

Bulletin for October 2025

Mass Intentions

Deceased marked with †

Sunday, September 28
(8:30 am) Delores Walling †
(10 am) all parishioners

Tuesday, September 30
(8:30 am) Tom Miller †

Thursday, October 2
(8:30 am) students of Holy Rosary Bilingual Academy

Sunday, October 5
(8:30 am) Ray & Margaret Sulkosky †
(10 am) all parishioners

Wednesday, October 8
(8:30 am) Angie Novak †

Thursday, October 9
(8:30 am) Mariann Neville †

Sunday, October 12
(8:30 am) Pat Guida †
(10 am) all parishioners

Tuesday, October 14
(8:30 am) Meng Kong Yap †

Wednesday, October 15
(8:30 am) Cathy Bettinzoli †

Thursday, October 16
(8:30 am) Jacob Wolf †

Friday, October 17
(8:30 am) David Williams †

Sunday, October 19
(8:30 am) Lee Allen †
(10 am) all parishioners

Tuesday, October 21
(8:30 am) Andy Novak †

Thursday, October 23
(8:30 am) Frances Faini †

Friday, October 24
(8:30 am) Ray Carlisle †

Sunday, October 26
(8:30 am) all parishioners
(10 am) Theresa and Demetria Cava †

Tuesday, October 28
(8:30 am) Danny T. Cava and Dr. Antonio Cava †

Thursday, October 30
(8:30 am) students of Holy Rosary Bilingual Academy

Friday, October 31
(8:30 am) all deceased parishioners †

Call (253) 922-7882
to add Intentions

PARISH STEWARDSHIP TIME. TALENT. TREASURE.



**STEWARDSHIP OF
TREASURE**
begins
**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 26**



ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

Catholic Church

2303 54th Ave E - Fife, WA 98424

Weekly Mass schedule

Tuesday to Friday, 8:30 am
Friday Mass followed by
Reconciliation and Adoration
Sunday, 8:30 am and 10 am

Homebound Ministry

Unable to attend Mass due to health
or other reasons? Call (253) 922-7882
to receive Communion at home

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Our Parish Family



All Saints Parish



Parish events and updates

Sunday, September 28 (10:05—10:55 am; All Saints)

2025-2026 Faith Formation begins

AllSaintsParish.com/Grow-In-Faith/Childrens-Ministry

Sunday, October 5 (during 8:30 am and 10 am Masses)

National Collection for Black and Indian people

Your donation helps fund grants that are distributed to economically-challenged areas of dioceses throughout the United States, with a focus on strengthening evangelization programs for Black and Indian Americans—Find collection envelopes in the pews and vestibules at church

Sunday, October 5 (9:30 am; Parish Hall)

Start of OCIC (Order of Christian Initiation of Children)

See next page for details

Tuesday, October 7 (10 am; Parish Hall)

Altar Society monthly meeting

All ladies of the Parish welcome; light lunch provided

Wednesday, October 8 (7-8 pm; Parish Hall's Social Rm.)

First session of OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Turn the page to discover more about this program

Sunday, October 19 (during 8:30 am and 10 am Masses)

Collection for World Mission Sunday

Envelopes will be available inside church to make a financial gift to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, which supports the Mission Church and its priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who bring Christ's message of hope to the world's most vulnerable communities

Sunday, October 26

Parish's 2026 Stewardship of Treasure campaign begins

Members of our community of faith are called this season to support the work of St. Martin of Tours Parish by making a financial pledge for the next year; please see both the Bulletin insert and the section below to learn more

Sunday, November 2

End of Daylight Savings

Don't forget to turn your clocks back 1 hour!

2026 PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE.

WE ARE CALLED TO SHARE
OUR TREASURE WITH OTHERS.

Good stewardship follows from reflection on God's blessings in our lives. With grateful hearts, we are called to return His gifts through a financial pledge to St. Martin of Tours, so that this Parish may continue to share the Gospel in the new year.

Find pledge cards at church beginning October 26.

(Details for pledging online will be provided in mid-October.)

Pastor's Message

[first appeared in September 18 Parish e-Newsletter]

Dear Parish Family,

The prophet Amos, in this weekend's first reading [September 21], shouts out, "Hear this, you who trample upon the needy and destroy the poor of the land!" Amos was calling out and denouncing unjust practices and behaviors by the people towards others. Care and justice for one's neighbor is a firm foundational principle in both the Old and New Testaments, most especially towards the poor, outcast, immigrants, and vulnerable.

