

# **Black Catholic History Month**

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Every November, the church celebrates Black Catholic History Month. It is a special time to remember and thank God for the many Black Catholics who have shared their faith, helped their communities and shown us how to follow Jesus.

Did you know? There are seven Black Catholics from the United States on the road to sainthood!



- Venerable Pierre Toussaint
- Venerable Henriette Delille
- Servant of God Mother Mary Lange
- Venerable Augustus Tolton
- Servant of God Julia Greeley
- Servant of God Sr. Thea Bowman
- Servant of God Friar Martin de Porres Maria Ward

#### St. Martin de Porres

Color this picture of St. Martin with a broom, because he loved serving others in humble ways!



### St. Martin de Porres

He cared for the sick and the poor, and is the patron saint of social justice.

## Short Prayer

"Lord Jesus, thank you for the saints and holy people who show us how to love you. Help me to be kind, brave and faithful every day. Amen."

How can you be kind, brave and faithful every day?

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"Only Jesus helps us live as one family in Christ — color Jesus with our soon-to-be Black saints!"





November is Black Catholic History Month. True or False?

Name one Black Catholic who is on the path to becoming a saint.

Who helps us live as one family in Christ?

### Family Challenge

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