



*Saint Martin of  
Tours Inclusive  
Catholic Community*



# Sunday Bulletin

## 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

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### Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

## 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.

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- **Christmas Caroling in December - Stay tuned for more info in mid-October.**

For *The Order of the Mass*, please refer to the *Mass Worship Aid* handout found at your seat or online at [www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org](http://www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org).

Please join us for fellowship immediately following Mass.

## Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

A Reading from the Book of Amos.  
(Amos 8:4-10 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from the Book of Amos.

Listen to this, you who grind those in need, and bring to ruin those who are poor in the land. You who say: "When will the New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and the Sabbath, so that we can market our wheat, giving short measure to the bushel and adding to the shekel weight, fixing our scales with deceit? For then we can buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and even get a price for the sweepings of wheat."

Will not the earth tremble for this? And all who dwell in it mourn? It will all rise up and toss like the Nile, and sink again like the Nile of Egypt?

On that Day, declares our God: ***"I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight. I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation. I will cover the loins of all with sackcloth, and have all your heads shaved. I will make it like mourning for the death of an only child, and the end of it like a bitter day."***

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

***People Respond: Thanks be to God.***



### Responsorial Psalm (Spoken) (Psalm 15:1-5 (CCL))

Lector: It is Yahweh who dwells in You.

***People Respond: It is Yahweh who dwells in You.***

Lector: O God, who may dwell in Your sacred tent, who may live upon your holy mountain? Those who walk without blame, do what is right, speak truth from the heart, and keep the tongue in check.

***People Respond: It is Yahweh who dwells in You.***

Lector: Those who do not harm a friend, or discredit a neighbor; Those who despise the despicable, but honor those who honor God.

***People Respond: It is Yahweh who dwells in You.***

Lector: Those who are true to their word, even at a high price; Those who lend without interest, and accept no bribe against the innocent. Those who do these things can never be shaken.

***People Respond: It is Yahweh who dwells in You.***



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## Gospel

### Second Reading

A Reading from the Letter of James.  
(James 5:1-5 (CCL))

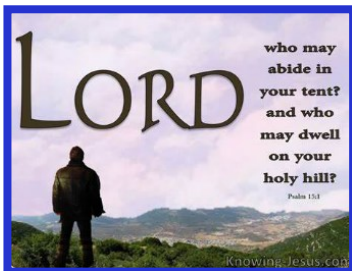
Lector: A reading from the Letter of James.

Listen, you who are rich! Weep and wail in lamentation because of the misery that is coming on you! Your wealth has rotted. Moths have eaten your clothes. Your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will testify against you, eat your flesh like fire.

You thought you were piling up wealth. What you have piled up is judgment. Look! All the workers you failed to pay who mowed your fields cry out against you. The groans of the harvesters have reached the ears of God. You have looted the earth in self-indulgence. You have fattened yourselves for the day of slaughter.

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 7:1-23 (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 Mark.

*People Respond: † Glory to you, O God.*

Religious leaders and lawyers who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus. They saw some of Jesus' disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. It is understood that religious leaders, and Judeans in general, do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition handed down to them by their ancestors. When they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they purify themselves through this washing. And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.

The religious leaders and adherers to the law asked Jesus: "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?"

And Jesus replied: "*Isaiah was right in prophesying about you hypocrites. As it is written: 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; denying that their teachings are of human origin.' You have let go of the commandment of God, yet you hold on to human traditions.*"

Jesus continued: "*You set aside the commandments of God to uphold to your traditions! Yet Moses said, 'Honor your father and mother,' and, 'Anyone who curses their father or mother should be killed.'* But you say anyone can tell their father or mother, 'Whatever support you were to have from me is now an offering to God. You excuse them from caring financially for their father or mother because you gain from it! You void the word of God by this tradition that you hand on. And you do many things like this.'"

*(Gospel continued on the next page.)*

## Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure

### Gospel cont.

Jesus called the crowd together and said: ***“Listen, everyone, and take this to heart. Nothing outside a person can defile by going inside a person. The things that come out of a person are what defile.”***

After Jesus left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about this parable. “Do you also fail to understand?” Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile, since it enters not the heart but the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?”

Jesus continued: ***“What comes out of a person is what defiles them. For it is from within, out of a person’s heart, that evil thoughts come – obscenity, theft, murder, betrayal, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. All these evils come from inside and defile a person.”***

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

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

### Prayers of the People

***People Respond: Guide us in our labors, O God.***



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).
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If you have any questions, please contact Mother Barb at 802-332-3890, or email at [saintmartins.info@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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).

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