



St Martin de Porres Catholic Church, Luton

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to St Martin's

LAST WEEKEND we welcomed 868 people to Mass! Thanks to all who assisted with so many visitors from our school.

TODAY WE WELCOME Mgr Tony McDermott, who hails from our parish (6:30pm) and Fr Christopher Perry from Bletchley, who has Luton links too (9am & 11am).

PLEASE PRAY FOR Fr Michael & parishioners on pilgrimage in the Holy Land. Mass will be offered for all the people of our parish today near Bethlehem.

THIS SUNDAY - Second Collection for the World Missions. Support missionaries in their loving, caring work overseas.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS - Please find in the porch Holy Souls envelopes and sheets on which to write the names of those you would like to be remembered during Mass in November & throughout the year. Please return the envelopes to the sacristy or through the letterbox of the presbytery.

NOVEMBER MASSES ARE FOR THE HOLY SOULS - Apart from those Masses already 'booked', all the weekday Masses will be offered for the Holy Souls as they approach God's light.

FIRST RECONCILIATION CLASSES - The next classes take place: Group 1 - Fri 27th Oct, 5:30-7pm. Group 2 - Sat 28th Oct, 11am-12:30pm.

BOOK BASKET IN THE PORCH - has been replenished. Please help yourself for a small donation.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - All Saints Day is **Wednesday 1st December**. Masses at 9am & 7:30pm (and in school)

OCTOBER MARKS 50 YEARS SINCE THE ABORTION ACT which led to 8.7 million unborn babies. Please see leaflet: *We Care About Women* in porch or visit www.spuc.org.uk

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES FROM MID-NOVEMBER

Owing to changes in Fr Michael's weekly programme, from the middle of next month the Mass schedule will be as follows:

SATURDAY 6:30PM, SUNDAY 9AM & 11AM, MONDAY 9AM, TUESDAY 9AM, WEDNESDAY 6:30PM, THURSDAY 9AM.



Please keep an eye on the newsletter as times of some Masses will vary during November.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING PREPARED FOOD FOR ST MARTIN'S DAY CELEBRATION (3RD NOV)

We will have our buffet at St Martin de Porres School after the Mass on Friday 3rd November (7:30pm). **We kindly ask that no nuts and no fish are used as ingredients in the food we prepare.** At present there is a pupil with extreme sensitivity to these items. Many thanks for your understanding and cooperation. Please spread the word.

Although a Friday it will be our **Parish Solemnity** and equivalent to a liturgical Sunday so meat may be cooked and served!

SUNDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2017

Sat 6:30pm	Aurea Cimeni, RIP
9:00am	Pearce Family Intentions
11:00am	Lena Quinn, RIP
Monday - Feria	
9:00am	Nora O'Brien, RIP
Tuesday - Feria	
9:00am	Family of Mary de Roses in Hurricane
<i>Wednesday - No Mass Today</i>	
Thursday - Feria	
6:30pm	Rose Curran, RIP
Friday - Feria	
9:00am	Mable Magilta, Int.
12:30pm	Mass in the Hospital Chapel
Saturday - SS SIMON & JUDE, APOSTLES	
10:00am	Anne Marie Curran, RIP
10:00-11:00am	<i>Adoration & Confessions</i>
5:30pm-6:00pm	<i>Confessions</i>

Next Week - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 6:30pm	Genaro P. Flores Jr. (RIP)
9:00am	The People of the Parish
11:00am	John Hughes, RIP

Charismatic Prayer Group: Friday 7:30pm in the Lady Chapel.

Legion of Mary: Friday 7:30pm in the Hall.

Lunch Club: Fridays 11:30am onwards.



ST. MARTIN DE PORRES PARISH

CELEBRATING ST. MARTIN DE PORRES FEAST DAY 2017

FRIDAY 3rd NOVEMBER 7.30pm
Solemn Mass celebrated by
Rt. Rev. Peter Doyle
Bishop of Northampton

**Bishop Peter will also bless the new
Grotto of Our Lady of Fatima**

**AFTERWARDS
REFRESHMENTS
SERVED AT ST. MARTIN'S
PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL**





This Sunday's Readings

First Reading – Isaiah 45:1,4-6

I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue nations before him.

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: 'It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.'

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 95(96):1,3-5,7-10 *GIVE THE LORD GLORY AND POWER.*

Second Reading – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope.

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace. We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ. We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the

Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

YOUR WORD IS TRUTH, O LORD:

CONSECRATE US IN THE TRUTH.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel – Matthew 22:15-21

Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar—and to God what belongs to God.

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

Thanks to our Offertory Counters

This Week: Team 2: Breda & Anne

Next Week: Team 3:

Thanks to our Church Cleaners

This Week: Team 4: Sunny, Clara, Charlotte & Paul

Next Week: Team 5:

Useful Contact Details

+ Charlotte Seery (Parish Secretary)

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+ **Parish Hall Bookings:** Contact Maura on 01582 724623 between 6pm-8pm.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERINGS

Collection: Sunday 8th October – £1248.33

