

# *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](http://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.

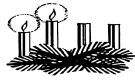
## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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, December 10, 2018 Advent Weekday**

8:00 a.m. Lucille Merkle

**TUESDAY, December 11, 2018 – Advent Weekday**

8:00 a.m. Elmer Klett

**WEDNESDAY, December 12, 2018 –Our Lady of Guadalupe**

8:00 a.m. Celebrants Intention

**THURSDAY, December 13, 2018 –St. Lucy**

8:00 a.m. Nellie Troehler

**FRIDAY, December 14, 2018 – St. John of the Cross**

8:00 a.m. Emily McVey

**SATURDAY, December 15, 2018 –Advent Weekday**

5:00 p.m. Daniel Grieszmer

**SUNDAY, December 16, 2018 –3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

8:00 a.m. Mass for Parish

9:30 a.m. Lambert Waltner

11:30 a.m. Angelo Mangino

**MASS SERVERS:**

**Tuesday & Thursday, December 11 & 13**

**8:00 a.m.**

Evelyn Schwarte, Jaylen Haas

**Saturday & Sunday, December 15 & 16**

Mass	Servers	Lectors
5:00 p.m.	Arnold Tepe	Kathy Robinson
8:00 a.m.	Bob Hammann	Bob Schmitz
	Olivia Rider	
9:30 a.m.	Morgan Fightmaster	David Emery
	Rachel Heinz	
	Jaylen Haas	
11:30 a.m.	Hadrian Dwyer	Mary Jo Betz
	Shawn Wyatt	
	Laurie Huff	

**Readings for the Week**

Monday, December 10	Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday, December 11	Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday, December 12	Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:26-28
Thursday, December 13	Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15
Friday, December 14	Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday, December 15	Sir 48:1-4,9-11/Mt 17:9a,10-13
Sunday, December 16	Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

**Recent baptism:**

**Luca George Dehner**, son of Richard and Alyssa.

**Jacob Daniel Evans**, son of Mark and Angela.

**Addyson Leigh Furny**, daughter of Nicholas and Jenna.

**Killian Liam Bovenzi**, son of John and Mary Kate.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent:**

John the Baptist is preaching repentance, reforming the people of Israel and preparing the way of the Lord. John is the courier and great herald of the Messiah King who proclaims to all the peoples that the impending reign of God is now very close at hand. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus, we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We need to respond to John's message by receiving God's word into our hearts and reforming our lives by turning away from sin. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives the coming of the Lord, as John did.

**Prayer Moment:**

Lord Jesus, you are the Savior of the world, help us receive your word with faith, and to proclaim it joyfully to all we meet.

**A Vocation View:**

John the Baptist cried out and made ready for the Lord. Promote the Gospel in your community.

**CHURCH COLLECTION:**

		Deficit
Sunday, December 2, 2018	\$12,649.13	
Online Donations	\$905.00	
Average Needed Weekly	\$12,100.00	
Fiscal Year to Date	233,678.00	
Needed Fiscal Year to Date	278,300.00	44,622.00
Preserving our Treasure	\$36,899.00	

**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:**

**Also, 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's 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's to visit you in the hospital, please call the parish Office to notify us.**

**The following parishioners have entered Eternal Life.** Please remember them in your prayers

**Mary Jean Niklas**, beloved daughter of the late Hilda & Justin Niklas dear sister of the late Fr. Jerry, Larry, Roger, and Donald Niklas.

**Annette Mohrhaus**, beloved wife of the late Bernard Mohrhaus dear mother of David, Donna, Gail and Jean.

**Dorothy Schrand Reupert**, beloved wife of the late Erwin J. Reupert, dear mother of Christine, Mary Jo, Ann, Donald, Kenneth, Richard and Daniel



## Notzs From The Pastor

**Advent Reconciliation Service:** Our joint Advent Reconciliation Service with St. Catharine Parish here at St. Martin is Tuesday, December 11 at 7:00 p.m. Receiving the Lords' forgiveness and healing in the Sacrament of reconciliation can be a very prayerful way to prepare for Christ's coming at Christmas

**Retirement Fund for Religious:** This weekend is the annual collection for the Retirement /fund for Religious. This national appeal is to help the religious congregations care for their elderly and infirm sisters, brothers and order priests. Let us be generous in thanking them for their ministry and commitment.

**Celebrating Life:** Next weekend, as we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent, we will be offering a special blessing at all Masses for all expectant parents. Just as Mary and Joseph prepared for the birth of Jesus, we want to ask God's blessing upon all mothers and fathers as they look forward to the birth of their babies. We also want to share this blessing with any parents who are in the process of adopting a child.

**Advent Vesper Service:** We will celebrate an Advent Vesper Service with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday, December 17 at 7:00 p.m. This also can be a beautiful opportunity for prayer and reflection before Christmas is upon us.

Advent Blessings,  
Fr. Terry

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**SERVERS:** We are working on the new server schedule for **January 2017 thru May 2017. If there are any changes, or dates you are unable to serve, please call the parish office at 661-2000 and let us know.**

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**The Advent Giving Tree:** IMPORTANT: *All gifts are to be returned by Sunday, December 9.*

WRAP Gifts for our homebound and nursing home parishioners and place under the Giving Tree.

