



*Saint Martin of
Tours Inclusive
Catholic Community*

Sunday Bulletin

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time August 18, 2024

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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.

Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

- **August 18th Feast of the Assumption of Mary** - 11:30 a.m.
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For *The Order of the Mass*, please refer to the *Mass Worship Aid* handout found at your seat or online at www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org.

Please join us for fellowship immediately following Mass.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A Reading from the Book of Proverbs.

(Proverbs 9:1-6 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

Wisdom has built Her house. She has shaped Her seven pillars. She has dressed Her meat and mixed Her wine. Yes, She has spread her table. She has sent out the women who serve Her to invite all in.

Woman Wisdom herself cries out from the heights above the town: "You who need direction, turn in here." To those who lack understanding, She calls: "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed! Lay aside ignorance, and live; follow the way of insight."

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Psalm (Spoken)

(Psalm 45:10-17 (Schreck))

Lector: The Queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

People Respond: The Queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Lector: Hear, O daughter, consider, and turn your ear; Forget your peo-

ple, and your ancestor's home. The people of Tyre are here with gifts, The richest of the people seeking your favor.

People Respond: The Queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Lector: The princess is decked in her chamber with gold-woven robes; In many-colored robes she enters with her companions. So shall the king will desire your beauty.

People Respond: All Taste and see that God is good.

Lector: As the people enter the palace of the king, They are born with gladness and joy. Yahweh will cause your name to be blessed in all generations; Therefore the people will venerate you, forever and ever.

People Respond: The Queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Second Reading

A Reading from the Book of Revelation.

(Revelation 12:1-6, 10 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from the Book of Revelation.

God's temple in the heavens was opened, and the ark of the covenant could be seen in the temple. A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

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Gospel

She was with child and wailed aloud in pain as she labored to give birth. Then another sign appeared in the sky; it was a huge red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on its heads were seven diadems. Its tail swept away a third of the stars in the sky and hurled them down to the earth.

Then the dragon stood before the woman about to give birth, to devour her child when she gave birth. She gave birth to a child, destined to rule all the nations. Her child was caught up to God and the throne.

The woman herself fled into the desert where she had a place prepared by God. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now has liberation come, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of the Anointed One."

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: Blessed are they who hear the word of God and observe it.

People Respond: Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

(Luke 1:39-56 (CCL))

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

People Respond: And also, with you.

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

People Respond: † Glory to you, O God.

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country, in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my God should come to me?"

For at the moment that the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Holy One would be fulfilled."

And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of God, the Holy One; my spirit rejoices in You, my God, who has looked with favor upon your servant, because you have showered your servant with blessing!"

From now to the end of time, all generations will know the great things you have done for me. Loving God, Holy is Your name! In every age, your compassion flows to those who reverence you! But all who seek to exalt themselves in arrogance will be leveled by your power. You have deposed the mighty from their seats of power, and have raised the lowly to high places.

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Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure

Gospel (cont).

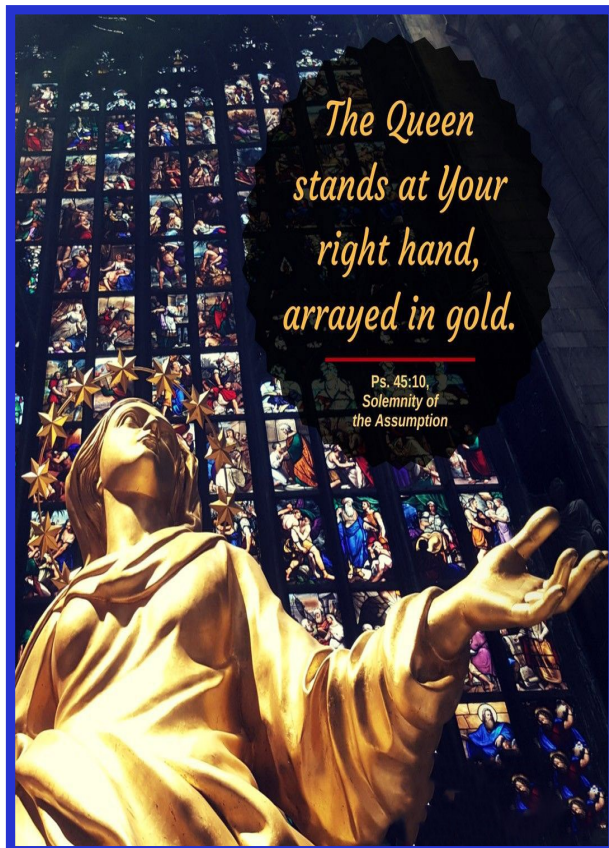
Those who suffer hunger, you have filled with good things. Those who are privileged, you have turned away empty-handed. You have come to the aid of your people, in fulfillment of the promise you made to our ancestors - when you spoke blessing to Sarah and Hagar and all their descendants, to all generations!”

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, in your goodness, hear our prayer.”



At Saint Martin of Tours Inclusive 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 Inclusive Catholic Community," P.O. Box 636, St. Albans, VT 05478.
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If you have any questions, please contact Mother Barb at 802-332-3890, or email at saintmartins.info@gmail.com.

Announcements – Looking Ahead

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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.

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