

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.

ANOIDTING 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 11, 2019—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Joseph & Martha Hildebrand

TUESDAY, March 12, 2019—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Poor Souls

WEDNESDAY, March 13, 2019—Weekday

8:00 a.m. Dr. Vic Cervantes

THURSDAY, March 14, 2019—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Bernice Coliflower

FRIDAY, March 15, 2019—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Celebrants Intention

SATURDAY, March 16, 2019—Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. William Stautberg

SUNDAY, March 17, 2019—2nd Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Parish

9:30 a.m. Frank Wimmers

11:30 a.m. Constance Melia

MASS SERVERS

8:00 A.M. Tuesday & Thursday, March 12 & 14

Aidan Fulmer, Carson Braun

Saturday & Sunday, March 16 & 17

Mass	Servers	Lectors
5:00 p.m.	Annelena Hess Isabel Hess	Bob Hildebrand
8:00 a.m.	Bob Hammann Debbie Kleisinger Gail Koenig	Eileen Duffy
9:30 a.m.	Deja Squires Frances Squires Haley Bonecutter	Dick Murphy
11:30 a.m.	Olivia Braun Debbie Colonia	Mary Jo Betz

Readings for the Week

Monday, March 11	Lv 19:1-2,11-18/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday, March 12	Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday, March 13	Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday, March 14	Est C:12,14-16,23-25/Mt 7:7-12
Friday, March 15	Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday, March 16	Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
Sunday, March 17	Gn 15:5-12,17-18;Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

1st Sunday in Lent:

After Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist at the River Jordan, he withdrew into the wilderness for forty days, fasting and praying. Afterward, Jesus is tempted by the devil, He refuses each of the three temptations making it clear His obedience to God. In the face of temptation, Jesus relied on the Holy Spirit to give him strength, wisdom, courage, and self-control. Jesus knows that we cannot fight evil on our own, He gives us the Holy Spirit to help us in our weakness and to be our guide and strength in times of temptation. As we start our journey through Lent, the forty days is imitating Jesus' forty-day fast in the wilderness. We are called to a special season of prayer, fasting, almsgiving, repentance, and renewal as we prepare to celebrate the feast of Easter,

Prayer Moment:

Lord Jesus, fill us with your Holy Spirit that we may have the strength and courage to do your will and to renounce whatever is contrary to it.

A Vocation View:

God brings us through difficult experience and always leads us to life. Depend on the Holy Spirit to guide you on the path of life.

CHURCH COLLECTION:		
		Deficit
Sunday, March 3	\$11,658.54	
Online Donations	\$1,151.00	
Average Weekly Needed:	\$12,100.00	
Fiscal Year-to-date:	\$396,521.00	
Needed Fiscal Year-to-date:	\$435,600.00	\$39,079.00
Preserving Our Treasures	\$37,316.00	
Spare Change	\$546.00	

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.**

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.



THE PASTOR

The Journey Begins: Once again, with the whole Church throughout

the world, we have begun the Season of Lent. On Ash Wednesday as we received ashes, we were challenged to "Repent and believe in the Gospel." May these days of Lent be a time of spiritual growth and springtime for all of us as we journey towards Easter.

2019 Ministries Appeal: Many thanks to all of you who have returned your pledge cards. If you have to yet made a pledge, you can do so throughout the season of Lent. Your support makes possible a wide variety of ministries throughout the Archdiocese. Specifically it is a major source of funding for education of Seminarians and Lay Ministers, St. Rita School for the Deaf, the Retirement Fund for diocesan Priests, Catholic Charities Social Services, College Campus Ministries and Chaplaincy Services for our Hospitals and Prisons.

Our parish goal is \$28,161.00. To date \$18,551.25 has been pledged which is 66% of the goal. Pledge Cards are available at the doors of the Church and please know that every gift is important no matter how large or small it may be.

Operation Rice Bowl: I also encourage you to make Operation Rice Bowl part of your Lenten pilgrimage. Almsgiving has traditionally been an important element of Lent and Operation Rice Bowl puts us in touch with God's people throughout the world who are in need of food and the necessities of life. Rice bowls are available at all the entrances of the church.

The Light Is On For You: On Tuesday, March 19 St. Martin will be participating with all the parishes in the Archdiocese in celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation in our respective parishes from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. This night of hearing confessions is entitled "The Light Is On For You". I want to invite everyone to consider receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation that evening and I extend a special invitation to those who may not have received this sacrament for some time. Please do not worry about what to do after your come into the Reconciliation Room (confessional). I will be happy to gently guide and help you. In one of his recent homilies, Pope Francis has reminded us that "Jesus never gets tired of forgiving."

Lenten Blessings
Fr. Terry

Lenten Fasting and Abstinence:

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.** 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.

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 Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 15 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. is sponsored by St. Martin Scouts in Father Mick Hall.

Thereafter, at 7:00 p.m. St. Martin of Tours St.

Vincent de Paul will have a Fish Fry at Westside Brewery located on Harrison Ave. The proceeds from the Westside Brewery Fish Fry will benefit St. Martin of Tours St. Vincent de Paul.

St. Martin Prayer Chain

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

"Let me get through today, and I shall not fear tomorrow"

(St. Philip Neri)

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.

Lenten Programs:

Every Friday of Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, we have confessions from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. as part of the "The Light is On for You" program.

Monday, April 1 at 7:00 p.m., we will pray Evening Prayer during an hour of Eucharistic Adoration.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday with regular Mass Schedule.

Holy Thursday, April 18, Mass of The Lords Supper at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 19, at 12:00 noon, The Liturgy of Christ's Passion Stations of the Cross at 2:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 20, Easter Vigil Mass at 8:30 p.m.

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.

The Family Caregiver Group at St. Martin of Tours in Father Kottler Library is Monday, March 11, 2019 ~ 4:00-5:30 pm. This support group is sponsored by St. Martin of Tours and the Caregiver Assistance Network, a program of Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio. Please RSVP before attending a meeting for the first time. Call Angie Homoelle at (513) 869-4483 or email at ahomoelle@ccswoh.org.

Are you a female softball player age 21 and over? We have a Catholic Women's softball league that plays on Wednesday nights (6:15 and 7:30 p.m.) at St. James on Cheviot Road in White Oak. The league starts in May. You can bring a team or come alone. If you are interested, call Julie 574-5548 or Pam 382-5497. Please join us for some fellowship with other Catholic women.

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.

Facts of Life: Week 3: the child's back bone, spinal column, and nervous system are forming. The liver, kidneys and intestines begin to take shape.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
Date/Time	Event	Place
Monday, March 11, 2019		
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 12, 2019		
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Fr. Kotter
7:00 p.m.	Prayer for Peace	Church
Wednesday, March 13, 2019		
7:00 p.m.	Music Practice	Church
7:00 p.m.	Bingo	Fr. Mick Hall
Thursday, March 14, 2019		
7:00 p.m.	Baptism Class	Red School
Friday, March 15, 2019		
5:00 p.m.	Fish Fry	Fr. Mick
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Fish Fry	Westside Brewery
7:00 p.m.	Station of the Cross	Church
Sunday, March 17, 2019		
8:00 a.m.	PSR 1 st Communion Class	Red School
11:30 a.m.	PSR Confirmation 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 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.

Family Corner

Marriage Moment

It's Lent - a time to take stock of our lives both spiritually and physically. Many people give bad habits or even harmless pleasures up to join with Jesus' suffering on the cross. What you choose to do (or not do) is unique to you, but consider one Lenten action that you both do. You can be a support to each other.

Parenting Pointer

"You hypocrite!" (Luke 6:42) Our kids are watching us. Don't give them a reason to say (or think) you're a hypocrite by not practicing what you preach. Talk kindly to them - even though you may need to be firm. Forgive - even though you may have to enforce consequences.

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The 2019 Panthers Lacrosse sign-ups are still open for the K-2nd grade. Season to start at the end of March and is accepting all Cincinnati area Kindergarteners to 2nd graders. The program focuses on teaching fundamentals and developing skills through practices and games and to have fun. For information and signups visit www.cincypantherslacrosse.com, or email pantherlax4u@gmail.com or call 941-0399 if have a question.

Mass and Healing Service at St. Ignatius Parish Church. Come and celebrate Mass followed by a healing service on Wednesday, March 13 at 7:30 p.m. Healing includes the physical, spiritual, emotional, psychological and relational aspects of our lives; it is not limited to a physical cure. Receive prayer for yourself or those you care about. Sponsored by Lighthouse Renewal Center. For info call 471-5483.

Pathways to Prayer is offered by the Sisters of Charity Spirituality Center on Saturday, March 16 from 10: a.m.-noon. This session, presented by Judi Sauerbrey & Linda Bonnell, is "Hands to Work, Hearts to God: The Victorian Woman Prayer". Come and learn how to balance faith and good works in our busy lives. The program is held at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse. FEE: \$15. Contact the Spirituality Center at 347-5449 or spirituality.center@srcharitycinti.org for information.

Lenten Weekend Retreat - Praying the Scriptures - March 15-17, Loved by Love Himself Ministry's facilitator will teach various ways of praying with Scripture. The casual prayer-filled retreat is held at the Sisters of Charity Retreat Center Delhi. All study materials will be provided. Learn and pray the Scriptures like St. Alphonsus, St. Ignatius, St. Augustine, and St. Teresa of Avila. The weekend retreat with overnight room accommodations includes meals, teaching sessions, Saturday and Sunday Holy Mass and Adoration Hour. Retreat fee \$150. For those unable to stay overnight, the retreat fee for a commuter retreat is \$60, which includes Sat afternoon, and evening meal and all study materials. For information or registration call 305-2824 or go to www.LovedbyLoveHimself.com

St. Joseph Catholic Grade School, at Linn St. and Ezzard Charles Drive, needs tutors for their Homework Club. The club meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:15 - 5:30, uses adult volunteers to tutor students grades 1 - 8 needing extra help. Tutors can come either Tuesdays or Thursdays or both as your schedule allows. For more information contact Dan Long, 513/315-3006 or dan@cincybizbroker.com or Barry Williams, Principal, bwilliams@saintjoeschool.org.