

Saint Martin of Tours Inclusive Catholic Community

Welcome to Saint Martin's!

Saint Martin of Tours Inclusive Catholic Community is the first independent Catholic faith community in Franklin County, Vermont. St. Martin's is part of a vibrant movement known as the Independent Sacramental Movement that has emerged across the U.S. over the last 30 years. (Independent Catholicism has existed in Europe and South America for many decades).

We are:

- a sacramental community centered around the Eucharist and all Sacraments
- grounded in all we love of the Catholic tradition, the celebrations, and the rhythms of the liturgical year
- a people of prayer and a people of service and social justice
- inclusive, affirming, respectful of diversity, and share the Body and Blood of Christ with all who seek to receive Him reverently

All of this binds sisters and brothers across the Catholic landscape as we expand our Faith. We gather at Mass by worshipping God, our Creator, in community and praising Him in song (which is praying twice!) We meet God through our senses of seeing, hearing, tasting, touching, and feeling. All are a part of what strengthens us in our Faith and reminds us of what it means to be Catholic.

Sunday Bulletin

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time July 6, 2025

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Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

- Ongoing Saint Martin's supports "Welcome You Home," a local ecumenical ministry helping unsheltered persons & those transitioning from temporary housing.
- June 15th September 14th Summer Masses in the Basement Sofa Parlor - 11:30 a.m.
- July 20th Feast of Mary Magdalene
 11:30 a.m.
- August 3rd Joint Outdoor Service with St. Albans Bay UMC, our host Church.
- August 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th "Reconstructing Catholicism: A Summer Book Discussion" 6:30-8:00
 p.m. in person or via Zoom.



For **The Order of the Mass**, please refer to the **Mass Worship Aid** handout found at your seat or online at www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading
A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.
(Isaiah 66:7-13 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Before she goes into labor, she gives birth. Before the pains come upon her, she delivers. Who has ever heard of such a thing? Who has ever seen things like this?

Can a country be born in a day, or a nation be midwifed in a moment? Yet no sooner is the holy City of God in labor than she gives birth to her children!

"Do I bring you to the moment of birth and not deliver?" says God. "Do I, the deliverer, close the womb?"

Rejoice with God's Beloved! Be glad for her, all you who love her! Exult with her, all you who have mourned over her! For you will again suckle and be satisfied at her comforting breasts. You will drink deeply, delighting in her overflowing abundance.

For this is what our God says: "Her peace will be like a river, the richness of her land like a river in flood. She will nourish you. You will be carried on her arm and bounced on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you. You will be comforted in the heavenly city."

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Respond: Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Reading (Spoken) (Psalm 131:1-3 (CCL))

Lector: My hope is in God, always and forever!

People My hope is in God, always and forever!

Lector: O God, my heart has no false pride. My eyes are not raised too high. I do not busy myself with matters too great for me, or things far above me.

People Respond: My hope is in God, always and forever!

Lector: It is enough for me to keep my soul still and quiet, like a child in its mother's arms, as content as a child that has been weaned.

People Respond: My hope is in God, always and forever!

Lector: O people of God, have hope, from this time on and forevermore.

People Respond: My hope is in God, always and forever!



Don't miss any announcements or upcoming special Masses!
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www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org
& sign up to receive our newsletter.

Second Reading A Reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Galatians. (Galatians 6:2,9,14-16,18 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Galatians.

I urge you to carry each other's burdens. In this way, you fulfill the law of Christ. Let us not grow weary in doing what is right. If we do not give up, we will reap at harvest time.

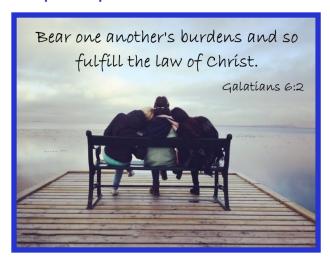
May I never boast of anything except the cross of Christ Jesus, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision, means anything. Everything is a new creation!

