

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

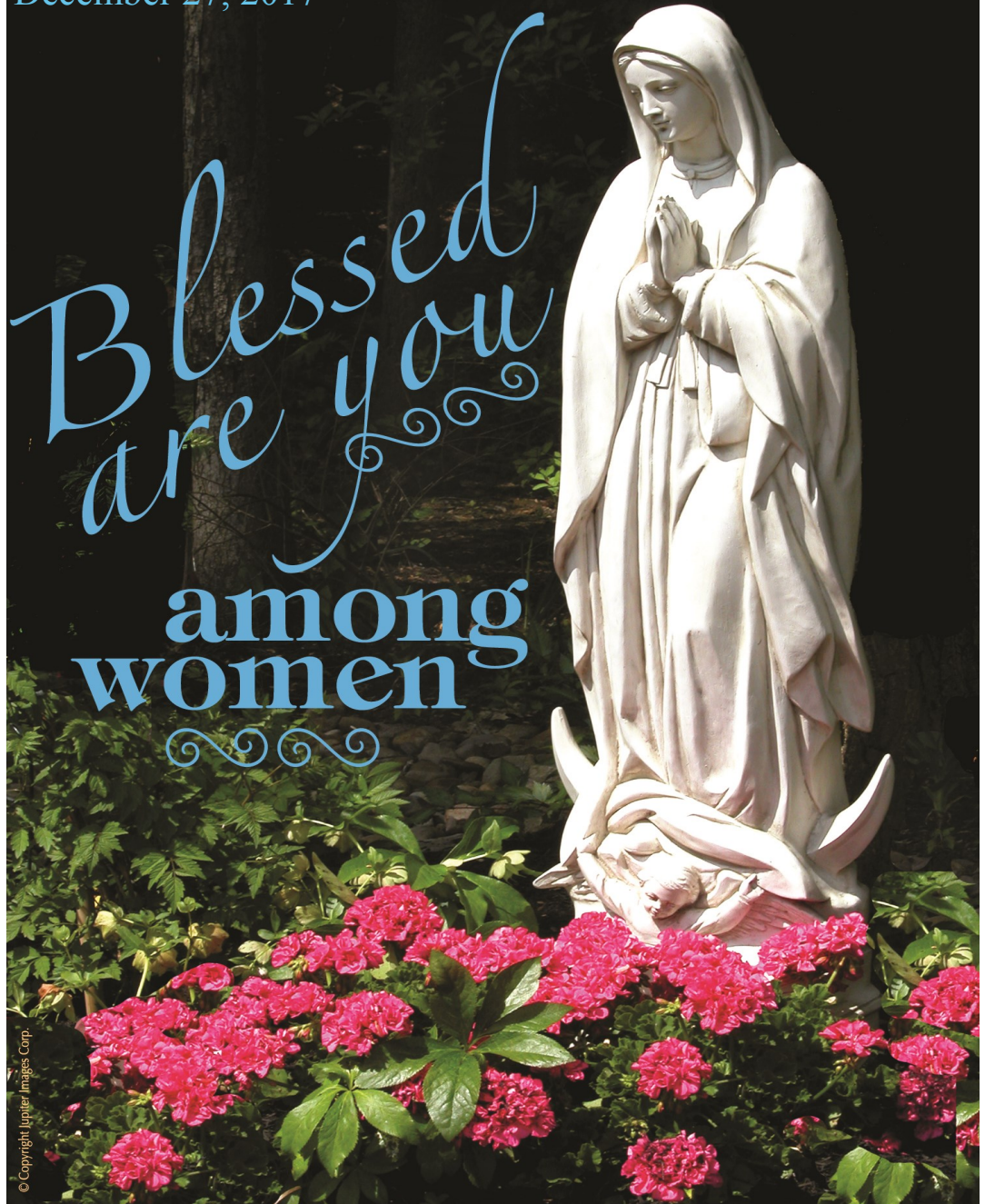
**Parish Contact Info**  
Phone: 314-544-5664  
Fax: 314-631-3118

**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.

December 27, 2017



*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.*

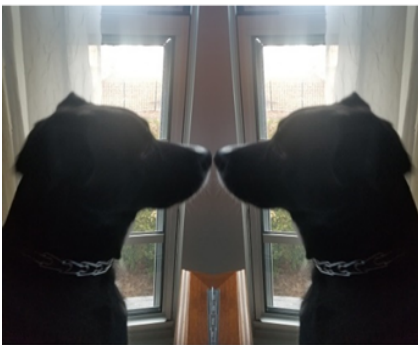
# Pastor's Pen



Dear St. Martin of Tours Family,

Janus, the Roman god after which the month of January is named, is ascribed the title “god of thresholds,” or “god of entrances and exits,” or “god of new beginnings.” He’s associated with transitions of all sorts, from the very common and repeatable, such as entering or exiting a house, to the rare and singular, such as marks the arrival of a child, a move to a new place, or one’s reluctant entrance into middle age.

