

Saint Martin of Tours

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WELCOME

St. Martin of Tours is a continuation of the life of Christ, in the lives of our parish members and of our visitors as well.

St. Martin of Tours was founded in 1911. For a complete history of our parish, consult our web site.

As you join our community for the Eucharist this Sunday, may the Lord's grace and peace remain with you, this week and always.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Strengthened by Jesus in the celebration of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and inspired by the Word of God, we gratefully share our time, talent and treasure. We endeavor to reach out to all members of our parish and the larger community through faith formation, the ministry of our school, fellowship and works of charity. As a Roman Catholic parish within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, this vision guides our ministry and service in the Cheviot/Western Hills community.

PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office 661-2000
School Office 661-7609
www.saintmartin.org

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Consult the schedule
inside bulletin

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
6:30 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday
8:00 a.m.

BINGO

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday 5:00 p.m.

TOUR TALK DEADLINE

10th of each month

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

HOLY ORDERS

Call our Parish Office to explore the possibility of a vocation to the Ordained Priesthood, Diaconate, or Vowed Religious Life for Women and Men.

MATRIMONY

Engaged couples should contact our Parish Office at least six months in advance of desired date to make an appointment with a priest. Date will only be set after this interview. Marriage Preparation Program is a prerequisite.

BAPTISM

Arrangements for Pre-Baptismal Program should be made before the birth of your baby or shortly thereafter. Contact our Parish Office for details.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please notify our Parish Office of illnesses or hospitalizations so that we may visit you.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

President: Debbie Weitz 661-8256
Vice-President: Eileen Duffy 481-6732

NEW PARISHIONERS

Interested in becoming a member of our parish family? Please contact our Parish Office to register.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify our Parish Office if you have had a change of address or phone number, or if a member of your family has gone into a nursing facility.

BEQUESTS: A LEGACY OF FAITH

By naming St. Martin of Tours in your will, you can bequeath to a new generation a legacy of faith and gain for yourself the blessing and personal satisfaction of knowing that your gift will help to further the work of Our Lord Jesus Christ. For more information, please call our Parish Office.

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS CHURCH



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

MONDAY, March 27, 2017—Lenten Weekday

6:30 a.m. Celebrants Intention

TUESDAY, March 28, 2017—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Virginia Brennan

WEDNESDAY, March 29, 2017—Lenten Wednesday

6:30 a.m. Joseph Mancini

THURSDAY, March 30, 2017—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Daniel Huitger

FRIDAY, March 31, 2017—Lenten Weekday

6:30 a.m. Poor Souls

SATURDAY, April 1, 2017—Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. Gilbert Neiheisel & Stricker Families

SUNDAY, April 2, 2017—5th Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Parish

9:30 a.m. Memorial Mass Fund

11:30 a.m. Pat Kraft

MASS SERVERS

8:00 A.M. Tuesday & Thursday March 28 & 30

Morgan Fightmaster, Ava Gaskins

Saturday & Sunday, April 1 & 2

Mass	Servers	Lectors
5:00 p.m.	Jasmine Niederhausen Gabrielle Niederhausen	Cristina Bagley
8:00 a.m.	Aaron Westermeyer Elias Singler	Eileen Duffy
9:30 a.m.	Grace Hauer Anthony Lucero Diana Lucero	Eileen Murray
11:30 a.m.	Richard Rutherford Becky Rutherford Catherine Elliott	Mary Jo Betz

Readings for the Week

Monday, March 27	Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday, March 28	Ez 47:1-9,12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday, March 29	Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday, March 30	Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday, March 31	Wis 2:1a,12-22/Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30
Saturday, April 1	Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
Sunday, April 2	Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:8-11

If you have a change of address or phone number, please call the Parish Office at 661-2000. Also, if you are new to the parish please call the parish office to register.

Recent Baptism:

Xavier Louis Mathis, son of Darrin and Kelli.

4th Sunday in Lent:

Through his encounter with Jesus, a man born blind is healed and is able to see the light of the sun, but is also guided in the process of coming to know and believe in Jesus as the light of the world. Because this healing took place on the Sabbath, the Pharisees accused Jesus of breaking Jewish law. The Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind. As Jesus helped the blind man understand, it is not enough to see only with our eyes, this time during Lent is a time for us to open our eyes as well. We need also to see with our hearts and allow our every action to reflect this sight. God wants to remove every obstacle that might hinder us from recognizing the light of his truth and wisdom for our lives. Only God's light can uncover the darkness of sin and free us to walk in the path of holiness and peace with God. Jesus said he is the one true source of power and light, which sustains life and overcomes the darkness of sin, confusion, and spiritual blindness.

Prayer Moment:

Lord Jesus, come into our lives and heal the wounds of our broken hearts. Give us eyes of faith to see your glory and hearts of courage to bring you glory in all we say and do.

Vocation View

The Lord looks into the heart. What does he see? We are given the gift of sight and insight. Look into the heart with love.

