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Saint Martin De Porres. The patron saint for many things such as public education, social justice, public health and most importantly world youth panama 2019. Or at least he will be after this speech.

Juan Martin de Porres Velázquez AKA Saint Martin de Porres was born on December 9th 1579 in Lima, Peru. He was the illegitimate son of Spanish nobleman Don Juan de Porres and his mother, Ana Velázquez was a part native American freed slave from panama, the sight of world youth day 2019.

When his sister was born, Martin's father left and he grew up in poverty. When his mother could no longer support him, he attended two years of primary school before learning the medical arts from a barber/surgeon. This was when he turned to God, he would pray during hours of the night a practice which increased as he grew older.

According to Peruvian law in that era citizens of African or native American descent could not be a member of the church. So, to join the church, Martin became a Donado (A volunteer who performs basic/mental tasks) proving his faith in God.

He continued to practise barbering and healing and was said to have performed many miraculous cures. When he was 15 Martin asked to join the Dominican Convent of the Rosary in Lima and was promoted to an almoner. When he was 34 he was given a position in the infirmary for the convent of the rosary where he was in charge until his death on November 3rd, 1639.

. He was beatified almost 200 years later by Pope Gregory the 16th in 1837 and canonised by Pope John the 23rd on may 6th 1962

Martin de Porres is the perfect candidate for patron saint of world youth day, Panama, 2019. Not only is he partially Panamanian but he also perfectly represents the world youth day theme "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word. (Lk 1:38)". He lived his whole life by the words of the Bible and God, always helping others. He showed faith in god's mission to bring good news to the poor by helping them with food, helping the sick by working in the infirmary and setting free the oppressed by fighting for their rights, the oppressed being people like him of native American and African descent who were not allowed to do many things due to their background. Martin completely represents the gospel value of faith praying to the blessed sacrament every night never straying from the church and never abandoning anyone.

One day an epidemic broke out in lima during which 60 friars in the convent of the rosary fell sick many of which were isolated in separate locked sections of the convent. Martin was witnessed passing through locked doors to heal them multiple times. One of many miracles he was said to perform during his lifetime. Martin continued to move the sick into the convent until one day for fear of contamination the prior asked him to stop.

So, to not abandon them martin took them to stay at his sister's house in the country sheltering those who the monastery would not. He also is the perfect example of the gospel value of service. He cared for the sick and gave to the poor. Martin was said to have fed 160 homeless persons per day.

He showed the gospel value of courage, sacrificing his needs for others. once when his convent was running low on money he sacrificed himself saying "I am only a poor mulatto, sell me.". He displayed the gospel value of love towards god through prayer and worship and also to others through caring for them feeding them and sheltering them.

The final gospel value martin showed was justice. He fought to be a part of the church despite being teased by friars and priests due to his native American background and he

also fought for more equality in the church becoming the patron saint for justice and mixed race people.

Martin De Porres is also the perfect patron saint for world youth day because despite being born hundreds of years ago him and his actions are still relevant to youth and the faith of youth today. Many of the things that martin did and happened to martin occurred while he was a youth. So, he turned to god.

The events in his life after he turned to god show youth that if they have faith in God, good things can happen to them like they did to him, encouraging youth to be faithful to God.

Martin De Porres' example and the events in his life can also impact and improve us in the way we live our life by teaching us to be more faithful kind and loving and also grateful for what we have.

In conclusion, Martin De Porres is the perfect patron saint for world youth day Panama 2019 because he is from Panama he is the patron saint for schools and education which are filled with youths and adolescents and, most importantly by having faith in and following, god and gods mission.

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