

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS Catholic Church

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Sunday, May 12, 2019 • Fourth Sunday of Easter

Schedule of Services

☞ MASSES ☞

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 10:00am

Weekdays Mondays at
8:45am

☞ ROSARY ☞

Saturdays at 4:15pm in the
social room

☞ CONFESSIONS ☞

Saturdays from 4pm-4:45pm

☞ EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ☞

First Saturday of every month
from 6pm-7pm

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“For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Revelation 7:17

I love the sound water makes when it is moving in a fast-flowing stream or curling up to the shore in waves. I am mesmerized particularly by waterfalls, small or large. My husband, who enjoys photography as a hobby, has taken pictures of many of the falls we have visited, and they decorate my office as a constant reminder of the power and beauty of God seen through all creation. I even have a crucifix that was designed to show the living water flowing from Christ—a waterfall tumbling down and over the foot of the cross. It is, for me anyway, one of the most powerful images of God that I can imagine.

Throughout the Easter season, the Scriptures present us with stories of resurrection and life. The preaching of the apostles, the abundance of fish caught in a net, the stirring of hearts in those who see and hear Jesus—they all show what it is like to live in “risen time,” in full knowledge and endless presence of the Lord. Today Jesus talks about God’s closeness, power, and promise. The Father has given the sheep to Jesus and no one can take them away.

But in the reading from Revelation we have a clearer picture of our life with God: “The Lamb...will...lead them to springs of life-giving water.” In Jesus’ desert environment, this was a powerful image. In our world today it remains compelling. Jesus is the Living Water that brings life to

our souls. Whether it flows as a gentle stream, restless wave, or waterfall from the throne of God, it is his gift to us. +

*Reflection article, “Jesus is Our Example for Resisting Temptation” by Mary Katharine Deeley.
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A Word from Pope Francis

The Gentiles, observing the early Christians, said: How they love each other, how they wish one another well! They do not hate, they do not speak against one another. This is the charity, the love of God, that the Holy Spirit puts in our hearts....Our smallest gesture of love benefits everyone!

—General audience, November 6, 2013

Ponder and Pray

Can I picture Jesus as Living Water, as refreshment for my thirsty soul?

Am I a good steward to the earth that God has entrusted to me—to the water, land, and air?

Risen Lord, your resurrection gives me hope and the promise of new life. Open my heart to embrace and share your vision of love and peace with all people.

—From Hopeful Meditations for Every Day of Easter Through Pentecost, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

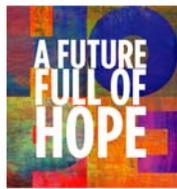
Are you new to our parish?

We are so glad that you have come to join us!

Whether you're here just to visit or to stay, we hope you find in our community a place where you can belong. To register or learn more about St. Martin of Tours Parish, please visit us at www.stmartinoftoursfife.com or call us at (253) 922-7882.

Your Generous Offerings

Due to staff holiday schedules, this bulletin was prepared in advance. Weekly collection information will be published on May 18/19 onward. We appreciate your patience, and thank you for your continued generosity!



We are now in our third week of the Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign, and we are so grateful to those who have responded! If you have not already done so, please fill out a pledge envelope today or donate online at www.seattlearchdiocese.org/donate. Your gift goes a long way as we continue to do God's work in Western Washington. Thank you!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 18th—Frank Hanson, Jr.

Sunday, May 19th—all parishioners

Monday, May 20th—Kay Wall

Prayer Intentions

✦ For all mothers, aunts, godmothers, and caregivers of children, that the good Lord continue to strengthen you through the coming year.

Do you have a prayer intention that you wish to lift up at Mass? Please take a moment before Mass to write in our Special Intentions and Prayer Book in the vestibule. Our prayers will be brought forward during the Offertory.

All Saints School News

Calendar:

Monday, May 13 – Mass in Fife with school students, 8:45am; 5th grade pilgrimage to Kennedy High School; Book Fair in Fife through Thursday; **Tuesday, May 14** – Fife/Puyallup Pre-K field trip to Point Defiance Zoo; **Wednesday, May 15** – Fife/Puyallup Pre-School field trip to Children's Museum; **Thursday, May 16** – 7th grade field trip to Fort Vancouver; **Friday, May 17** – 3rd grade field trip to Pioneer Farms

Our Advertiser of the Week is:

Hill Funeral Home

If you work with this business, let them know you found them through the St. Martin's parish bulletin! Want your ad in the bulletin? Call Michelle Jacobs at (253) 229-6354.

Events and Announcements

Sun, May 12 Mother's Day Blessing at Mass

Mon, May 13 Mass at 8:45am

Wed, May 15 St. Vincent de Paul meets at 10am
Youth Ministry at 6:45pm

Sat, May 18 *Queen for a Day* Ladies' Luncheon at 1pm
Confessions in the church, Saturdays at 4pm-4:45pm

Save the Date

Blessing of All Travelers and Vehicles

Sunday, May 26th, 2019

Following Mass

Music Ministry

**Sing to the Lord with a Joyful Heart—
Join the St. Martin of Tours Music Ministry!**

If you love making music, please consider joining our new "Family Choir!" Simply come to church an hour early (9am). We'll rehearse the songs for that day, and together lead the singing for the 10am Mass. No audition required!

