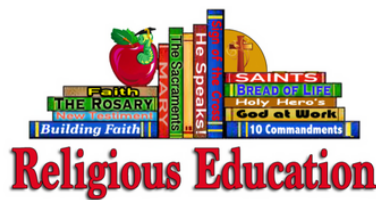


Parish Information



Registrations for 2025 - 2026 Children's Catechetical Ministry, First Eucharist Preparation, Christian Initiation, Adult and Youth Confirmation is open.

If you would like more information, please contact Ed Ibarra (Faith Formation) eibarra@stmartin.org or 408-294-8953 ext. 321 or stop by the parish office



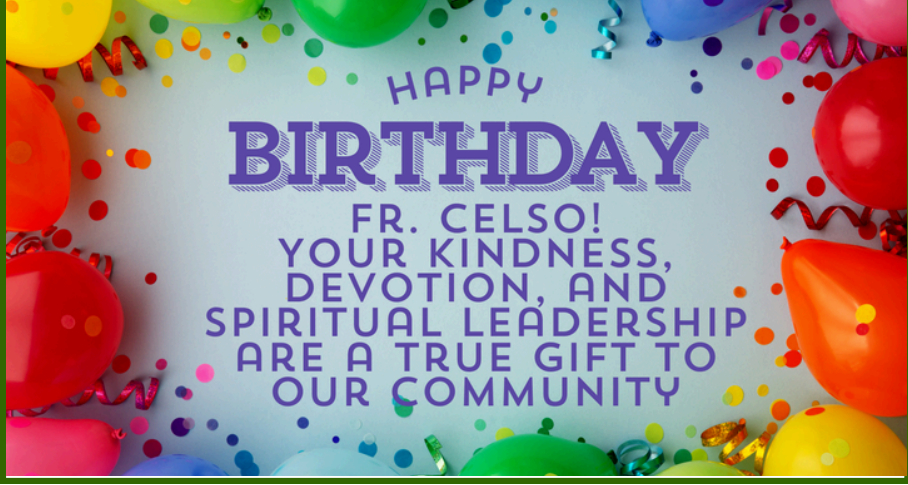
Registration for OCIA 2025 - 2026 is open

Interested in becoming Catholic? Are you a non-Catholic who is attracted to the Catholic way of life? The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) helps prepare adults to receive the Sacraments of Initiation into the Catholic Church. We meet in a supportive, small group setting to learn about Scripture, the Mass, Sacraments, Church History, Catholic Prayer, Devotional Practices and Catholic Teachings on Theology, Moral issues and Social Justice. If you would like more information, please contact Ed Ibarra (Faith Formation) eibarra@stmartin.org or 408-294-8953 ext. 321 or stop by the parish office



Baptism Class
2nd Tuesdays of the month
5:00pm - 6:00pm
through Zoom

If you would like more information on infant baptism please contact Ed Ibarra (Faith Formation) eibarra@stmartin.org or 408-294-8953 ext. 321 or stop by the parish office




Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)
Children ages 4 - 11 are invited to hear the Gospel in a way they can understand!
During the 8:30 & 10am Sunday masses, they'll be led to the Community Center for age appropriate, faith filled activities.



We joyfully celebrate Catechetical Sunday!
It is a beautiful opportunity to give thanks for all who share our Catholic faith with love and dedication.
We are deeply grateful to our Catechists, who give their time, energy, and faith-filled hearts to help others—especially our children and families—grow closer to Jesus. Your “yes” to this ministry is a blessing to our entire community.
Let us keep our Catechists in prayer and support them as they guide us in living out the Gospel each day.



Upcoming Events
September 21 Fr. Celso's Birthday
September 21Catechetical Sunday
September 28Family Mass Weekend
October 3Blessing of the Animals
October 3Adoration 8:30am - 9:30am
October 5Coffee & Donuts after Masses



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon.”

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Mass Times and Schedule

Weekend Masses
Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am

Weekday Masses
Monday - Friday: 8:00am
Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:00pm or by appointment

Adoration
First Fridays of the Month: 8:30am

Presider Schedule

Saturday, Sept. 20	Saturday, Sept. 27
5:00pm Fr. Tony	5:00pm Fr. Celso
Sunday, Sept. 21	Sunday, Sept. 28
8:30am Fr. Tony	8:30am Fr. Celso
10:00am Fr. Celso	10:00am Fr. Tony
11:30am Fr. Celso	11:30am Fr. Tony

Daily Mass and Saturday 5pm Mass are livestreamed on Facebook & Zoom

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Celso Singson Pastor, Ext. 312 celso.singson@dsj.org	Aevanne Ni Sheoighe Pastoral Care, Ext. 316 asheoighe@stmartin.org	Ed Ibarra Dir. Faith Formation Ext. 321 eibarra@stmartin.org	Samuel Aguilar Parish Maintenance Buildings and Grounds
Rev. Tony Famave Parochial Vicar, Ext. 314 tony.famave@dsj.org	Candy Berenguer Business Manager, Ext. 311 candace.hamill@dsj.org	David Cortese Principal david.cortese@dsj.org	Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 10am-4pm

Formed, Informed, and Transformed:
Celebrating Catechetical Sunday

Ed Ibarra



Think back to the first time someone explained the Sign of the Cross to you or patiently taught you the words of the Our Father. Chances are, you’re remembering a Catechist. These faithful men and women, often working quietly behind the scenes, play a vital role in passing on the treasure of our Catholic faith. This Sunday, as we celebrate Catechetical Sunday, we give thanks for their service and reflect on how each of us is also called to be a teacher of faith, following the example of the greatest teacher of all, Jesus Christ.

