

# Saint Martin of Tours Church

1800 Station Road • Valley City, Ohio 44280



March 18, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Lent

**REV. ROBERT G. STEC, ADMINISTRATOR**

**REV. DONALD P. OLEKSIK**

**REV. ROBERT RAMSER**

**DEACON BILL PERKINS**

**Pastoral Associate:** Mary Takacs

**Pastoral Associate:** Colene Conley

**Youth Minister:** Terri Yohman

**Education Coordinator:** Carrie-Leigh Dean

**Music Director:** Stephen Dickson

**Office Staff:** Rose Austin, Cheryl Lasch,  
Rose Strack, Joan Weigel

**LITURGIES:**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. Wed. & Fri.

Holy Days: 7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

**ADORATION:**

8:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Thursday's before First Friday

**RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: Chapel, 4:00 p.m. and upon request.

**BAPTISM:**

Contact the parish after the birth to schedule the baptism.

**MARRIAGE:**

Contact the parish at least six months in advance.

**PRAYER ROOM:**

Open during office hours.

**CHURCH SUPPORT:**

A fair share. One hours wage per week. Try tithing.

**REGISTRATION:**

Come to the parish office or call to register.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m.- noon

**Phone: 330-483-3808 Fax: 330-483-3848**

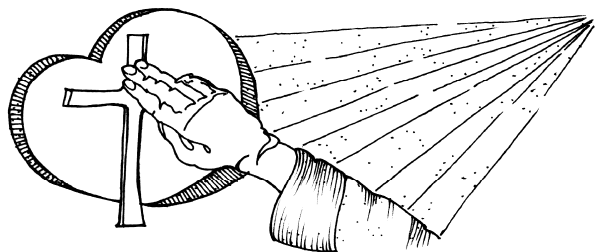
**Web Site: [www.stmartinvc.org](http://www.stmartinvc.org)**

**Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday 12:00 p.m.**



**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

We the parishioners of St. Martin of Tours, a Roman Catholic Parish founded in the year 1840, in Valley City, Ohio and part of the Diocese of Cleveland are people of faith, courage and love. We are gifted people diverse in skills and strength. People united through the power of the Holy Spirit and charged to proclaim the message of Christ. We are committed to live the Word so that *“Whatever you do, whether in speech or in action, do it in the name of the Lord Jesus...” - Col 3:17*



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*I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people.*

~Jeremiah 31:33

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00</b>	Frank Fisher
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Jeanne Fischer
	<b>10:30</b>	Lewis Schaefer
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Jessie Chmura
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00</b>	John & Annette Krynock
	<b>7:00</b>	Stations of the Cross (Chapel)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00</b>	Gloria Gonzales-Ruiz
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Joan Sidor
	<b>10:30</b>	Janet & Ted Labus



Julia Marie Glaser

**Keep Your Eyes Fixed on Jesus**

**Girl Scout Cookie Sale Today**

The Girl Scouts will be selling cookies after all the Masses this weekend. The tables will be located in the hallway off of the Gathering Area.

**Pancake Breakfast**

The Boy Scouts from Troop 502 will host their Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, **March 25** in St. Martin's Parish Center. They will be serving from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will be baskets for raffle and also a 50/50 Raffle. Come and enjoy a delicious breakfast and support our scouts!

**Stations of the Cross**

Stations of the Cross will be at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel every Friday during Lent. All family members are encouraged to attend this beautiful Lenten tradition as often as possible.



**March 10/11 Collection \$9,159.00**  
**342 Envelopes**  
**Building Fund \$4,264.00**

**Liturgical Ministers**

**March 17/18**

**Lectors & Ministers of Communion**

- 5:00** Sunny Ledford, Fred Heppner, Bruce MacMeans, Karen Mangan, Frank Sapara, Terry Scaduto, Mary Jo Palmer, Linda Sullivan
- 8:00** Neil Brody, Janet Brody, Tom Rundle, Judy Rundle, Judy Hlavna, Colene Conley, Roger Hassler, Nancy Hassler
- 10:30** Patrick Furey, Don Kelley, Becky Kelley, Cheryl Lasch, Jackie Gluck, Lauren Keider, Toni Oppenlander, Sue Jurkowski, Mike Reindel, Dawn Artale

**Cantors & Musicians**

- 5:00** Brenda Scheiman, Dave Morris
- 8:00** Jubilation
- 10:30** Choir, Steve Dickson

