

Saint Martin of Tours

Ministering to People

Roman Catholic Church and School Community

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



Parish Office... 408-294-8953

Rev. Sergio Ovando, Pastor

Rev. Abraham Antony, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Bob Shinney, S.J., Assisting Priest

Lori Krouse, Bookkeeper

Jennifer Tavares, Office Administrator

Samuel Aguilar, Buildings and Grounds

Liturgy408-289-9614

Judy Swazey, Director

Pastoral Care.....408-289-9617

Therese Lehane, Director

Sacrament of the Sick

If you or anyone you love is sick and unable to attend

Mass, please call the Parish Office

Catechetical Ministry... 408-289-9608

Megan Lott, Catechetical Coordinator

Fr. Abraham, Catechumenate Coordinator

RCIA

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

Baptism

A sacrament of initiation and belonging. Please

register with Fr. Sergio 408-294-8953

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 pm or by appointment

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

St. Martin of Tours School...408-287-3630

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Pastor's Note

Christ is risen!

Long time ago I read this reflection from St. Maximus of Turin, and I think his words capture the meaning of Easter

Christ is risen! And He has renewed the earth through the members of his Church now born again in baptism, and has made it blossom afresh with men brought back to life. His Holy Spirit has unlocked the doors of heaven, which stand wide open to receive those who rise up from the earth. Because of Christ's resurrection the thief ascends to paradise, the bodies of the blessed enter the holy city, and the dead are restored to the company of the living. There is an upward movement in the whole of creation, each element raising itself to something higher. Christ is risen! His rising brings life to the dead, forgiveness to sinners, and glory to the saints. Because of that we all need to rejoice and be glad, he cries, on this day which the Lord has made. The light of Christ is an endless day that knows no night.

The mystery of the resurrection, which we celebrate today give us hope and understanding that our Lord has not abandon us, He with his resurrection is calling us out, to live, to live the fullness of life. With his resurrection Jesus show us that even when we face difficult times, suffering struggles, and even death itself, that is not the end, because it is God Who has the final word, death is not the end, the end is resurrection, life.

Every thing that we believe is fund in the mystery of the resurrection, and at the same time give us strength, for that reason it is so important for us, and became the center of all our life as a church. That is why we gather not any day but the day of the Lord resurrection, every Sunday we gather to celebrate this mystery that today celebrate in special way.

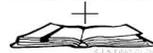
Jesus many times repeat the phrase: *I came that you may have life and that you may have it abundantly.* (Cf. Jn 10:10). The whole existence of Jesus from the moment of his conception has only one goal that is to give us life, which He conquered with his death and resurrection in order to give it to us. It is up to us to take, to received to live it in its fullness.

That is the real meaning of Easter, to be conscientious of the light that overcome darkness, and the life that has victory over that, the light and life of Jesus, that has being given to us.

Happy Easter! Means to live the life that Jesus has given to us in its fullness.

-Fr. Sergio

Mass Intentions



March 26—April

Saturday	8:30pm	Soul of Enrique Latoza
Sunday	7:00	Diane Borella
	8:30	Carmelita Escalada†
	10:00	JW Knapen†
	11:30	Justin Semana†
Monday	8:00	Right to Life
Tuesday	8:00	Terry Carmody†
Wednesday	8:00	Souls in Purgatory
Thursday	8:00	Alberto Palacio†
Friday	8:00	David Grimm
Saturday	8:00	Manuel Vaz†

Scripture Readings for NEXT Week

Sunday, April 3, 2016

Second Sunday of Easter

Question?
of the
WEEK

First Reading: Acts 5:12-16
Second Reading: Revelation
1- 11a, 12-13, 17-19
Gospel Reading: John 20:1-9

What "signs and wonders" do you see as evidence of the Lord's presence today?

