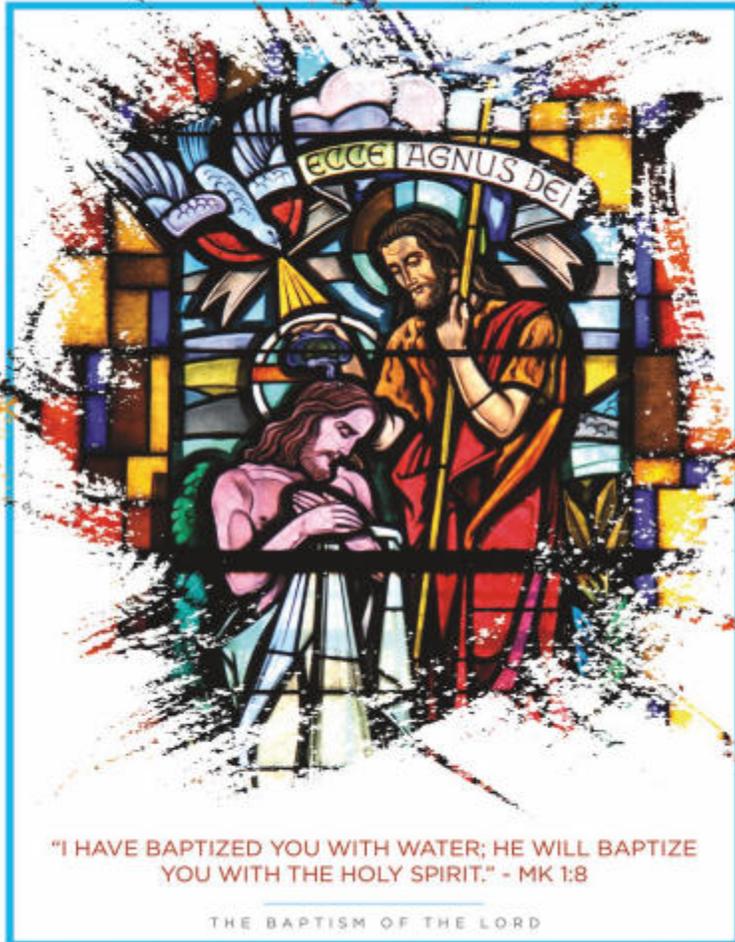


# St Martin de Porres



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## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:15-4:00 pm or by appointment

## Schedule of Holy Eucharist

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 pm  
Sunday - 8:00 am and 10:30 am  
Weekdays - Mon through Fri 8:00 am  
Holy Days - 8:00 am and 7:00 pm  
"Youth Music" Mass - 1st Sun. of month 10:30 am  
"Children's Liturgy" Mass - every Sun. except 1st Sun. of month - 10:30am (Sept. through May)

## Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesdays following 8:00 am Mass

## Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

## Anointing of the Sick

1st Friday of the month after 8:00 am Mass

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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Inspired by Saint Martin de Porres and the gospel values, our parish family seeks to provide for the spiritual needs of our diverse community through vibrant liturgies and ministries, thereby creating a supportive, loving, caring and accepting environment for all.

**Sacrament of Baptism** Sunday after the 10:30 am Mass or by appointment after participation in Baptism Preparation Program. Our next Baptism Preparation Class is on **February 10th at 7:00 PM** to explain the sacraments and requirements. If you've never had a child baptized at St. Martin's, you must attend a class before scheduling a baptism. Call the office to sign up: 895-1100, ext. 2.