**Ushers**

- 5:00** Joe Pasuit, Rick Monroe, Paul Scheiman, John Gill, Bill Metzinger, Jeff Peters, Christine Pickens, Vern Krieger
- 8:00** Frank Engel, Ray Kemp, John Discenza, Charlie Farrell, Randy Conrad, Terry Bugos, Robert Kowalski, Stephen Melillo
- 10:30** Dan Innocenti, Mike Jurkowski, Bob Walter, Mario D'Amico, Jeff Rak, Gene Schaefer, Bob Stainbrook, Zoli Takacs

**Greeters**

- 5:00** Gilbert Calta, Jan Bartczak, Chad Siedel
- 8:00** Jean Kemp, Jean Engel, Laura Huttinger
- 10:30** Mary Ann Thomas, Ann Marie/John Krynock

**Servers**

- 5:00** Emily Rupanovic, Katie Rupanovic, Rachel Krieger
- 8:00** Hope Conrad, Clayton Kowalski, Nick Simon
- 10:30** Jarrett Dietrich, Tyler Rak  
Sara Rak

**March 24/25 (Palm Sunday)**

**Lectors & Ministers of Communion**

- 5:00** Ed Mennell, Katy Pack, Ann Marie Krynock, John Krynock, Sue Monroe, Roger Fashempour, Sandy Fashempour, Betty Markovic, Mary Takacs
- 8:00** Paul Schaefer, Bill Dolata, Tom Steigerwald, Rose Austin, Marge Bacik, Mike Piechuta, Sharon Ruder, Joan Weigel, Don Haag
- 10:30** Colene Conley, David Drees, Cindy McCafferty, Herb Dean, Carrie Dean, Carol Bennett, Tim Weber, Patrick Furey, Cathy Brown, Mary Anne Keefer, Betty Bush

**Cantors & Musicians**

- 5:00** Brenda Scheiman, Dave Morris
- 8:00** Jubilation
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**Liturgical Ministers continued...****Ushers**

- 5:00** Rick Monroe, Paul Scheiman, John Gill, Jim Haight, Ken Dombrowski, Charlie Farrell, Tom O'Grady, Rudy Koishor
- 8:00** Frank Engel, Ray Kemp, David Pesarchick, Greg Nichols, Scott Mesmer, Jack Bretz, Joe Pate, Ed Kost
- 10:30** Dan Innocenti, Mike Jurkowski, Bob Walter, Mario D'Amico, Joseph Bertoni, Joe Dick, Joe Dolan, Zoli Takacs

**Greeters**

- 5:00** Karen Mangan, Terry Koishor, Linda Hirakis,
- 8:00** Darlene Becker, Edith/Chuck Depp
- 10:30** Sue Becks Family

**Servers**

- 5:00** Carter Burgess, Cody Burgess, Emily Beck
- 8:00** Olivia Schaefer, Jonas Schaefer, Turner Dolata
- 10:30** Hannah Dean, Evelyn Dean, Kenneth Dean

**Early Bulletin Deadlines**

Notices for the April 1 (Easter Sunday) bulletin are due by noon on Tuesday, **March 20**.

**Holy Week and Easter Masses****We Still Need Ministers, Altar Servers & Greeters!**

There are sign up sheets on the table in the Gathering Area for Holy Week and Easter. If you are a Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server or Greeter, please sign up for a Mass as soon as possible. Usher sign up is in the Usher's room.

**Cemetery Decoration Removal Change**

Please remove all Christmas/winter decorations from the cemetery as soon as possible. Anything left after March 25 will be discarded.

**Easter Flower Offering Envelopes**

The Easter Flower offering envelopes are available this weekend. They can be used as a memorial for a loved one, a friend or as your family intention. Please drop them in the collection basket or return them to the parish office by Sunday, **March 25**. Flower offering intentions will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

**Infant of Prague Guild**

The Infant of Prague Guild will meet on Tuesday, **April 3** at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center meeting rooms. We will be discussing the distribution of funds, plans for the upcoming year and the Craft Show and also welcoming new members.

**Totally Catholic Fundraiser**

Mark your calendars; the Totally Catholic Fundraiser will take place after all of the Masses both **April 7/8** and **April 14/15**. This jewelry sale always has some nice gifts for Mother's Day, Confirmation and First Communion. The proceeds of the sale will go to support the summer SoZo Youth Conferences.

**SoZo News**

Beginning next Tuesday, **March 20** all high school students are invited to attend the Bible study, Teen Timeline. We will meet in the youth room of the Education Building from 3:00—4:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Miss Terri if you are coming so we are sure to have enough supplies.

