

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



Masses of the Week

MONDAY, January 15, 2018—Weekday

6:30 a.m. Celebrants Intention

TUESDAY, January 16, 2018—Weekday

8:00 a.m. Consuelo Niehaus

WEDNESDAY, January 17, 2018—St. Anthony

6:30 a.m. Edythe Hassett

THURSDAY, January 18, 2018—Weekday

8:00 a.m. Matt Kammerer

FRIDAY, January 19, 2018—Weekday

6:30 a.m. Bill Zeilman

SATURDAY, January 20, 2018—Weekday

5:00 p.m. Marie Riga

SUNDAY, January 21, 2018—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Parish

9:30 a.m. Virginia Brennan

11:30 a.m. Harry & Irene Rust

MASS SERVERS

8:00 A.M. Tuesday & Thursday, January 16 & 18

Rachel Heinz, Josh Huff

Saturday & Sunday, January 20 & 21

Mass	Servers	Lectors
5:00 p.m.	Emiliano Larious Grace Hauer	Sr. Nancy
8:00 a.m.	Bob Hammann Aaron Westermeyer	Carol Dragan
9:30 a.m.	Olivia Anderson Madalyn Emery	Dave Emery
11:30 a.m.	Ave Gaskins Shayna Gaskins	Emily Wical

Readings for the Week

Monday, January 15	1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday, January 16	1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday, January 17	1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday, January 18	1 Sm 18:6-9;19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
Friday, January 19	1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday, January 20	2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19-27/Mk 3:20-21
Sunday, January 21	Jon 3:1-5,10;1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

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 Carol at 451-8566 or call Peg at 922-7575. Give us a call and put your needs in God's hands.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Today's reading tells us about the call of the first disciples. John the Baptist introduces Jesus as the Lamb of God to his followers. After hearing John's testimony, they stopped what they were doing and became followers of Jesus, inviting others to join them along the way. Andrew was one of them and brought his brother Simon to Jesus, saying that Jesus was the Messiah. Jesus invites us to do the same, to "Come and see" to follow him. We are called to share the Good News of love and life with those around us. We are called to be Christ's disciples.

Prayer Moment:

Lord Jesus, draw us near to you that our hearts may joyfully follow you and to do your will in all things.

Vocation View:

We have found the Messiah! After his encounter with Jesus, St. Andrew goes first to find his brother Peter to also bring him to Christ. Do not be afraid to bring others to Christ as well.

CHURCH COLLECTION:		
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Sunday, January 7, 2018	\$10,546.11	
Online Donations	\$585.00	
Average Weekly Needed	\$11,700.00	568.89
Fiscal Year to Date	\$341,981.00	
Needed Fiscal Year to Date	\$327,600.00	
Preserving Our Treasures	\$67,842.00	

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.

Recent Baptism:

Bennett Ainsley Otten, son of Scott and Christina.
Gabrielle Marie Minges, daughter of Ryan and Michele.
Ethan Luca Baker, son of Jeff and Stephanie.



2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal: Next weekend, the Catholic Ministries Appeal, also known as CMA, will kick off throughout the Archdiocese. The annual CMA is an Archdiocesan wide appeal that provides funding to six ministries that operate right here in our local communities. Your support each year has a meaningful impact on thousands of people within the nineteen counties in southern Ohio that make up our Archdiocese. Also, if we exceed our parish goal for the CMA 50% of our overage comes back to the parish to be applied to the Preserving Our Treasures Fund.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: This Thursday, January 18, we begin our annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. At the Last Supper Jesus prayed: "I pray Father, that they may be one even as we are one." (John 17:11). We will bring our prayer for unity among all Christian denominations to God this week in our intercessions at Mass and I encourage you to include this intention in your own prayers.

Catholic Schools Week: Our annual observance of Catholic Schools Week will take place from Sunday, January 28 thru Saturday, February 3. As part of our celebration each year, we like to honor all of our parishioners who teach or serve as a staff member in one of our local Catholic Schools. In order to update our Catholic education data list, I ask your kindness in calling our parish office with this information, send us an E-mail, or drop a note in the mail. Thanks so much.

School Open House: As a prelude to Catholic Schools Week, an Open House will be held at the school next Sunday January 21 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. If you haven't visited the school for some time or if you never have explored "our hallowed halls of learning", I encourage you to stop by the Open House and see all the good things that are happening at our school. This is also an excellent opportunity to meet our faculty and learn more about our Christ centered Catholic school community and curriculum.

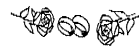
Winter Blessings
Fr. Terry

LECTORS we are working on the spring schedule for March, April and May if there are any dates or times that you are unable to do please call the Parish Office at 661-2000.

Bible Study: The next session of Bible Study will begin on Monday, January 29 and will run twelve weeks ending on Monday, April 16. We will meet each week in the Red School Building from 7:00-8:30 P.M. This session we will read and study the Passion and Resurrection Narratives of Jesus from the four Gospels. We will be using a commentary book written by Stephen J. Binz. If you are looking for something special to do for this Lenten season, consider gathering with fellow parishioners to break open the Word of God as we follow Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection. Everyone is welcome. Questions? Call Debbie at 508-6031.

