



*Saint Martin of  
Tours Inclusive  
Catholic Community*

# Sunday Bulletin

## 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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## 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.

## Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

- **February 14th - Ash Wednesday** - CANCELED.
- **March 10th** - Daylight Savings returns. Move clocks forward one hour.
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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 Job.  
(Job 5:9-11, 16, 18, 27 (CCL))

God performs wonders that cannot be fathomed, things marvelous that cannot be counted.

God provides rain upon the earth and sends water upon the fields.

God sets up the lowly on high, and those who mourn are raised to safety. Thus, those in need have hope, and injustice closes its mouth.

For we are wounded, but God binds up; we know injury, but God's hands heal.

See! This we have searched out; and it is so! This we have heard, and you should know!

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

*People Respond: Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm (Spoken) (Psalm 147:1-7 (CCL))

Lector: Heal our broken hearts, O God, and bind up our wounds.

*People Respond: Heal our broken hearts, O God, and bind up our wounds.*

Praise to God who is good. Sing to our God who is gracious. God builds up the Holy City of Hope, and gathers dispersed families of war. God heals the broken-hearted, and binds up their wounds.

*People Respond: Heal our broken hearts, O God, and bind up our wounds.*

God numbers the stars, calling each by name. Great is our Holy God, vast in creative power, Whose Wisdom is beyond all measure. God sustains those who are bowed low.

*People Respond: Heal our broken hearts, O God, and bind up our wounds.*

The Holy One lifts up those who are downtrodden. All wrong-doing will be thwarted. Sing to the Holy One, giving thanks. Make melody to God on the harp.

*People Respond: Heal our broken hearts, O God, and bind up our wounds.*



*Don't miss any announcements or upcoming special Masses!*

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[www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org](http://www.saintmartinoftoursvermont.org)  
& sign up to receive our newsletter.

## Second Reading

A Reading from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.  
(1 Corinthians 9:1-6 (USCCB))

Am I, Paul, not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus the Christ? Are you not my work in the Christ?

Although I may not be an apostle for others, I certainly am for you! I was sent to preach the Good News to you; so, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Christ.

My defense against those who would pass judgment on me for receiving hospitality and support is this: Do we not have the right to eat and drink? Do we not have the right to travel with our wives as do the rest of the apostles and followers of Jesus? Is it only myself and Barnabas who do not have these rights?

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 1:29-39 (USCCB))

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.*

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew

## Gospel

with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told Jesus about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she served them.

When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to Jesus all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him.

Rising very early, before dawn, Jesus left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with Jesus pursued Him, and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." Jesus told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come."

So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons, throughout the whole of Galilee.

Celebrant: My friends, this is the good news from the Gospel of Mark.

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

## Prayers of the People

*People Respond: Heal us, O Jesus.*



*Jesus teaches in the synagogue.*

## Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure



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](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](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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