

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



MONDAY, February 26, 2018—Lenten Weekday

6:30 a.m. Celebrants Intention

TUESDAY, February 27, 2018—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Steve Urban

WEDNESDAY, February 28, 2018—Lenten Weekday

6:30 a.m. Georgianna Donley

THURSDAY, March 1, 2018—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Robert Tepe

FRIDAY, March 2, 2018—Lenten Weekday

6:30 a.m. Dale Bonhaus

SATURDAY, March 3, 2018—Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. George Madix

SUNDAY, March 4, 2018—3rd Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Parish

9:30 a.m. Memorial Mass Fund

11:30 a.m. Dorothy Calardo

MASS SERVERS

8:00 A.M. Tuesday February 27 & Thursday, March 1

Logan Walz, Shawn Wyatt

Saturday & Sunday, March 3 & 4

Mass	Servers	Lectors
5:00 p.m.	Isabel Hess Anaselena Hess	Laura Flight
8:00 a.m.	Lou Freese Elias Singler	Ann Petersman
9:30 a.m.	Nate Fantetti Rebeca Fantetti Rosa Fantetti	Sue Shukas
11:30 a.m.	Shayna Gaskins Ava Gaskins	Lou Winston

Readings for the Week

Monday, February 26	Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday, February 27	Is 1:10,16-020/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday, February 28	Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday, March 1	Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
Friday, March 2	Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/Mt 21:33-46
Saturday, March 3	Mi 7:14-15,18-20/Lk 15:1-3,11-32
Sunday, March 4	Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

The Spare Change Collection next weekend March 3/4 will benefit Mary Magdalen House in Over-the-Rhine. They refresh and renew the homeless in body and spirit by providing showers and clean clothing for them. Please be generous.

2nd Sunday in Lent:

In today's Gospel, Peter, James, and John went with Jesus to a high mountain. A voice from a cloud said, "This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to him." The disciples were overcome by what they see, hear, and experience. They do not know what to do or say, they simply know that they have witnessed something powerful. In the Transfiguration Jesus revealed to us just a glimpse of what Heaven is all about. Jesus not only wants us to see his glory - he wants to share this glory with us. Jesus tells us the way to the Father's glory is to follow him obey his words, take the path he has chosen for us and we will receive the blessings of his Father's kingdom.

Prayer Moment:

Lord Jesus, keep us always alert and awake to your word, your action, and your daily presence in our lives let us see your glory.

Vocation View:

God calls Abraham to be willing to sacrifice all that is dear to him, even his own son, Isaac. In order to respond to a priestly or religious vocation, the same call to sacrifice is heard. Are you willing?

CHURCH COLLECTION:		
		Deficit
Sunday, February 18, 2018	\$8,746.82	
Online Donations	\$385.00	
Average Weekly Needed	\$11,700.00	\$2,568.18
Fiscal Year to Date	\$401,556.00	
Needed Fiscal Year to Date	\$397,800.00	
Preserving Our Treasures	\$68,026.00	
Ash Wednesday	\$1,272.04	

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.



The Light is On for You: This Tuesday, February 27 the Archdiocesan Lenten Reconciliation Initiative "The Light is on for You" takes place once again in our local parish churches. This is an opportunity for those who may have been away from the Sacrament of Reconciliation for some time to come to know the

reconciling mercy of Christ without fear or judgment. Pope Francis reflects on the healing power of the sacrament as he reminds us: "That in His mercy Jesus never tires of stretching out His hands to lift us up" I invite you to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation here at St. Martin (or at any of our Archdiocesan Parishes) on Tuesday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The light of Jesus' love and forgiveness will be here to welcome and bless you.

Christ Among Us: Our Lenten pilgrimage began last weekend on a very beautiful note as we celebrated God's grace at work in our faith community. At the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday evening, we sent forth our catechumens and candidates to the Rite of Election which was held on Sunday afternoon at the Cathedral. They are now the "Elect" and have begun their final weeks of preparation for the Easter Sacraments. Two weeks ago at the 9:30 a.m. Mass, we honored the couples who are celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th 60th and 60 plus wedding anniversaries this year. What a wonderful example of commitment and dedication they are to all of us as they continue to live out each day their covenant with God and each other in the Sacrament of Marriage.

Catholic Ministries Appeal: We have now reached 18% (\$5,061.26) of our parish goal of \$28,079.00. Once again thanks so much to all who have made a gift to this important appeal. As you know CMA funds the education of our seminarians' deacons and lay ministers, chaplains for hospitals and prisons, Catholic charities/social services, college campus ministries, the retirement fund for diocesan priest and St. Rita Home for the deaf. If you have not yet made a gift to the appeal this year, I encourage you to do so as part of your Lenten Almsgiving. No gift is too small and every gift is important and appreciated.

Lenten Blessings
Fr. Terry

St. Martin Prayer Chain-Let's Pray Together:

"Entrust yourself entirely to God. He is a Father, and a most loving Father at that." --St. Paul of the Cross

Did you know that the first prayer request on our St. Martin Prayer Chain was honored on October 23, 2004 at 1:40 P.M.?

Now we ask you to take a new look at our prayer chain. JOIN US to pray for and pass on via telephone those who have requested our prayers. This is a ministry for those who want to be active parish members, but because of health or family restrictions cannot serve outside of their homes. Interested? Call Carol at 451-8566.