St Martin's PRAYER FOR PEACE Prayer for Peace will resume on Tuesday, January 16 at 7:00 p.m. Please come to pray for peace for our country, peace for the world and for the protection of our soldiers stationed around the world. All are welcome.

The St. Martin Book Discussion Group is reading A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens as our holiday title. If you haven't read it recently or have never read it before, check it out and enjoy this holiday classic. We will meet to discuss the story on Tuesday, January 16 at 6:45 p.m. in the Red School Building. Please join us, we welcome new readers. For more information contact Eileen Duffy, 481-6732 or duffyey@aol.com.



Attention Married Couples who will be celebrating 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage! We will honor you and your marriage at a special blessing during the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, February 11, 2018. Please call the office by February 5 at 661-2000 and let us know your name and how long you have been married. We also need to know about how many family members will be attending with you so we can plan for the reception that will follow Mass.

Baseball sign-ups: Kids K-8 can sign up. Sign-ups need to be completed on-line, or email maflanigan@yahoo.com. All sign-ups are to be completed by February 1.

Volunteers working with children, you MUST take the Virtus Class. The next St. Martin Virtus Sessions for 2018 is Tuesday, February 6 at 6:00 p.m. in Fr. Mick Hall. You must register for Virtus online, no walk-ins admitted. Go to Virtus.org and follow the prompts. Please provide you title, full name as it appears on your driver's license, complete address, phone number, email address, and last 4 digits of your social security number. Be sure to arrive fifteen minutes ahead of your session. Space is limited.

You can help benefit the students of St. Martin School by shopping at Kroger. Each time you use your Kroger plus card, Kroger makes a percentage donation to the St. Martin of Tours PTO through its community rewards program. There is no cost to you and it will not affect your fuel points or coupon discounts. Enroll at krogercommunityrewards.com and select St. Martins PTO.



Don't throw those Box Tops away! Donate them to our school instead. Every Box Top is worth \$.10 cents to our school that is educating your future doctors, nurses, lawyers etc. Please save your Box Tops and place them in the new collection box located in the vestibule of church. Questions, contact Kimberly McCreary Shepherd, Box Top Coordinator at kkmcshp@gmail.com or at 550-3802. I thank you for your help.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
Date/Time	Event	Place
Monday, January 15, 2018		
7:00 p.m.	RCIA	Red School
Tuesday, January 16, 2018		
6:45 p.m.	Book Club	Red School
7:00 p.m.	Prayer for Peace	Church
Wednesday, January 17, 2018		
7:00 p.m.	Bingo	Fr. Mick
7:00 p.m.	Music Practice	Church
Thursday, January 18, 2018		
6:15 p.m.	Parish Council	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.

TO MAKE ONLINE DONATIONS OR PAY TUITION to 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

Family Corner

Marriage Moment

"Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Samuel 3:18) A common complaint among couples is, "You're not listening to me." When is listening hard for you? If you're busy or tired, ask for a better time. Is there a conversation you've been avoiding?

Parenting Pointer

On Jan. 15 we celebrate the contributions of Martin Luther King to racial equality and non-violence. Does your child have any friends from a different race? If not, why not? Talk, find ways to mix or read stories of a different ethnic group.

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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.

Managing Caregiver Stress: Learn the steps for effective stress management, discuss tools to reduce stress, develop a plan for reducing stress and try a relaxation activity that is easy to incorporate into your daily life. This program is geared for those caring for an elderly or disabled loved one. This presentation is **Monday, January 22, 2018 at 7:00 pm** at St. Martin of Tours in the Fr. Kotter Library. Event is free, but space is limited and registration is requested. Contact Angie Homoele at (513) 869-4483 or ahomoele@ccswoh.org to register or for more information. Sponsored by the Caregiver Assistance Network.

Solemn Vespers will be held on Sunday, January 28th at 7:00 PM in the Chapel of Mount St. Mary's Seminary, 6616 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45230. In honor of the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, the Mount St. Mary's Latin Schola and Athenaeum Chorale will perform settings of Eucharistic texts written by St. Thomas, including works by Franck, Charpentier, Vilette, and Willan. Come sing the psalms, canticles, and hymns of Sunday Vespers and celebrate the life and works of this wonderful doctor of the church. There is no admission charge. All are welcome.

A three-session class on Natural Family Planning will be taught at St. Lawrence Church starting Monday February 12 from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. The class meets once a month and is an excellent preparation for marriage, as well as a refresher for married couples. We instruct couples on ecological breastfeeding, baby spacing, and the ways in which NFP may help with fertility issues. Please register with Paul or Bethany 313-8886.

The Athenaeum of Ohio Lay Pastoral Ministry Program equips men and women to serve families, communities and workplaces more effectively. Our graduates work as catechists, advocates for life, permanent deacons, staff members in parishes and non-profit agencies and volunteers in a variety of settings. We offer Graduate and Non-degree options with classes at the main campus in Mt. Washington and at Good Shepherd in Montgomery. Isn't it time you discover how lay formation can transform your life? Call 231-1200 for information or to set up an interview.