Saint Martin's Church

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MISSION STATEMENT

St. Martin's Roman Catholic Church is a welcoming diverse and open parish family deeply rooted in God's word and open to the Spirit. We give witness to Gospel values by loving and serving one another and by seeking to promote justice and peace to build God's Kingdom. We value and celebrate the Eucharist as the center of our Christian faith.

--amended October 17, 2001 St. Martin's Parish Pastoral Council

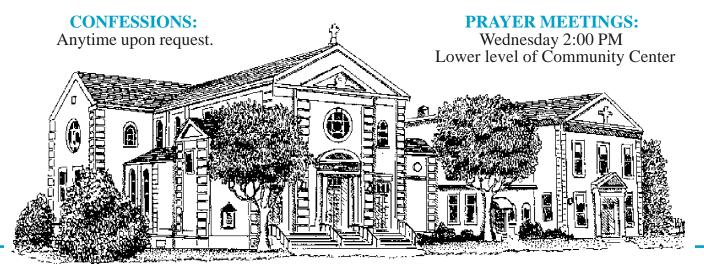
PARISH STAFF

REV. MICHAEL J. KELLEY, Pastor Deacon Bobby White Ms. June Felix, Religious Education Dr. Daniel Spruill, Music Director Mr. Marion Johnson, Music Director

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: Vigil Mass 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - Pipe Organ and 12:00 PM - Gospel Choir Sunday School: 12:00 PM

Please consider your parish in your estate planning.



Sunday 5/5/24 Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; Ps 98:1,2-3,3-4; 1 Jn 4: 7-10; Jn 15: 9-17 Monday 5/6/24 Acts 16: 11-15; Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Jn 15: 26-16: 4a Tuesday 5/7/24 Acts 16: 22-34; Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8, Jn 16: 5-11 5/8/24 Wednesday Acts 17: 15, 22-18:1; Ps 148: 1-2, 11-12, 13-14; Jn 16: 12-15 ASCENSION Thursday 5/9/24 Acts 1: 1-11; Ps 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1: 17-23; Mk 16: 15-20 Friday 5/10/24 Acts 18: 9-18; Ps 47: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16: 20-23 Saturday 5/11/24 Acts 18: 23-28; Ps 47: 2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16: 23b-28

REMEMBER THE SICK AND SHUT-IN'S IN YOUR PRAYERS – Gloria Butler-Davis, Lavern Bryant, Marcellino Borges, Barbara Ann Robinson, Karen Harrison Wheeler, Derrick Cain, Irene Jillson, Betty Wright, Mark Mueller, Louise Green, Carolyn German, James Watkins.

<u>ST. MARTIN'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL</u> – Please see the link where you can view St. Martin's recorded masses: youtube.com/channel/UCs5PuQ-LrydUbY0pra2SRAw. You will also be able to see the "LIVE" 12:00 pm (Noon) Mass every 1st Sunday.

MASS TIMES - 9:00 am Mass with the Traditional Choir and Pipe Organ. 12:00 pm Mass with the Gospel Choirs. The YouTube Mass will continue to be released at 5:00 pm on Saturdays.

POPE QUOTE – "We will never be disillusioned or lose our way if we are guided by God." – Pope Francis

<u>SHARE FOOD</u> - specials for May: Baby Back Ribs \$18, Crab Boil \$35 and Fresh Produce Box \$23 and the Value Package \$25. Deadline to purchase is Sunday, May 5, 2024. See Fr. Kelley.

<u>MAY PROCESSION</u> - The Annual May Procession to crown Mary will be at the 9:00 am and 12:00 pm Masses on May 5, 2024.

<u>**PENTECOST CONCERT</u>** - will be on Sunday, May 19, 2024, at 5:00 pm featuring all the music ministries of St. Martin's.</u>

<u>YOUTH MINISTRY</u> - Interested in forming a Youth Ministry for High School age students? See June Felix for details.

<u>SMOOTH EXERCISE CLASS</u> - continues in the Pioneer Room on Thursday at 6:00 pm until May 2, 2024. FREE!

<u>**RIP TO GREECE – 2ND CHANCE!</u>** - The October 2024 trip sold out in a matter of weeks, so here is your second chance to jump in. Join an escorted tour to beautiful and historic Athens, Mykonos and Santorini next May 15-23, 2025. All folks over age 18 are welcome. Limited space available and this trip will fill up so don't miss out! Other upcoming trips include Lisbon, Seville, Madrid in June 2025 and Ireland in August 2025. There will be a virtual information meeting on May 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm. Send an email to Chaitra at allabroadjourneys@gmail.com to be added to the meeting list.</u>

SIXTH SUNDAY EASTER SUNDAY

<u>ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL</u> – supports many important ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Washington. Many folks at St. Martin's have been blessed last year by the following ministries. Catholic Schools, Campus Ministry, Prison Ministry (Deacon Bobby), Catholic Charities, Social Justice Outreach and Hospital Ministry. Please prayerfully consider your gift this year. St. Martin's goal is \$27,750. For more information see the flyers in the back of the church or visit appeal.adw.org or #adwappeal.

<u>AUTHOR FR. JOHN MUDD -</u> has published a book on Amazon. If you are interested in purchasing the paperback edition of Father Mudd's book, "*And with Great Joy*". Please see the Amazon link: https://a.co/d/8DLXCgN.

<u>ST. MARTIN'S SUNDAY MASS</u> – please find our Mass on St. Martin's Facebook page. Share the Mass with your family and friends.

<u>GIVING TO ST. MARTIN'S</u> – Now there is another option to financially support St. Martin's. You can donate through Parish Soft (which will connect to our parish accounting system) or through Pay Pal. The links can be found on our website: <u>www.stmartinsdc.org</u>.

<u>**THANKS FOR SUPPORTING ST. MARTIN'S**</u> – Thank you for your continuing support of St. Martin's Church through your online donations (St. Martin's website), direct bank donations, mailing your tithes and the old-fashion "rectory front door". A special thanks to everyone who has found a way to support St. Martin's.

<u>"WE EXTEND A SPECIAL WELCOME</u>" to those who are single, married, divorced, gay, filthy rich, dirt poor, yo no habla Ingles. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying newborns, skinny as a rail or could afford to lose a few pounds.

We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like our pastor who can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Catholic than the Pope or haven't been in church since little Joey's Baptism.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion," we've been there too.

If you blew all your offering money at the dog track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts ... and you!"

WELCOME TO ST. MARTIN'S!!!!!!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends... I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you whose chose me, but I have chosen you."

Children sing 'I have joy, joy, joy, joy, down in my heart...' Do I? The wish of Jesus is that our joy be complete. This happens when I carry out the commandment of love, of service, of care for our neighbor. Remember last fall, when a driver drove into a canal in Brooklyn?

A person from the Ukraine, who fled his war torn country only four days previously, jumped into the canal and rescued him. A firefighter enters a blazing building to rescue, without counting the cost. Jesus did that for us, He wants our joy to be complete. We do this when we serve, especially those most in need.

> HIS WORD TODAY BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS



