



*Saint Martin of
Tours Inclusive
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.

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.

2nd Sunday of Easter Sunday of Divine Mercy Mass Bulletin

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Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

- **May 11th - Saturday Priest in the Park** - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon - Taylor Park.
- **May 19th - Sunday Priest in the Park** - 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. - Taylor Park.
- **June 3rd-9th - 1st Annual St. Albans Pride Week** - Visit Saint Martin's table at the Festival (on Saturday), and join us Sunday for the Ecumenical Pride Service.



Liturgy of the Word

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First Reading

**A Reading from the Book of Acts.
(Acts 1:3-5, 12-15 (CCL))**

Lector: Jesus presented himself alive to the disciples by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them over forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

While meeting with them, Jesus urged them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait for “the promise of God, about which you have heard me speak. John baptized with water, but in a few days, you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

The disciples returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, near Jerusalem, a Sabbath’s day journey away. When they entered the city, they went to the upper room where they were staying. Peter and John, James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James, son of Alphaeus, Simon, the Zealot, and Jude, son of James, were there.

With one heart, all of them joined constantly in prayer, with some of the women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and Jesus’ siblings. Altogether, there was a group of about 120 persons gathered in that one place.

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

**Responsorial Psalm (Spoken)
(Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24
(USCCB))**

Lector: Give thanks to God, for He is good; His love is everlasting.

People Respond: Give thanks to God, for He is good; His love is everlasting.

Let the house of Israel say, “His mercy endures forever.” Let the house of Aaron say, “His mercy endures forever.” Let those who fear God say, “His mercy endures forever.”

People Respond: Give thanks to God, for He is good; His love is everlasting.

I was hard pressed and was falling, but it was God who helped me. My strength and my courage comes from God; He has been my savior. The joyful shout of victory in the tents of the just.

People Respond: Give thanks to God, for He is good; His love is everlasting.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. Through God, this has been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.

People Respond: How Give thanks to God, for He is good; His love is everlasting.



Gospel

Second Reading

A Reading from the First Letter of John.
(1 John 5:1-6 (USCCB))

Lector: Beloved:
Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves God, also loves the one begotten by him.

In this way, we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

Christ Jesus is the one who came through water and blood, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia)

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen, Alleluia!

People Respond: Alleluia! Christ is risen, Alleluia!

Don't miss any announcements or upcoming special Masses!

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www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org
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Gospel

A Reading from the Gospel according to John.
(John 20:1, 11-18 (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 John.

People Respond: † Glory to you, O God.

Early in the morning, on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary of Magdala went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance.

Mary stood, crying, outside the tomb. While weeping, she stooped down and saw two angels inside. They were dressed in white and were sitting, one at the head and one at the feet of where Jesus' body had laid.

The angels asked Mary: "Why are you weeping?" She answered: "They have taken away my Teacher, and I don't know where they've put him."

As soon as Mary said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there. She did not recognize him. Jesus asked her: "*Why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?*" (Gospel continued on the next page.)

Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure

Gospel (cont.)

Thinking Jesus was the gardener, Mary said: "Sir, if you have taken his body away, please tell me, so I can go and get him." Then Jesus said to her: "*Mary!*" She turned. She said to him, "Rabbouni?" which means "Teacher."

Jesus then told her: "*Do not hold on to me! I have not yet gone to the Beloved. But tell my other disciples that I am going to my Beloved and your Beloved, to my God and your God.*"

Mary Magdalene then went to the disciples with the message: "I have seen the Teacher!" And she told them what he had said to her.

Celebrant: The Gospel of Jesus the Christ.

People Respond: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Prayers of the Faithful

People Respond: "Resurrected Jesus, hear our prayer."



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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.

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- 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

- **May 11th - Saturday Priest in the Park - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon - Taylor Park** - Mother Barb will be available to chat with anyone who wishes to stop by to say hi & learn what it means to be an inclusive catholic. For the curious, the questioning, the recovering catholic, for anyone who has fallen out of love with their faith.
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- **June 3rd-9th - 1st Annual St. Albans Pride Week** - Saturday, June 8th - Parade at 10:00 a.m. Festival is from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m. Look for Saint Martin's table at the festival! Sunday, June 9th - Ecumenical Pride Service at 10:30 a.m. Join Saint Martin's, First Congregational, St. Paul's UMC, and St. Luke's Episcopal for a morning of worship, with St. Paul's praise band providing the music.

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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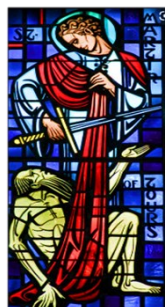
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