



*Saint Martin of
Tours Inclusive
Catholic Community*

Sunday Bulletin

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

June 16, 2024

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.

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

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Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

- June 23rd - Father's Day.
- June 23rd - Sunday Priest in the Park - 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. - Taylor Park.
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Please join us for fellowship immediately following Mass.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

(Ezekiel 17:22-23 (CCL))

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Thus says the Holy One: "As an eagle soars, so shall I. From the top of the tall cedar tree, from the highest branch, I shall take a tender shoot, and plant it on a high and lofty mountain."

"On the mountain heights, I will plant it. It shall put forth branches, and bear fruit, and grow into a noble cedar. Birds of every kind shall roost beneath it. Every kind of winged creature will nest in the shade of its branches."

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Spoken)

(Psalm 92:2-5; 13-14, 15-16 (CCL))

Lector: We proclaim your love at daybreak and your faithfulness at night.

People Respond: We proclaim your love at daybreak and your faithfulness at night.

What a beautiful thing to declare Your love in the morning, and Your faithfulness every night! With a ten-stringed harp, to the melody upon the lyre, we sing! For You, O God, have brought us joy. At the works of Your hands, we sing!

People Respond: We proclaim your love at daybreak and your faithfulness at night.

The just shall flourish like the palm tree, grow like the noble cedar of

Lebanon. Planted in the house of the Holy One, they will flourish in the courts of our God.

People Respond: We proclaim your love at daybreak and your faithfulness at night.

The just shall bear fruit even in old age. They will remain fresh, green and full of sap. They will sing of God's unfailing goodness, "God is just; our Source, in whom there is no wrong."

People Respond: We proclaim your love at daybreak and your faithfulness at night.

Second Reading

A Reading from Saint Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

(2 Corinthians 9:5-15 (CCL))

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I encouraged some of our number to visit you in advance and finish the arrangement for your promised gift, so that in this way it might be ready as a bountiful gift and not as one grudgingly given.

Remember this. Anyone who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly. Whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you should give as you have determined, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things, at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Don't miss any announcements or upcoming special Masses!

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www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org
& sign up to receive our newsletter.*

Gospel

As it is written: “They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever.” The One who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed and increase the harvest of your justice. You are being enriched in every way for your generosity. The administration of this public service is not only supplying the needs of the holy ones but is also overflowing in many acts of thanksgiving to God.

You are glorifying God by living out the gospel of Christ through the generosity of your contribution to them and to all others. And in their prayers for you, their hearts go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for this indescribable gift!

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.

Gospel

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.
(Mark 4:1-9, 26-33 (CCL))

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

People Respond: And also, with you.

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People Respond: † Glory to you, O God.

Again, Jesus began to teach by the lake. The crowd gathered round was so large that Jesus got into a boat and sat in it out on the lake, while all the

people were along the shore at the water’s edge. He taught them many things by parables, and in his teaching said:“

Listen. A farmer went out to sow seed. While scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky places, with little soil. It sprang up quickly because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root.

Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants, so that they did not bear grain. Still, other seed fell on good soil. It came up, grew, and produced a crop, some multiplying 30, some 60, some 100 times.” Then Jesus said, “Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.”

Jesus continued speaking to the crowd, saying, “The reign of God is like someone scattering seed on the earth. The sower sleeps and rises, night and day. The scattered seed sprouts and grows, but the sower doesn’t know how that happens. Of its own accord, the earth yields: first the shoot, then the head, then the full grain in the head. Then, when the grain is ripe, immediately, the sower goes in with a sickle, for the harvest has come.”

THE PARABLE



OF THE SOWER



OR THE PARABLE OF THE FOUR TYPES OF SOIL

Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure

Gospel (cont.)

Jesus also said, "What else can we say the reign of God is like? What parable can we find to describe it? It is like a mustard seed which, at the time it is sown, is the smallest of all the seeds; yet, once sown, it grows into the greatest of shrubs and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." Using many parables like these, Jesus spoke the word to them, inasmuch as they were able to hear it.

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

People Respond: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Prayers of the People

God of All, hear our prayer.

*I Proclaim
Your Love
in the
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Psalm 92:1*



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.
- 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 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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