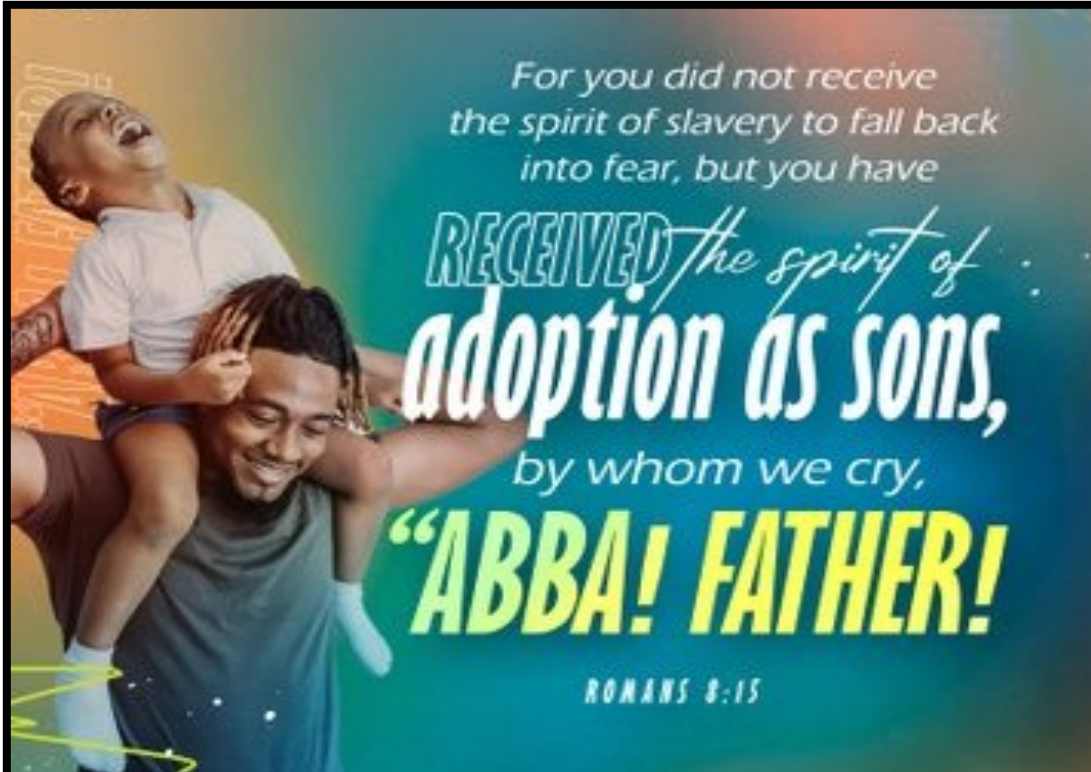




**St. Simon of Cyrene Catholic Parish**  
**May 26, 2024**  
**TRINITY SUNDAY**



“I am  
with you  
always,  
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age.”  
**Matt 28:20**

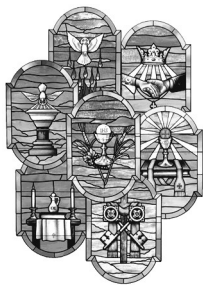
**GO, therefore, and MAKE DISCIPLES of all nations, BAPTIZING THEM in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, TEACHING THEM to observe all that I have commanded you.**

**St. Simon of Cyrene Catholic Parish**  
**Fr. Larry Dowling, Pastor**      **Fr. Thadeo Mгимба, Associate Pastor**  
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**St. Martin de Porres Church**  
*Church of Record*  
**5112 W. Washington Boulevard**  
**Chicago, IL 60644 Ph: (773) 287-0206**  
**Office Hours Mon. - Fri 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.**  
**Masses: Sunday: 11:00 am; Tuesday: 9:00 am**  
**Thurs: 9 am (Service w/Adoration)**

**St. Agatha Church**  
**3147 W. Douglas Boulevard**  
**Chicago, IL 60623 Ph: (773) 522-3050**  
**Office Hours Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.**  
**Masses: Sunday: 9:00 a.m Thursday 7:30 a.m.**

## Sacramental Information



**Baptism:** Please call the church office for appointment at least two months prior to date. A prep class is required. Parents should contact Dcn Pouncy.

**RCIA:** Adults Seeking Baptism and/or Making a Profession in the Catholic Christian Faith should contact Deacon Greg Shumpert.

**Marriage:** Please contact the parish office before setting your date. The Church asks that couples be parish members for at least 6 months before setting a date. Participation in Pre-Cana and a Premarital Inventory required.

**Funerals:** Please contact the parish office before going to see a Funeral Director. We will accommodate the needs of your family to help you through the loss and healing.

**Ministry to Sick and Shut-In/ Anointing of the Sick/ Home Visitation/Receiving Communion at Home:** If you or a loved one is in need of a minister from St. Agatha-St. Martin de Porres to visit for Communion, Anointing of the Sick or any other pastoral need, please contact the church office as soon as the need arises. Fr. Larry, Fr. Thad or one of the Care Ministers will gladly visit in a time of need.

