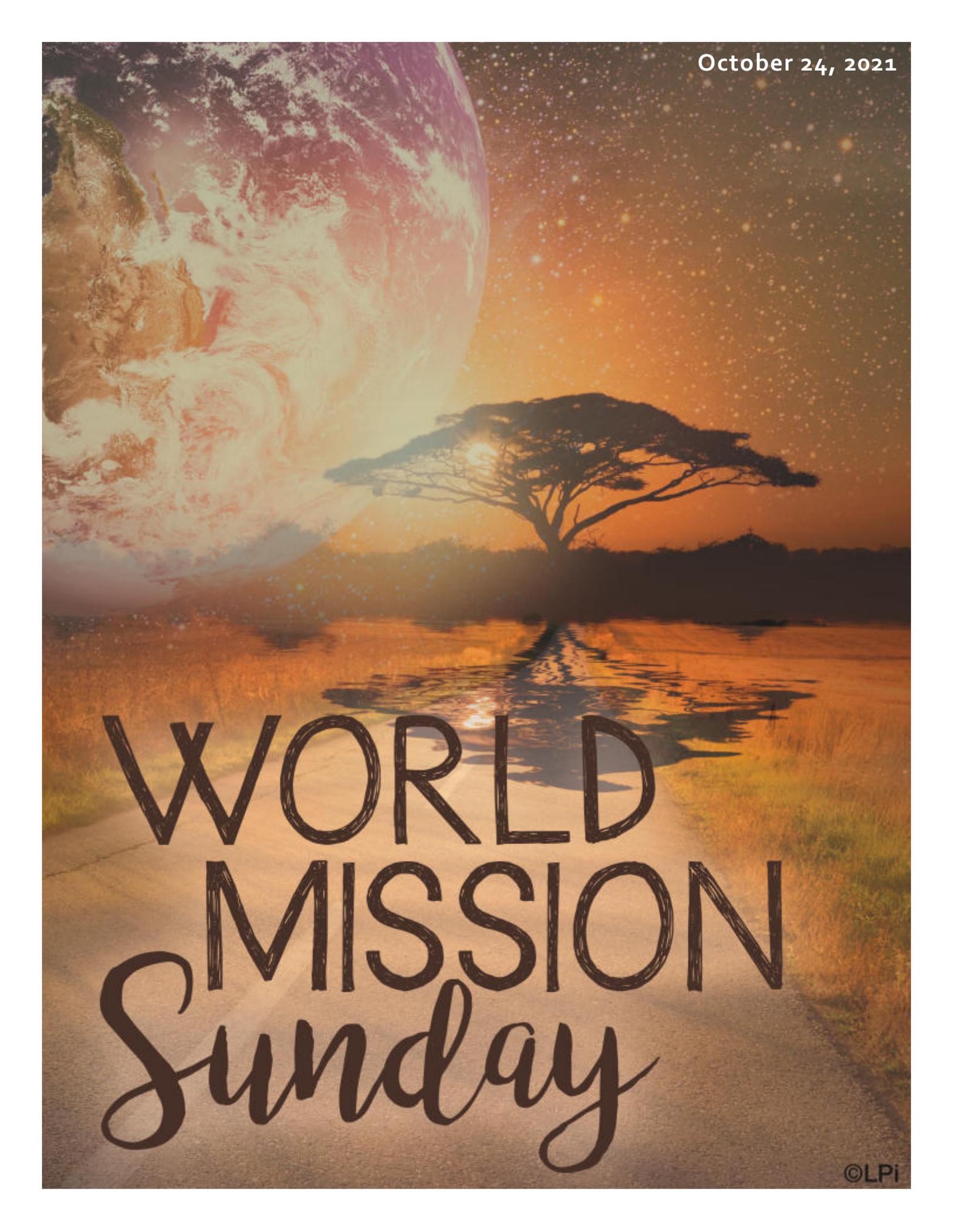


October 24, 2021



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Sunday

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Tues.–Fri. 7:30 a.m. Mass • Sat. 3–4 p.m. Confessions & 4:30 p.m. Mass • Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Mass & 11:45 a.m.–4 p.m. Adoration

MASS INTENTIONS

October 24, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Patricia & Richard Dillont†

10:30 a.m. Don Minnit†

October 25

October 26, St. Peter of Alcantara

7:30 a.m. Pope Francis

October 27

7:30 a.m. Archbishop Hebda

October 28, Sts. Simon and Jude

7:30 a.m. Bishop Cozzens

October 29

7:30 a.m. Kathleen Ryan Huyent†

October 30

4:30 p.m. Jeff Christenson†

BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

5th–12th graders are invited to be an altar server! Not only does altar serving help liturgies run smoothly, it also serves as a way to get closer to the rituals of Mass. Training will be provided.