Peace and compassion to all those who follow this law of Freedom - in this new community of God's people.

Beloved, may the grace of Jesus the Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Respond: Thanks be to God.



Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia)

Celebrant: Alleluia, alleluia.

People Respond: Alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant: Let the peace of Christ con-

Gospel

trol your hearts; and may the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

People Respond: Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. (Luke 10:1-12 (CCL))

Celebrant: May the Word of Christ be with you all.

People Respond: And also, with you. Celebrant: A reading from the Good News attributed to Luke.

People Respond: † Glory to you, O God.

Jesus appointed 72 of his disciples and sent them ahead in pairs to every town and place that he intended to visit on his way to Jerusalem. He said to them:

"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the head of the harvest, therefore, to send out laborers into the harvest! Go! I am sending you out as lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Whatever house you enter, say, 'Peace to this house!' If the people live peaceably there, your peace will rest on them. If not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, eating and drinking what they give you, for workers deserve their wages. Don't keep moving from house to house.

(Gospel continued on the next page.)

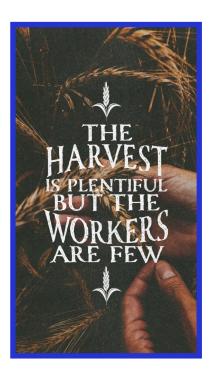
Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure

(Gospel continued.)

"When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. Heal those who are sick in that town. And tell them: 'The reign of God has drawn near to you.' But if you go into a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say: 'We shake the dust of this town from our feet as a witness against you. But be sure of this - the reign of God has drawn near.' On that day, the fate of Sodom will be less severe than that of such a town."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Jesus the Christ according to Luke.

People Respond: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.



Prayers of the People

People Respond: God of all Creation, hear us.



Your generosity is essential to breathing life into <u>Saint Martin of Tours Inclusive Catholic Community</u>, and keeping its mission alive. By God's grace and through your generosity, we remain committed to continuing our mission to serve all of God's people.

Your financial support is also necessary for us to meet our financial obligations, which, in good stewardship, we try to hold to an absolute minimum. Through your contributions, we can continue our commitment to serving others. Please know how grateful we are for your generous support and, most especially, for your prayers.

Thank you for your generosity!

To support Saint Martin's financially, you may:

- Mail a check (payable to) "Saint Martin of Tours Inclusive Catholic Community," P.O. Box 636, St. Albans, VT 05478.
- Use your bank's online bill pay section to mail your donation directly to Saint Martin's (address above).
- Submit your one-time or recurring contribution online using our secure Tithely link (https://bit.ly/Donate2SMOTCC_Tithely)
- Attend Mass in person and drop your offering in the basket designated for gifts.
- Scan our QR code and donate online.



If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Barb at 802-332-3890, or email at saintmartins.info@gmail.com.

Announcements — Looking Ahead

- Ongoing Saint Martin's donates a percentage of our monthly giving to "Welcome You Home," a local ecumenical ministry crucial in helping to furnish permanent shelter for previously unsheltered persons & those transitioning from temporary housing. We are currently raising funds to purchase durable bucket & mop sets. Your support is making this possible. Donate to this ministry through our online donation page or by mailing a check to the address below. Stay tuned for updates in the Saint Martin Messenger (newsletter).
- June 15th September 14th Summer Masses in the Basement Sofa Parlor The Church Sanctuary is not climate controlled, so for the Summer months we will gather for Sunday Mass in the Basement Sofa Parlor, at 11:30 a.m. (To reach the Sofa Parlor: From the front entrance of the Church, use the stairs in front of you and through the double doors; From the Parking Lot entrance use the stairs on your immediate left to the basement.
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Prayer Requests

Let us pray for you and your loved ones; please email: saintmartins.info@gmail.com or inform Mother Barb to have prayer request included in the upcoming Mass.

Pastoral Visits

Please reach out to Mother Barb if there's someone you know who needs pastoral care, a hospital visit, or a care facility visit.

Support our Ministry

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