

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sun. September 3

8:00am - Mother's Day Remembrance

9:30am - Corvante Jones

by Carol Jones

Sun. September 10

8:00am - Father's Day Remembrance

9:30am - Mother's Day Remembrance

Readings for the week of September 3, 2023

Sun., Sept 3 - Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Mon., Sept 4 - 1 Thes 4:13-18/Lk 4:16-30

Tues., Sept 5 - 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Lk 4:31-37

Wed., Sept 6 - Col 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44

Thurs., Sept 7 - Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11

Fri., Sept 8 - Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Sat., Sept 9 - Col 1:21-23/Lk 6:1-5

Sun., Sept 10 - Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Family 21 Mass Schedule

(subject to change)

Sunday

8:00am - St. Martin de Porres

9:00am - Ss. Columba Brigid (Spanish)

9:30am - St. Martin de Porres (Gospel Mass)

10:00am - Blessed Trinity

10:00am - Ss. Columba Brigid (Bilingual)

(Last Sunday of the Month)

11:00 - Ss. Columba-Brigid (English)

Monday

11:00am - Blessed Trinity Church

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11:00am - Blessed Trinity

6:00pm - St. Lawrence Church

Thursday

11:00am - Blessed Trinity Church

Friday

11:00am - Blessed Trinity

Saturday

4:00pm - Ss. Columba Brigid Church

4:30pm - Blessed Trinity Church

4:30pm - St. Lawrence Church

Sunday Mass Stipends for the rest of 2023 and for 2024 are now available for both the 8:00am Mass and 9:30am Mass. Please call the church office to schedule.

September Lectors

8:00am Mass

September 3 - Pat Dyer

September 10 - Barbara Smith

September 17 - Andre Allen

September 24 - Barbara Breckenridge

9:30am Mass

September 3 - Alice Bragg

September 10 - Ndidi Nwabugwu

September 17 - Lurita Boyd

September 24 - Cynthia Davis



Fr. Joe's Corner

Hello, St. Martins!

Thank you for making my first anniversary, such a memorable day last weekend. Too bad about the bees!

Thanks to everyone who pitched in with set up and take down and moving things around and serving, etc., etc., it wasn't exactly pizza and wings, like I thought! LOL.

A number of you asked where the food came from so I thought I would include the name and address for those of you who may want to take a ride sometime for a nice Italian dinner in Clarence. The restaurant is called Fallettas. The address is 8255 Clarence Center Rd, East Amherst NY 14051. The phone # is 716-741-7406. They are open every day except Monday for dinner. If you go, tell them I sent you and that you are from St. Martin de Porres. Who knows, you may get a free dessert or something!!

Father Joe

Greetings, Family 21,

Welcome to September. I hope you're having a very enjoyable Labor Day weekend. I hate to see the summer end, but at least September normally gives us some good weather.

It looks as if our family will be activated within the next month, Unofficially, the clergy assigned are both myself and Father Bob Gebhard. Replacing Father Jud, who begins teaching this coming Tuesday, will be Father Aaron Richardson, OFM. Aaron was ordained this past spring and lives in St. Columba-Brigid, along with Father Jud, and Deacon Jason. We are working towards our rotation schedule to begin next month.

Enjoy the holiday!

Peace and Love,

Father Joe

Special Intentions Prayer for Our Parish

- ◆ Our Deceased Members
- ◆ Our 1st Responders,
- ◆ Health Care Workers
- ◆ Our Military Personnel
- ◆ All those in need of our prayers especially our sick & shut-ins :

Elizabeth Barnes, Thelma Craig, Joyce Davis, Shirley Hargro, Robert Harper, Sal & Sarah Howard, Susan Hutchins, LaEster Jones, Karl Magby, Jewel Marshall, Edna Meira, Louise Nolley, Mary Preston, Vanessa Newton, Loreda Reese, Helen Washington, Monica White & Josephine Williams.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING
OF SCRIPTURE

September 3, 2023

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isn't it easy to relate to Peter? One moment Jesus announces Peter's deep communion with God the Father. The very next, when he rejects the logic of Jesus' suffering and death, Jesus calls Peter Satan. We Christians shouldn't be too shocked when we experience both spiritual highs and lows, when we perceive breathtaking contradictions in our hearts.