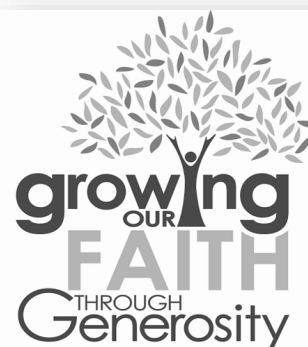
**Hospital Stays:** If you or a loved one is going into the hospital, please notify the office in order that a priest or care minister can call or visit the patient and be support to the family.

### Your Stewardship of Treasure for the Mission of Jesus Christ Sunday, May 19, 2024

#### St. Simon of Cyrene at St. Agatha - St. Martin de Porres

Mass Offering	\$3,892.00
GiveCentral	1810.00
Kolbe House-Special	<u>105.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5,807.00</b>

**Thank you for your Generosity!**



### **For whom shall we pray...**

Walter Adams, Susie Aldrich, Bertha Anderson, Jewel Austin, Geraldine Baylor, Kyle Becnel, Hildegard Bezdicek, Hazel Bills, Diondee Brown-Whitfield, Margaret Brown, Christopher Browne, DiMarkco Chandler, Frank Clark, Sandra Coffey, William Crown, Jermaine Curtis, Natalie Davis, Tylesia Day, Shelma Dillon, Ana Garcia, Elnora Dorsey, Carter Evans, Joyce Evans, Norene Evans, Virginia Evans, Diana Foster, Zenobia Fuller, Danny Gardner, Shea Gardner, Callie Gee, Pamela D. Gee, Yvonne Gibson, Patricia Graham, Marian Graham, Kia Gray, Bill Hainey, Nathaniel W. Hall, Mary Harrell, Leatrice Harris, Tony Harris, Harlem Daniel Hayes, Darryl Hicks, Gwendolyn Hicks, Jacqueline Hicks, Veronica Hicks, Elia Hinogosa-Cangey, Joesaya Henderson, Kesiea & Melinda, Kim Henderson, Leonard Henderson, Jerron Johns Jr., Joyce Ann Johnson, Sr., Julius Jones, Corine Jourdan, Ashanti Kelly, Jacqueline Kelly, Stanley King, Brian Lares, Jimmy Lee, Sayyid Lestrade, Anthony Lyons, Alexander Madden, Mannette, Dolores Mapp, Larry Mapp Jr., Arelys Marquez, Catherine Martin, Marilyn Martin, Patrick McAnany, Melik McCloud, Latrice McGee, Martina Mgimba, Carmella Miller, Connie Montoya, Arlene Moore, LaVita Norris, Clara Orlando, Mariano Palacios, Michael Parham, Luvenia Parker, Emma Peradas, Gordon Perry, Jan F. Peters, Sylvia Peters, Essie Pledage, Queenie Randle, Elberta Raschke, Marvin Register, Sommer Reynolds, Ed Ricks, Aquila Rogers, Deborah Rutledge, Lorraine Sanford, Eunice Scripp, Lazaro Alexander Singh, Rosa Solano, Candace Span, Brenda D. Taylor, Jose Teran, Clarice Thomas, Michael Triplett Sr., Richard Spearman, Terri Triplett, Deano Tretter, Joseph Tretter Sr, Charese Troupe, Clarence Walker, Shirley West, Walter Whitlow, Natoya Williams, Armonie Witherspoon, Beverly Wright, Flora Yancy

## From the Desk of Fr. Larry...

*“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you”. Matt 20:18-20*

My sisters and brothers, this Trinity Sunday’s Gospel calls all of us to act – to move out of our comfort zones and extend ourselves in loving service to others in need, service done in word and action, that attract others to see the presence of Christ within us, ministering always with humility, kindness and compassion. So here are

### **OUR INSTRUCTIONS FROM JESUS (Matt: 28:19-20)**

**GO!** In other words, God requires us to move, to not sit still, but always be aware when God is calling us to act in service of God’s mission to share God’s love, each in our own unique way, each with different gifts and talents. Our instructions to **GO!** also include acting as a collective community, acting together to stand for justice for ourselves and those in our surrounding community. Hint: Is God inviting you to join the Peace and Justice Committee?

**MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS!** So how do we make disciples? Jesus shows us the way! We do so by attraction, by invitation, by drawing on the well of the Lord’s love for us, so that, in all we do and, the love of God and our personal relationship with Jesus Christ shines forth. For us, all nations is everyone beyond the doors of our church sites, many who are unchurched, many who have been disillusioned by the chaos of life and by organized religion and other institutions and, sadly, some who have never been exposed to the Holy Trinity of faith, hope and love.

**BAPTIZE THEM!** Now wait a second! Only priests and deacons can baptize! But here’s what I believe Christ means for those of us who are the living Body of Christ in the world: Baptism is an immersion of the person being baptized into the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament, this happens in the pouring of blessed water in the name of the Holy Trinity. For the rest of us, we can baptize with our tears, our embrace, our welcome, our smile, an act of kindness, an act of compassionate challenge, in our active listening or sitting in silence with someone struggling with loss, loneliness, despair, etc.

**TEACH THEM!** How do we teach? With words and actions that are expressions of God’s felt love for us! I love St. Francis’ quote about how our actions should speak louder than words, but sometimes our words are actions, words, coupled with our facial and bodily expressions, that reflect the love of God to meet that person or persons need to survive and thrive. After all, we are embodiments of the Holy Trinity: Body, Mind and Spirit!

Got this, my friends! GO, MAKE DISCIPLES, BAPTIZE, TEACH! and, as Jesus promises and reminds us, *“I am with you always, until the end of the age.” Mt 28:20*

**Gentle Peace! Fr. Larry**

**With gratitude to all veterans and all who have died to preserve our God-given freedom as sons and daughters of God! Have a safe and peaceful Memorial Day**

**Next Sunday, June 02, 2024**  
**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**  
**Readings: Exodus 24: 3-8**  
**Hebrews 9: 11-15**  
**Mark: 14: 12-16**

**Celebrant Mass Schedule**  
**St. Agatha                      St. Martin de Porres**

<b>05/26/24 Fr. Thad</b>	<b>Fr. Larry</b>
<b>06/02/24 Fr. Larry</b>	<b>Fr. Thad</b>
<b>06/09/24 Fr. Thad</b>	<b>Fr. Larry</b>
<b>06/16/24 Fr. Larry</b>	<b>Fr. Thad</b>
<b>06/23/24 Fr. Thad</b>	<b>Fr. Larry</b>

**A Prayer for Memorial Day**

Dear God, We thank you for the freedom you have given to us, and for the price that was paid by Christ so that we could live free. We remember today. The cost of it all. The great sacrifice for freedom.

We thank you for the brave men and women who have fought, and continue to fight, so courageously for our freedom. We ask for your covering and blessing over them and their families. We pray that you would be gracious and encircle them with your peace. We pray for your great favor and goodness to be evident in their lives. AMEN.

**Prayer for the African American and All Families**

God of Mercy and Love we place our African American Families and all families before You today. May we be proud of our history and never forget those who paid a great price for our liberation. Bless us one by one and keep our hearts and minds fixed on higher ground. Help us to live for you and not for ourselves, and may we cherish and proclaim the gift of life.

Bless our parents, guardians and grandparents, relatives and friends. Give us the amazing grace to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Help us, as Your children, to live in such a way that the beauty and greatness of authentic love is reflected in all that we say and do. Give a healing anointing to those less fortunate, especially the motherless, the fatherless, the broken, the sick and the lonely.

Bless our departed family members and friends. May they be led into the light of Your dwelling place where we will never grow old, where we will share the fullness of redemption and shout the victory for all eternity. This we ask in the Precious Name of Jesus, our Savior and Blessed Assurance. Amen. Holy Mary, Mother of Our Families, pray for us.

**St. Martin de Porres Credit Union**  
**Located in Purcell Hall**

4300 W. Washington Blvd. - 773-626-0776  
 Open Saturdays: 10:30a.m.-1:30p.m.

**Purcell Hall Rental Information**

Contact the Parish Office  
**Charitable Hands Ministry**  
 Deacon William Pouncy and Liz Becnel  
 Call Deacon Pouncy (312) 841-3974

**Our Parish Vision...**

Rooted in and propelled by the love of Jesus Christ, we, the people of St. Simon of Cyrene Catholic Parish, one Parish Family with ministry sites at St. Agatha & St. Martin de Porres Churches, profess a life-giving, all-embracing faith, fostering full participation in worship that nourishes us to care for one another and extend our lived faith, relentless hope and life-giving love to our Westside Communities.

**Church Staff**

**Parish Secretary (SMdeP): Carol Johnson**  
**Reception/Pantry (StA): Refoncia McGowan**  
**Building Engineer: Roger Lozano**  
**Maintenance: Kevin Johnson**  
**Interim DRE: Marvin McCurry**  
**Custodian: Frank Clark**  
**Housekeeper SMdeP: Scarlett Evans-Perez**

**Music Director: Dennis Smith**  
**Choir Director: Antonio Anderson**  
**Website/ Social Media: Emily Dillon, Kevin Dillon**



**Mass Intentions for this Week**  
**Sunday, May 26, 2024**



† In Loving Memory of Stan Gruszczycki  
 From Janette Peters-Gruszczycki

† In Loving Memory of Anthony Adams and  
 Happy Heavenly Birthday to Michael Adams  
 From Paula Wilburn and Family

**Prayers for Anthony and Renae Wallin**  
**Caryn and Mike Kondrat, from Linda Wallin**

We encourage our parishioners to pray for their loved ones living and deceased, by offering a Mass intention. Donation \$10