



*Saint Martin of  
Tours Inclusive  
Catholic Community*



# Sunday Bulletin

## 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 13, 2024

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### Liturgical Calendar/ Mass Celebrations

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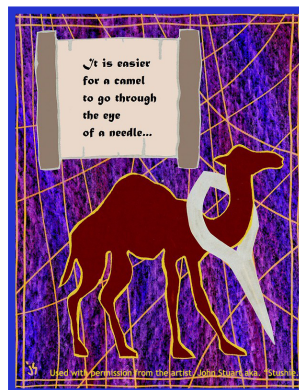
### Welcome to Saint Martin's!

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.



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 the Wisdom.  
(Wisdom 7:3-12 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from the Book of Wisdom.

When we are born, we draw in common air. When we fall, it is upon the same ground, the Earth that bears us all. Crying is the first sound we make, like everyone. No leader, authority, or rich person has known any other beginning of existence. There is only one way into life, and one way out.

I prayed, and understanding was given to me. I called on God, and the Spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed Wisdom more than power and privilege. I held riches as nothing compared with Her. I did not liken Her to a precious stone - it is not Her equal. All gold is a pinch of sand compared with Her. Silver ranks as clay beside Her.

I loved Wisdom more than health or beauty. I preferred Her to the light; Her radiance never sleeps. In Her company, good things came to me, at Her hands, wealth that cannot be counted. I rejoiced in all Her gifts! Wisdom is their source, though I had not realized She is their Mother.

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

*People Respond: Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm (Spoken)

(Psalm 90:1-4, 12 14-17 (CCL))

Lector: Teach us to live in peace.

*People Respond: Teach us to live in peace.*

Lector: God, You have been our home forever. Long before the mountains were born, long before the stars were flung, long before You

brought Earth itself to birth, from age to age, You are God.

*People Respond: Teach us to live in peace.*

Lector: You return humans to stardust with a word: "Return, children of Adam, children of Eve." But patience, O God! For a thousand years are to You like a yesterday, like one watch in the night. Teach us to live wisely. Teach us to live contentedly.

*People Respond: Teach us to live in peace.*

Lector: Surprise us with Love at daybreak, so that we'll sing and dance with joy the day long. Teach us to sip contentedly from the fragrant wine of our lives. Let us see the marvels of Your works. Let us enjoy Your splendor. May the sweetness of God be upon us all.

*People Respond: Teach us to live in peace.*


### Second Reading

A Reading from the Book of Revelation.

(Revelation 3:14-19 (CCL))

Lector: A reading from the Book of Revelation.

The Human One, Who is First and Last, said to John: "Write this to the angel of the church in Laodicea: 'The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the Source of God's creation, says this: I know your works. I know that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either cold or hot. Because you are lukewarm, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth.



"Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."  
-Matthew 5:3

You say, 'I am rich and affluent and have no need of anything.'; yet you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. I advise you to buy from me gold, refined by fire, so that you may be rich. Buy from me white garments to put on, so that your shameful nakedness may not be exposed. Buy from me ointment to smear on your eyes, so that you may see. Those whom I love, I challenge.

Those whom I love, I call to true wealth. Be earnest, therefore. Change your ways. Change your hearts."

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## Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia)

Celebrant: Alleluia, alleluia.

*People Respond: Alleluia, alleluia.*

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## Gospel

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.**  
(Mark 10:17-31 (CCL))

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.*

As Jesus started on his way, someone ran up to him and fell on bended knee, asking: "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

"**Why do you call me good?**" Jesus answered. "**No one is good - except One...God. You know the command-**

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**ments: 'Don't murder. Don't commit adultery. Don't steal. Don't lie. Don't cheat. Honor your father and mother.'**"

The petitioner answered: "Rabbi, all these I have kept since my childhood." Jesus looked at, and loved the person before him. "**But there's one thing you lack,**" Jesus said. "**Go. Sell all that you have. Give it to those who are poor. You will have treasure in heaven. Then, come, follow me.**"

At Jesus' response, the one who asked the question became crestfallen and went away grieving, for they had many possessions. Jesus looked around and said to the disciples: "**How hard it is for those who are rich to enter the kingdom of God!**" The disciples were perplexed at these words.

Jesus said again: "**Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.**"

The disciples were even more stunned, and said to themselves: "Who, then, can be helped?" Looking at them, Jesus said: "**For humans, it is impossible, but not with God. All things are possible with God.**"

Then Peter spoke up: "Rabbi, we've left everything to follow you!" And Jesus replied: "**Yes. Indeed, no one who has left home, or who has left brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or their land for me and for the gospel will fail to receive one-hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - persecutions too - and in the age to come, everlasting life. But many who are first will be last, and those who are last, will be first.**"

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

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

## Prayers of the People

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Presider: We worship a God who hears our prayers. Let us then present to Him, with the greatest confidence, all of our needs and the needs of our world:

Lector: Our prayer response is: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

That we, with Peter, are able to say: "You are the Anointed One; you are the Christ", we pray:

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

For an end to war and oppression: That leaders of governments and nations will seek alternatives to bloodshed and violence, hear the suffering and cries of their people, and strive for ways of peace and healing, especially in Ukraine & Russia and Palestine & Israel, we pray:

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

For the grace to deny our selves: that we may listen to how God is leading us and surrender to our self-made plans and ambitions, while embracing our responsibilities, day by day, and following Christ each and every day, we pray:

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

For freedom of spirit: that God will free us from any narrow vision of who we want Jesus to be, and open us to all that Jesus is and all that Jesus desires to be in our lives, we pray:

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

For a living and dynamic faith: that the Holy Spirit will strengthen us to show compassion for those who

struggle and are wounded by life; to work for peace and justice, and to manifest God's reign among us, we pray:

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

For those who are sick. For those who struggle. And for our prayer intentions for this Mass today, especially for: Steven, Peg, Theresa, Tammi, the parents of Don Fournier, Pastor Jessica, and Bp. Frank. That all may find peace and healing in God's loving and gentle embrace, we pray:

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

For all who have died, especially servant of God, Fr. Larry Hansen, & his wife, Mary, both whom recently passed away - that they may rest in the everlasting peace and joy of eternal life; and may all who mourn the loss of loved ones be consoled, we pray:

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

That God may receive our prayers of thanksgiving for prayers answered and all the prayers and intentions we carry in our hearts, we pray:

*People Respond: God of hope and all goodness, hear us.*

Presider: Loving God, We thank you, for in your great mercy and goodness, you provide for our spiritual and material needs. Grant the prayers we have offered you today, through Jesus the Christ.

*People Respond: Amen.*



## 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))
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# 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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