

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, March 12, 2018—Lenten Weekday

6:30 a.m. Celebrants Intention

TUESDAY, March 13, 2018—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Rose Herring

WEDNESDAY, March 14, 2018—Lenten Weekday

6:30 a.m. Charles Toelke

THURSDAY, March 15, 2018—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Regina & Amy Dupont

FRIDAY, March 16, 2018—Lenten Weekday

6:30 a.m. Poor Souls

SATURDAY, March 17, 2018—Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. George Kasper

SUNDAY, March 18, 2018—5th Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Parish

9:30 a.m. Joseph Neiheisel

11:30 a.m. Dorothy Brinkman

MASS SERVERS

8:00 A.M. Tuesday & Thursday, March 13 & 15

Emily Davis, Rebecca Fantetti

Saturday & Sunday, March 17 & 18

Mass	Servers	Lectors
5:00 p.m.	Richard Rutherford Becky Rutherford	Kathy Robinson
8:00 a.m.	Bob Schmitz Josh Huff	Sr. Nancy
9:30 a.m.	Mary Pat Michaels Sarah Kelley Jaylen Haas	Pauline Boderone
11:30 a.m.	Emma Sellers Sue Momberg	Angelo Mancini

Readings for the Week

Monday, March 12	Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday, March 13	Ez 47:1-9,12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday, March 14	Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday, March 15	Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday, March 16	Wis 2:1a,12-22/Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30
Saturday, March 17	Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
Sunday, March 18	Jer 31:31-34;Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

4th Sunday in Lent:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life” (John 3:16). God proved his love for us by giving us the best he had to offer - his only begotten Son. The world that God gave His Son to save is our world. God sent his Son with a purpose, and that purpose was to save and to redeem those who believed in him. Jesus died on the cross to heal us from the power of sin and death. We are the children of God. God is a loving Father who loves us, no matter what we are or what our attitude toward Him is. He cannot rest until his wandering children have returned home to him.

Prayer Moment:

Lord Jesus, your death brought life for us. May your love consume and transform our lives help us to love what you love, desire what you desire, and to reject what you reject.

Vocation View:

To be cut off from the treasures of the Church is to be cast away from life itself. As the Israelites longed to rebuild the Temple of Jerusalem, so we must long to continue to build up the Church today.

CHURCH COLLECTION:		
		Deficit
Sunday, March 4, 2018	\$12,608.30	
Online Donations	\$950.00	
Average Weekly Needed	\$11,700.00	
Fiscal Year to Date	\$446,566.00	
Needed Fiscal Year to Date	\$421,200.00	
Preserving Our Treasures	\$68,126.00	
Spare Change	\$1,663.50	

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.



**FROM
THE PASTOR**

Lenten Reconciliation Service: Our interparish Lenten Reconciliation will be held at St. Catharine this coming Thursday evening, March 15 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.

Lenten Vesper Service: If you are looking for an hour of prayer and reflection during these Lenten days, I invite you to come to our Lenten Vesper Service with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m. Give yourself the gift of spending some time with the Lord during this season of renewal and conversion.

Catholic Ministries Appeal: Thank you so much if you have already made a pledge to this year's appeal. Your support makes possible a wide variety of ministries throughout the Archdiocese. As of March 6, we have received 55% (\$15,362.26) of our parish goal of \$28,079.00. Please consider making a pledge to this important appeal as part of your Lenten almsgiving.

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 (March 29, 30 and 31). 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

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!

St Martin's PRAYER FOR PEACE will not be held on Tuesday, March 27 due to practice for Holy Week. Prayer For Peace will resume on Tuesday April 3 at 7:00 p.m. in church.



St. Vincent de Paul: The items needed this week for the St. Vincent de Paul food collection is Jelly, canned fruit, canned meats and pork & beans. Thank you for your generosity.

St Martin Skating Parties are the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Western Rollarama from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. The cost is \$6.00 per skater and includes skate rental. This month's Skating Party is Wednesday, March 14. So grab a buddy. Bring a friend. Bring the whole family! Don't miss out on all the fun!!!

** PTO receives \$1 per skater for 50 or more skaters **
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Fish Fry: The traditional Scout Fish Fry Dinners during Lent at St. Martins is back. They are 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.

The Annual St. Martin's Easter Egg Hunt takes place on Sunday, April 1st after the 11:30 Mass. The children will be filling their Easter baskets and bags with eggs containing delicious treats. Will you help by donating a bag or two of bite-sized wrapped candy? We need to fill thousands of plastic eggs for the kids to "find." Please drop off your sweet treat to the Parish or School office. We thank you for your generosity and support of this Parish Event. The kids will thank you too !

The St. Martin Book Discussion Group is currently reading The Second Greatest Story Ever Told by Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, a book in which Fr. Gaitley reveals St. John Paul II's witness for our time. We will meet to discuss this work on Tuesday, April 3 at 6:45 p.m. in the Red School Building. Please join us - we welcome new readers. There are several copies of the book available to borrow. Contact Eileen Duffy (481-6732 or duffyey@aol.com) to borrow a copy or with any other questions.

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.

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.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
Date/Time	Event	Place
Monday, March 12 , 2018		
7:00 p.m.	RCIA	Red School
7:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Red School
8:00 p.m.	Athletic Meeting	Red School
Tuesday, March 13, 2018		
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Fr. Kotter
Wednesday, March 14, 2018		
7:00 p.m.	Music Practice	Church
7:00 p.m.	Bingo	Fr. Mick
Thursday, March 15, 2018		
6:00 p.m.	Finance	Fr. Kotter
7:00 p.m.	Reconciliation Service	St. Catharine
Friday, March 16 , 2018		
5:00 p.m.	Fish Fry	Fr. Mick
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	Church
Sunday, March 18, 2018		
8:00 a.m.	PSR 1 st Eucharist 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

Do you ever get stuck in an argument? Of course we know that there are two sides to every argument but practicing this truism can be difficult. Next time you reach an impasse discipline yourselves to try to state each other's side as neutrally as you can.

Parenting Pointer

March 9-10 is the National Day of Unplugging <https://www.nationaldayofunplugging.com/> from our devices (TV, Cell phones, computers...) Challenge yourself and your children to go 24 hours without media. What will you do instead? What will you learn?

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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.

Elder High School is offering an Honors Algebra 1 course to gifted mathematics students who will be in 8th grade during the 2018-2019 academic year. This course may enable students to take Advanced Placement Calculus during upper class years at Elder High School. They could also earn college credit for one full year of college calculus by passing the AP Calculus exams. To apply for the program, please submit a completed application by April 13, 2018. For information, visit www.elderhs.org/HonorsAlgebra or call 921-3427

Friday Night at the Movies is offered by the Sisters of Charity Spirituality Center on Friday, March 16 at 7:00 p.m. Our movie this month is "The Book Thief." It will be held at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse. There is no fee for this program but registration is requested. To register or for additional information call 347-5449 or spirituality.center@srcharitycinti.org.

The Senior Companion Program of Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio helps senior citizens to maintain independence in their home by providing meal prep, light housekeeping, and companionship. This is a free program If you know of a senior citizen that might benefit from this free service, please contact Richard at 672-3832 or email at rschibi@ccswoh.org.

International Mission for children Fundraiser at F&N Goode Chicken on Crookshank. Thursday March 15th 10:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m. 20% of sales will benefit IMC. For more info on IMC please check out our website at <http://www.internationalmissionforchildren.org/>