



Welcome to
St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church
610 West Ripa Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63125



Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday 8 a.m.
Saturday 4 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 & 10 a.m.

**Masses on Holy Days
National Holidays**
Consult Bulletin

Sacrament of Penance
Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration
From 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday through
3 p.m. First Friday
&
Every Sunday Evening
Adoration and Rosary
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Marriages
Contact parish office at
least six months prior to
wedding

Baptisms
Contact parish office to
register for baptism class

Parish Contact Info
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Website
<http://stmartinoftours.com>

**Society of
St. Vincent DePaul**
314-296-3733

Parish Office Hours
Monday — Thursday
8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

MARCH 14, 2021



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
so must the Son of Man be lifted up,
so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.*

John 3:14-15

*St. Martin of Tours Parish extends a Warm Welcome to all who have
come to worship with us. We are honored by your presence.
If you would like to join the parish, please contact the parish office.
God Bless You!*



Pastor's Pen



Dear St. Martin of Tours Family and Friends,

Last week I spoke about how we inherit the blessings and curses from our ancestors, according to their godliness on the one hand, and their sinfulness on the other. Our families and each of us become the spiritual battleground of the good and evil of our forebears.

Sometimes, when a family or person finds themselves in a place where it just seems bad things keep happening time and time again, no matter the prayer or effort, it is both reasonable and probable that some curse incurred by one or more parent, grandparents, or another node of the family tree, continues to besiege subsequent generations. Why this is so can be understood by analogy to *original sin* passed down through the family tree: The unrepented-for *actual sin* of an ancestor gets handed down through "spiritual" DNA.

Objection: Hasn't Jesus' blood broken all these evil bonds? Potentially, yes. But not automatically. Recall this exchange from Luke 18:41-42:

Jesus asks, "What do you want me to do for you?"

"Lord, I want to see," the blind man replied.

Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has healed you."

Jesus' query, "What do you want me to do for you?" seems a silly question. Clearly, Our Lord knows already what is needed. And the Father knows what we need *before we ask*. But there is an important link in this chain of prayer: *We also must ask* Jesus to break the bonds of generational evil! Here is a powerful prayer known for that purpose.¹

PRAYER FOR HEALING THE FAMILY TREE Rev. John H. Hampsch, CMF

Heavenly Father, I come before you as your child, in great need of your help. I have physical health needs, emotional needs, spiritual needs, and interpersonal needs. Many of my problems have been caused by my own failures, neglect and sinfulness, for which I humbly beg your forgiveness, Lord. But I also ask you to forgive the sins of my ancestors whose failures have left their effects on me in the form of unwanted tendencies, behavior patterns, and defects in body, mind and spirit. Heal me, Lord, of all these disorders. –

With your help I sincerely forgive everyone, especially living or dead members of my family tree, who have directly offended me or my loved ones in any way, or those whose sins have resulted in our present sufferings and disorders. In the name of your divine Son Jesus, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, I ask you, Father, to deliver me and my entire family tree from the influence of the evil one. –

Free all living and deceased members of my family tree, including those in adoptive relationships, and those in extended family relationships, from every contaminating form of bondage. By your loving concern for us, heavenly Father, and by the shed blood of your Precious Son Jesus, I beg you to extend your blessing to me and all my living and deceased

relatives. Heal every negative effect transmitted through all past generations, and prevent such negative effects in future generations of my family tree. –

I symbolically place the cross of Jesus over the head of each person in my family tree, and between each generation. I ask you to let the cleansing blood of Jesus purify the bloodlines in my family lineage. Set your protective angels to encamp around us, and permit Archangel Raphael, the patron of healing, to administer your diving healing power to all of us, even in areas of genetic disability. Give special power to our family members' guardian angels to heal protect, guide and encourage each of us in all our needs. Let your healing power be released at this very moment, and let it continue as long as our sovereignty permits. In our family tree, Lord, replace all bondage with a holy bonding in family love. And let there be an ever deeper bonding with you, Lord, by the Holy Spirit, to your Son Jesus. Let the family of the Holy Trinity pervade our family with its tender, warm, loving presence, so that our family may recognize and manifest that love in all our relationships. All of our unknown needs we include with this petition that we pray in Jesus' precious name.

Amen, Amen, Amen!

me if you think yours is a "tough case," and I'll help steer you in the right direction. - FRNW

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

General	\$ 4239
Loose	\$ 747
On-Line	\$ 1945
March 1-7	
Subtotal	\$ 6931

Total: \$ 7186



Special Collections - \$255

¹ In particularly tough cases, the person or family will require a visit to the Archbishop's deliverance team. Call

MAR 14



WEEK 2

Group 1 Chairman Larry Skaggs

Captain: Stacy Kiser & Debbie Snyder

Caller: Tim Simms

Screeners: Father Noah Waldman & Patty Stevens

Cashiers: DeAnn Pappageorge, Eileen Haubrich & Stephanie Stotts

Pull Tab Sellers: Terri White, Linda Finklang, Debbie Michler & Bill Grahl

White Progressive: \$1500 **Purple:** \$500

Thank you to all the workers and players for your support!

MONEY COUNTERS

Monday
March 15

Monday
March 22

Tuesday
March 30

Debbie Baumann	Larry Skaggs	Ken Harangozo
Jim Baumann	Frank Ziegler	Greg Buck
Mike Zoia	Apollo Westrich	Ken McWhorter
Dave Kassebaum	John Schmitt	Tom Tettamble



LECTORS

Saturday, March 20 @ 4:00 p.m.

Dolores Sunkel

Sunday, March 21 @ 7:30 a.m.

Rich Wenk

Sunday, March 21 @ 10:00 a.m.

Joanne Marty

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 15-21

8:00 a.m.	Monday
	Rev. Donald Murphy+
8:00 a.m.	Tuesday
	Carolyn Buck+
8:00 a.m.	Wednesday
	Art Brinkmeyer+
8:00 a.m.	Thursday
	Glennon Kopp+
8:00 a.m.	Friday
	Baumann Family Living & Deceased

8:00 a.m. Saturday
Art Brinkmeyer+

WEEKEND MASSES

4:00 p.m.	Saturday
	Kurt Riebeling+
7:30 a.m.	Sunday
	People of the Parish+
10:00 a.m.	Sunday
	Marty Family Living & Deceased

DAILY READINGS

MONDAY 15	TUESDAY 16	WEDNESDAY 17	THURSDAY 18	FRIDAY 19	SATURDAY 20	SUNDAY 21
Is 65:17-21	Ez 47: 1-9, 12	Is 49:8-15	Ex 32:7-14	2Sam 7:4-5,12-14, 16	Jer 11:18-20	Jer 31:31-34
Ps 30:2,4-5,11-13	Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9	Ps 145:8-9,13-14, 17-18	Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23	Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27,29	Ps 7:2-3, 9-10, 11-12	Ps 51:3-4,12-15
John 4:43-54	John 5: 1-3,5-16	John 5:17-30	John 5:31-47	Mat 1:16,18,21,24	John 7:40-53	Heb 5:7-9 John 12:20-33

Why are so few of you submitting names?

Please phone the Rectory if you would like to add someone to the prayer list.

Tier 1: FOR THOSE ON HOSPICE:

Jack York



Tier 2: FOR THOSE IN TREATMENT FOR SERIOUS ILLNESS:

Frank V. Tony V. Rose S.



Tier 3: FOR THOSE IN REHAB:

Tier 4: FOR THOSE WITH CHRONIC ILLNESS:

Helen Iadevito Gerry Jansen



THIS & THAT

NO CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

We are sad to announce but we *will not* be having our corn beef and cabbage dinner this year. The virus is preventing us from gathering for our annual celebration of food and friends. Let's pray we can put this virus behind us soon and get back to our usual life at St Martin of Tours.

