

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, March 4, 2019—Weekday

8:00 a.m. Celebrants Intention

TUESDAY, March 5, 2019—Weekday

8:00 a.m. Sharon Danemayer

WEDNESDAY, March 6, 2019—Ash Weekday

8:00 a.m. Dorothy Reupert

12:00 Noon Dorothy Calardo

5:00 p.m. Marie Runda

THURSDAY, March 7, 2019—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Poor Souls

FRIDAY, March 8, 2019—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Rosalind Marinucci

SATURDAY, March 9, 2019—Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. Vernon Nusekabel

SUNDAY, March 10, 2019—1st Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Parish

9:30 a.m. Lenny Re

11:30 a.m. Joan Vonderhaar

Ash Wednesday, March 6

	Servers	Lectors
8:00 a.m.	School	School
12:00 Noon	School	Margie Hammitt
5:00 p.m.	Debbie Kleisinger	Tom Gibson

MASS SERVERS

8:00 A.M. Tuesday & Thursday, March 5 & 7

Morgan Fightmaster, James Fightmaster

Saturday & Sunday, March 9 & 10

Mass	Servers	Lectors
5:00 p.m.	Grace Hauer Amy Richter Laurie Huff	Bob Hammann
8:00 a.m.	Bob Schmitz Josh Huff	Sr. Nancy
9:30 a.m.	Morgan Fightmaster James Fightmaster Rachel Heinz	Brian Heinz
11:30 a.m.	Kiersten Schwarte Henry Young	Lou Winston

Readings for the Week

Monday, March 4	Sir 17:20-24/Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday, March 5	Sir 35:1-12/Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday, March 6	Jl 2:12-18;2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6;16-18
Thursday, March 7	Dt 30:15-20/LK 9:22-25
Friday, March 8	Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday, March 9	Is 58:9b-14/LK 5:27-32
Sunday, March 10	Dt 26:4-10;Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Jesus warns us of the danger of losing sight of the Gospel. He tells us the blind cannot lead the blind. Jesus says do not try to take out the splinter in another's eye until you have taken the board out of your own eyes. Jesus also challenges us to be the good fruit by positively looking at oneself and seeing where one can improve, He reminds us that "a good tree does not bear bad fruit." While it is easy to find faults in others, it is just as easy to overlook our own faults. We tend not to see the good in others as much as we see the bad. Jesus wants to heal and restore us to wholeness. He wants us to be his instruments of healing, pardon, and restoration for others as well.

Prayer Moment:

Lord Jesus, help us to praise rather than to criticize, to sympathize rather than to discourage, to build rather than to destroy, and to think the best rather than the worst of other people.

A Vocation View:

Jesus leads where we need to go. Do not close your eyes, your ears or your heart to Jesus plan for your life.

CHURCH COLLECTION:

		Deficit
Sunday, February, 24 2019	\$8,335.40	
Online Donations	\$800.00	
Average Weekly Needed:	\$12,100.00	\$2,964.60
Fiscal Year-to-date:	\$383,712.00	
Needed Fiscal Year-to-date:	\$423,500.00	\$39,788.00
Preserving Our Treasures	\$37,066.00	

Stock Donations: Donations of stocks to St. Martin of Tours Church will be processed through St. Martin of Tours new 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 from St. Martin's, 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.

Delores Gerhardt, beloved wife of the late Frank Gerhardt, dear mother of Linda, Robert, Nicole, and the late Greg Gerhardt.

Frank Wimmers, beloved husband of N. Ruth Wimmers, dear father of Dave, Debbie, and Dan.

Recent Baptisms:

Henry Alan Gardewing, son of Dustin and Ashley.

Anderson Elizabeth Padur, daughter of David and Kimberly.



PASTORS PEN

Repent and believe in the Gospel: This week on Ash Wednesday, we begin our annual pilgrimage of prayer and reflection in preparation for Easter. This is the season when the whole Christian community is called to repentance and a change of heart. It is also the time when our catechumens in the RCIA process begin their final preparation for the Easter Sacraments. As a parish, let us accompany them on their faith journey and do our very best during these forty days to repent and believe in the Gospel.

Lenten Fasting and Abstinence: For many centuries, it has been the custom of the Church for Catholics to fast and abstain from meat on particular days during the penitential season of Lent. Here is a summary for your reference: **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fasting (which is often described as limiting yourself to a single full meal). The other Fridays of the season 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.** Obviously, it is important to embrace not just the "letter of the law" about fasting and abstaining, but also the "spirit of the custom." Fasting can be a very spiritual exercise and a way to literally make a place for the Lord in our lives. While the Church asks us to fast and abstain on certain days, we might find it beneficial and prayerful to embrace some type of fasting on all the days of Lent this year.

Aid to the Church in Eastern Europe: The collection on Ash Wednesday will be for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. After decades of religious persecution under communist rule, the people there are now free to practice their faith, but have very few resources to rebuild facilities and establish ministries.

Catholic Ministries Appeal: The season of Lent has always been a time for almsgiving. Your support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal is one way to participate in this important action of the Lenten season. Our parish goal is \$28,161.00. At this writing \$14,361.00 has been pledged which is 51% of the goal. The gift you give to the appeal makes possible a wide variety of religious, educational, pastoral and charitable programs and services throughout the Archdiocese. I ask your participation in this appeal in whatever way you can. Remember that every gift helps and no gift is too small.

