

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.

Baptisms

Contact parish office to register for baptism class

Marriages

Contact parish office at least six months prior to wedding

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.

Pifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11, 2021

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits.



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 & Friends,

I am asked the following question with some regularity: "Father, how do I prepare for the sacrament of Confession?" That's a very good question indeed. It depends. There are, traditionally, considered to be three levels of perfection:

Level 1: Would never commit a *mortal sin* Level 2: Would never commit a *venial sin*

Level 3: Would never succumb to any *imperfection* (*Imperfection*: A licit good, enjoyed by the individual,

although not necessary for living.)

If you are still struggling with mortal sin, then the best thing to do is to use the Ten Commandments as a means to examine your conscience. It's not uncommon for those struggling with mortal sin to have difficulty with sexual sins (and since these concern the 6th and 9th commandments, the traditional course on the subject of sexual sin was called, in Latin, "*De sexto et nono*"). However, there are others that are also common. Knowingly and willingly to miss a Sunday Mass or a Holy Day of Obligation is a sin against the 2nd commandment; serious gossip or serious lying are against the 5th commandment (the killing of someone's reputation) and also the 8th commandment (bearing false witness). Yes, all of these are mortal sins.

However, Catholics who attend Mass, who pray, and who receive the sacraments, are not supposed to be struggling with mortal sin! We ought to understand that any serious sin of one person hurts Jesus horribly, and how could you do that to someone you love so much? So venial sin ought to be the usual content of Confession. To examine one's conscience on this level of sin, the Ten Commandments are less helpful. More helpful are to consider the so-called "Seven Capital Sins" and their contrary virtues:

Pride	versus	Humility
Envy	versus	Kindness
Gluttony	versus	Abstinence
Lust	versus	Chastity
Anger	versus	Patience
Greed	versus	Liberality
Sloth	versus	Diligence

If you no longer are afflicted by succumbing to mortal sin or even venial sin, then you may still confess your imperfections, even though they are not sins.

God bless you all,



Pastor

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SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

General \$ 5482 Loose \$ 805 On-Line \$ 1990 *June 28-July 4* Subtotal \$ 8277

Total: \$ 8417

Special Collections \$140

We will resume saying the Rosary and Devotion to the Sacred Heart the first Friday in August at 7:30 a.m. and first Fridays thereafter.







Group 2 Chairman Larry Skaggs

Captains: Stacy Kiser & Debbie Snyder Caller: Tim Simms

Cashiers: Stephanie Stotts, DeAnn Pappageorge & Eileen Haubrich Machines: Dolores Sunkel

Pull Tabs Sellers: Bill Grahl, Rob Witzel, Anne and Joe Hensiek, Debbie Michler, Terri White

& Linda Finklang

White Progressive: \$5500 Purple \$500

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

MONEY COUNTERS

LECTORS

Monday July 12	Monday July 19	Tuesday July 27	Saturday, July 17 4:00 p.m. Mike Ackerman
Ken Harangozo Greg Buck Ken McWhorter	Debbie Baumann Jim Baumann Mike Zoia	Larry Skaggs Frank Ziegler Apollo Westrich	Sunday, July 18 7:30 a.m. Debbie Baumann
Tom Tettamble	Dave Kassebaum	John Schmitt	Sunday, July 18 10:00 a.m. Philip Wolk

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

8:00 a.m.	Monday Elbert & Mathilda Witte+	8:00 a.m.	Saturday Fred & Lorraine Buck+	
8:00 a.m.	Tuesday Mary & Joseph Kuchera+	+++ 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ++		
8:00 a.m.	Wednesday Bob Sunkel & Children+	4:00 p.m .	Saturday Christopher William+	
8:00 a.m.	Thursday Robert Powell+	7:30 a.m.	Sunday Don & Barb Brockhaus+	
8:00 a.m.	Friday Agnes Machek+	10:00 a.m.	Sunday People of the Parish	

DAILY MASS READINGS

MONDAY	<i>TUESDAY</i>	WEDNESDY	<i>THURSDAY</i>	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDA Y
12	13	14	15	16	<i>17</i>	18
Ex 1:8-14, 22		Ex 3:1-6, 9-12		Ex 11:10 -12:14		
Ps 124:1-8	Ps 69:3,14,	Ps 103:1-4, 6-7	Ps 105:1 &5, 8	Ps 116:12-18	Ps 136:1 and	Ps 23:1-6
Mt 10:34 11:1	30-34	Mt 11:25-27	<i>-9, 24-27</i>	Mt 12:1-8	23-24, 10-15	Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34
	Mt 11:20-24		Mt 11:28-30		Mt 12:14-21	$\hat{M}k$ 6:30-34

PLEASE KEEP THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

HOSPICE	Jack York	Fran Mills		
SERIOUS ILLNESS	Frank V. Mark B. Chris Acksel	Tony V. Mary Montgomery	Rose S. Scott K	
IN REHAB	William Machino, Jr.	Lynne & Dino Bova	Linda Cowick	
CHRONIC ILLNESS	Helen Iadevito Joyce Taylor Linda Ritter	Gerry Jansen Carol Venverloh Charlotte Brown	Ruth Ann Sullivan Linda Hoefl Sue Jernigan	

STOCKHOLDERS CLUB

Congratulations to Marg Ruffin who was the July winner for the Stockholders Club. Pick up some more shares which are available in the Vestibule or at the Rectory.

