

# *St. Martin de Porres Parish*

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## Mass Times

Sunday: 10:00am

### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** The Parish has set calendar dates for the baptism of babies and small children. Parents should contact the Deacon William Pouncy.

**R.C.I.A.** Adults seeking Baptism or to make their Profession of Faith and other sacraments should contact the Director of Religious Education to register.

**Reconciliation** is available upon request.

**Marriages:** Couples must contact the Pastor six to twelve months prior to a proposed wedding date. Attendance at a Pre-Cana Session will be required.

**Ministry to Sick and Shut-In:** If a member of the church is in a hospital, nursing home or homebound, please call the parish office if they would like to receive the Eucharist.



## PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

### Our Mission Statement

We the people of Saint Martin de Porres Parish have come together as a **Community of Believers** to profess our faith by evangelizing ourselves, others and fostering full participation in the concern for the needs of all. We strive to bring faith, hope and love to our **Westside Community**  
**APRIL 10, 2022**

### Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Fr. Thadeo Mgimba  
**Deacon Couple:** Rev. Mr. William & Gayle Pouncy  
**Deacon Couple:** Rev. Mr. Bruce & Sandra McElrath  
**Operations Director:** Yvonne Coffey  
**Building Engineer:** Roger Lozano  
**Assisting the Pastor with the DRE:** Marvin McCurry  
**Parish Secretary:** Ida Gray  
**Custodian:** Frank Clark  
**Housekeeper:** Trancio Angelica Carpio  
**Religious Education Director:** TBA  
**Music Director:** Darryl Petty  
**Websites & Social Media Administrator:** Emily Dillon

## APRIL 10, 2022 PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

**Gospel Theme:** The joyful Palm ceremony today is but a prelude to Easter; the theme of the Mass is quite different. Today, our attention is centered on the rejection of Christ, his suffering, and his death. We call to mind his wondrous love. We call to mind his role as a servant. We call to mind the blood he shed, the pain he endured, and the death he died.

**Sermon:** The sermon today is both optional and brief. As you know well, the Palm Ceremony, whether it is elaborate, carried on out side or whether it is simple, perhaps just a short hymn, that ceremony is marked by joy and anticipation. Like the children of Jerusalem, we greet Jesus Christ coming among his people; we greet him as a teacher, as a leader, indeed as a king. This is why we sing such hymns as To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King, Hosanna, and All Glory, Praise, and Honor. Our mood is much the same as it was when Christ came to his people and received a warm welcome in their midst.

Yet, from the opening song of the Mass today, we focus on what happened afterwards, how he suffered and died for our sake. During this Mass, our attention is directed, above all, to the Gospel, the story of the Passion, the story of our redemption.

Most likely, you heard of the movie produced by Mel Gibson, The Passion of the Christ, largely in Latin and Aramaic, with subtitles. As far as possible, that movie is faithful to the Gospel, calling to mind what really happened, what the details were, what the suffering of Christ meant to people of that time and place. We live this event again today, as we do every year, on Passion Sunday.

Have you ever noticed how the Gospel does not say very much about the children of Jesus? Or about his adolescence? Or about his life as a young man? The reason is simple and obvious. Everything that is recorded in the Gospels is there for the sake of our salvation. The Gospel was not written to satisfy our curiosity, our need to know biography, our desire for the facts of Jesus' childhood. No, each one of the four Gospels is a record of the preaching of the early Church, a living record of what bishops and priests felt we needed to know, a powerful testimony of why Jesus is still our exemplar, our teacher, and our guide. Really and truly, his actions are just as important as his words.

The Gospel story of the Passion shows us, in word and deed,

how Jesus suffered, how he died, how he gave up his life for our sake. The early Christians treasured this story, and we have never forgotten it. This is the story of our life, our salvation, and our redemption. We mourn with Mary; we suffer together with Christ; and we as one people put ourselves in the loving hands of God our Father. That is what Jesus did, and that is what we do. What wondrous love is this, what wondrous love, incarnate in Jesus Christ, incarnate in the Church, incarnate in the Body of Christ. What wondrous love, what powerful love, what enduring love, poured out in our hearts by the gift of God's Holy Spirit.