Email Katie at mendenhallk@holy-spirit.org or call the parish office at (651) 698-3353 if you are interested.

MEN'S CLUB UPDATES

Don't forget: Pay your 21–22 dues at holy-spirit.org/mens-club.

If you're interested in playing basketball on Wednesday nights, email Chad at chad@skally.com. We play from 8:30-10 p.m. in the Flames Gym and chip in \$5 per person. The donations help cover the cost of resurfacing the gym floor in the summer.

NOVEMBER EVENTS

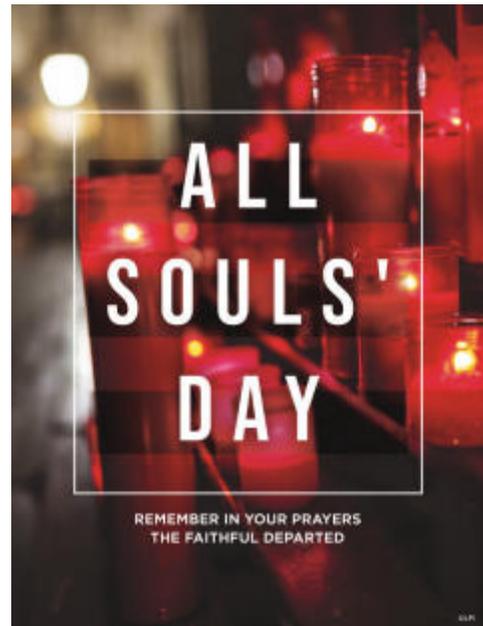
Please join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in Howley Hall.

Mark your calendars: Turkey Bingo is on Thursday, Nov. 18 at 6:30 p.m. in Howley Hall! The cost is \$8 per person for 18 games—you'll have a chance to win one of 18 turkeys! There will also be optional buy-ins for separate games with cash prizes and tons of door prizes!

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

It's World Mission Sunday! Today, every parish, school, and order celebrate our baptismal call to bring the Gospel to all people. This collection supports over 1,100 vulnerable communities worldwide. This year, we recognize Sister Rose Hang Vu, a local sister who has chosen to be a "witness of life" by serving the poor and hungry in our archdiocese. Join our brothers and sisters in supporting mission dioceses. Contribute by dropping your donation in the collection basket or visiting centerformission.org/contribute-donation-form.

Questions? Contact Eric Simon at (651) 291-4446.



Those who have lost loved ones this year are invited to attend All Souls' Day Mass on Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. Join us after Mass in Howley Hall for a short reception. Pumpkin bars and cider will be served.

The Book of Life will be available for you to write your loved one's name. It will be on the steps near the altar at the end of October.

If you would like your loved one's name to be included in the All Soul's bulletin (Oct. 31), please drop your donation envelope at the parish office no later than Monday, Oct. 25.

2021 MARATHON UPDATE

We've raised just over \$38,000...we're less than \$4,000 away from reaching our goal! Students have worked hard since the start of the school year, but they still need your help. If you feel called to donate, scan the QR code below with your smart phone's camera or visit holyspiritschoolstp.org. Thank you for continuing to support our students, teachers, and Holy Spirit Catholic School!



SCAN HERE TO DONATE

*"To sing is to pray twice."
- St. Augustine*

Choir returns for those who are fully vaccinated and eager to make a joyful noise!

Contemporary Choir starts on Tuesday, Oct. 26 at 6:30 p.m. Traditional Choir starts on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 6:30 p.m. Rehearsals are held in the church.

Join choir by:

1. Coming to rehearsal,
2. Indicating your interest at holy-spirit.org/music, or
3. Emailing Katie at mendenhallk@holy-spirit.org



ALL PRESCHOOL–5TH GRADE FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO AN EVENING OF HALLOWEEN FUN! KIDS AND ADULTS ARE WELCOME TO DRESS UP (NO SCARY COSTUMES, PLEASE) AND FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO DECORATE THEIR VEHICLE TRUNKS.

HOW IT WORKS

VEHICLES WILL PARK ON THE SCHOOL'S BLACKTOP. KIDS AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL GO TRICK-OR-TREATING FROM CAR TO CAR. BRING YOUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS! PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS NOT A DROP-OFF EVENT. KIDS MUST BE SUPERVISED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN AT ALL TIMES.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED FOR
BEST DECORATED TRUNK
BEST HALLOWEEN COSTUME
BEST PUMPKIN

MEN'S CLUB WILL BE GRILLING HOT DOGS—STOP BY AND SAY HI!

LIMITED SPOTS ARE AVAILABLE; REGISTER AT HOLYSPIRITSCHOOLSTP.ORG BY MONDAY, OCT. 25.

NOW HIRING: BOOKKEEPER

Our bookkeeper, Angie Peterson, is moving on from her position at Holy Spirit. For the past six years, Angie has been an instrumental member of the administrative team with her accounting skills, attention to detail, and good humor. We wish her the best on her new adventures!

If you are interested in applying for this position, visit holy-spirit.org/employment for more information. The position is part-time with a flexible schedule. Accounting and bookkeeping experience is required. Send inquiries to jobs@holy-spirit.org.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Graduate Studies Info Night

Oct. 28, 6-7:30 p.m.

Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity

The School of Divinity offers graduate degrees in Theology and Pastoral Leadership and a Certificate in Catholic School Leadership. Join us for info night to find course offerings for lay students, learn about scholarships, hear details on the application process, and meet faculty. Register at semssp.org/event/graduate-studies-information-night-fall-2021. Email Rosalinda at gradtheology@stthomas.edu with questions.

Deacon Discernment Day

Nov. 6, 8:15 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Saint Paul Seminary

Men ages 25-59 and their spouses are invited to attend a day of discernment for the diaconate. Mass, prayer, reflections, lunch, and time for questions and answers are included.

Register at semssp.org/deacondiscernmentday. If you have questions, contact Deacon Bob at bobbisciglia@stthomas.edu or (651) 962-5782.

A Pilgrimage with Saint Martin de Porres,
Patron Saint of Racial Reconciliation

Nov. 6, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Starts at Ascension Catholic Church, Minneapolis

Seek God's healing for yourself and for our community through this pilgrimage honoring this great saint and call upon his intercession days after his feast (Nov. 3). Pilgrims will walk to the former site of Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church on the Northside for reflection and conclude the pilgrimage with prayer at the Basilica of Saint Mary. A bus will shuttle pilgrims back to Ascension Catholic Church.

Please pre-register to attend. Optional meals at the beginning and end of the pilgrimage are available for purchase at mary.org/deporrespilgrimage. There is no cost to attend. Contact Janice at (612) 317-3508 or jgrove@mary.org with any questions.

Gold Mass for Scientists

Nov. 15, 7-8:30 p.m.

Church of St. Mark, Saint Paul

This Mass for Catholic scientists, science teachers, and students will be followed by a reception in the Community Room. Fr. Matt Shireman from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton will celebrate.

MORNING REFLECTION

The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites the women of Holy Spirit to

Morning of Reflection: Meet a Modern Day Magdalene
Saturday, Nov. 20 | Howley Hall

Author and spiritual director, Liz Kelly, will give the day's presentation. Registration will begin at 8:15 a.m. followed by the presentation at 9:30 a.m. Father Haugan will conclude the event by celebrating Mass in the church.

Registration forms can be found at the Albert Street entrance to the church. Complete and mail forms to the ACCW office by Nov. 11 to receive the Holy Spirit rate of \$15. Questions? Call (651) 291-4545.

GIVING AS GOD DOES

Ask yourself this question — what would you pray for if you really believed God could and would do anything for you? In my experience, we all have something. We all have that miracle we're afraid to request, afraid we will be disappointed.

Do we doubt God's readiness to give because we ourselves have such an imperfect understanding of charity and love? Maybe if we had better faith in God we would be more ready to give of ourselves — and maybe if we were more ready to give of ourselves, we would understand more clearly the ways of God.

Because we're not really afraid that God can't do something. We know He can do anything. What we're afraid of is that He will do what He always does: give us what we need, not what we want.

Have you ever had a friend in need and you just wanted to give them something — a meal, a phone call, a text? Not because you knew it would help, but simply because you wanted to reach out. And have they ever said to you: It wasn't so much what you gave, but the fact that you did. You gave them what they needed even if it wasn't what they specifically asked for.

