



A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE KIDS OF ST. AMBROSE

Sunday, October 29, 2023

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

Saint Martin de Porres was born in 1579 in Lima, Peru, the son of a Spanish gentleman and a freed slave. His father left at a young age, and he grew up in poverty. He only went to school for two years and then was placed with a barber/surgeon where he learned to cut hair and practice the medical arts. He was ridiculed for his race and faced many prejudices throughout his life. He spent much time in prayer and was accepted as a volunteer and then a Third Order Dominican. He was first put in charge of giving money to the poor and then of the infirmary. He became known for his unconditional and patient care for the sick, even in the most difficult situations. It is said he had many miraculous abilities and powers from God. He is the patron saint of people of mixed-race, public health workers, barbers, and innkeepers. His feast day is Nov. 3rd. **Saint Martin de Porres, pray for us!** (Ref: Catholic.org)

“He loved his neighbors with the benevolence of the heroes of the Christian faith.”

- Pope John XXIII, St. Martin de Porres Canonization Homily



Saint Martin de Porres - © TheCatholicKid.com

FAMILY TIME

*At the dinner table,
in the car,
we talk about our faith,
wherever we are!*



In this week's Gospel, Jesus clearly tells us that the whole law, our whole moral code, depends on the greatest commandment, to love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, soul, mind, and the second commandment like it, to love your neighbor as yourself.

FAMILY DISCUSSION: Reflect on and discuss the following:

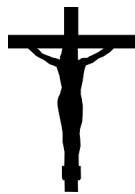
- Do you love God with all your heart? Soul? Mind? Think of some times when this has been challenging or you've been tempted to place other things before God. How can your family help you prioritize God again in your life?
- Do you always love others? Do you always love yourself? You must honor the dignity of others and yourself in order to be loving. In what ways can you be more loving? What help do you need from God or your family in order to be more loving?

Psalm 18 "I love you, Lord, my strength."

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ANOINTED
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 EXCLAIM
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 FORTRESS
 KINDNESS

LORD
 LOVE
 PRAISED
 REFUGE
 ROCK
 SAFE
 SALVATION



Let us learn...

Saint Martin de Porres received gifts and graces from God to care for the poor and sick in special ways. He lived today's Gospel to the fullest! To learn about The Corporal Works of Mercy, visit the links below.

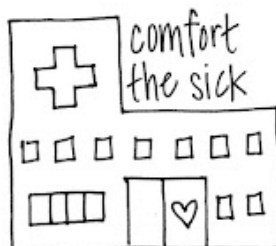


**For Younger Kids - My Jesus:
 Words of Mercy**



**For Older Kids - Catholic Central:
 Corporal Works of Mercy**

PRAY AND COLOR: Jesus tells us in today's Gospel to love the Lord and our neighbor. The Corporal Works of Mercy are ways we can show the love of Jesus to those around us. Ask Jesus in prayer who He wants you to serve today and how.



The Corporal Works of Mercy



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