



# St. Martin of Tours CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Second Sunday of Lent—March 12, 2017

*Gospel Acclamation: From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him.  
cf. Matthew 17:5*

**5:00 pm Sunday Evening Mass:** will be cancelled for the Sundays of March 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> due to Troy University's spring break.

**+Bring in Old Blessed Palms:** from last Lent so that they can be burned.

**Reminder about Special Collections:** we will continue the practice of just taking up one collection during Mass. Please place all the envelopes for a given Sunday in the basket at the time of the collection. If you do not have an envelope for a special collection, you can use the one provided in the pew rack. Please write your name and address on it if you would like your donation recorded.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN

### Sunday, March 12

CCD - 8:30 am  
Sacrament of Reconciliation - 9:30 to 9:45 am  
Rosary - 9:30 am  
Holy Mass - 10:00 am  
Jr. High & High School Teen Meeting - 6:15 pm - 7:30pm

### Monday, March 13

The Trudy Schroeder Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am  
Holy Mass - 5:15 pm

### Tuesday, March 14

Holy Mass - 5:15 pm

### Wednesday, March 15

Adoration - 9 am - 8 pm  
Holy Mass - 5:15 pm

### Thursday, March 16

Holy Mass - 12:15 pm  
Bible Study in Spanish - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
RCIA - 6:00 pm

### Friday, March 17

Holy Mass - 6:30 am  
Stations of the Cross - 5:30 pm

### Saturday, March 18

Sacrament of Reconciliation - 4:45 to 5:15 pm  
Holy Mass - 5:30 pm

### Sunday, March 19

CCD - 8:30 am  
Sacrament of Reconciliation - 9:30 to 9:45 am  
Rosary - 9:30 am  
Holy Mass - 10:00 am  
Sacrament of Reconciliation, Sorrell Chapel - 4:35 pm  
Holy Mass, Sorrell Chapel - 5:00 pm  
Jr. High & High School Teen Meeting - 6:15 pm - 7:30pm

## Resources and Opportunities during Lent

**Holy Mass** will be offered on **Mondays at 5:15 pm** in addition to the normal schedule.

**Stations of the Cross:** each Friday of Lent at **5:30 pm**. This would be a great opportunity to bring some non-Catholic friends to a beautiful Catholic devotional practice.

**Almsgiving (Donations for Charitable Causes)** During Lent, please consider forgoing some of the entertainment you normally enjoy and save the money you would have spent. At the end of Lent we will collect the money; 25% of the money collected will be used here locally to help the poor; 75% of it will go to CRS, Catholic Relief Services; they carry out international relief efforts including aiding those who suffer due to natural disasters, war, and to help the poor and the needy.

**Personal Hygiene items being collected for Prisoners** About 250 of the prisoners at Easterling Prison, where Fr. Irwin visits once a month, are indigent and cannot afford to buy their own supplies. Therefore, please **only donate** the following: **deodorants (non-aerosol), bar soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes** for these men (there is not a lot of need for shampoo). Please note: the prison has strict rules as to what you can bring in! These items are given only to those who cannot afford them. Please leave these items in the box in the parish hall. Our Lord said, "I was in prison and you visited me" Matt 25.

**For Lent we will Sing the Parts of the Mass in Latin:** Latin is the official language of the Church. Latin is a real blessing when you think about the fact that there are international gatherings of Catholics on a regular basis (for instance World Youth Day). When you have Catholics from all over the world who speak different languages gathered in one place, Latin can be a real unifier. In addition, even the Second Vatican Council recommended that Latin continue to be used in the liturgy.

**Lenten Series on Virtues and Vices each Wednesday:** Join us in the parish hall **from 6:00 - 7:00 pm** for the next three Wednesdays as we continue a great series on the **Seven Deadly Sins & Seven Lively Virtues**. We are using Fr. Robert Barron's video presentations and discussing them. **This week we will cover the deadly sins of envy and anger and the lively virtues of admiration and forgiveness.** Fr. Barron does an outstanding job with these presentations. He is amazingly positive and uplifting, avoiding being heavy-handed. This study is open to everyone; however, it is recommended for those who are in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade and beyond. **Please note that you will benefit from any of the sessions that you are able to attend; you will not be lost if you miss an evening.** Fr. Irwin and Deacon Dave will be the facilitators. Series runs March 8, 15, 22, & 29.

**Great Retreat Opportunity for High School Students:** St. Columba in Dothan is sponsoring a NET (National Evangelization Teams) Retreat on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 8PM. This will include Holy Mass at 5:00 PM and supper cooked by Chef Don Gardino immediately following. The retreat is free. If you have any questions, please call the church office 566-2630 or email [stmartintroyalabama@gmail.com](mailto:stmartintroyalabama@gmail.com).

*Pray the Rosary Sunday at 9:30 am*



## Let us Pray for:

Mike McCorkle, Sharon Listul, Denise Broxton, K.D. Blair, Ellen Blum, Bruce Tustin, Charles Owens and Carol Gibbs. Please send an email to [REDACTED] to add or remove a name from the prayer list.



