



*Saint Martin
of Tours
Catholic
Community*

Sunday Bulletin

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
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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 community centered around the Eucharist and all Sacraments
- a people of prayer and a people of service and social justice
- a sacramental community grounded in all we love of the Catholic tradition, the celebrations, and the rhythms of the liturgical year
- inclusive, affirming, respect 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!)

No matter what your experience of "being Catholic" has been, we honor you for who you are as a member of God's family. ALL who worship at Saint Martin's are invited to God's Table to experience and fully participate in the life of this community.

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

Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

- **Nov 20th - Christ the King (Jesus Christ, King of the Universe)** - End of Ordinary Time 10:30 am
- **Nov 24th - Happy Thanksgiving!** (No Mass Today)
- **Nov 27th - First Sunday of Advent** - Blessing of Advent Wreath 10:30 am
- **Dec 18th - Decorating for Christmas** after Mass. Help us decorate St. Martin's!
- **Dec 24th - Nativity of the Lord** (Christmas Eve Mass) 7:30 pm
- **Dec 25th - Merry Christmas!** (No Mass Today)
- **Jan 1st - Mary, Mother of God** (New Years' Day Mass) 10:30 am
- **Jan 8th - Epiphany**; Help us undecorate after Mass
- **Jan 15th - Memorial to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Please join us for fellowship immediately following Mass.

Liturgy of the Word

Inclusive Language Sources: World English Bible and
The Inclusive Bible/First Egalitarian Translation

Reading 1 - From the Book of Malachi.

For, behold, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble, and the day that is coming will burn them up, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch, says Yahweh.

But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness and the sun of justice will arise with its healing rays.

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

People Respond: Yahweh comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing praise to Yahweh with the harp, with the harp and the voice of melody. With trumpets and the blast of the rams horn,
Sing joyfully to Yahweh, ruler of all!

People Respond: Yahweh comes to rule the earth with justice.

Let the sea roar with its fullness; the world, and those who dwell therein. Let the rivers clap their hands. Let the mountains sing for joy together.

People Respond: Yahweh comes to rule the earth with justice.

Let them sing before Yahweh, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with justice, and the peoples with equity.

People Respond: Yahweh comes to rule the earth with justice.

Reading 2 – From the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Brothers and sisters,

You know how you ought to imitate our example, for we did not act in a disorderly way among you, nor did we depend on anyone for food. Rather, we worked long hours, both day and night, laboring to the point of exhaustion so as to not be a burden on any of you. Not that we had no claim on you, but that we offered you our efforts as an example to imitate.

Indeed, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should they eat. We heard that some of the people who lived with you are undisciplined, doing no work at all, and wasted other people's time. We command all such people, and encourage you strongly in our Savior Jesus Christ, to earn the food you eat by keeping quiet and working hard.

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia) - Sung

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel – From the Gospel of Luke

Celebrant: Our God is with you.

People Respond: And also, with you.

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

People Respond: † Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

While some disciples were speaking about how the temple was adorned with precious stones and votive offerings, Jesus said: “All that you see here--the days will come when there will not be left one stone upon another stone—everything was torn down.”

Then they asked him: “When will this happen, Rabbi? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?” Jesus answered: “See that you are not deceived. Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am the One,’ and ‘The time has come.’ Do not follow them! And don’t be perturbed or afraid when you hear of wars and insurrections. These things must happen first, but the end will not follow immediately.”

And then he said: “Nation will rise against nation, and empire against empire. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues

in various places; and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky. But, before all of this happens, they’ll arrest you and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and send you to prison, and they’ll bring you to trial before rulers and governors. And it will all be because of my name. This will be your opportunity to tell everyone about me.”

“Don’t make up your minds now how you will defend yourselves. I will give you the words and a wisdom that none of your adversaries can take exception to or contradict. You’ll be betrayed even by your parents, brothers, sisters, relatives and friends, and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by everyone because of me, yet, not a hair on your head will be harmed or destroyed. By patient endurance and your perseverance, you will secure your lives.”

Celebrant: My friends, the Gospel of the Lord.

People Respond: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

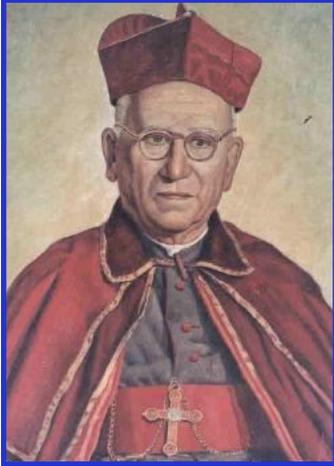
Prayers of the People

People Respond: Loving God, hear our prayer.

Don’t miss any announcements or upcoming special Masses!

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Our Catholic Roots



Saint Charles of Brazil (Bishop Carlos Duarte-Costa, 1888-1961) became diocesan bishop of Botucatu, Brazil, within the Roman Catholic Church, on

December 8, 1924. He served in that office until the views he expressed about the treatment of Brazil's poor by government and church officials caused his removal from the diocese of Botucatu. Bishop Carlos was subsequently named Titular Bishop of Maura by Pius XII.

