



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.

Saint Martin of Sunday Bulletin

Commemoration of All Saints & All the Faithful Departed

November 2, 2025

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Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

- Ongoing Saint Martin's supports "Welcome You Home," a local ecumenical ministry helping unsheltered persons & those transitioning from temporary housing.
- November 2nd All Saints/All Soul's Mass - 11:30 a.m. Daylight Saving Time ends; fall back one (1) hour.
- November 9th Saint Martin of Tours Feast Day - 11:30 a.m.





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

First Reading
A Reading from the Book of Wisdom.
(Wisdom 3:1-9 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from the Book of Wisdom.

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. To the eyes of the foolish, they seem to be dead. Their departure will be interpreted as a defeat, and their going away will be considered a disaster - but, they have found peace!

Although, before mortals, they may indeed have suffered punishment, their hope remains full, in life everlasting. After a time of trial, they shall be greatly blessed, because God has tested them, and found them worthy. God purified them, like gold in a crucible, and found them as acceptable as whole burnt offerings on the altar.

When their time of judgment comes, they will shine and shall dart about the world like sparks through the chaff. They will be appointed as judges and leaders over all nations and peoples, and God shall reign forever.

Those who have placed their trust in God shall understand truth, and those who are faithful shall dwell with God, in His love, because His grace, mercy and care belong to them - God's chosen ones.

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

People Respond: Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Reading (Spoken) (Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (CCL))

Lector: With God as our Shepherd, there is nothing we shall want.

People Respond: With God as our Shepherd, there is nothing we shall want.

Lector: O God, You are our beloved and our shepherd! We shall not want. You bring us to green pastures for rest, You lead us beside still waters, renewing our spirits. You restore our souls. You lead us in the path of goodness to follow Love's way.

People Respond: With God as our Shepherd, there is nothing we shall want.

Lector: Even though we walk through the valley of the shadow and of death, We are not afraid. For You are ever with us. Your rod and Your staff guide us. They give us strength and comfort.

People Respond: With God as our Shepherd, there is nothing we shall want.

Lector: You prepare a table before us in the presence of all our fears. You bless us with oil. Our cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives; and we shall dwell in the heart of the Beloved forever.

People Respond: With God as our Shepherd, there is nothing we shall

want.



Second Reading

A Reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

(Ephesians 4:1-6 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

As a prisoner for Christ Jesus, I implore you to live a life worthy of the call to which you have been called. Be humble and gentle.

Be patient, bearing with one another in love. Be careful to value the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope, one Christ, one faith, one baptism, one God, Creator of all, who is beyond all and through all and in all.

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.

Celebrant: Come, you who are blessed; inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

People Respond: Alleluia, alleluia.

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

Gospel

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A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. (Luke 19:1-10 (CCL))

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

People Respond: And also, with you. Celebrant: A reading from the Good News attributed to Luke.

People Respond: † Glory to you, O God.

As Jesus was approaching Jericho, a blind person was sitting by the road, begging. Hearing a crowd going by, the blind beggar began to inquire what was going on. They said that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. The one who was blind called out, "Jesus, Heir of David, have mercy on me!"

The disciples who led the way rebuked the blind person and sought to silence them. The blind person then called out all the more, "Heir of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stopped and commanded that the blind beggar be brought to him.

As they were bringing him near, Jesus asked: "What do you want me to do for you?" Came the reply: "Sir, I want to regain my sight!" And Jesus said: "Receive your sight. Your faith has made you well."

Immediately, the one who was blind could see and began following Jesus, glorifying God. When all the people saw it, they praised God.

Jesus then entered Jericho and intended to pass through the town. A chief tax collector was there named Zacchaeus. He was rich.

Zacchaeus kept trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not because he was short in stature. He ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see Jesus who was to pass that way.

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Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure

(Gospel cont.)

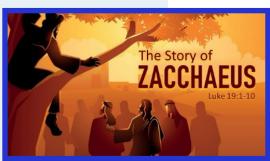
When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said, "Zacchaeus! Hurry, come down! I must stay at your house today." Zacchaeus hurried down and welcomed Jesus joyfully.

All who saw it began to grumble and said: "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner." Zacchaeus stopped and said to the Teacher: "Look, Rabbi, half of my possessions, I will give to those who are poor. If I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much."

Then Jesus said to Zacchaeus: "Today liberation has come to this house! Zacchaeus, too, is a child of Sarah and Abraham! For the Chosen One has come to seek out and gather in all who are lost."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Jesus the Christ.

People Respond: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.



Prayers of the People

People Respond: God of Love and Compassion, hear us.





Your generosity is essential to breathing life into <u>Saint Martin of Tours Inclusive</u> <u>Catholic Community</u>, and keeping its mission alive. By God's grace and through your generosity, we remain committed to continuing our mission to serve all of God's people.

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 Rev. Barb at 802-332-3890, or email at saintmartins.info@gmail.com.

Announcements — Looking Ahead

- Ongoing Saint Martin's donates a percentage of our monthly giving to "Welcome You Home," a local ecumenical ministry crucial in helping to furnish permanent shelter for previously unsheltered persons & those transitioning from temporary housing. Support this ministry through our online donation page or by mailing a check to the address below. Stay tuned for updates in the <u>Saint Martin Messenger</u> (newsletter).
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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.

Support our Ministry

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

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