CHURCH COLLECTION:		
		Deficit
Sunday, March 19, 2017	\$9,117.54	
On Line Donations	\$1,468.00	\$1,114.46
Average Weekly Needed	\$11,700.00	
Fiscal Year to Date	\$461,727.00	
Needed Fiscal Year to Date	\$444,600.00	
Preserving Our Treasures	\$77,079.00	

Stock Donations: Donations of stocks to St. Martin of Tours Church will be processed through St. Martin of Tours individual custodial account at Fifth Third Bank. Please contact Lois Sundrup for specific information and delivery instructions.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Remember in your prayers those who are in nursing homes, sick at home, and all who have received prayer blankets.

If you know of anyone who can benefit from a PRAYER

BLANKET, please call the parish office at 661-2000, to remind those who need it that the people of St. Martin are praying for their physical, mental and spiritual health.

In April 2003, new national hospital-patient privacy laws were enacted. Therefore, many hospitals will not notify St. Martin's of your admission. If you would like someone from St. Martin to visit you in the hospital, please call the Parish Office to notify us.



NOTES FROM
THE PASTOR

Lenten Reconciliation Service: Our inter parish Lenten Reconciliation Service will be held at St. Catharine this coming Thursday evening, March 30 at 7:00 p.m. The service will include scripture readings, prayer and an opportunity for individual confession. This is a grace-filled opportunity to celebrate God's mercy and forgiveness as we prepare for Easter.

Holy Week: As we begin the fourth week of Lent, Holy Week will soon be upon us. I encourage you to plan to celebrate the Sacred Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil (April 13,14 and 15). These days commemorate the most important events of the church year, namely the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. You may want to mark your calendar so these days will be a special time of prayer for you and your family.

Lenten Blessings
Fr. Terry

The Spare Change collection on April 1&2 will benefit St. Leo the Great Parish. They serve a diverse, international group of parishioners, including recent immigrants and refugees. They have implored our parish for financial help as their needs far exceed their resources on many levels. Please be generous.

Door Collection for St. Vincent de Paul this week. There is an envelope included in your package of envelopes, but if you forgot it, we will be taking donations at the doors. Thanks!

St. Vincent de Paul Monthly 4th Sunday Food Collection: The 4th Sunday of each month is our food collection for our St. Martin St. Vincent de Paul Society. The items most needed this month are: Mac & Cheese, Pasta Sauce, Potato & Rice sides. Personal care items: Toothpaste and Bar Soap. We are grateful for all you do for our St. Vincent de Paul.

FYI: There is now a St. Vincent de Paul drop off donation box located in the rear lot of the Knights of Columbus Hall on Glenmore Ave.

St Martin's PRAYER FOR PEACE is held every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in church. Please come to pray the rosary for peace for our country, peace for the world and for the protection of our soldiers stationed around the world. All are welcome.

Fish Fries: The traditional Scouts Fish Fry Dinner during Lent is here at St. Martins in Fr. Mick Hall. They will be every Friday in Lent, (Not Good Friday), from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Enjoy a delicious Fish or Shrimp dinner or LaRosa cheese pizza. Many sides available, including baked potatoes, green beans, mac'n cheese. Girl Scouts will be selling deserts and Girl Scout cookies. Come have dinner with friends and family. Afterwards there are stations of the cross in church at 7:00 p.m.

Three weeks from today is Easter. That means it is time for the annual Easter Egg Hunt following the 11:30 Mass on April 16. Thousands of eggs will be "hidden" on the St. Martin's Place lawn for the children to find. We need candy to fill those eggs. Can you drop off a bag or two of wrapped, bite sized candy for us? Just bring the candy to the Parish Office or the School Office before April 12. We appreciate your support of this event and we know the children will love it.

ALL 12TH GRADERS & THEIR PARENTS: You are invited to a special celebration at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 23, 2017 followed by a brunch in the Fr. Mick Hall. This will be an opportunity for our parish to congratulate and honor you as you reach this milestone in your life. We will have reserved seats for you and your family at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Please fill out this form and return to the Parish Office by Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ #Attending _____

Our Silent Auction for Martinfest is off to a good start. You can get involved by donating a NEW item for the Silent Auction. Some of the things we are looking for include gift cards, art supplies, beach items, office supplies, bakeware, jar candles, garden items, spirit wear, golf items and anything for the kitchen or bathroom. Gifts labeled "Silent Auction" can be dropped off at the parish office during normal business hours. Questions? Call Debbie at 508-6031.

Martinfest will be held on our Feast Day, November 11 from 6:00 p.m. until midnight on our church grounds. "Lucky 11s" Major Award Raffle tickets have been mailed to all parishioners.

"Lucky 11's" Major Award
11 Chances to Win

\$3,011 grand prize drawing held at 11:11 p.m. on November 11
With three other cash prize drawings
One \$1,011 and two \$511. Need not be present to win
Plus seven \$111 drawings held on:
April 11, May 11, June 11, July 11
August 11, September 11, October 11
Tickets \$20.00 each only 1,500 sold

Be sure to return your tickets to be included in all 11 drawings. Return to the parish office or drop into the Sunday collection. Be sure to mark your envelope: Major Award.

Below is an extra ticket, if you need more, contact the parish office.

