



*Saint Martin
of Tours
Catholic
Community*

Welcome to Saint Martin's!

Saint Martin of Tours 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.

This worship aid substitutes the Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word and Closing Rites (after Eucharist). Refer to the [Order of the Mass](#) handout found at your seat or online at www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Holy Thursday the Lord's Supper Mass Bulletin

April 6, 2023

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Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

- **April 7th - Good Friday - Prayer Service & Holy Communion - 7:00 p.m.**
- **April 8th - Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - Postponed until 2024.**
- **April 9th - Easter Sunday Mass - 10:30 a.m.** Celebration of the Resurrection of Christ!

*Month of May - Celebration of Our Lady
Our prayers at the conclusion of each Mass
will be dedicated to our Blessed Mother.*

- **May 21st - Ascension Sunday - 10:30 a.m.**
- **May 28th - Pentecost Sunday - 10:30 a.m.** Please wear red to church. Fun fact: Pentecost Sunday 2022 was the first livestreamed Mass at Saint Martin of Tours Catholic Community.
- **May 29th - Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Time TBA.**
- **May 31st - Feast of the Visitation - Time TBA.**

Please join us for fellowship immediately following Mass.

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

[all speak after celebrant reaches altar]:

I shall not brag about anything, except about the cross of our savior, Christ Jesus.

The world has died to me because of his cross.

And, because of it, I am dead to the world.

Celebrant's Greeting & Introduction

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ... celebrant continues... and so we begin this evening's liturgy.

Celebrant: † In the name of God who is the Source of Life, Christ Jesus who is the Word of Truth, and in the name of the Holy Spirit who is All-Loving.

People Respond: Amen.

Glory to God

[all speak]:

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all people on earth:

O God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father. We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Jesus the Christ, only Son of the Father. Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus the Christ, with

the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People Respond: Amen.

First Reading

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

GOD spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying:

"This month shall be the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak to the entire community of Israel, saying, 'On the tenth of this month, every one of your families must procure for itself a lamb, one apiece for each household.

If a family is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join the nearest household in procuring one and shall share in the lamb in proportion to the number of persons who partake of it. The lamb must be a year-old male without blemish. You may take it from either the sheep or the goats.



You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, and then, with the whole assembly of Israel present, it shall be slaughtered during the evening twilight. They shall take some of its blood and apply it to the two doorposts and the lintel of every house in which they partake of the lamb. That same night they shall eat its roasted flesh with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

“This is how you shall eat it: with your belt on your waist, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste, as it is the Passover. For I will go through the land of Egypt and strike down every firstborn of the land, both man and animal. I will execute judgment on all the gods of Egypt - for I am your God!

But the blood will mark the houses where you are. Seeing the blood, I will pass over you and no destructive blow will come upon you when I strike the land of Egypt.

“This day shall be a memorial feast for you, and all your generations shall keep it as a feast to God; throughout your generations you shall keep it as a feast forever.”

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Spoken)

Lector: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

People Respond: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

How shall I make a return to the LORD for all the good he has done for me? The cup of salvation I will take up, and I will call upon the name of the LORD.

People Respond: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones. I am your servant, the son of your handmaid; you have loosed my bonds.

People Respond: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving, and I will call upon the name of the LORD. My vows to the LORD I will pay in the presence of all his people.

People Respond: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

Second Reading

A Reading from Saint Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians.

Now, what I received from the Lord, I pass along to you: On the night Jesus was arrested, he took a loaf of bread; He said the blessing, broke it into pieces, and said: “Take and eat this. This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Don’t miss any announcements or upcoming special Masses!

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Gospel

(Second Reading cont.)

In the same way, Jesus took the cup of wine after dinner, and said: "This is the cup of God's new agreement with us. As often as you share this cup, do it in my memory."

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of Christ Jesus until he comes.

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Celebrant: Glory and praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

People Respond: Glory and praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Celebrant: I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.