**-Father Michael Gilligan, Ph.D.**

**Closing Prayer: Great God of Life, we praise you for giving us Christ, our leader in prayer, in penance, and in suffering. Grant our requests and help us to be obedient, even to death. We ask this through Christ our Lord.**



### CROP WALK WEST (CWW)

**St. Martin de Porres Food Pantry** will participate in Crop Walk West on May 1, 2022. Due to the continuation of the Covid Virus into 2022, St. Martin de Porres Food Pantry will walk again at our site on May 1, 2022. (Same as 2021)

**Please Consider  
Including  
St. Martin de Porres Parish  
in your Will**

## PARISH OFFICE

Martin de Porres Credit Union:

Located in

Purcell Hall 4300 W. Washington,

Tel. 773-626-0776

**Open Saturdays:** 10:30-1:30p.m.

**Purcell Hall Rental Information:** Contact the Parish Office

**Charitable Hands Ministry—Deacon William Pouncy and Elizabeth Becnel** Call Deacon Pouncy  
Telephone No. (312)841-3974

### Weekly Collections for April 3, 2022

Envelopes	\$4,039.00
Loose	508.00
Ash Wednesday	5.00
Easter Flower	17.00
Easter Offering	21.00
Kolbe House	22.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,612.00</b>

### *Mass Intentions for this Week*

**Sunday, April 10, 2022**

+ In Memory of Eddie Brown, Sr.

+ In Memory of Stephenie Harris from Legion of Mary

+ In Memory of Jerome Dillon, brother of Shelma Dillon

+ In Memory of John Branch, Jr. the son of Carolyn Collier

We encourage our parishioners to pray for their loved ones, living and deceased, by offering a Mass Intention.

*Donation for Mass is \$10.00.*

### BAPTISMS FOR SMALL CHILDREN

If you need the Sacrament of Baptism for Babies and small children, call the Parish Office during weekday business hours.

Deacon William Pouncy will contact you. There will be a meeting for Parents & Godparents after we set the date for the new date for Baptism.

## PALM SUNDAY: A MIX OF THE JOY AND SADNESS OF THE HOLY WEEK

The feast of Palm Sunday marks the beginning of the Holy Week. In this day we are celebrating the triumphant entry of Jesus in Jerusalem. He enters Jerusalem as a King, and he is welcomed as a King who mounts a donkey, and he is celebrated joyfully by his faithful followers and disciples.

This triumphant entry is foreshadowing the paschal mysteries of the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. In this Holy week, Jesus on the evening of Holy Thursday, will institute the sacrament of Holy Eucharist and Holy Orders, wash his disciples' feet, celebrate with them the last supper on the upper room. On that same night he will undergo agony in the garden of Gethsemane, and he will be betrayed by Judas Iscariot. And on Good Friday, he will suffer and die but he will resurrect on the Easter Sunday.

In this Palm Sunday, the worship service begins by the blessing of the palms and the procession on the streets around our Church before coming back and process in the Church. By doing this, we the faithful believers of St. Martin de Porres imitate the procession of the Lord in the streets of Jerusalem as he was entering the Holy City. We are celebrating, in this day, the joy of the gospel and the blessing of being the followers, the imitators, and the missionary disciples of Christ.

Today, the reading of the Word of God focuses on the passion narrative. It is one of the Sunday of which the gospel is dramatized to recall the events of Easter Triduum, that is, the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The beginning of the liturgy outside of the Church and its procession in the Church, is filled with joy and gladness; but the remembrance of the passion narrative brings sadness to the liturgical atmosphere of the day. And this is the reason that the liturgical color of the day is not white but rather it is red, to remember the sad event of the passion of the Jesus, the Lord.

St. Andrew of Crete, Bishop, in his homily on this day he invites us to celebrate this day in this way, "Let us run to accompany him as he hastens toward his passion, and imitate those who met him then, not by covering his path with garments, olive branches or palms, but by doing all we can to prostrate ourselves before him by being humble and by trying to live as he would wish. Then we shall be able to receive the Word at his coming, and God, whom no limits can contain, will be within us". God bless you.