St. Martin of Tours Church Major Award Raffle Ticket
Donation \$20 each

Name _____

Address _____

City, State _____

Zip Code _____ Phone _____

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
Date/Time	Event	Place
Monday, March 27, 2017		
7:00 p.m.	RCIA	Red School
7:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Red School
Tuesday, March 28, 2017		
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Fr. Kottter
7:00 p.m.	Prayer for Peace	Church
Wednesday, March 29, 2017		
7:00 p.m.	Music Practice	Church
7:00 p.m.	Bingo	Fr. Mick
Thursday, March 30, 2017		
7:00 p.m.	Penance Service	St. Catharine
Friday, March 31, 2017		
5:00 p.m.	Fish Fry	Fr. Mick
7:00 p.m.	Station of the Cross	Church
Sunday, April 2, 2017		
8:00 a.m.	PSR 1 st Eucharist Class	Red School
11:30 p.m.	PSR Confirmation Class	Red School

Play St. Martin's BINGO on Wednesday evenings in Fr. Mick Hall. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. games begin at 7:00 p.m.

Bingo provides a substantial amount of financial assistance to the parish. Without bingo, we would have to raise school tuition considerably.

PLEASE schedule your night to work. Contact Becky Fellerman at beckyfellerman@yahoo.com or 389-0108.

If you are scheduled to work at bingo, please arrive by **6:00 p.m.**

We need brown paper grocery bags for Bingo. Please drop bags off at the Parish Office. Thank You!

ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS...

A requirement from **THE ARCHDIOCESE of CINCINNATI** The **Required VIRTUS® Monthly Continuing Education Bulletins** are posted around the first week of each month. You do not need an email reminder from VIRTUS® to read your monthly Bulletin. Set up a monthly reminder to log in to VIRTUS® and click the VIRTUS® Training tab to view the monthly VIRTUS® Bulletin and answer the question. If you **fall two VIRTUS Bulletins behind** you **WILL BE MADE INACTIVE.**

Reminder to anyone who coaches, chaperones, volunteers or has any contact in any capacity with the children at St. Martin: BEFORE you can begin volunteering, The Archdiocese of Cincinnati is REQUIRING that all volunteers and staff who work with children must **1) attend a VIRTUS® Program** and **2) Beginning January 1, 2014, volunteers do not need to be fingerprinted, BUT they MUST do a background check with Selection.com from within their VIRTUS account.** The background check will be required for anyone **who has not had fingerprints or had a background check done in the last five years.**

GO ONLINE TO YOUR VIRTUS ACCOUNT TO DO THE BACKGROUND CHECK THROUGH SELECTION.COM (the link is found in the Toolbox Tab of your VIRTUS page). In order to do the background check through Selection.com, please call the parish office for a Fastrax Token worth \$25.00.

Family Corner

Marriage Moment

"Not as humans see does God see, because humans see the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." (1 Sam. 16:7) Yes, love can be blind, but deep love sees beneath annoying habits to the inner goodness. Name one positive quality that you see in your beloved that others might not see.

Parenting Pointer

Teach your child two contradictory life lessons: 1. How to stand up for themselves. 2. How to forgive someone who has hurt them. Model it. Role play potential situations.

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St. Martin of Tours by credit card, go to saintmartin.org and click the "Give Online with WeShare" icon at the bottom of the home page.

- 1) Select the type of contribution.
- 2) Select Recurring or One time donation.
- 3) Select Complete and confirm your information.

Telephone Prayer Chain: Are you or someone you know in need of prayers? St. Martin's Telephone Prayer Chain will take your request for prayers and pass it on to a team of devout people who will be praying for your request. For prayer requests or to join the prayer group, call Bob or Mary at 662-0178 or call Peg at 922-7575. Give us a call and put your needs in God's hands.

2017 La Salle Summer Camp Registration is Open. The registration for the 2017 summer camps is open! Camps are open for grade school students in 3D Modeling, Art, Band, Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Drama, Football, FUNDamentals, Lacrosse, Soccer, Strength & Speed, Volleyball, and Wrestling. For more information and to register for the camps, go to www.lasallehs.net/summercamps.

Seventh grade girls are invited to "Spring into Mercy" on Friday, April 7 with a karaoke party in the gym from 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Join us for an ice cream social and crazy karaoke party! Admission \$5. RSVP at www.motherofmercy.org/springintomercy. Questions - contact Tricia at reisman_t@motherofmercy.org.

Purcell Marian has introduced a new Spring Open House. Plan to join us on Thursday, April 6 from 5:30 - 7:30. A "mini" version of our Fall Open House, guests will have the opportunity to learn about our academic, athletic, extracurricular and spiritual growth opportunities in a friendly, casual setting. Hope to see you there!

Join hundreds of single Catholics of all ages at the National Catholic Singles Conference, May 19th-21st, 2017 held at the DoubleTree Pittsburgh-Green Tree in Pittsburgh, PA. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, prayer, food, fellowship and more! Space is limited so register now! For more information and to register visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com. Use promo code NCSCPA to receive a special discount. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 888.267.8885 x4.)