Did you or another Parishioner **just have surgery? A new baby? Lost a loved one?** We are here to help! Please contact Lara Stanton at lara.stanton@gmail.com or Nancy Pierce at npierce33@yahoo.com. Not so good at email? Call Therese Lehane at the Parish office, 408-289-9617. A team of volunteers will be on hand to deliver home-cooked hot meals to your doorstep until you get back on your feet.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me." (Mt 25:35)

Looking for a way to help out your fellow Parishioners? Join our team of volunteers to deliver home-cooked meals for those parishioners in need. Please contact Lara, Nancy or Therese as noted above to sign up.

St. Martin of Tours's Young Adults: Focus on the "Year of Mercy"

By: Cynthia Lucero-Obusan and Oliver Obusan

The St. Martin of Tours Young Adult Ministry (SMYA) took to heart this Jubilee Year by planning a number of Lenten and Spring events focused on the "Year of Mercy" theme. On Fri. Feb. 26th, 12 members of the SMYA presented "Journey of Decision: A Way of the Cross" a dramatic rendition of the Stations, focused on the people involved in the crucifixion and the difficult decision of whether to accept or reject Jesus. Judy Swazey, Director of Liturgy for St. Martin's, commented that "parishioners were moved by the powerful images of the Passion the Young Adult group depicted and also appreciated the diversity of the young adults in the cast." Members of SMYA have been attending the Diocese of San Jose "Living the Year of Mercy" lecture series, including the first two sessions which were led by St. Martin of Tours pastor, Father Sergio Ovando. SMYA also hosted a Discussion Night on March 14th, featuring guest speaker Sr. Maryann Cantlon on Social Ministry and Restorative Justice titled "Meeting the Imprisoned Christ". Attendees learned about the work of detention volunteers ministering those incarcerated as well as to victims and families of victims in our Diocese. Sr. Maryann also shared many inspiring stories of her work and encouraged us to consider getting involved in this important ministry.

During Lent, several young adults met for a viewing of the Academy Award winning Best Picture "Spotlight" followed by a dinner where they shared their impressions of the movie. On April 21th at 7:30pm in the St. Martin of Tours Community Bldg., SMYA will host a Discussion Night, open to all, with speaker Ricky Ferrer from the Diocese Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults (OPCVA) to reflect on the themes of the movie and answer questions about the work of OPCVA in our Diocese. Members of SMYA will also be volunteering with St. Martin's "Hospitality for the Unhoused" by preparing an evening meal for 15

homeless women who will be guests at St. Martin of Tours from April 13th-20th. These are just some ways that SMYA has chosen to focus on the "Year of Mercy".

Young Adults from all parishes are invited and encouraged to attend our SMYA events, especially those from parishes without an active young adult ministry. St. Martin of Tours parish (200 O'Connor Dr. San Jose) is located in central San Jose near the intersection of Stevens Creek Blvd. and Hwy 880. For more information about our upcoming events (including our Young Adult Camping Trip July 22-24th at Mt. Madonna County Park) or to receive emails about our events, contact us at: faith@smyoungadults.com or visit our website (www.smyoungadults.com) and our Facebook group, St. Martin of Tours Young Adults.

Sunday Offerings and Online Giving Please mark checks for "Capital Campaign" In the memo section of your check.

Sunday offerings:		3/13/2016	
		Week	Fiscal Year to Date
Budget		\$10,000	\$539,100
Actual		\$7,841	\$510,881
		(\$2,159)	(\$28,219)
Second Collection:			
Catholic Relief Services		2,237	

Thank you for your continued support!



St. Vincent De Paul Society

Donate your car to help those in need. Cars with dents can help pay rents 1-800-322-8284. Please tell the operator you are from St. Martin of Tours.

Easter Flowers

We welcome your donations of flowers and funds to help us celebrate the Easter season. If you wish to donate flowers or funds in memory of a family member or friend, please fill out the form below and include it with your flowers or check. A list of all memorials will be included in our parish bulletins.

Name _____

In Memory of: _____

Amount (to St. Martin's Church, memo "Flowers") \$ _____



EASTER MESSAGE FROM THE PASTORAL CARE COMMISSION

Each year we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. This is one of the most important feasts in our Catholic tradition. It is a season of renewal, a time to be reborn. It is a time to look forward to the future, to be refreshed and to be made "NEW". But Easter is not a once a year event. It happens every day. We are resurrected each day. God gives us the opportunity to start over each morning, to wash away our troubles, to triumph over life's pressures. However, the hectic schedules we face in today's life styles present an overwhelming demand on our time. This translates into activities that focus on the anxious pressures of living while burying the joyous little things that constantly occur around us each day. The friendly smile, a child's "I love you", a neighbor's greeting, a spring flower, a task completed, an unexpected telephone call from a relative or friend - life is filled with wondrous little things that are the Easters of our lives. If we think of it, we have constant reminders of God's love for us, the little Easters that ease our burdens. We need to recognize these small things and let them minimize the big, sometimes tough, things. When we awaken each morning we must focus on the good things to come in the day. Perhaps then, the more difficult things won't seem as large. The overwhelming truth is that God loves us completely, unconditionally, and without reservation. God does not remember our past weaknesses. God only knows us for the good we do. God calls us by name. God knows exactly who we are. God sent His Son, let Him die on the cross, and lifted Him up to show how much we are loved - and to give us the promise of everlasting life. You don't celebrate this wondrous gift once a year.

Scripture tells us, in John 16:20, Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn, but the world will rejoice; you will have pain, but your pain will turn to joy." Find love, peace and joy in the little Easters of each day and celebrate your spirituality.

VBC We are delighted to announce the dates for this years Vacation Bible Camp at St. Martin of Tours: **June 13-17, 2016**. Registration for this wonderful week of fun and faith will be coming soon. Any parents, teens or other parishioners willing to volunteer their time and skills during *this wonderful event*, please contact Megan at mlott@stmartin.org



Calendar of Events

3/25-3/28 Parish Office **CLOSED**

4/7 Adoration 7PM-Church

Sunday Ministry for Children

Please contact the Parish Office for program information.



Youth Ministry

The EDGE is our middle school (6-8th) grade youth ministry and meets 5-6:30pm in the community building on Tuesdays.

Life Teen is our high school youth ministry. We will be meeting Sundays in the Bailey House from 7:00- 9:00 pm. Since we will now be meeting directly after the 6pm Mass, dinner will be provided. Email us at mlott@stmartin.org for more details.

Reconnect with your Parish Family

We love seeing your faces at mass each week and we are very interested in knowing how we can make our masses more enjoyable, fulfilling and spiritually rewarding. **Reconnect St. Martin** is a small group of St. Martin parishioners, and a committee under the Parish Council, with one goal in mind - discover new opportunities to *reconnect* with those parishioners who don't come to mass regularly. Please share your ideas with us via email at Reconnect-STM@googlegroups.com or talk to any of us directly. Let's work together to strengthen our parish community and improve the church experience for all of us.

Thank you,

Fr. Abe, Francisco Irao, Laura & Katie M'Guinness, Mark & Liz Page

We Hope you will join us for a

COMMUNITY BUILDING GOLF OUTING

Hosted by the **St. Martin of Tours Men's Club**

WHEN: Monday, June 7, 2016 at 9:00AM

WHERE: CINNABAR HILLS GOLF CLUB

WHO: Men and Women of all ages are welcomed

COST: \$160

Cash accepted and Checks made payable to **St. Martin of Tours Men's Club**

MAIL PAYMENT TO:

Rashad Jones

2946 Westgate Ave , San Jose , Ca 95125

Any questions or concerns, feel free contact:

**Rashad Joense (408) 203-1222 OR
EVSHAD@YAHOO.COM**

Resurrection!

We are invited to extend new life to all around us!
And soon in a special way to show mercy. April 13-20
Many are helping, are you?
Your spirit of welcome is needed.

SMOTHousing@gmail.com

From the Peace and Justice Commission



CRS RICE BOWL EASTER SUNDAY

Our celebration of the resurrection brings us new joy and hope!