**Sacrament of Matrimony** Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to wedding to begin preparations.



**Remember in your prayers**

- Dan Alley, Bob Baker, Sue Baker, Lauren Bane, Harrison Barry, Camellia Bealler, Lucy Beirith, Sharon Bethmann, Pam Betz, Charles Birke, Antoinette Blandford, Mary Ann Boyer, Terri (Corzine) Burke, Wanda Bogle, Rick Brown, Jeanette Carron, Jim Catalano, Nancy Chang, August Chilese, George Conrad, Margie Cravens, Dee Eckert, Donald Eckert, Louis Fennewald, Jim Faasen, Austin Fink, Meghan Fischer, K. Floyd, Catherine Goldman, Florence Grau, Martha Grein, Jessica Gray, Cookie Greer, Jerry Griffith, Kaye & Greg Gross, Tony Hasting, Kay Henley, Sheila Hennessy, Tom Hennessy, Ree Herbig, Amy (Krings) Hossfeld, Laura Howarth, Kitty Kelly, Tom Keppler, Charles Kintz, Andrea Kirsch, Dan Kreh, Brian & Cheryl Kubiak, Jane Kuhlmann, Ken Labruyere, Laura Lavell, Donald Mabrey, Kay Marshall, Dennis Mudd, Harold Neighbors, Keith Newby, Grace Njorogi, Roy Octerbeck, Kelle Oeste, Mark Pilla, Andrew Prince, Tina Roach, Linda Rodewald, Kim Rush, Kym Schlitt Meyer, Phillip Schmidt, John Schulte, Susan Shuey, Andrew Sloan, Daphne Szczuka, Stacy Thompson, Dorothy Tricoli, John Verstraete, Larry & Phyllis Weber, Marvin Wafel, Mike Wheeler.

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." - Mk 1:7-8

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**JANUARY**



**Armed Forces**

- Ben Alley, Bobby Baker, Josh Bohr, Cody Bright, Johnny Frye, Mitchell Frye, Spencer Frye, Brandon Grau, Katelyn Grau, Daniel Halley III, Jeffrey Kimball, Neil Klump, Matthew Klump, Matt Leahart, Steven Lippold, Salvatore Lodato, Joe Maloney, Cody Knoll, Garrett Royce, Timothy Schweigert, Daniel Stackle, Matthew Upchurch & Robert Berry Wooldridge, Jr.

**Mass Intentions and Readings for the week**

<b>Mon. Jan 11</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Dwight Worstenholm (Healing Mass)	Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20
<b>Tues. Jan 12</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Jeffrey Loyd	Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28
<b>Wed. Jan 13</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Barbara Wood (Healing Mass)	Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39
<b>Thurs. Jan 14</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Carol Rodell	Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45
<b>Fri. Jan 15</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Janet Neubauer	Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12
<b>Sat. Jan 16</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	Tom Eise	
<b>Sun. Jan 17</b>	<b>8:00 am</b> <b>10:30 am</b>	Parishioners Margaret Mary Wolf	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/ Jn 1:35-42



The Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This marks the conclusion of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. It also echoes the theme of the Epiphany in that the Baptism of the Lord is another manifestation announcing Jesus's divinity to all of His first followers and to the disciples of John the Baptist. Jesus descended into the River Jordan to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

We Christians reflect upon and celebrate the baptism of Jesus in significant ways: liturgically, at the conclusion of the Christmas season; devotionally, as the First Luminous Mystery of the Rosary; and theologically, as the scriptural prism for the meaning of Christian baptism. The baptism of Jesus marks the inauguration of His public ministry – His emergence from a life of seeming obscurity into a life of growing popularity on account of His preaching, miracles, healings and proclamation of mercy and forgiveness.

John the Baptist preached a “baptism with water,” not of forgiveness but of penance or repentance for the remission of sins and declared himself a forerunner to one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire. In so doing he was preparing the way for Jesus.

Christ did not need the baptism of John. Although He appeared in the “substance of our flesh” and was recognized “outwardly like unto ourselves”, He was absolutely sinless and impeccable. He conferred upon the water the power of the true Baptism which would remove all the sins of the world: “behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who takes away the sin of the world.”

Why then did Jesus submit to John's baptism?

John's baptism was the baptism of repentance, but Jesus was sinless and had no need of repentance – so why was he baptized? Even John was taken aback at Jesus coming to him. John recognized his own sin and was aware that he, a sinful man in need of repentance himself, was unfit to baptize the spotless Lamb of God.