**Fr. Thad**

## OUR PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is open weekdays from  
9:30am to 5:00pm.

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

Every Tuesday morning mass at 9:00

Every Thursday Communal Service with Adoration and Benediction at  
9:00am

During Lent we will have Station of Cross on Fridays, March 11, to  
April 8 at 7:00p.m.

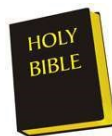
St. Martin de Porres Men's Group Pancake Breakfast on Saturday,  
April 23, 2022 at Purcell Hall. Tickets are \$10.00 Dine in or Carry  
Out. Come One Come All

### Announcement: Communication via SMdeP Parish Robocall

St. Martin de Porres has opened a Robocall account from a Company  
named Call Multiplier. So far, we have sent to you two test messages  
from Oklahoma area code - 405 number. Please be informed that we  
will use this number to update you on the most important issues of the  
parish affairs.

### READERS FOR APRIL 10, 2022

<b>Commentator:</b>	<b>Liz Becnel</b>
<b>First Reader:</b>	<b>Reva Wilson</b>
<b>Second Reader:</b>	<b>Barbara Cottrell</b>



### PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Arvella Milhouse, Patrick McAnany, Hildred Fuller, Danny Gardner, Sandra Coffey, Melvin Clark, LaVita Norris, Sofia McFarland, Keith Mahaffey, Elia Hinogosa-Cangey, Mariano Palacios, Carter Evans, Jerome Dillon, Jan F. Peters, Sylvia Peters, Michael Parham, Jermaine Curtis, Stan Gruszczeni, James Harris, Jerry Harris, Larry Mapp Jr., Essie Pledage, Imogene Rhodes, Nathaniel W. Hall, Pamela D. Gee, Julius Jones, Natalie Daves, Armonie Witherspoon, Shirley Gardner, Deborah Rutledge, Bertha Anderson, Callie Gee, Luvenia Parker, Veronica Hicks, John Mannede, Jewel Austin, Anthony Adams, Hazel Bills, Clarence Walker, Lucy Henry, Phyllis Riley, Dawn Hicks, Ernestine Cottrell

### *Parish Council*

Meets 1st Thursday of the month at 7p.m.  
**Chairperson:** Michael Wilson  
**Vice Chairperson:** Jan Peters  
**Secretary:** Michelle Haynes  
**Other Council Members:** Marvin McCurry,  
Janice Matthew, Yvette Henderson, Janice  
Henry & Angela Wilson

### *Finance Council*

**Chairperson:** Carolyn Morris  
**Secretary:** Linda Vick  
**Other Council Members:** Paul Morris &  
Diane Levy  
**Liaison:** Michael Wilson

### *Parish Commissions*

#### **HUMAN CONCERNS COMMISSION**

**Food Pantry:** Leon Williams & Richard  
Kimbrough  
**Resale Store:** Patricia Buford  
**Bereavement:** Janice Henry  
**Ministers of Care:** Janice Henry  
**Liaison:** Janice Henry & Janice Matthew

#### **SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMISSION**

**Minister of Music:** Darryl K. Petty  
**Liturgy Committee:** Deacon William  
Pouncy  
**Lector/Commentator:** Marvin McCurry  
**Extraordinary Ministers:** Adrienne Curtis  
and Jewel Austin  
**Liaison:** Marvin D. McCurry

#### **EDUCATION COMMISSION**

**St. Angela Elementary School & Christ the  
King High School**  
**Sacramental Prep:** TBA  
**R.C.I.A.:** Deacon William Pouncy  
**Lectionary Program:** Julie Richardson  
**Liaison:** Michelle Haynes & Janice Henry

#### **PARISH LIFE COMMISSION**

**Fundraising Committee:** Diane Levy  
**Grady Anderson Auxiliary Liaison:**  
Marvin D. McCurry  
**Hospitality:** Patricia Buford

**Ladies of Peter Claver:** Stella Palmer  
**Knights of Peter Claver:** Michael Davis  
**Legion of Mary:** Gerard Dupee

**Men's Group:** Joseph Brown  
**Couple's Ministry:** Angela & Michael Wilson

**Travel & Entertainment:** Joyce Riley  
**Liaison:** Yvette Henderson & Angela Wilson