When we give in this manner, we are giving as God does. Sometimes we are afraid to ask because we don't want to be disappointed. But remember, the blind man on the road got what he asked for, but he would have gotten what he needed even if his answer had been the opposite. God's generosity is always reckless, and it's always perfect.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

GOSPEL MEDITATION

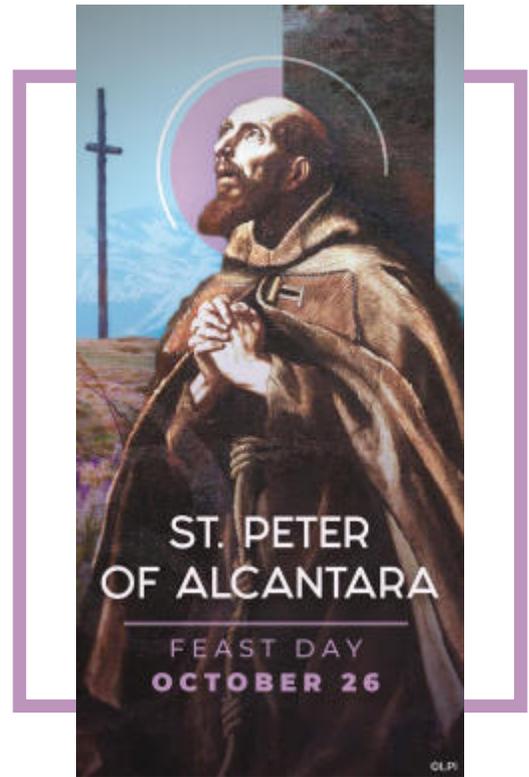


When we see God with true sincerity of heart and God passes us along our way, it is only then that we will be able to cry out, "Jesus, son of

David, have pity on me!" We have to truly want to be healed by, and in union with, God in order for us to reach out to him. If God is only an abstract idea, theory, or someone found in the pages of a book, there is no motivation for a relationship and no desire to seek him. God needs to be real in order for faith to be real. It's all about the journey.

St. Augustine reminds us that "to fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him the greatest human achievement." We strive after many things and mercy is not always one of them. We think that we can find fulfillment and healing in other things only to discover that we are still short and empty. From the moment human beings were created, God has been calling us and seeking us. He has been walking right beside the human story from the minute He first breathed life into the first human soul. Are we able to recognize God as He walks with us? At some point we have to realize that there is only one way to satisfy the deepest longings of the human heart and that is in relationship with our Creator. We are called to this. However, we make the huge error of thinking that what we are hearing is coming from somewhere else. We become confused. Every human being would certainly profit with wisdom if they realized Who calls them and to Whom they belong.

Then and only then will we realize that it is only our Divine Master who can give us true vision and heal us. Once we recognize and reach out for the merciful presence of our loving Maker, we will be able to see with our soul, understanding the true nature and depth of all things. God's mercy is always available. It doesn't matter how far we have strayed or how blind we become, God patiently waits to console us, guide us and heal us. All we need to do is desire Him. Once we reach out, we also realize that there is no greater love to be found than God's, no human adventure that comes even close to the thrill of a spiritual search, and no human achievement even remotely as satisfying as union with Him. This is where we belong. This is salvation.



St. Peter of Alcantara | Feast Day Oct. 26

St. Peter of Alcantara was born in Alcantara, Spain in 1499. His father was the Governor of the province and his mother came from a noble family. He was privately tutored and attended the University of Salamanca.

After he returned home from university, he was accepted as a Franciscan Friar of the Stricter Observance in 1515. He was ordained as a priest in 1524 and in 1525 he became Guardian of the friary of St. Mary of the Angels.

Throughout his life, St. Peter of Alcantara took up his spiritual cross and preached with great success to the poor, but also spend much of his time in solitude. From 1553 to early 1555, he spent this time alone in meditation and prayer. Soon following, St. Peter made a pilgrimage to Rome, barefoot the entire way. While in Rome he obtained permission from Pope Julius III to establish friaries.

St. Peter was known for frequently experiencing ecstasy, a state where he was entirely consumed with the warmth and light of the Holy Spirit. These euphoric moments were common during his prayer and meditation.

When he was near death, St. Peter took to his knees and prayed. When he was offered water, he refused it, saying, "Even my Lord Jesus Christ thirsted on the Cross." He died while in prayer on October 18, 1562.

On April 18, 1622, he was declared blessed by Pope Gregory XV and later canonized by Pope Clement IX on April 28, 1669.

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