Need prayers? There are two ways to be included on our prayer chain:

1. Call Carol (451-8566) or Peg (922-7575) and leave the first name or initial of the person needing our prayer and why.
2. Write your request, place in an envelope, mark it "Prayer Chain" and drop it in the collection basket.

Besides our prayer chain, have you noticed the book in the Glenmore vestibule in which you may write your requests? There are lots of ways to send our prayers of need to our heavenly Father!

P.S. We also send "Thank you, God" prayers, too!

Bible Study: It is not too late to attend Bible Study. We meet on Mondays from 7:00 to 8:30 in the Red School Building. Monday, March 5, 12, and 19 we will be reading and discussing the Passion narratives from Luke's Gospel. (chapters 22-24) Bring your Bible. Consider coming to Bible study for just three weeks. You don't have to read or answer any questions. Everyone is welcome to just listen in as we break open the Word of God together.



Fish Fry: The traditional Scout Fish Fry Dinners during Lent at St. Martins will start on Friday, February 16. They will be every Friday in Lent (not Good Friday), in Fr. Mick Hall from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. Enjoy a fish or shrimp dinner or LaRosa cheese pizza with sides. Girl Scouts will be selling desserts and Girl Scout Cookies. Let us do the cooking and meet your friends and neighbors. Thank you for supporting the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts.

Afterwards at 7:00 p.m. join everyone in church for Stations of the Cross.



St. Vincent de Paul: The St. Vincent de Paul food collection is next Sunday. The items most needed are; pasta, rice sides, shampoo and tooth paste.

Attention SMOT Class of 1968: We are currently planning a 50th Class Reunion! We would love to see as many of our classmates there as possible. We have a date of June 1, 2018, time/place to be determined. Please send your address/phone number/e-mail address to: smotclass68@gmail.com. You can also like us on our Face Book Page - St. Martin Class of 1968. If you are in contact with any of our classmates, please pass on the information to them.

Attention St. Martin Alumni: Mark Your Calendars Now...

On Sunday, March 18, 2018, at 11:30 a.m., we invite you and your guests to our Spring Alumni Mass. A reception will follow in Fr. Mick Hall. Our Pastor, Fr. Terry Hamilton (Class of 1961) will be our Celebrant. Please invite former classmates, relatives and friends who attended St. Martin of Tours Grade School for this opportunity to reminisce.



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 kkmcshep@gmail.com or at 550-3802. I thank you for your help.

St Martin's PRAYER FOR PEACE is held every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in church. 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.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
Date/Time	Event	Place
Monday, February 26, 2018		
7:00 p.m.	RCIA	Red School
7:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Red School
Tuesday, February 27, 2018		
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Fr. Kotter
7:00 p.m.	"The Light is on for You"	Church
Wednesday, February 28, 2018		
7:00 p.m.	Music Practice	Church
7:00 p.m.	Bingo	Fr. Mick
Thursday, March 1, 2018		
6:30 p.m.	PTO	Red School
7:00 p.m.	Baptism Class	Red School
7:30 p.m.	Education	Red School
Friday, March 2, 2018		
5:00 p.m.	Fish Fry	Fr. Mick
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	Church

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.

Lenten Fasting and Abstinence: Here is a summary for your reference: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat and days of fasting (which is described as limiting yourself to a single full meal). The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th year until the beginning of their 60th year.

Family Corner

Marriage Moment

Principles for honoring your spouse:

- #1 The Golden Rule - Treat your mate the same way you want to be treated.
- #2 No Double Standards - Be as considerate to your spouse as you are to coworkers or strangers.
- #3 Honor Requests that your spouse asks you to do or not do. (The Love Dare, by Stephen and Alex Kendrick)

Parenting Pointer

God said to Abraham, "because you did not withhold from me your beloved son, I will bless you." (Genesis 22: 16) Parenting can be hard. It comes with a lot of sacrifices. Believe that God will provide even if the way is not clear right now.

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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.

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.

A Pottery Retreat is offered by the Sisters of Charity Spirituality Center on four Wednesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 6:00 -9:00 p.m. Experience the healing power of clay therapy while exploring your relationship with God through the powerful image of the potter. During these sessions, you will create a vessel of clay while learning about how God interacts with us. The program will be at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse. Fee is \$60. Contact the Spirituality Center 347-5449 or spirituality.center@srcharitycinti.org to register or for additional information.

Healing Service with Mass on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 7:30 pm in Hilvert Center behind St. Ignatius Church, You can receive prayer for yourself or your loved ones. Sponsored by Lighthouse Renewal Center. For more info call 513-471-LITE (5483) or visit www.LRC1.org.

Sunday, March 11 at 3:00 p.m., the Cincinnati Metropolitan Orchestra presents their Winter Concert at Seton Performance Hall. This free concert under the direction of Mr. David Allen. For information go to www.GoCMO.org or call 941-8956, and as always donations are welcome.

To avoid steps enter from the top floor of Seton's parking garage or through the glass doors on the Beech Ave. side of the building, then take the elevator down one level to the ground floor.

The Women's Cancer Networking Group is for women (and their female friends/caregivers) who are newly-diagnosed, currently undergoing treatments, or are survivors. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, March 1 at 7:00 p.m. at Aroma's on Bridgetown Road. This group is a mixture of spirituality, information, support, and social to help anyone currently going through cancer or for survivors who want to be revitalized and/or help and support newly-diagnosed women. If interested in attending or for information, e-mail Kathy at krwalsh7@gmail.com or call 513-607-4681.