There are several reasons why it was fitting for John to baptize Jesus: first of all, it was to mark the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus. To be publicly heralded and recognized by his forerunner, John, the “voice crying in the wilderness” prophesied by Isaiah, calling people to repentance in preparation for their messiah. By baptizing Jesus, John was declaring to all that here was the one they had been waiting for, the son of God, the one he had predicted would baptize ‘with the Holy Spirit and Fire’.

Secondly, Jesus' baptism also showed that He identified with sinners and the faithful remnant of Israel.

Thirdly, His baptism symbolized our baptism into His own death, dying with Him and rising free from sin and able to walk in the newness of life. His righteousness would fulfill all the requirements of the Law for sinners who could never hope to do so on their own. “To fulfill all righteousness”, he meant the righteousness that he provides to all who come to him.

Hence, in submitting himself humbly to the baptism of St. John the Baptist however, Christ provided the example for the rest of us. If, even he should be baptized, though He did not need it, how much more should the rest of us be thankful for this sacrament, which frees us from the darkness of sin and incorporates us into the church, the life of Christ on earth! His baptism, therefore, was necessary- not for him, but for us.

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolic of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the “Beloved Son” of the Father; at our Baptism we became the adopted sons and daughters of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His Baptism Jesus prayed; after our baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

As we celebrate the Feast and reflect on the Baptism of the Lord may we be reminded of the fact of our own baptism and to live in the spirit and power of this great sacrament. Let us renew our baptism through a frequent reception of confession and the Holy Eucharist so that we can live without sin.

**St. Martin de Porres, Pray for us.**

**Fr. Lijo Kallarackal**

**PARISH CALENDAR**

Masses are live streamed

**MONDAY - JAN 11**

\* 8:00 am - Mass

**TUESDAY - JAN 12**

\* 8:00 am - Mass.

**WEDNESDAY - JAN 13**

\* 8:00 am - Mass.

\* 6:45 pm - PSR - regular class

\* **NO MEN'S CLUB**

**THURSDAY, JAN 14**

\* 8:00 pm - Mass

**FRIDAY, JAN 15**

\* 8:00 am - Mass.

**SATURDAY, JAN 16**

\* 4:30 pm - Mass

**SUNDAY, JAN 17**

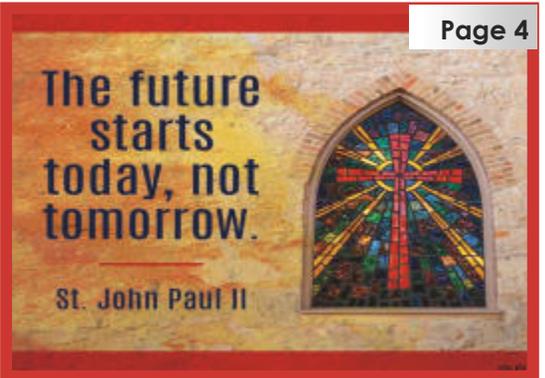
\* 8:00 am - Mass

\* 10.30 am - Mass

*Fr. Lijo at  
your service*

This pandemic has been difficult for us all, especially those of you not able to come or don't feel comfortable coming to church. Father Lijo would like to bring a little church to you. He would be glad to come to your home to hear confessions and /or bring the Eucharist to you some time.

Please call the office at 895-1100 ext. 2 to set a time for him to come.



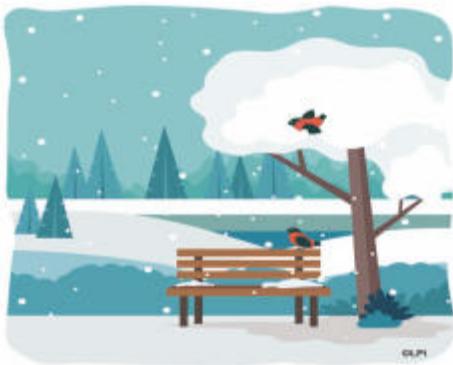

**REST IN PEACE**

A service was celebrated on Saturday, January 9, 2020 for one of our parishioners