Like the great apostle, you and I are recipients of unfathomable graces. God dwells in us, calls his beloved children, and takes care of our every need. And we also continually fail to embrace our sufferings with trust in Jesus. We know the truth of the creed, but we easily scorn the weight of the cross.

The good news is that, like Peter, we are never abandoned by the Lord even at our worst moments. Peter will eventually learn the beauty of the cross when he is willingly crucified. But it took time for him to get there. And it takes time for us, too. This week let's not be too shocked at these divisions in our hearts but accept them and patiently seek to be more obedient to Jesus' cross-shaped plan for us.

— Father John Muir

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Parish Financial Information

August 2023

	Collection		Martin's Future Collection		Diocese Collection	
	Regular	E-Giving	Regular	E-Giving	Regular	E-Giving
Aug. 6	\$2,352.00	\$350.00	\$1,000.00	\$120.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
Aug. 13	\$2,524.00	\$80.00	\$615.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Aug. 20	\$1,561.00	\$155.00	\$525.00	\$400.00	\$45.00	\$0.00
Aug. 27	\$2,426.00	\$130.00	\$385.00	\$100.00	\$30.00	\$0.00
Total Income	\$8,863.00	\$715.00	\$2,525.00	\$620.00		
Diocesan Collection					\$475.00	\$0.00

SMDP Events and Meetings

Sat., Sept 9 - Knights of Peter Claver meeting @10am
Tues., Sept 12 - Bible Study @ 6pm
Mon., Sept 11 - KPC Ladies Aux Meeting - 6pm
Sat., Sept 16 - Parish Pastoral Meeting @10am
Thurs., Sept 21 - Peace Pole Installation @ 5pm
Sat., Sept 23 - Liturgy Pillar Meeting @ 10am
Tues., Sept 26 - Bible Study @ 6pm
Sat., Oct. 7 - Women's Guild Membership Tea @ Blessed Trinity @ 12n.
Fri., Oct. 13 - Cultural Diversity Dinner @ Classics IV Restaurant
Sat., Oct 14 - Holy Name Meeting @ 10am
Sat., & Sun., Oct 21 & Oct. 22 - Revival at St. Martin de Porres
Sun., Jan. 21 - MLK Mass @ Ss. Columba Brigid 10am

Thank you, Fr. Joe

Time goes so fast, and we can't believe
 that it has been a year since you first joined us here
 St. Martin de Porres.
 Last Sunday, was a wonderful way to
 celebrate your 1st anniversary.

Pillar Updates

If you'd like to see what our pillar groups are working on, you can read regular updates on this website:
<http://www.stlawrencevineyardministries.com/> .

If the pillar names do not appear, click on "more." The meeting dates are posted on the calendar so that if you have any concerns, you can bring them to your pillar representatives before the next meeting. Meetings are not open to guests.

Family 21 information & Training Sessions

A Protecting God's Workshop will be held at Blessed Trinity on Saturday, September 30 from 10 AM to 1:30 PM in St Charles Hall (school building.) Join instructors from our Family of Parishes and be ready when the children, young men, and women of our parishes need your help. Register on the Diocesan website.

Baptism class - parents of children under age 7 who are requesting Baptism are invited to join us at 6:30 PM on September 7, at Blessed Trinity. Registration is preferred. Contact the parish office.

The Gospel of Matthew Bible Study returns via Zoom on Tuesdays at 4 PM. Get the Zoom link on the Blessed Trinity Website's Faith Formation page. No cost and no books are required, but it is helpful to have your own Bible. We recommend *The New American Bible translation*, especially the study version.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION IS COMING SOON!

Join us on September 14, 5:30 PM at Ss. Columba-Brigid. If you have not already registered your children aged 3 and over, please do so soon. We want to have materials ready for you! A parent program and a light supper will also be provided. Our September theme is I AM Made in God's Image. This year's per-child fee is \$10 with a maximum of \$50 per family for the entire year. If you are unable to pay the fee, please contact your Faith Formation representative: Dcn. Jerry Hodson, Debbie Obstarczyk, Lanette Jennings, or Pat Dyer. Your children will still be able to participate