Choir not for you? Sing anyway, wherever you're sitting! And please feel free to share your ideas with our Music Director, Dino Palazzi, after Mass, or at DPalazzi@allsaintsparish.com.

An Upcoming Retreat

Hearing Our Stories in the Psalms

Saturday, May 25th, 2019 • 9:00am-3:00pm

The Priory Spirituality Center

Retreat Facilitator: Beth Amsbary and Tamara Roberts
Register by Prior Friday: \$55

More information and registration at www.stplacid.org.

Mothers' Day Prayer

**Lord, we pray for all mothers—beautiful and wonderful,
they fill the earth, gracious in Your call.**

They carry life in a bond of love; they bring forth a child.

**We ask you to bless all Mothers today—may they feel the
joys of motherhood everyday.**

**In their struggles while giving us a livelihood, may Your
love and compassion be with them for good.**

**May every mother feel today the pride and beauty of the
family they bear through all pain and sorrow.**

**Lord, deliver them in Your strength,
and grace may they always stay.**

Amen.

Children's Ministry

Thank you to all the good volunteers who gave of their time each Wednesday evening, from September to May, for the children of St. Martin of Tours: Bettina Guerrero, Sheri Fernandez, Catherine Melgar, Andrea McDonald, Deb Frank, Ed Rowe, Manuela Murray, Julia Miller, and all those who have assisted and filled in where needed. We appreciate you, and thank you for sharing your faith journey with our children. God bless you all!

Sacramental Prep for Children: If you did not remember to pick up your First Holy Communion Certificate, you may pick it up on Wednesday, May 8th, at 6:45pm, from Miss Amanda.

Youth Group

Youth Group, members of junior and senior high, will continue meeting on Wednesday evenings through June with fun and games.

Get involved at Mass! Text Ms. Terri at (253) 244-2391.

Youth Mission Trip: Service for Others

July 11-14, 2019

Mt. Angel, Oregon

Come out to Mt. Angel, Oregon, for a weekend of service, prayer, and fellowship at the Youth Mission Trip! The Youth Mission Trip will include: accommodations at the Fr. Bernard Youth Center; catered meals provided by the retreat center; visits to different service sites, including community food banks, outreach centers, nursing home facilities, a community garden, and more; prayer, fellowship, and fun!

The cost is \$200/person. Scholarships are available. To learn more, please contact Amanda Barry at (253) 922-7882.

Baptism Prep

Baptism Prep with Deacon Pat and Lory Kelley

Next Date: June 9th, 2019

Meet us in the church at 11:15am

This class is for all parents and godparents who are preparing for the Sacrament of Baptism. Please meet us in the church following Mass. All paperwork will be handed out at the class.

Around the Parish

St. Francis Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support Group

Third Thursdays of Every Month • 4pm-5pm

St. Francis Medical Center (34515 9th Ave S, Federal Way)

Phone: (206) 708-3211

This is a support group for anyone who has lost a child through miscarriage, still-birth, or infant death. The group is facilitated by two social workers at St. Francis Medical Center. There is no cost and all are welcome. We will meet in the main lobby of the St. Francis Medical Center, by the Gift Shop. We will walk as a group to the Garden Room. Please join us.

St. Vincent de Paul Corner

Vincentians "Serve in Hope" because we are called to bring the love of God and the compassion of Jesus to those who are poor and suffering. Saint Vincent said, "God demands first the heart, then the work." It is only with the heart that we can bring compassion, respect and devotion to the destitute and marginalized. It is only with a heart on fire with God's love that our service can become mission. And it is only by "Serving in Hope" that our mission can root us in the faith—that in the poor, "Vincentians will see the face of Christ."

Interested in joining our team? Those interested are welcome to any of our meetings, first and third Wednesdays from 10am-12noon, in the social room.

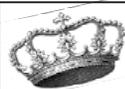
Food Bank

As the summer months approach and the many food bank volunteers step away for much-needed vacations, we are seeking to add volunteers to assist us with our scheduled pick-ups of surplus foods each week. On Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, pick-ups are made from the local Milton Safeway and brought back to our food bank. The ideal person/persons would have access to a pick-up truck or van, and be willing to help at least one day a week between the hours of 7:30am and 9:30am. This process is an extremely vital component in the success of our food bank. If interested, please call (253) 922-7882.

Altar Servers Needed

We are now training new Altar Servers for Saturday night and Sunday morning Mass. If you are in the 4th grade or older and have made your 1st Communion, we need you! If you are interested in assisting on the Altar during Mass, please contact Ms. Terri, or speak with Fr. Michael or Fr. Anh after Mass.

Queen for a Day—This Week!



The St. Martin's Annual Ladies' Luncheon

Saturday, May 18th, 2019 • 1pm in the parish center

Bring your teacup and wear your favorite hat! Tickets are on sale now at \$8 per seat. Contact Dorothy Spane at (253) 922-7207, or call the parish office. Sponsored by the Altar Society.

Pilgrimage Opportunity

**Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, Spain, and Poland with Fr. Dean
October 3-18, 2019**

Your trip includes: 15 nights accommodations, your flights (to and from Seattle), breakfast and dinner daily, entrance fees, as well as all transfers by private coach, professional tour guides and escort, and daily Mass. Cost is \$4,249.

For more information, call Anne Rogel at (253) 905-1357 or John Golubic, Polyways Travel Service LLC, (206) 634-2995. Learn more online at <http://polyways.biz>.