I particularly like this Roman image. One side represents youth, the other maturity. One would think, therefore that the only motion suggested is from left to right. Yet this is not so! A new endeavor, something exciting, something you ought to have done many years ago, when we embrace movement from darkness to light, from the familiar to the new, we are actually moving from death to life, from a state of wakeful slumber to a place of renewed purpose and rekindled wonder and a new energy.



New Year’s resolutions rarely work because one does not acquire virtue “in a vacuum.” In other words, you won’t change your habits *unless* you also inject something new into your routine, and it has to be something that you *want* to do (not something you ought to do).

What ought I do that will bring me to a new place of interest? I suggest to pray in the New Year with us. We will be having perpetual Eucharistic Adoration until 3 p.m. Friday January 1. Ask Jesus. He will reveal his desires for you.

Janus can be something of a trickster in Roman mythology, misleading souls down paths that lead only to dead ends. Yet Jesus is not a trickster! He is God who “can neither deceive nor be deceived,” as my novice mother used to tell me. He has our best interest in mind. “Ask and you shall receive.” And we pray 2021 will be for each of you (and for yours truly!) a year of blessings and of new and holy endeavors.

Blessings for 2021 and Beyond,

## **Pastor**

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## **Administrative Assistant**

Patty Stevens  
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## **Acolyte and Sacristan**

Mr. George Mueller

## **Music Coordinator**

Sr. Kathleen Donovan  
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## **Maintenance**

Mr. Rick Jobin  
Mrs. Bridget Gabel

## **SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS**

General

Loose

On-Line Giving

(December 14-December 20)

Subtotal

Special Collections

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Submitted before collection

St. Vincent de Paul wants to thank those who have donated to our pantry! You’ve always been extremely generous and the past two weeks have been no exception. Yet our pantry is still in need of dry goods, cans, and other essentials. Please continue to help us help our neighbors. May God reward you!

**CONSECRATING THE LAST TWO HOURS  
OF YOUR LIFE  
to the Most Holy Virgin by  
Fr. Ildefonso M. Izaguirre, O. P.**

*Prostrated at thy feet, and humiliated by my sins, but full of confidence in thee, O Mary! I beg thee to accept the petition my heart is about to make. It is for my last moments. Dear Mother I wish to request thy protection and maternal love so that in the decisive instant that thou wilt do all thy love can suggest in my behalf.*

*To thee, O Mother of my soul, I consecrate **THE LAST TWO HOURS** of my life. Come to my side to receive my last breath and when death has cut the thread of my days, tell Jesus, presenting to Him my soul, **"THIS SOUL I LOVE!"** That word alone will be enough to procure for me the benediction of my God and the happiness of seeing thee for all eternity.*

*I put my trust in thee, my Mother and hope it will not be in vain. O Mary! Pray for thy child and lead him to Je-*

**PRAYER FOR DIVINE PROTECTION  
OF OUR BODY, SOUL, AND SPIRIT**

**In His Name and by the power of His Cross and Blood, I ask Jesus to bind any evil spirits, forces and powers of the earth, air, fire, or water, of the netherworld and the satanic forces of nature. By the power of the Holy Spirit and by His authority, I ask Jesus Christ to break any curses, hexes, or spells and send them back to where they came from, if it be His Holy Will. I beseech Thee Lord Jesus to protect us by pouring Thy Precious Blood on us (my family, etc.), which Thou hast shed for us and I ask Thee to command that any departing spirits leave quietly, without disturbance, and go straight to Thy Cross to dispose of as Thou sees fit. I ask Thee to bind any demonic interaction, interplay or communications. I place N. (person, place or thing) under the protection of the Blood of Jesus Christ which He shed for us. Amen.**

**Efficacious Novena to  
the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

This novena prayer was recited every day by Padre Pio for all those who asked for prayers. The faithful are invited to recite it daily, so as to be spiritually united with the prayer of Padre Pio.

**I. O my Jesus, you have said:** "Truly I say to you, ask and it will be given you, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened to you." Behold I knock, I seek and ask for the grace of:

*[insert your intention.]*

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory be to the Father...  
Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

**II. O my Jesus, you have said:** "Truly I say to you, if you ask any thing of the Father in my name, He will give it to you." Behold, in your name, I ask the Father for the grace of:

*[insert your intention.]*

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory be to the Father...  
Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

**III. O my Jesus, you have said:** "Truly I say to you, heaven and earth will pass away but my words will not pass away." Encouraged by your infallible words I now ask for the grace of:

*[insert your intention.]*

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory be to the Father...  
Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us miserable sinners and grant us the grace which we ask of you, through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, your tender mother and ours.

Say the Hail, Holy Queen and add: St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, pray for us.