In the 1930s, Bishop Carlos was a strong advocate for the reform of the Roman Church. His positions included a more pastoral approach to the divorced, divorced and remarried; he challenged mandatory celibacy for the clergy, rejected abuses of papal power, and considered papal Infallibility a misguided and false dogma. Bishop Carlos' criticisms of the Brazilian fascist government in the 1930s and 1940s earned him repeated troubles.

In 1944, he was imprisoned, while Brazilian bishops and the Vatican remained silent regarding this injustice. Successful diplomatic pressure from U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt and U.K. Prime Minister Winston Churchill gained Bishop Carlos his release.

On July 6, 1945. Bishop Carlos was eventually separated from the Roman Church by Pope Pius XII after criticisms of Vatican foreign policy regarding Nazi Germany. This schism was an act by Rome.

Following World War II, Bishop Carlos publicly denounced the Vatican's issuing of passports to some high-ranking former Nazi officials fleeing from the Allies to South America. Upon separation from the Roman Church, Bishop Carlos immediately established the independent Igreja Catolica Apostolica Brasileira (ICAB) church on that same date, which he led until he died in 1961.

After its founding, ICAB attracted inquiries from Catholics worldwide who wished to retain their Catholic Faith. They felt the Roman Catholic Church had failed to address contemporary world issues and hence, did not meet their pastoral needs. Bishop Carlos sent bishops to serve in these other countries. While bound by a common origin through Bishop Carlos Duarte-Costa's apostolic line, Catholic Apostolic communions were established, based on particular geographical boundaries, as self-governing and autonomous "jurisdictions." In addition to ICAB in Brazil, sister apostolic branches are formed in several other countries, each with a unique national identity, such as Europe, Asia, and the Pacific, and in South, Central, and in North America, as CACINA.

The Catholic Apostolic Church in North America (CACINA) has been since its founding, and remains, an independent church with a presence throughout portions of the United States and Canada. CACINA is honored to share this heritage with the larger family of Catholic Apostolic Christians. All are our brothers and sisters in Christ, whom we love and honor as children of the same God in heaven, and with the same brother on earth: Saint Charles of Brazil.

From such a history, one could believe that there was great animosity felt by both Bishop Duarte-Costa toward the Roman Catholic Church. Nothing could be further from the truth. The events recorded here are history that caused much suffering. That the Church of Rome contributed to the persecution of Saint Charles, and later ICAB/Brazil, is reprehensible and cannot forever be a source of discord.

The Roman Catholic Church is one of the long-standing pillars of the Christian faith. We are all one in Christ, and to hold animosity toward the Roman, her people, or her leaders would be to have such feelings for Christ. As the bishop of Rome, the Pope occupies a unique position in the Christian world.

It is to this role that Christ called Saint Peter. He did not call Peter a monarch or a head of state, but, like Jesus Himself, to be a servant, a voice for peace among peoples, a teacher, a defender of the right and a promoter of justice, and a leader in our day. As with all our Christian brothers and sisters, CACINA holds the bishop of Rome and all the people of God of the Roman Catholic Church in deep affection and respect. In this, we obey our Savior and Redeemer who taught us, "By this shall all people know you are my disciples when you love one another as I have loved you." (John 13:35).

Currently, approximately 250 religious organizations in the United States consider themselves part of the Independent Sacramental Movement (independent Catholic churches). These churches are diverse, ranging from those with only one or two clergy and no parishioners to those like CACINA, with a national presence and established Faith communities, missions, and ministries.

In the United States, CACINA evolved into a fully affirming, inclusive, and welcoming communion of churches and ministries. CACINA's mission of sacramental justice invites ALL to participate in the Sacraments of the Church, without judgment. We welcome ALL PEOPLE, regardless of gender, sexual orientation, divorced/remarried, married or single, into full participation in the church. CACINA has maintained a thorough selection and preparation process for Holy Orders (ordinations) but reserves no impediments.

The national church has a diverse clergy of straight, gay, trans, married, single, male, and female deacons, priests, and bishops. Some CACINA clergy complete three years of closely directed study and pass a rigorous, independently scored comprehensive examination through the Saint Charles Seminary. Others are trained in nationally accredited seminaries.

All CACINA clergy give their time in active ministry without financial compensation. Within the Independent Sacramental Movement, lay persons are invited (and needed) to be actively involved in the governance of their local faith community. Through diverse gifts, the laity exclusively manages financial and administrative matters. It takes a village!

Collaborative relationships among pastors and their respective faith communities negate the need for hierarchical decision-making. Pastors and other parish clergy tend to hold a consultive role, along with primary responsibilities for liturgy, sacraments, and pastoral care. Together, clergy and laity collaborate to promote evangelization, stewardship, and lay involvement within community ministries. There are also opportunities for lay leadership within CACINA and for representing the local faith community at national CACINA gatherings (known as General Assemblies).

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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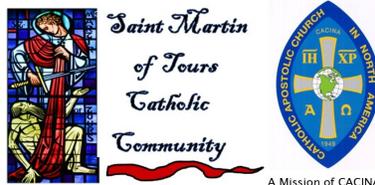
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