Gifts for Healthy Moms and Babes are to be UNWRAPPED and placed in the playpens near the Shrine of the Pieta.

Gifts for Santa Maria are to be UNWRAPPED and placed under the Giving Tree.

Thank you everyone, for your generosity to our brothers and sisters.

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**Esther Price Candy Sale:** Thank you for your support of the Esther Price Candy Sale! Just in time for Christmas, all candy orders that were placed by Sunday, December 2 will be available for pick-up December 15 and December 16 following all Masses in Fr. Mick Hall.

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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**



**St. Vincent de Paul** is having a coat drive. There is a bin in the vestibule for you to drop off your GENTLY USED & CLEAN coats. We will take any size, from infant to adult. Please help us help others stay warm this winter. Thank you for your generosity and God bless you.

**St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Need List:** Items needed for Christmas are; bread mix, boxed mashed potatoes, canned mandarin oranges, hot cocoa, mini marshmallows, sugar cookie mix. If you are able, we would appreciate your help, **all donated items need to be received by December 12, 2018.** Thank you for your continued generosity and God Bless.

**St. Vincent de Paul** is getting ready for Christmas. We have many children that would love Santa to visit their homes. We are asking for NEW toys. We are in need of gifts for children from infancy thru teenage years. We will need to have the toys back no later than December 14. There will be bins in church or drop them off at the pantry on Wednesday or Friday mornings.



**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, December 12, 2018. 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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**The St. Martin Book Discussion Group** is currently reading *Skipping Christmas* by John Grisham. We will meet to discuss this book on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 6:45 pm in the Red School Building. The book is available at the public library. Please consider joining us - we welcome new readers. Contact Eileen Duffy (481-6732 or duffyei@aol.com) with any questions.

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

*"...For wherever two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them."*

Please consider joining St. Martin's Prayer Chain it is easy and very gratifying . . . No monthly meetings, no dues, and no running for office. You must be willing to take a request for prayers and pass it on to the next team member on the list. Above all, you are asked to take a few minutes each day to pray for the requests you receive. Call Carol (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.

We also send "Thank you, God" prayers, too!

**St Martin's PRAYER FOR PEACE** is held every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in church. Please consider coming to pray for peace in the world and for our brave soldiers around the world. All are welcome.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
Date/Time	Event	Place
<b>Monday, December 10, 2018</b>		
7:00 p.m.	RCIA	Red School
8:00 p.m.	Athletic Meeting	Red School
<b>Tuesday, December 11, 2018</b>		
7:00 p.m.	Penance Service	Church
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Fr. Kotter
<b>Wednesday, December 12, 2018</b>		
7:00 p.m.	Music Practice	Church
7:00 p.m.	BINGO	Fr. Mick Hall
<b>Friday, December 14, 2018</b>		
1:00 p.m.	Knit & Crochet	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 more.

**Please** schedule your night to work. Contact Becky Fellerman at [beckyfellerman@yahoo.com](mailto:beckyfellerman@yahoo.com) or 513-265-5642.

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 Moments

Marital arguments sometimes go round in circles with each spouse trying to prove they were right. Sometimes you are right, but that's not the point. If you can recognize part of the argument that you were wrong in, simply saying "I was wrong." can help. Resist following it with, "But..."

##### Parenting Pointers

Teach your child some Latin. In Latin "Advent" means something is coming. For Christians, it points us to the coming of Jesus at Christmas. It's not here yet. We have to wait for it. Talk about how you wait for relatives or friends to arrive. It's hard to wait, but you shouldn't hurry it by celebrating before the guest's arrival.

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

**Mercy McAuley High School**, The Sounds of Christmas Concert is Sunday, Dec. 9, at 7:30 p.m. which be held in Mercy McAuley's Auditorium. This concert features the Mercy McAuley chorus, orchestra and Vocal Ensemble. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

**Praying With Nature** is offered by the Sisters of Charity Spirituality Center on Wednesday, December 19 from 9:30-11AM. Nature is one of the most fulfilling gifts we have in our lives. Come celebrate the turning of the seasons with the gifts of nature that S. Marty Dermody has captured with her camera. The program will be held at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse. There is no fee for this program but registration is requested. Please contact the Spirituality Center 513-347-5449 or [spirituality.center@srcharitycinti.org](mailto:spirituality.center@srcharitycinti.org) for additional information.

**The Retrouvaille** program is for couples with marriages that are struggling, not communicating well and those who are considering marriage separation or divorce. This program helps couples restore and rebuild a loving relationship. Cincinnati/Tri-State 2019 weekends are January 11-13, March 29-31 and September 6-8. For more information contact [www.cincyretrovaille.org](http://www.cincyretrovaille.org) or 513-456-5413

**Cincinnati Catholic Alumni Club** invites single catholic men and woman to its CHRISTMAS DINNER, Sunday, Dec 9, Montgomery Inn, 9440 Montgomery Rd, 5:30 pm, Reservations needed, Call Andi 404-3641