Throughout Lent, we prayed, fasted and gave alms-and now we celebrate! Let us rejoice in our risen Lord, and in the lives we've changed this Lent, not only throughout the world but also within our own community!

If you haven't already turned in your Rice Bowls or envelopes, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you for all your efforts during Lent that will continue to change the lives of so many people, both at



Engaged couples can register for any date at www.marriageforlifef.com April 2nd, May 7th, August 6th, October 15th

Married Couples: Winter brings crisp fresh air. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like winter because it's a weekend full of fresh air and a time to rejoice in the beauty of our marriage and family. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is February 26-28, 2016 in Mountain View. For more information visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at 408-782-1413 or email them at applications@sanjosewwme.org



Rejoicing in God's Mercy,
Together in Christ

ADA2016
ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Living the Year of Mercy

Speaker Series from February through May

7:00-8:00 PM

at the Diocese of San Jose Chancery
1150 N. First Street, San Jose

April 7 "Mercy in the Liturgy" -
Diana Macalintal

April 28 "The Spiritual Works of Mercy"-
Fr. Gerardo Menchaca

May 16 "The Corporal Works of Mercy" -
Deacon Ruben Solario

WELCOME

TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US

Whether you are a parishioner of long standing or new to the parish, if you are not registered, we invite you to do so. If there are changes to your status, please let us know. Please fill in the details below and place in the offertory basket or mail to the Parish office.

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

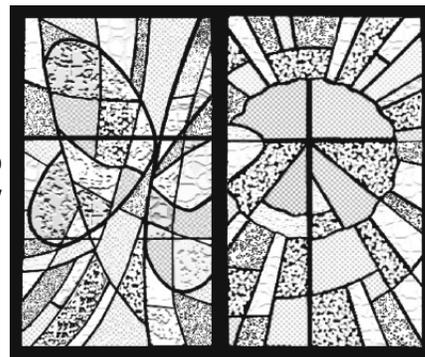
Address _____ City _____ Zip: _____

- New Parishioner
- Moving (please remove from directory)
- New Address
- New Phone Number
- Please check to receive offering envelopes
- Please check to discontinue receiving envelopes

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Easter Thanks

Each year, so many parishioners and parish groups, come forward to participate, along with the assembly, in our liturgical celebrations of new life during the Easter Triduum:



- **Parish Groups** such as **the Men's Club**, who worked so hard to hang the heavy palms throughout the church for Passion Sunday;
- **Jessie and Jerry Romero** and their friend, **Steve**, who cut and delivered the Passion Sunday palms; Jessie also helps to get our Easter flowers and plants from a Nursery in Sunol.
- **James Amlicke**, who set up and ran the sound system for Palm Sunday and the Easter Vigil.
- **The Liturgy Commission**, who prepared the Garden of Repose for Holy Thursday.
- **The Boy Scouts** who build the Easter Fire each year for the Easter Vigil.
- **Debbie Rishel, Katie M'Guinness and Christine DeKlotz** who coordinated the 10 a.m. Family Mass on Easter Sunday, and all the many parents and children who signed up to participate in these special liturgies.
- **Grace Semana**, who lovingly hand-made all the Easter Butterfly (Resurrection) gifts for the children, with support from **Jen Tavares**.
- The Environment and Art team, including **Karen Brady and Susan Hare** who created the amazing banners for Lent, Holy Week and Easter, and **Gerri Nedley** who helps with everything and serves as Sacristan.
- The "Flower Ladies," **Lucille Mazzeo and Carol Reber** who created the beautiful flower arrangements for Easter (and throughout the year).

The **Pastoral Council's Welcome Committee** who provided hospitality for all the Easter Sunday Masses.

And last, but not least, our many wonderful **liturgical Musicians, Lectors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society** and **Ushers**, who all minister within the community throughout the year.

We are grateful for all of these people, and many more, whose presence and ministry within our community are life-giving.