SAVE THE DATE!

But we *will* be having our bi-annual Men's Club BBQ April 10 & 11 from 10:00 a.m.— 6:00 p.m.
More information forthcoming!

STOCKHOLDERS

Father Waldman will draw the next lucky Stockholder winner at the 4:00 Mass this coming Saturday. May the luck of the Irish be with you!

ÁDH MÓR NA NGAEDHEAL

Saint Martin of Tours Parish
WELCOMES New Parishioner

JAN NICHOLS

We are blessed to have you as part of the family!

EASTER EGG HUNT

**Free Indoor Easter Egg Hunt at
Birthright Counseling St. Louis
2554 Lemay Ferry Rd.**

Bring your little ones aged 4 and under. Covid-19 restrictions so please call ahead to sign up for individual family hunt time. Dates are 3/29-3/31.



EVENTS

March 2021

Sun

Mon

Tue


Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1	2	3 <i>Adoration 8:30 a.m. continues all day BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM/</i>	4 <i>Adoration Continues</i>	5 <i>Adoration continues FIRST FRIDAY Benediction at 3:00 p.m. followed by Stations of Cross</i>	6
7	8	9	10 <i>BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM / ZOOM 7:00 p.m.</i>	11	12 <i>Stations of the Cross 3:00 p.m.</i>	13 <i>Stockholders Club Drawing after 4 p.m. Mass</i>
14	15	16	17 <i>BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM / ZOOM 7:00 p.m.</i> 	18	19 <i>Stations of the Cross 3:00 p.m.</i>	20
21	22	23 <i>Finance Council 6:00 p.m.</i>	24 <i>BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM / ZOOM 7:00 p.m.</i>	25 <i>Parish Council 6:00 p.m.</i>	26 <i>Stations of the Cross 3:00 p.m.</i>	27
28	29	30	31 <i>BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM / ZOOM 7:00 p.m.</i>	<i>April 1 Holy Thursday Morning Prayer 8:00 a.m. Mass 7:00 p.m.</i>	<i>April 2 Good Friday Morning Prayer 8:00 a.m. Lord's Passion 3:00 p.m. Stations 7:00 p.m.</i>	<i>April 3 Morning Pray 8:00 a.m. Easter Vigil 8 :00 p.m.</i>



Chaste Heart of St. Joseph · Pray for us

The Ladies Club of St. Martin of Tours would like to thank everyone who purchased our Slice of Heaven Cookbook. The fundraiser was a tremendous success. We would like to show our appreciation and share photos of our beautiful Mary with Her Immaculate Heart, and of our star-crowned St Joseph. Take these home with you. Pray for the sanctity of the family!



Immaculate Heart of Mary · Pray for Us

DASH'S DEN

A TRUE SHAGGY DOG STORY

In October 1995, Pope St. John Paul II was making one of his seven pastoral visits to the USA, which included a stop in Baltimore, where he also met with seminarians.

Before his meeting, the Pope wanted to pray in the seminary chapel. The security detail wanted to make sure no one was hiding in there, so to be sure it was safe, they released their sniffing dogs into the chapel.



Immediately, the dogs began barking and whining to indicate someone was in the chapel, even though the dog handlers couldn't see anyone.

When the security and handlers went to see where the dogs were barking, they found them gathered around the chapel's Tabernacle, barking at it, pawing at it, and whining to their masters. The dogs wanted to see Who it was hiding inside the golden box.

Dominic de Guzmán (Aug. 8, 1170 – Aug 6, 1221), better known as St. Dominic, founded the Order of Preachers in 1215 to combat the Albigensian heresy that was spreading across the Iberian Peninsula. In time the Order of Preachers began to be referred to after their



founder, St. Dominic: "*Dominicanes*" - which, in Latin, if broken into two words, "*Domini canes*," by a happy coincidence translates to "Dogs of the Lord"! For this reason, St. Dominic may be depicted with a loyal dog by his side holding a flaming torch to fend off the heretics!

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