**ODETTE SHANER**  
Please keep her family in your prayers.

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for your generosity



**Your gifts to God and Parish, Jan 3**

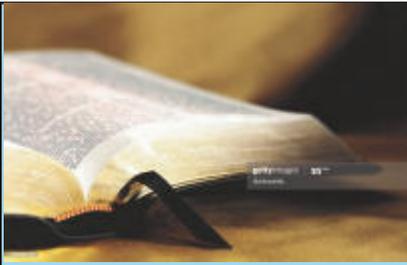
Offertory, including loose	\$6,435.00
Online Giving (1st of month)	\$5,752.00
St. Vincent De Paul	\$1,632.00
Beyond 50	\$682.00
Education Fund	\$105.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,606.00</b>
Fiscal Year 7/1/20-6/30/21	
YTD Offertory Budget	\$186,372.90
YTD Offertory Actual	\$178,563.14
Surplus/Deficit	- \$7,809.76

**LIVE THE LITURGY**

**Inspiration for the week.**

We carry a greater depth of self-confidence and chance of succeeding when we have affirmation, a sense of direction and clear purpose in life. Each of these serve to provide our lives with meaning, allowing us to clearly establish priorities and goals. They also are necessary for integrity, which is the conviction and single mindedness that keeps us grounded in the truth of who we are. "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Jesus' baptism provides him with exactly what he needs to get about the business of his mission as the Son of God. He is given what he needs to be successful in fulfilling the purpose for which he was sent. Our baptisms give us these same gifts. We receive the affirmation we need from God, knowing that we are one of his beloved daughters and sons. We are gifted with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Are we ready and willing to answer the call?





**FIRST READING**

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked man his thoughts; Let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our GOD, who is generous in forgiving. (Is 55:6-7)



**PSALM**

You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation. (IS 12:3)



**SECOND READING**

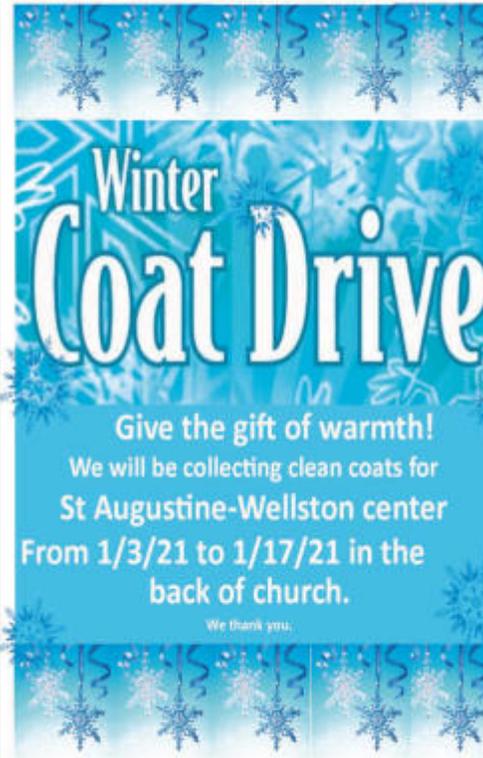
This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. (1 Jn 5:6)



**GOSPEL**

And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Mk 1:11)

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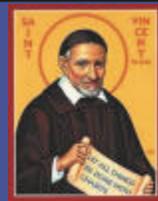


Leonard Prouhet, the 90th birthday kid, hopes that this note reaches everyone that helped me to have a very surprising and most wonderful birthday celebration. Words cannot express my thanks. My love and prayers to all of you. Leonard Prouhet.

**Follow up on Leonard's birthday surprise.** Leonard was touched and thrilled by each & every one of the 61 cards that he received from parishioners. Thank you all for making this a wonderful surprise celebration for Leonard.



**St. Vincent de Paul** organization helps many people in their greatest time of need. Donations are always appreciated especially right now in light of what is going on. Thank you.