Within Catholic social teaching, this firm biblical foundation of care and justice for one's neighbor, most especially the poor, the immigrant, and the vulnerable, forms one of its central principles. Catholic social teaching is composed of seven principles: life and dignity of the human person; call to family, community, and participation; rights and responsibilities; the preferential option for the poor and vulnerable; the dignity of work and the rights of workers; solidarity; and care for God's creation.

Regarding the preferential option for the poor, St. Paul VI reminded us that we all have a responsibility in serving those who suffer the effects of poverty when he wrote: "In teaching us charity, the Gospel instructs us in the preferential respect due to the poor and the special situation they have in society: the more fortunate should renounce some of their rights so as to place their goods more generously at the service of others." (A Call to Action Octogesima Adveniens, 23).

Those who exist at the margins of our communities and society have a special place in the heart of our Lord and His Church, and therefore ought to have a place within each of our hearts as well.

Blessings and peace,

Fr. Cal

PFAC update

Dear members of our Parish Family,

The PFAC (Parish Family Advisory Council) met again on Sunday, September 7. At that meeting, we made final edits to the parish survey that will be administered in the coming weeks. We also made initial plans for the parish focus groups/listening sessions that will be held later this season. The intent of these two engagement opportunities is to gather critical information that will help us define who we are now, for later discernment of who we want to become. There is so much to look forward to as our Parish Family forms into a canonical Parish by 2027 through Partners in the Gospel.

We encourage every household to complete the survey when it is unveiled, and also encourage all to participate in the focus groups/listening sessions. All voices are integral to this process. PFAC thanks you!

—Vivian Shannon, PFAC Chair

Growing our faith together

Youth Group

All teens in Grades 7 to 12 can join us on Wednesday evenings for food, fellowship, fun...and **faith!** Attendance is required for those seeking Confirmation.

Find a Youth Group registration form at any gathering or in the church vestibule. If you have questions about this program and/or Confirmation, please email Ms. Terri in the Parish Office: faith@stmartinoftoursfife.com.

OCIC (Order of Christian Initiation of Children)

This program is for students in Grades 4 to 6 who seek a sacrament. Enrollment can be completed at the first class on Sunday, October 5, at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall.

For additional information, please call (253) 922-7882.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The first class of 2025-2026 OCIA takes place at 7 pm on Wednesday, October 8, in the Parish Hall. All who wish to refresh their Catholic Faith or receive sacraments to be in Full Communion with the Church are welcome.

To get started, please call the Parish Office: (253) 922-7882.

Rosary Rally

October is the month of the Holy Rosary, and all are invited to an outdoor rally for praying the Rosary at noon on Saturday, October 11. Guests will meet in the rose garden at St. Martin of Tours (north of the church's front doors).

Seating is limited, so please bring a lawn chair.

Baptism for children

Parents and godparents seeking Baptism for their child(ren) can prepare by attending a class hosted by Deacon Pat and Lory Kelley. To find dates of upcoming classes, please call (253) 922-7882 or email faith@stmartinoftoursfife.com.

Our Parish Family

Upcoming gatherings

Parkinson's Group on **October 16** at All Saints Parish (2 pm)
To learn more, call the All Saints Parish Office: (253) 845-7521

New Adult Bible Study begins **January 5** at All Saints Parish
Details at AllSaintsParish.com/Grow-In-Faith/Bible-Study



All Saints School thanks everyone who generously supported their annual fundraiser by parking in the school's lot during the Washington State Fair!

Support the Parish

PARISH COLLECTION TOTALS

(as of August 31)

\$54,432 (fiscal year to date)
÷ \$59,678 (budget to date)

91% (percentage to budget)

**"For where your treasure is,
there also will your heart be"**

—Matthew 6:21

We appreciate your support of St. Martin of Tours Parish! In mid-October, third-quarter giving letters will be sent via physical mail (or electronically to those households with an email address in their Parish record).

Contributions can be reviewed online anytime, or setup easily completed of one-time or scheduled recurring gifts. To get started, visit Pushpay.com/g/stmartinoftoursfife.

Fife-Milton Community Food Bank



Please help fill the shelves at the Food Bank on campus at St. Martin of Tours. A container inside the room next to the church's main vestibule is available for drop-offs. **Scan the QR code here to make a financial donation.** Thank you!

St. Vincent de Paul Conference

We appreciate everyone who is able to leave monetary gifts inside the blue envelopes at church. (Checks can be made to '**Fife St. Vincent de Paul**.') Your essential support aids this ministry in securing assistance with rent, utilities and more for our neighbors in need.

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