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### **Mass times:**

Sunday 10:30am  
12 pm Spanish

Thursday 6:00pm

**Reconciliation/Confession:**

Thursday 5:30-6pm

**Religious Ed:**

Sundays 9-10:15am

### **Anointing of the Sick & Visits:**

Please call the office if you know of  
someone in need of a pastoral visit.

**Marriage Prep:** Notify priest 6+mo. in adv.

**Baptism:** by appointment

## *Thirty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time*

**November 3, 2024**

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Nov. 3 .....Ann Bonfield  
Nov. 10.....Susan Roberts  
Nov. 17....Jodi Ortiz

### **DO YOU HAVE MASS INTENTIONS?**

We have envelopes at back of the church. Ask an usher.



### **A Word from Fr. Jim: Sunday, November 3, 2024**

Let's be honest about it- we don't hear Jesus agreeing with the scribes and Pharisees all that much in our gospels. But, in today's Gospel, we have at least one of their members, a scribe, doing just that and, to boot, Jesus telling him that he is not far from the Kingdom of God. You could argue that love breaks down all barriers, even those that existed between Jesus and his perennial foes. Would that it could be that simple! Pope Francis' most recent encyclical, Dilexit Nos, goes to great lengths to explain the complexities of love and the very seat of love, the human heart- not the mind, the soul or any of the other suspects.

One exegetist uses a scene between Tevye and his wife, Golde, in the play, Fiddler on the Roof, to dig into the essence of today's Gospel as they argue about the meaning as well as the importance of love. From another direction, the scribe asks about the first of all commandments and the actions that take priority in response to God's love. Despite talk of commandments, one can not be commanded to feel warmly to another, But one can be mandated to treat another with loving kindness, even an enemy.

Sr. Mary McGlone comes at the issue from the life of a saint, Martin de Porres, whom she cites as a potentially good interpreter of today's gospel Word. When reprimanded by his religious superior for bringing a dirty, sore-ridden and contagious beggar into their cloister and his own bed, he replied that he could easily wash sheets, but not the guilt of ignoring the poor, "compassion, dear brother, is preferable to cleanliness." Today is Martin's feast day and the namesake of a community of "peace and justice" in Trenton, New Jersey, that was part of what inspired my path to the priesthood.

### **New to Our Parish?**

#### **Returning and need to update information?**

Ask an usher for the parish registration form. Complete and return to the church office or put in the collection plate.

We are happy you are here!

### **DO YOU GET THE FLOCKNOTES?**

Keep in touch with our parish through text and emails!

Text SJSPSA to  
84576

OR go to this QR code:



## DID YOU KNOW?

Recent church bulletins and pictures of the parish picnic can now be found on our website:

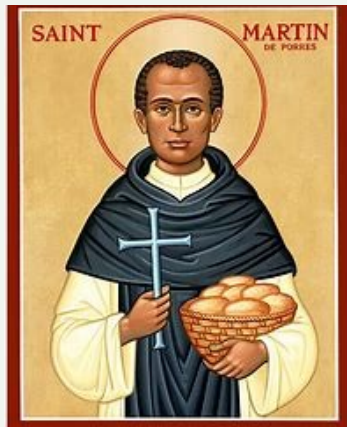
[www.stpatrickmtsterling.com](http://www.stpatrickmtsterling.com)

Thank you David Dooley for the great pictures!



There is a new recycling bin in the hall just for water bottles and cans. Please help us recycle.

Compassion, my dear Brother, is preferable to cleanliness. Reflect that with a little soap I can easily clean my bed covers, but even with a torrent of tears I would never wash from my soul the stain that my harshness toward the unfortunate would create.



- Saint Martin de Porres (1579-1639), Religious Brother, Feast Day November 3
- He is the patron saint of mixed-race people, barbers, innkeepers, public health workers, all those seeking racial harmony, and animals.

## Nov. Birthdays (Nov. 3rd—9th)

11/04...Laura Groff

11/09...Nola Dooley

11/09...Angel Snachez Escobar



# NOVEMBER

BIRTHDAYS



## Annual Spaghetti Supper

Thursday, November 7, 2024

St. Joseph Church \* 244 S. Main St.

Adults \$12 Children \$9

Lunch: Dine In/Carry Out

11 am—1 pm

Lunch: Dine-In/Delivery/Carryout

Dinner: Dine-In/Drive Thru

For lunch delivery, please call or order online by 3 pm

Wed., November 6

Lunch Delivery Order

[Saintagathaacademy.org/spaghetti](http://Saintagathaacademy.org/spaghetti)

Dinner 4:30-8 pm

Dinner: Dine-In/Drive Thru/Carryout!

Phone 744-6484

Cash Ticket Raffle

\$2000 cash prize \* A maximum of 500 raffle tickets will be sold

During October,  
please bring in  
**Soups and Cereals**  
for the MOCO Food  
Bank. A box has  
been placed in back  
of church for collec-  
tion.