August's drawing is right around the corner.

QUILTERS

The winner of the May/June quilt is Jane Anvender! The quilters would like to thank all who purchased tickets for quilts.



50+ CLUB MEETING

Please join us on Wednesday, July 14 in Runge Hall. Doors open at 10:00 a.m.
Light lunch of hot dogs and fixin's, desserts and drinks served at 11:30 a.m.
Two trips are being planned. Bring a wrapped "white elephant " gift to add to our Bingo prizes. Wear your Red, White and Blue! to honor our country, fallen war heroes and STL Cardinals.

See you there!

RECLAMATION BOX

There is a box in the back of the church where you can leave all your old holy relics and they will be repurposed or disposed of in the proper way.

Any questions call:

Debbie Baumann

314 894-1940

St Martin of Tours Parish
WELCOMES New Parishioners
Francisca Elad and her son
Patrick Ngako
We are blessed to have you as part of the
SMT family!

ST MARTIN OF TOURS SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE

Please mark your calendar for Monday, August 9, 2021 2-6 p.m. More information to follow at a later date.



From a sermon by Saint Augustine, bishop

For meditation: On love and repentance

(Sermon 19, 2-3: CCL 41, 252-254)

A sacrifice to God is a contrite spirit

I acknowledge my transgression, says David. If I admit my fault, then you will pardon it. Let us never assume that if we live good lives we will be without sin; our lives should be praised only when we continue to beg for pardon. But men are hopeless creatures, and the less they concentrate on their own sins, the more interested they become in the sins of others. They seek to criticize, not to correct. Unable to excuse themselves, they are ready to accuse others. This was not the way that David showed us how to pray and make amends to God, when he said: I acknowledge my transgression, and my sin is ever before me. He did not concentrate on others' sins; he turned his thoughts on himself. He did not merely stroke the surface, but he plunged inside and went deep down within himself. He did not spare himself, and therefore was not impudent in asking to be spared.

Do you want God to be appeased? Learn what you are to do that God may be pleased with you. Consider the psalm again: If you wanted sacrifice, I would indeed have given it; in burnt offerings you will take no delight. Are you then to be without sacrifice? Are you to offer nothing? Will you please God without an offering? Consider what you read in the same psalm: If you wanted sacrifice, I would indeed have given it; in burnt offerings you will take no delight. But continue to listen, and say with David: A sacrifice to God is a contrite spirit; God does not despise a contrite and humble heart. Cast aside your former offerings, for now you have found out what you are to offer. In the days of your fathers you would have made offerings of cattle—these were the sacrifices. If you wanted sacrifice, I would indeed have given it. These then, Lord, you do not want, and yet you do want sacrifice.

You will take no delight in burnt offerings, David says. If you will not take delight in burnt offerings, will you remain without sacrifice? Not at all. A sacrifice to God is a contrite spirit; God does not despise a contrite and humble heart.

You now have the offering you are to make. No need to examine the herd, no need to outfit ships and travel to the most remote provinces in search of incense. Search within your heart for what is pleasing to God. Your heart must be crushed. Are you afraid that it might perish so? You have the reply: Create a clean heart in me, O God. For a clean heart to be created, the unclean one must be crushed.

We should be displeased with ourselves when we commit sin, for sin is displeasing to God. Sinful though we are, let us at least be like God in this, that we are displeased at what displeases him. In some measure then you will be in harmony with God's will, because you find displeasing in yourself what is abhorrent to your Creator.



July 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				l Adoration continues	2 First Friday Adoration until Benediction 3:00 p.m	3 First Saturday Consecration to Our Lady's Immaculate Heart
4 Independence Day Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m 7:30 p.m.	5 The Rectory is closed today.	6	7 St. Vincent DePaul 7:00 p.m .	8	9	10
11 Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	12	13	14 50 + 10:a.m.	15 Ladies' Club 7:00 p.m.	16	17
18 Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	26	27	28	29	30	31

DASH'S DEN

Dear Humans,

Sometimes, especially when Daddy isn't around, which always makes me so very sad, I think and I wonder, and I worry about so many things. So every day I pray this way:

I pray Daddy stays will me and never leaves me alone. (I pray for this every day! It seemed to work last year!)

I pray that Daddy will one day play with me as much as I want. (So far, that's a prayer that hasn't been answered to my satisfaction.)

I pray that Daddy will let me eat *all* of his food. (He always gives me *something*, but I want more! Is that so wrong?)

And then there are the things that frighten me. These worries are the worst of all, and they strike me especially when Daddy is gone for over an hour, and I get so very depressed:

What if Daddy never comes home? (So far, he always has. But I remember how it was when I was a puppy, and how I ran away, and how those people caught me and put me in the cage with the other dogs, and I still have nightmares. Daddy can attest to my having nightmares.)

What if Daddy decides that I am not a good boy after all, and he stops loving me? (I bark, bare my teeth, and I go after the mailman, the UPS man, the Amazon man, and the money counters ... it's in my DNA ... how do I stop? Daddy, please help me!)

What if I wake up in the morning, but Daddy doesn't wake up?

What if I no longer have a Daddy to love me?

Will I be with Daddy forever in that place of eternal life that Daddy always talks about?

So far, Daddy hasn't answered my questions. Daddy tells me that his God doesn't answer his questions either. What does this mean?