**Individual Confessions**

Father Rob or Father Adam will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation Friday, **March 23** and Wednesday, **March 28** after the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Chapel.

**Holy Thursday Adoration**

You are welcome to come to the Chapel, the old Church, after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, **March 29** for adoration until 10:00 p.m. Come and spend some quiet time with our Lord.

**Confirmation News**

**Confirmation Retreat for All 2018 Confirmandi** will be Sunday, **April 8** beginning at 9:30 a.m. **Confirmation Practice** will be on the same day beginning at 2:30 p.m. in the main Church. **Dress for Confirmation** is conservative in nature. If you have a question about attire for Confirmation please email [tyohman@stmartinvc.org](mailto:tyohman@stmartinvc.org) and an outline can be sent to you. **Confirmation Mass** is Sunday, **April 15** at 2:00 p.m. this year with Bishop Amos. Plan on bringing your camera for after the Mass to take photos with Bishop Amos.

**Confirmation Mass**

We will need Greeters, Servers, Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers for the Confirmation Mass on **April 15** at 2:00 p.m. Please contact Terri Yohman if you would like to help.

**Thank You from the Knights!**

St. Martin's Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who attended our Knight at the Races last Saturday, all of our program sponsors, and those who donated items for our door prizes and raffle. It was a wonderful parish event with a packed house. We greatly appreciate your generosity and support! After the profits are counted and appropriated, we will keep you apprised of our donations to the parish and community. Thanks again for your support and we hope to see you at next year's Knight at the Races on March 23, 2019!

**Parish Lenten Offering**

Our Parish has decided to center our Lenten offering for "The Oaks Family Care Center" again this year. We ask that every family that would like to participate take a baby bottle home and fill it with loose change and return it by Sunday, **April 8**. The Oaks "Life Bottles", as they are called, help fund the many programs offered through the Oaks for Medina County residents.

### Parish Activities for the Week

<b>Sunday:</b>	RCIA, 9 am, PC mtg. room. Confirmation, 9 am, Ed. Bldg. Rosary Recited, 10 am, Prayer Room, Praying for Vocations.
<b>Monday:</b>	Yoga, 11 am, PC mtg. room. PSR/SoZo, 6 pm, PC/Ed. Bldg. Knitting Ministry, 7 pm, Ed. Bldg.
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Adoration, 5:00-8:00 pm, Prayer Room. Bible Study, 7 pm, PC mtg. room.
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Grief Share, 10 am, PC mtg. rm. Cub Scouts, 7 pm, Ed. Bldg. Healing Prayers, 7 pm, Prayer Room.
<b>Thursday:</b>	Contemplative Prayer, 7 pm, PC mtg. rm.
<b>Friday:</b>	Individual Confessions, 8:30 am, Chapel. AA Meeting, 7 pm, Ed. Bldg.
<b>Saturday:</b>	Men's Fellowship, 8 am, PC mtg. rm.
<b>Sunday:</b>	Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast, 8 am-1 pm, Parish Center. RCIA, 9 am, PC mtg. room. Adult Confirmation, 9 am, PC mtg. room. Rosary Recited, 10 am, Prayer Room.

### Knights of Columbus Cash Bonanza Tickets

Tickets are **On Sale Now** in the Gathering area. Proceeds will go toward scholarships and grants for Catholic education, seminarians and priests and also supporting the K of C programs for our parish. Tickets are \$5 each.

### Operation Homes

St. Martin's will be hosting guests Monday, **March 26** through Monday, **April 2**. We need parishioners to make dinner and stay to share the meal with our guests. We also need self-serve breakfast and lunch food items. **Our greatest need is for men and women to stay overnight.** Families are also encouraged to visit with the guests, especially on Saturday and Sunday. Sign up sheets are in the Gathering Area or contact Mary Takacs at 330-483-3808 or mtakacs@stmartinvc.org

### Operation H.O.M.E.S. Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Operation H.O.M.E.S. is once again holding a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser Sunday, **April 8** at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 3355 Medina Rd., Medina from 12:30—3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for children under 10. Carry out will be available. You can purchase tickets in the Parish Office.

### Shoebox Event

Due to lack of participation, the Saturday evening Shoebox event has been cancelled. The donations will be put together by the Crusaders during PSR classes on Monday, **April 9**. We would like to offer sincere thanks to all Parishioners who donated supplies for this year's Lenten project. Without each of you, our teens could not reach out with the hands of Christ to help as many as we do.

