

# Mother of God January 1, 2023

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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).

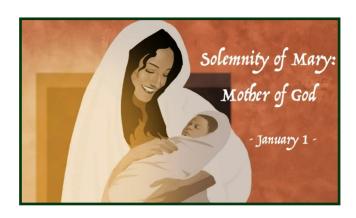
#### We are:

- a 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. ing. 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

- Jan 1st Mary, Mother of God (New Years' Day Mass) 10:30 am
- Feast Jan 8th **Epiphany** Help us "un-decorate" after Mass as we return to Ordinary Time for a short while
- Jan 22nd & 29th Faith Sharing: What is the Independent Sacramental Movement Parts I & II 11:45 am to 1:00 pm (description in announcements)
- Jan 23rd Birthday of the Catholic Apostolic Church in North America (CACINA) -73 years!
- Feb. 22nd Ash Wednesday, Lent Begins



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

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

# Reading 1 - From the Book of Numbers.

Yahweh God said to Moses:

"Tell Aaron and to his sons, 'This is how you shall bless the children of Israel.'

#### Say to them:

May Yahweh bless you and keep you! May Yahweh's face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! May Yahweh look kindly upon you, and give you peace! So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites, and I will bless them."

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

#### Responsorial Psalm (Spoken)

People Respond: May Yahweh bless us in his mercy.

For the earth will acknowledge your ways, and all the nations will know of your power to save. Let the peoples praise you! Let all the peoples praise you!

# People Respond: May Yahweh bless us in his mercy.

Let the nations shout and sing for joy; because you dispense true justice to the world; you guide the nations of the earth!

# People Respond: May Yahweh bless us in his mercy.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you! Let Yahweh bless us, and may he be revered, even to the ends of the earth!

People Respond: May Yahweh bless us in his mercy.

# Reading 2 — Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians.

Sisters and brothers:

When the designated time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to deliver from the law those who were subjected to it, so that we might receive our status as his adopted daughters and sons.

The proof that you are children of God is the fact that God has sent forth, into our hearts, the Spirit of Christ who calls out, "Abba, Father!"

So you are no longer slaves to the Law, but children of God. And, if you are God's children, then you are also heirs to God's Kingdom, by God's design, because of what Christ did for all of us.

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.

In past days, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but, in these last days, God has spoken to us through his Son.

People Respond: Alleluia, alleluia.

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# Gospel — From the Holy Gospel according to 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.

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary, Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told to them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds.

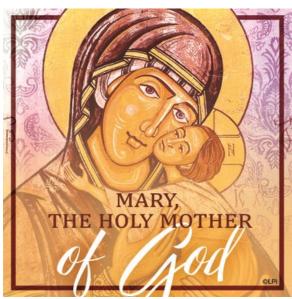
And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them. When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel, before he was conceived in the womb.

Celebrant: My friends, the Gospel of the Lord.

People Respond: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Prayers of the People

People Respond: Lord, hear our prayer.





### Saint Martin's Angels Wish List

### Current ways to help our community.

- Prayers for our new faith community.
- Liturgical Banners for worship space.
- \* ONE LICENSE Membership (church music licensing) to resume using music during liturgies.
- Advertising Resources to help spread the word.
- Liturgical Bells.

To submit your gift for Saint Martin's or for more information on how to help our ministry, please call 802-332-3890, or email saintmartins.info@gmail.com.

## Announcements — Looking Ahead

### After-Mass Faith Sharing

The Independent Sacramental Movement: What's That All About?

- This two-session interactive experience will take place Sunday, January 22nd & Sunday, January 29th, from 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Part I will focus on the history of 19th & 20th century independent Catholicism and the independent sacramental movement. Part II will be devoted to the history of the Catholic Apostolic Church in North America (CACINA), Saint Charles of Brazil (Charles Duarte-Costa), and local church history, specifically, Saint Martin of Tours Catholic Community in St. Albans.
- Registration is required. Email your name and whether you will attend in person or through Zoom, to <u>saintmartins.info@gmail.com</u>, on or before January 15th, 2023. Confirmation emails for Zoom attendees will be sent three days before the event with the Zoom link. The zoom link will remain the same for Part 2. In-person participants will receive a reminder email three days before the first session. If you have any questions, please email Mother Barb at stmartins.pastor@gmail.com.

### **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**

Donate online & like/follow/interact with us on social media (links below).

(Rev.) Mother Barb Fichter, Pastor Saint Martin of Tours Catholic Community,

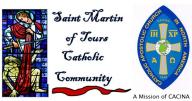
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