The Light is on For You: Once again, this Lent the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in every parish throughout the Archdiocese on the same evening. The date this year is Tuesday, March 19, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. This opportunity for all Catholics, especially those who have not received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for some considerable period of time, to once again experience the healing power of the Sacrament.

Winter Blessings
Fr. Terry

The Spare Change Collection this weekend will benefit the Glenmary Sisters. They are a group of Catholic Religious Sisters dedicated to minister to the poor and forgotten people in rural areas of the southern United States and Appalachia. Please be generous.

Facts of Life: Day 21: heart begins to beat with the child's own blood, often a different type than the mothers.

Book Group: The St. Martin book discussion group is currently reading *Hillbilly Elegy* by JD Vance. This author has a local connection and the book looks at life growing up in Appalachia. There are copies available at the public library. We will meet to discuss this book on Tuesday, March 12 at 6:45 in the Red School Building. We welcome new readers! Contact Eileen Duffy with questions (duffyey@aol.com).



St. Martins Fish Fries: The annual Lenten Fish Fry Dinners, hosted by St. Martin Scouts, will begin Friday, March 8 in Father Mick Hall and every Friday in Lent (except Good Friday) from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. You can enjoy a delicious fish dinner or LaRosa's cheese pizza. Let us do the cooking and meet your neighbors for dinner. Girl Scouts will also be selling Girl Scout Cookies. At 7:00 p.m., there will be Stations of the Cross in Church. Thank you for supporting St. Martin's Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts.

St. Martin Prayer Chain

"Where two or three are gathered in My name":

"I will never forget you I have you carved in the palm of my hand"
(Isaiah 49:15-16)

Are you or someone you know in need of prayers? St. Martin's Telephone Prayer Chain will take your request for prayers, just call Carol (451-8566) or Peg (922-7575) and leave the first name or initial of the person needing our prayer and why.

We also send "Thank you, God" prayers.



St. Vincent de Paul: Our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry is in need of the following items: cereal, canned fruit, mac&cheese, rice, pork&beans and pasta sauce. Personal care items needed are , toothpaste and shampoo.

Thank you in advance for your continued generosity and support and God Bless.

Due to the enthusiasm regarding the stained glass window coloring pages this weekend, Fr. Terry has decided to hold a coloring contest! There are 21 windows in the church, so in 21 months we would love to see your collection! Specific dates and prizes will be announced as the dates get closer, and previous pages will be available each month at the Welcome Table.

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) Recurring or Onetime donation 3) Complete and confirm your information.

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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
Date/Time	Event	Place
Monday, March 4, 2019		
7:00 p.m.	RCIA	Red School
7:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Red School
Tuesday, March 5, 2019		
7:00 p.m.	Prayer for Peace	Church
Wednesday, March 6, 2019		
7:00 p.m.	Bingo	Fr. Mick Hall
Thursday, March 7, 2019		
6:30 p.m.	PTO	Red School
7:30 p.m.	Education	Red School
Friday, March 8, 2019		
1:00 p.m.	Knit & Crochet	Red School
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 more.

Please schedule your night to work. Contact Becky Fellerman at 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 three 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.

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.

Family Corner

Marriage Moment

"You hypocrite!" (Luke 6:42) You say, "I love you" but you won't do the laundry, watch the kids, refrain from criticizing me... (Fill in the blank.) Don't be a hypocrite with your beloved - at least for one day.

Parenting Pointer

March 1 sundown to-March 2 sundown is the National Day of Unplugging.

(<https://www.nationaldayofunplugging.com/>)

Celebrate it by fasting from any unessential use of cell phones, internet, screens - anything that takes you away from your family. Invite your family to sign the pledge.

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The Cincinnati Metropolitan Orchestra, presents "Celtic Dreams" at Seton High School Performance Hall on Sunday, March 10 at 3 pm. Donations are accepted. Visit GoCMO.org or call 941-8956 for information.

Walking with Thomas Merton is offered by the Sisters of Charity Spirituality Center on Tuesday, March 12 at 6:30-8:30 p.m. Join Bill Tonniss for a night of Lenten reflection on the many "dyings" and "risings" of our lives. He will speak about the impact of Thomas Merton on his journey to find his true self. This program will be held at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse, Delhi Road. Fee: \$15. Please contact the Spirituality Center 513-347-5449 or spirituality.center@srcharitycinti.org to register or for additional information.

2019 Supper Stag: Our Lady of Lourdes annual Fat Tuesday Sauerkraut Supper is on Tuesday March 5 from 5:30 to 10:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. Enjoy great food, drinks, games and fun. Cost is \$18.00. Carryout available for \$9.00. For reservations call Steve at 451-0202. Walk ins welcome.

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 7 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 you are interested or want more information, please email Kathy Walsh at krwalsh7@gmail.com or call 607-4681. Please pass this on to anyone who might be interested.

The Archdiocesan Lay Pastoral Ministry Program will offer two years of undergraduate equivalency coursework in scripture, theology, doctrine and pastoral studies at St. Ignatius parish, beginning August 24th. The program is designed for busy adults with Saturday classes. The LPMP provides a solid foundation for professional and volunteer ministry and for applying to the Permanent Diaconate. An Information Meeting, outlining program options, tuition and fees, application process and benefits of an Athenaeum education will be held at St. Ignatius, Saturday April 6th at 10 AM in the Fr. Bolte Meeting Room. Call 231-1200 or email byoder@athenaeum.edu for more information.