**Our coat drive is going well.**

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**WE WARMLY WELCOME INTO THE BODY OF CHRIST:**

*Jamison Michael Jones*

*Son of Kevin Jones & Kelley Sexton*

*was baptized at*

*St. Martin de Porres*

*on Sunday, December 27, 2020*

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING to the Call

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP  
Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

When God Whispers

"You don't need to shout. My hearing works just fine."

Are you a parent that has used that one on your kids? I'm not sure at what age they realize that the volume of their voice doesn't correlate to the likelihood of receiving a favorable reply — it might be sometime in the teenage years, when the talking slows down altogether.

But I've got to admit, it would be nice if God always gave us a loud and dramatic sign when He wanted something — the booming voice and the torn-open heavens ("This is my beloved Son!") really get the message across. Sometimes I find myself envious of the Apostles, who were able to witness such things in person.

The fact of the matter is, in the year 2021, God is more likely to speak in a whisper than in a shout. The prophet Isaiah forewarns that Christ himself will not be a noisemaker — for all his preaching, he will not cry out or shout to bring forth justice to the nations. His way is altogether different than that.

We are not the Apostles, and we do not have the privilege of seeing the Holy Spirit descend on Christ like a dove. But here's the good news: God doesn't need to shout. Our spiritual hearing works just fine. We just have to be listening.

Let's wake up each morning ready to hear God's whispers throughout the day. Let's make a conscious effort to invite those whispers into our hearts, where they can become a catalyst for grace in this world.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Change the Odds through the Archdiocesan LifeLine Coalition Campaign

A majority of women choose abortion due to financial hardship, lack of practical resources, and lack of emotional and spiritual support. Since 1986, the archdiocesan Lifeline Coalition campaign has helped to "change the odds" by meeting these needs for more than 10,000 women in our community each year facing crisis or unplanned pregnancies.

Your generous gift to this campaign will provide women and families the concrete means to choose life. All funds are distributed through the Respect Life Apostolate directly to the area Birthright agencies, Our Lady's Inn, Good Shepherd Children and Family Services, and the Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Fund, created by Archbishop Carlson. The St. Louis community has contributed more than \$2 million in gifts of support to the Lifeline Coalition agencies for three decades, which has changed the odds for over 200,000 mothers and their babies.

<https://www.archstl.org/respect-life-apostolate/programs/pastoral-care/lifeline-coalition> to donate or envelopes will be at the back of the church.

THERE WILL BE NO MEN'S CLUB ON JANUARY 13TH.



MEN'S CLUB



2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Please call the Parish Office if you would like a copy of your 2020 St. Martin de Porres contribution statement. You can have it mailed or come and pick it up, but call ahead so it will be ready for you, as it takes some time to prepare.  
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Yes! Father Lijo call me.

Yes! Father Lijo visit me.

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# BAPTIZED

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“I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

MARK 1:8

**PSR**

- January 13** - Regular class
- January 20** - Regular class
- January 27** - Regular class

**YOUTH GROUP**

- January 10** - 8:30 am - 12 pm -Pass out cookies.
- January 20** - 8:00 pm - Youth Group
- January 27** - 8:00 pm - Youth Group

**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

The Baptism of the Lord

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we may make the same mistakes again. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and repeat the sins of our past. We are reminded through the voices and examples of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind. Our existence depends upon it. We are blessed with the direction we need in order to be faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember and deal with the sins of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look long and hard at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so?

**OUR LADY'S INN**  
MATERNITY HOMES

Our Lady's Inn Maternity Homes is having their Virtual Trivia Night – Saturday, January 23rd. Trivia begins at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Cost is \$25 per person and \$200 for a team of 8. For more information or to register, visit [www.ourladysinn.org](http://www.ourladysinn.org) or call Katrina at 314-736-1544. Join the fun from the comfort of your own home.

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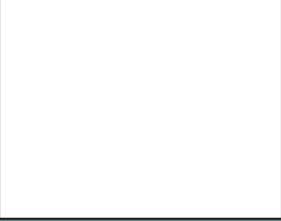
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