People Respond: Glory and praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People Respond: And also, with you.

Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

People Respond: † Glory to you, Lord.

Before the feast of Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to leave this world and go to the Father. He loved his own in the world and he

loved them to the end. The devil had already induced Judas, son of Simon the Iscariot, to hand him over.

So, during supper, fully aware that the Father had placed everything into his power and that he had come from God and was returning to God, Jesus rose from supper and took off his outer garments. He took a towel and tied it around his waist.

Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel around his waist.

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him: "Master, are you going to wash my feet?"

Jesus answered and said to him: "What I am doing, you do not understand now, but you will understand later."

Peter said to him: "You will never wash my feet."

Jesus answered him: "Unless I wash you, you will have no inheritance with me."

Simon Peter said to him: "Master, then not only my feet, but my hands and head as well."

Then Jesus said to him: "Whoever has bathed has no need except to have his feet washed, for he is clean all over; so you are clean, but not all."

For he knew who would betray him; for this reason, he said: "Not all of you are clean."

*Refer to the
Order of the Mass for the
Liturgy of the Eucharist.*

Observance of Tenebrae

So when he had washed their feet and put his garments back on and reclined at table again, he said to them:

“Do you realize what I have done for you? You call me ‘teacher’ and ‘master,’ and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another’s feet. I have given you an example to follow, so that, as I have done for you, you should also do.”

Celebrant: My friends, the Gospel of the Lord.

People Respond: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

People Respond: God of Mercy, hear our prayer.

Sign of Peace

Distribution of Holy Communion

After the distribution of Communion, the celebrant will clear the altar, the altar will be stripped, and the sixth candle will be extinguished. Only the Tenebrae Christ Candle and Sanctuary Light will remain, and all proceed into an Observance of Tenebrae.

Observance of Tenebrae

Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew – Jesus

is betrayed and arrested:

Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples: *“Sit here while I go over there and pray.”*

He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them: *“I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.”*

And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed: *“Abba God, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.”* Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter: *“So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”*

Again he went away for the second time and prayed: *‘My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.’* Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy.”

So leaving them yet again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them: *“Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.”*



Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure

While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.' At once, he came up to Jesus and said: "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. Jesus said to him: "Friend, do what you are here to do." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him.

Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him: "Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?"

At that hour Jesus said to the crowds: "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled".

Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Celebrant: My friends, the Word of the Lord.

People Respond: Thanks be to God.



Moment of Silence & Closing Prayer

The Christ Candle is extinguished at the conclusion of the prayer, and the people depart in silence.

Thank you for worshipping with us this evening. May the remainder of your Holy Week be prayerful, and your Easter be blessed.



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At Saint Martin of Tours Catholic Community, your time and talent are essential to breathing life into our new community of faith and keeping its mission alive. 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 Catholic Community," P.O. Box 636, St. Albans, VT 05478.
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- Attend Mass in person and drop your offering in the basket designated for gifts.

If you have any questions, please contact Mother Barb at 802-332-3890, or email at smartins.pastor@gmail.com.

Announcements – Looking Ahead

Holy Week Happenings - Week of April 2nd to 9th

- **Good Friday, April 7th, 7:00 p.m. - Prayer Service, Holy Communion.** On Good Friday, there is no consecration of the Eucharist, but Holy Communion follows the Liturgy of the Word and Veneration of the Cross.
- **Holy Saturday, April 8th, Postponed until 2024 - Easter Vigil.** Holy Saturday separates Good Friday from Easter Sunday and is the day we celebrate the vigil of Christ's followers held for Him outside of the tomb as we await the Resurrection. Vigil traditions include lighting the fire and blessing water and candles to symbolize Christ's passing from death to life. We toll the bells at the Gloria, signifying the joyous end of Lent.
- **Easter Sunday, April 9th, Sunday Mass, 10:30 a.m. Celebration of the Resurrection of Christ!**

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.

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