**Sav-A-Life Fundraising Auction:** Friday, March 17 at 5:30 pm at Park Memorial United Methodist Church. Come out for a Low Country Boil and Grits Bar; also featuring live music. Tickets are \$40 per couple or \$25 per individual. Contact Kathy Sauer for more info. or call the Sav-A-Life office at 566-2880.

**The Parish Code for Access to FORMED.ORG:** is [REDACTED]. Please keep in mind that this code is for our parishioners and students only. I believe very strongly in honoring these sorts of rules. After all, if we want good Catholic material to learn from and share with our children, someone has to pay for it! (In case friends from other places enquire about getting access to FORMED, individuals are welcome to purchase access to the site as well as parishes). Thanks, Fr. Irwin

### Spotlight on FORMED.ORG

**Movie:** "Don Bosco". Don Bosco was a priest who spent his life working with boys from troubled homes. To attract them he would do acrobatic stunts and challenge them to races etc.

#### Talk:

- Why God Still Matters by Karlo Broussard
- My Beloved Son: Meditations for Lent by Bishop Robert Barron
- Forgiven: the Transforming Power of Confession (Series)

**Children's Movie:** "The Day the Sun Danced: The True Story of Fatima"

- Use [FORMED.ORG](http://FORMED.ORG) on your computer, tablet, or smartphone.
- Scripture Studies, Adult Faith Formation, Marriage Preparation and Enrichment, RCIA, Sacrament Preparation, Small Group Teen Discipleship, and much more!

### SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK

#### Saturday – March 18, 2017

Greeters: Chris Gambles  
Lectors: Beth Ann Gibson, Maria Bernardo  
Ushers: Michael Meyer, John Leveque  
Gift Bearers: The Gibbs Family  
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Julia Tran, Barbara Staskowski  
Altar Servers:

#### Sunday – March 19, 2017

Greeters: Annette Tustin, Jeffrey Blair  
Lectors: Mike Orlofsky, Stacy Graning  
Ushers: Mike Kreis, Herb Huner  
Gift Bearers: Anna Chuplis, Jo Ann Gibson  
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Jeffrey Blair, Donna Newell  
Altar Servers: Mario Robledo, Isabella Robledo, Brock Huner

**Big Thanks to Chris Huner:** As we have recently sent out our financial statements to our parishioners, it is a good opportunity for us to thank Chris Huner for consistently keeping track of our donations as well as doing the bookkeeping for the parish. This takes a lot of work and is a huge service to our parish.

### Parish Mission Sunday – Wednesday, April 2 – 5 Renew, Reconnect, Recommit with the Redemptorists

Sunday 6:30 pm Theme: **God's plan of salvation and our response to God's Word of love.**

Monday 6:30 pm Theme **Who is Jesus for us?**

Tuesday 6:30 pm Theme **Sin, Reconciliation and Healing.**

We will have a reconciliation service tonight.

Wednesday evening 6:30 pm Theme **At the altar we seal our covenant with our God and are nourished with the Bread of Life to live our mission as baptized disciples.**

Holy Mass will be offered Monday & Tuesday at a special time 12:15 pm. Wednesday Holy Mass will be at 6:30 pm. There will be no 5:15 pm Masses on these days.

Two priests of the Redemptorist religious order will put on the mission.

**Come and See Road Trips:** If you are 18+ and feel a tug to Come and See a Seminary and see what it is like please pray about signing up for one of the following opportunities this Spring:

Come and See Road Trip: St. Meinrad Major Seminary, Indiana

Thursday, March 30: Meet at the Chancery in Mobile (400 Government St) at 6am OR Meet at St. Bede's in Montgomery (3870 Atlanta Highway) at 9am

Sunday, April 2: Return to Montgomery around 7pm and Mobile around 10 pm

Cost: Only some spending money for snacks on the road and personal needs

Sign Up: 13 spots available, first come, first serve. Sign up deadline-March 20

\*\*Ideally for Juniors, Seniors, Grad Students and older. However others are welcome, especially if only this trip fits their schedule. St. Meinrad is where any seminarian already equipped with a College Degree would begin studies\*\*

Come and See Road Trip: St. Joseph Seminary College, Louisiana

Friday, April 7: Meet at the Chancery in Mobile (400 Government St) at 1pm

Sunday, April 9: Return to Chancery about 4pm

Cost: Only some spending money for snacks on the road and personal needs

Sign Up: 13 spots available, first come, first serve. Sign up deadline-March 25

\*\*Ideally for Freshmen and Sophomores. However others are welcome, especially if only this trip fits their schedule. St. Joseph is where a seminarian still working on a College Degree would likely begin studies\*\*

Sign up for either trip by emailing Fr. Victor Ingalls, Archdiocese of Mobile Vocations Director at [vocations@mobarch.org](mailto:vocations@mobarch.org)