### A Message From Father Bob Stec

..."All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the **LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more.**" Our first reading this weekend from the Prophet Jeremiah gives us the hopeful promise of God's mercy for us. At the same time, it also gives us a great challenge for these Lenten days. If God can be so merciful and compassionate to forgive us, how can we use this week to forgive others in our own lives? **The more we carry the compassion and mercy of Christ into our world, the more, the greatest and least, will know the love and compassion of God.**

...As we continue through the season of Lent, how can we use this time to strengthen our faith and deepen our love for God?

...Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for a very successful and fun Night at the Races. The K of C is such a blessing to our community. **Many thanks, also, to all who made the special celebration of Father Dunphy's anniversary such a blessing for our community.** Thank you for all you do for our community.

...Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit of God will guide Bishop Perez and the Clergy Personnel Board as they discern a new Pastor for our community. Father Dunphy would remind all of us to use the season of Lent, and this important prayer intention, to keep our eyes and hearts fixed on Jesus.

...Invite someone to join you next weekend for Palm Sunday at Saint Martin. Most Christians look for something special to do for the Lord in these holy days. Why not invite them to join you and the community as we come together to remember the saving deeds of Jesus Christ.

...Happy Saint Patrick's Day. May we use this week ahead to bring the forgiveness and mercy of Christ to all the world.

### ~ Prayers for the Sick ~

*Please keep the following friends and family members in your prayers:*

Janet Solomon, Byron John Olexa, Pat Romanchik, Jess Lahl, Cathy Musgrave, Bob Curtin, Marie Tinkl, Baby Emily, Baby Maleah Jackson, Marilyn DiLeonardo, Nikki Hensley, A J Szabo, J.J. Robb, Vicky Oboy, John and Baby Evelyn Piechuta, Greg Schaefer, Renee Kelly, Jane Smyth-Phillips, Janet Smyth-Ptak, Cecilia Blue, Norman Gatzlaff, Jim, Cindy Sapara, Craig Richards, John K, John Bartkiewicz, Carolyn Squire, John Vitti, Fr. John Murphy, Carol Gala, Joanne Carr, Frank Fisher Jr., Paul Vallery, Kathleen Cunningham, Mary Catherine Cunningham, Lisa Wilson, Stefanie Walter-Robinson, Avery Sapara, Tiffany Demyan, David Rice, Joyce Ann Sibley, Maria Luich, Betty Smyth-Stiles, Mary Bogdewiecz, Aidan Hudak, Jason Figura, George Truxall, Maureen Trainee, Noah Oliver, Adele Borling, Tiago Fuentes

*Names will be left on the prayer list for 3 months unless an additional 3 month period or cancellation is requested.*

**Today's Readings**

**First Reading** — I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts. (Jeremiah 31:31-34) *or Ezekiel 37:12-14.*

**Psalm** — Create a clean heart in me, O God (Psalm 51) *or Psalm 130.*

**Second Reading** — Christ became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him (Hebrews 5:7-9) *or Romans 8:8-11.*

**Gospel** — If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit (John 12:20-33) *or John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].*

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13,16-18,22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession) Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

**Saints and Special Observances**

**Sunday:** Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny

**Monday:** St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Tuesday:** Spring begins

**Friday:** Abstinence; St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

**Saved By God's Love**

Because the people broke the old covenant, God promised a new covenant, not in the blood of oxen and other animals, but in the blood of the Son, Jesus Christ. This new covenant, foreseen from afar by Jeremiah and the prophets, was not to be engraved on stone, or written on paper, but carved on our hearts, so that we might know God intimately. Not by keeping many laws are we to be saved, but by the love of God, living and real in our hearts through the sacrifice of Christ. Our Eucharist is the pledge of that indwelling of Christ, and of our response of praise and thanksgiving to God for the mercy, love, and kindness shown to us in forgiving our sins and cleansing our hearts of everything evil. God issues this invitation to intimacy by offering us the chance to have our sufferings transformed into the perfect love of the Savior, who first loved us.

**Passion Walk**

Zion Lutheran Church, 2233 Abbeyville Road, Valley City invites you to their tenth annual Passion Walk on Saturday and Sunday, **March 24 and 25**. The Jerusalem marketplace will open at 6:15 and the guided walks will begin at 6:30, beginning at the Upper Room and ending at the sealed tomb of Good Friday. The walks will begin every 15 minutes until 8:00 p.m. and all spaces are handicap accessible. This is a gift from their hearts to yours...free admission. Come anytime between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. on March 24 and 25 for your 30 minute walk through the last hours of Jesus' life. Call 330-483-3873 or go to [www.zionvc.org](http://www.zionvc.org) for more information.

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