## LECTORS

**Saturday, December 26 at 4:00 p.m.**

Ken McWhorter

**Sunday, December 27 at 7:30 a.m.**

Rich Wenk

**Sunday, December 27 at 10:00 a.m.**

Lisa Hale

## MONEY COUNTERS

### Tuesday

December 29

Larry Skaggs

Frank Ziegler

Apollo Westrich

John Schmitt

### Monday

January 4

Ken Harangozo

Greg Buck

Ken McWhorter

Tom Tettamble

Please pray for Carolyn Buck who passed away on Wednesday, December 16. May her soul through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



## MASS INTENTIONS

8:00 a.m. Monday

Rosina Vergano+

8:00 a.m. Tuesday

Barb & Don Brockhaus+

8:00 a.m. Wednesday

Jack Bettag+

8:00 a.m. Thursday

Lou Stevens+

NEW YEARS EVE

4:00 p.m. Thursday

Ward Kiser+

New Years DAY

10:00 a.m. Thursday

Sue Ellen Brooks+

8:00 a.m. Saturday

Hilda Bansbach+

4:00 p.m. Saturday

Barb & Don Brockhaus+

7:30 a.m. Sunday

People of the Parish+

10:00 a.m. Sunday

Barbara Vehlewald+

## DAILY READINGS

MONDAY

28

1Jn 1: 5- 2: Ps

124: 2-3. 4-5.

7b-8

Mt 2: 13-18

TUESDAY

29

1 Jn 2: 3-11

Ps 96: 1-2a. 2b

-3. 5b-6

Lk 2: 22-35

WEDNESDAY

30

1 Jn 2: 12-17

Ps 96: 7-8a. 8b

-9. 10

Lk 2: 36-40

THURSDAY

31

1 Jn 2: 18-21

Ps 96: 1-2. 11-

12. 13

Jn 1: 1-18

FRIDAY

1

Nm 6: 22-27

Gal 4: 4-7

Lk 2: 16-21

SATURDAY

2

1Jn 2: 22-28

Jn 1: 19-28

SUNDAY

3

Is 60: 1-6

Eph 3 @-3a,

5-6

Mt. 2: 1-12

## STOCKHOLDER CLUB

Merry Christmas to all! While we have many blessings to be grateful for, this year has certainly been a challenge and we look forward to 2021.

One of the fun things planned for the New Year at St. Martin of Tours is our Stockholder Club. Monthly dividends will begin to be paid out to one lucky winner in January. We will have our first drawing after the 10:00 a.m. mass on Sunday, January 17. So there are a few more weeks to get your ticket in and take advantage of every opportunity to reap the dividends of investing in the future of St. Martin of Tours!

For those who may be visiting this week, we have initiated a Stockholders Club with a monthly drawing of \$100 and a grand prize drawing of a minimum of \$500 at our Shareholders Gala to be held on November 12, 2021. Check out the details on our website <http://stmartinoftours.com>.

For more information or to offer help with the Gala, please contact Nancy Zoia at 314-952-3172 or [zoia.nancy@gmail.com](mailto:zoia.nancy@gmail.com).



ST. MARTIN OF TOURS  
*St. Louis, Missouri*

### IPO (Initial Public Offering) **STOCKHOLDERS CLUB**

**When you purchase a share of stock for \$100, you will automatically be entered into:**

- **10 MONTHLY DRAWINGS for \$100 each beginning in January 2021**
- **ONE GRAND PRIZE DRAWING of a minimum of \$500.00**
- **ONE TICKET TO ATTEND THE SHAREHOLDER'S MEETING ON NOVEMBER 12, 2021 at Andre's South for an evening of dining and entertainment**
- **WANT TO BRING A GUEST? PURCHASE ADDITIONAL DINNER and DANCING TICKETS at \$50.00 each**

**All gains will be used as an investment in the future of St. Martin of Tours.**

**Complete this registration form and return with payment to:**

St. Martin of Tours  
Stockholders Club  
610 West Ripa Ave  
St. Louis, MO 63125

**Tickets are \$100 each**

Make checks payable to:  
St. Martin of Tours  
Memo: Stockholders Club

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Guest Name - **add \$50**

# EVENTS

## Mark Your Calendar

# January 2021

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

December 27 Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	28	29	30 Adoration 8:30 a.m. continues all day	31 Adoration Continue  New Years's Eve Mass at 4:00 p.m.	1 Solemnity of Mary. The Holy Mother of God Mass at 10:00 a.m. Adoration continues FIRST FRIDAY Benediction @ 3:00 p.m.	2
3 The Epiphany of the Lord  Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	4	5	6 BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM / ZOOM 7:00 p.m.	7	8	9
10 Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	11	12	13 BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM / ZOOM 7:00 p.m.	14	15	16
17 Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	18	19	20 BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM / ZOOM 7:00 p.m.	21	22	23
24 Adoration and Rosary 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	25	26 Finance Mtg. 6:00 p.m.	27 BIBLE STUDY L-STREAM/ZOOM 7:00 P.M.	28 Parish Council Mt. 6:00 p.m.	29	30  31

# DASH'S DEN



A few of you asked my Dad if the image above is an accurate portrayal of events. Well, I'll admit the above image is a bit fabulous.

But the image to the right tells the real story about my last encounter with Jesus! Will you join me?

**WOOF**



