



ARCHBISHOP OF DETROIT

2 May 2022

Dear Father Zukowski and the Parishioners of St. Martin de Porres Parish,

I would like to offer you my heartfelt congratulations on this celebration of the 60th anniversary of the founding of St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church. I take great satisfaction in knowing how much good has been done by so many priests, religious, and lay people in service to Our Lord Jesus Christ.

In 1962, under the leadership of Father Arthur Krawczak, the first Mass of St. Martin de Porres Parish was held at Pennow School. Soon afterwards, ground was broken for a temporary church. And in 1968, Archbishop John Dearden was the principal celebrant for the dedication Mass of the permanent church.

We look back to celebrate the good that has been done over these 60 years. The joys and struggles of the parish community have been rooted in an awareness of the love and presence of Jesus in the congregation, in the Word of God, in the ministry of the priest, and most powerfully, in the Sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist.

We must also look forward. I pray that your community continues this important work of making Jesus known in and through his Church. May this celebration be a time of thanking God for the past and recommitting yourselves to Christ and his Church for what lies ahead.

May God grant you abundant blessing on this joyous occasion. Entrusting you to the maternal care of the Blessed Virgin Mary, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron
Archbishop of Detroit

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