Why Catechetical Sunday Matters

Catechetical Sunday is a reminder that teaching and passing on the faith is central to our Catholic identity. The U.S. Bishops invite parishes to set aside this day to bless and commission Catechists who accompany children, youth, and adults on their journey with Christ. Here at St. Martin of Tours, we honor those who help form us into informed disciples, capable of living out our faith in daily life.

This Sunday’s readings point to this responsibility: Amos calls us to live with justice (Amos 8:4-7), St. Paul urges us to pray for all people (1 Timothy 2:1-8), and Jesus reminds us to be faithful stewards of the gifts entrusted to us (Luke 16:1-13). Our Catechists embody these readings by guiding us to recognize God’s gifts and live as His disciples.

The Role of Catechists and the Pastoral Plan

The Diocese of San Jose’s Pastoral Plan calls us to invigorate faith formation and create “missionary disciples.” Catechists are essential to this mission. They help foster prayer, welcome newcomers through OCIA, strengthen small faith groups, and prepare us for the sacraments. Through their dedication, they help us not only learn about God but encounter Him in a way that transforms our lives.

A Call to Serve

Our parish is in need of more Catechists. If you feel God nudging you to share your faith, please prayerfully consider volunteering. You don’t need to be an expert, just a disciple willing to walk with others. Please contact me or our Parish Office if you’re interested in joining this vital ministry.

Living the Mission Together

Catechetical Sunday reminds us that we are all called to share the faith, in our homes, in our community, and in our daily lives. May this celebration inspire us to live as missionary disciples, formed, informed, and transformed by Christ.

To all parishioners of St. Martin of Tours, may this day be a blessing and a joyful reminder of the gift of faith we are called to share.

Weekly Stewardship Report September 13 - 14, 2025		
ACH & We Share	\$4,514.50	Thank you for your generosity! 
Envelopes	\$1069	
Sunday Mass Collections	\$4,514.25	
TOTAL Collection	\$10,097.75	
Weekend Goal Collection	\$12,500	

Prayer & Worship



Saturday, September 20

5:00pm Sal Lipari †

Sunday, September 21

8:30am Derek Skidmore †

10:00am JW Knapen †

11:30am Gina Hart †
Carissa Hara

Monday, September 22

8:00am Sr. Lourdes Pank
Paul Nguyen †

Tuesday, September 23

8:00am Rene Farolan †
Joy Aspenal

Wednesday, September 24

8:00am Jerry Romero †
Bustos Family

Thursday, September 25

8:00am Ernest, Georgiana, Dubila Yuyun †

Friday, September 26

8:00am Mariano Jarvata Corpuz †

To schedule a Mass Intention, please stop by the parish office or contact us at: (408) 294-8953



Next weekend, the diocese will take up a Second Collection Humanitarian Relief for Gaza.

By participating, our parishes will respond visibly and tangibly to the Holy Father’s urgent appeal, witnessing to the Gospel’s call to serve “the least among us.”

Funds raised will directly support emergency humanitarian relief, as well as medical and psychological care for the sick, malnourished, and wounded in Gaza and surrounding areas. This aid will be administered through the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS), both of which have longstanding experience and trusted presence in the region.

Let us unite in prayer and in action, that God may grant peace, protect the innocent, and bring healing to those who suffer. Thank you for your generosity and solidarity



Growing Your Faith

Women's Spring Cursillo Weekend: October 2 - October 5, 2025

Men's Spring Cursillo Weekend: October 16 - October 19, 2025

A great opportunity to deepen your relationship with Jesus is coming this Fall. Described as a short course on Christianity, Cursillo combines prayer, learning, heartfelt talks, good food, and fun. You’ll meet people like you who desire a stronger Catholic-Christian Faith. Leaders and speakers have a passion for the Faith. A Catholic priest rounds out the team for each weekend. St Clares Retreat House, in the beautiful Santa Cruz mountains, is the setting for both retreats.

De Colores! Brian O’Leary 408-209-4434

Prayer Requests

Pray with us for our parishioners, family and friends.

For the Deceased

Clarence Flores †
Selina Siudzinski †
Robert M. Mahowald †
Thomas Wieske †

For the Sick

Joseph Snapp
Pat Infantino-Toschi
Gloria Verna
Cynthia Gomes
Harry & Mary Kay Tocce



St. Martin of Tours Youth Group

Rosary & Fellowship

Come join us for prayer, connection, and fun!
All students from 6th Grade through High School are welcome

Date: Wednesday, September 24
Time: 6:00 PM
Location: Mary’s Garden
(Across from the church entrance)