

# Saint Martin of Tours

*People Ministering to People*

*Roman Catholic Church and School Community*

*Our Mission Statement*

Saint Martin of Tours is a Roman Catholic Community bound together by the gift of faith in Jesus Christ, as we join Him in offering thanks and praise to God the Father through the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit. Molded by the Word of God and nourished by the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation, we are sent to seek out the lost, bind the broken, feed the hungry, and to share the Good News of God's mercy and love for all. We welcome all people of goodwill to join us in building here on Earth the coming Reign of God and so to offer to people of all ages continued formation in our Christian Faith.

## *Mass Schedule*

Sunday Vigil: Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am, 6:00 pm

Weekdays: Mon. - Sat. 8:00 am

Holy Days: 8:10 am, 12:10 pm, 7:00 pm

*The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 26, 2017*



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### **RCIA**

We warmly welcome all those inquiring about becoming Catholic. For information, call Laura.

### **Baptism**

A sacrament of initiation and belonging. Please Contact the Catechetics

**St. Vincent de Paul...408-439-0342**

### **Sacrament of the Sick**

If you or anyone you love is sick and unable to attend Mass please call 408-289-9617

### **Reconciliation**

Saturdays 3:30 pm or by appointment

**St. Martin of Tours School... 287-3630**

Deborah Rodriguez, Principal

Denise Freitas, Business Manager

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## Scripture Readings for NEXT Week

**Sunday March 5, 2017**

**First Sunday in Lent**

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Second Reading: Romans 5:12, 17-19

Gospel Reading: Mathew 4:1-11

Question?  
of the  
WEEK

What do you understand by the word "mercy"?



The Grateful Garment Project is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to ensure that every victim of a sexual crime is provided with new clothing, toiletries, snacks, and other miscellaneous items that he or she may require.

Please join us at your preferred Mass time to hear volunteers from The Grateful Garment Project speak about the organization's mission and how you can get involved!

Donation pickups: February 25th and 26th.

### 6th Annual St. Patrick's Dinner Celebration

Hosted by St. Martin of Tours Boy Scout Troop 390 & Venture Crew 697



**Saturday, March 11, 2017**  
**St. Martin of Tours Gym**

**6:00-9:00pm ~ Doors open at 5:45pm**

\$25 per person (\$30 at the door)

\$15 for children under 12—FREE for children under 5

Tables for 10 can be purchased for \$225.00

### Traditional Irish Dinner & Program

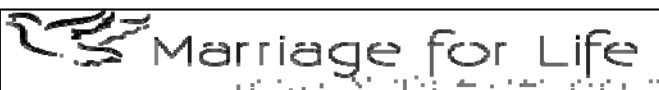
*Corned beef, Cabbage, Homemade Irish Soda Bread & Dessert*

*Authentic Irish Band, Irish Dancers, Irish Games,  
Irish Dancing Lessons & Silent Auction Baskets  
Plus photo opportunities with a Leprechaun!*

Tickets on sale after March Masses

Tickets can also be purchased in advance from

John Tralongo John@tralongotax.com or call 408-249-7142



**Marriage for Life! Announcing our Preparation Dates for 2017** at St. Mary's Cathedral at Gough and Geary Streets in San Francisco. Listed below are all our dates for 2017:

❖ **4/22, 5/13, 8/26, 10/14**

couples can register for any date on our website: [www.marriageforlifef.com](http://www.marriageforlifef.com)



Office of the Bishop

February 14, 2017

It is not an overstatement to say that the majority of Americans are descendants of immigrants or refugees. Indeed, many of our fellow citizens were once immigrants. The story of the United States is a tale of welcome and of new hope. Whether for those from Europe, Asia, Africa, the Middle East, or the Americas, this nation has been a bright-burning beacon and an invitation to a better life in which the gifts of God can be widely shared. Today is no different.

Writing in response to recent developments, Bishop Joe S. Vásquez of Austin, Texas, and Chair of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on Migration stated: "We respect the rule of law and the American judicial process. We remain steadfast in our commitment to resettling refugees and all those fleeing persecution. At this time, we remain particularly dedicated to ensuring that affected refugee and immigrant families are not separated and that they continue to be welcomed to our country. We will continue to welcome the newcomer as it is a vital part of our Catholic faith and an enduring element of our American values and tradition."

San Jose and the greater Bay Area have historically welcomed various waves of refugees, and the Church has been a willing partner in many of these efforts. This should not change. We recommit ourselves to this form of living out of the Gospel, the teaching of the Lord Jesus to welcome the stranger, for in doing so, we welcome the Lord Himself.

With every best wish and kind regard, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Patrick J. McGrath  
Bishop of San Jose

**MARRIED COUPLES:** Do you tune up your vehicle? You can't expect your marriage to run year after year, mile after mile without a tune up. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is the best proactive "pit stop" you can give to your marriage. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is March 17-19, 2017 in Mountain View. For more information visit our website at: [sanjosewme.org](http://sanjosewme.org) or call **408-782-1413**.

# LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES TO DEEPEN YOUR FAITH:

## READ "REDISCOVER JESUS: AN INVITATION"

On February 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, the weekend before Ash Wednesday, we will hand out the book "Rediscover Jesus: An Invitation" by Matthew Kelly at all the Masses. This short book is an invitation to get to know Jesus better this Lent. Each day you are asked to read a short amount and reflect on several questions.

## SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES

Each Friday during Lent **After The Stations of the Cross**, there will be an opportunity to discuss the book "Rediscover Jesus: An Invitation" in small groups. This is a great time to get to know other parishioners. We will meet in the **Bailey House after the Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm** for light snacks and start our discussions at **8 pm** in the **Church**. Please RSVP to Laura at [lmartin-spencer@stmartin.org](mailto:lmartin-spencer@stmartin.org).

## BIBLE STUDY LED BY FR. SERGIO

Come and learn more about God's word and its meaning for your life by participating in a Lenten Bible Study led by Fr. Sergio. There will be sessions on **Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>** and **29<sup>th</sup>** from **7:00 to 8:30 pm** in the **Community room**.

## PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

This Lent we have the opportunity to be 'on retreat' together. Sr. Sara Postlethwaite, a member of the Verbum Dei community, will speak at all our Masses on the weekend of **March 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>** and invite us to take some time out from our busy lives to connect with God and others. The theme for this retreat is "The Wilderness will Bloom," and includes evening sessions on **March 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>** in the church from **7:00 to 9:00 pm**. We will serve light snacks before the event at **6:30 pm** in the **Community room**. More information will be coming soon.

If you have any questions or would like more information, contact Laura Martin-Spencer at

[lmartin-spencer@stmartin.org](mailto:lmartin-spencer@stmartin.org).



## ENCOUNTER CHRIST: LENT 2017

This weekend, you'll find your Rice Bowls in the bulletin.

**Pope Francis** has stated, in preparation for Lent, that "Lent is the favorable season for **renewing our encounter with Christ.**" **During the 40 days of Lent**, through CRS Rice Bowl we will encounter people—through their stories—from communities in India, Mexico, Ethiopia and other places around the world.

May we encounter Christ this Lent, through CRS Rice Bowl, and through our Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving may our hearts be transformed.



ST. MARTIN OF TOURS - CRAB FEED

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2017 - 6PM

Sponsored by the Men's Club to benefit the parish

**Ticket Prices:**  
\$60 Adults  
\$40 Seniors 60+  
\$20 Kids K-8th Grade  
FREE for kids TK and under

Includes: Crab, Salad, Soup, Pasta, Bread, Dessert, Coffee, Punch  
\$1 Soft Drinks & Water  
\$5 Wine & Beer

Music  
Great Food  
Raffle Prizes  
Kid Tables & Crafts

First come, first serve seating. Buy your tickets online before they sell out!  
<https://www.mkt.com/st-martins-mens-club>

## Adult Confirmation Sessions



These sessions are for adults wishing to complete their initiation Sacraments and be strengthened by the Sacrament of Confirmation. Adults attending these sessions need to be baptized

Catholic and already received their first Communion. Please contact Laura at [lmartin-spencer@stmartin.org](mailto:lmartin-spencer@stmartin.org), for more information and to enroll in sessions. The sessions begin on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm (includes attending Mass together).

# Encounter Christ - LENT 2017

During Lent, we are called to more deeply encounter Christ through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

## Lenten Prayer

Wednesday, March 1	Ash Wednesday	8:10 am, 12:10 & 7 pm
Monday – Saturday	Daily Mass	8:00 am
Thursday, March 2	Evening Prayer, Adoration & Benediction	7:00 pm

## Scripture and Reflection

Wednesday Evening <u>March 8, 22, 29</u>	Lenten Bible Study <i>Led by Fr. Sergio</i>	7:00 – 8:30 pm <i>Community Building</i>
March 13 & 14	Parish Lenten Retreat <i>Led by Sr. Sara Postlethwaite</i>	7:00 – 9:00 pm <i>Community Building</i>
Every Friday Evening <i>After Stations</i>	<u>“Rediscovering Jesus”</u> <i>Discussion Group</i>	7:30 / 8:00 pm <i>Bailey House &amp; Church</i>

## Stations of the Cross

Every Friday Evening	Stations of the Cross	7:00 pm
March 3	Journey of Decision	<i>Led by the Young Adults</i>
March 10	St. Alphonsus Liguori Stations	<i>Led by I.C.F. members</i>
March 17	Scriptural (Pope JP II) Stations	<i>Led by Parishioners</i>
March 24	Stations of the Cross	<i>Led by the Scouts</i>
March 31	Edge (Middle School) Stations	<i>Led by Parish Youth</i>
April 7	Mary’s Way of the Cross	<i>Led by School Students</i>

## Lenten Fasting & Penance

Fast Days	Ash Wednesday and Good Friday <i>One full meal, two light meals; no eating between meals. Ages 18-60</i>	
Days of Abstinence	Ash Wednesday and all Fridays in Lent <i>No meat for those over age 14</i>	
Wednesday, April 5	Lenten Reconciliation Service	7:00 pm
All other Wednesdays	“The Light is On” – Individual Penance	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Every Saturday	<u>(except April 15)</u> in Church	3:30 pm

## Lenten Almsgiving

CRS Rice Bowl	Lenten program of global solidarity and sacrificial giving	<i>Bowls/envelopes due after April 16</i>
March 13 & 17	Food Box Sorting and Packing ( <i>Gym</i> )	6:45 & 6:15 pm