

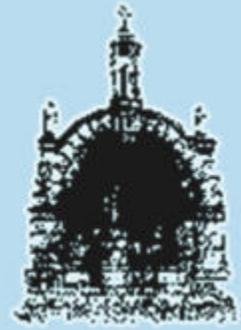


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November 01, 2020



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A Vicarious Descant

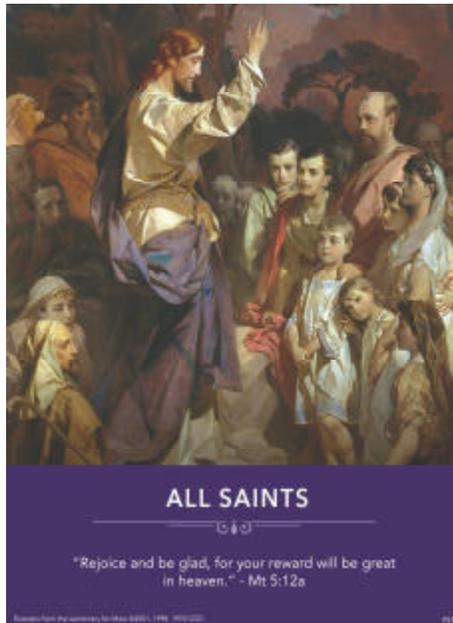
In the Creed, the Church places directly together “the communion of saints” and “the forgiveness of sins.” That these two statements of belief were placed together in the Creed is itself a catechesis which is reflected in these two adjacent days in honor of All Saints and All Souls.

Today we honor the Church triumphant and tomorrow we pray for the Church suffering—the souls in Purgatory who are already saved, but still enduring temporal suffering.

In her Treatise on Purgatory, St. Catherine of Genoa wrote, “I believe no happiness can be found worthy to be compared with that of a soul in Purgatory except that of the saints in Paradise; and day by day this happiness grows as God flows into these souls, more and more as the hindrance to His entrance is consumed.”

St. Thomas Aquinas wrote a short Catechism that is a concise commentary on the Creed, the Ten Commandments, The Sacraments, The Lord’s Prayer and the Hail Mary. In Article Ten, he shows the unity between the “communion of saints” and the “forgiveness of sins.”

He wrote, “As in our natural body the operation of one member works for the good of the entire body, so also is it with a spiritual body, such as is the Church. Because all the faithful are one body, the good of one member is communicated to another (Rom 12:5)... So, among the points of faith which the Apostles have handed down is that there is a common sharing of good in the Church. This is expressed in



the words, ‘the Communion of Saints.’ Among the various members of the Church, the principal member is Christ, because He is the Head: ‘He hath made Him head over all the Church, which is His body’ (Eph 1:22). Christ communicates His good, just as the power of the head is communicated to all the members.”

St. Thomas then shows how this communication of good takes place through all seven sacraments. Aquinas then says “By these seven Sacraments we receive the remission of sins, and so in the Creed there follows immediately: ‘the forgiveness of sins. The power was given to the Apostles to forgive sins. We must believe that the ministers of the Church receive this power from the Apostles; and the Apostles received it from Christ; and thus the priests have the power of binding and loosing. More-

over, we believe that there is the full power of forgiving sins in the Church, although it operates from the highest to the lowest, i.e., from the Pope down through the prelates.”

Aquinas then says, “We must know that not only the efficacy of the Passion of Christ is communicated to us, but also the merits of His life; and, moreover, all the good that all the Saints have done is communicated to all who are in the state of grace, because all are one.... We must know that not only the efficacy of the Passion of Christ is communicated to us, but also the merits of His life; and, moreover, all the good that all the Saints have done is communicated to all who are in the state of grace, because all are one.”

This communion is what we observe in a particular way today. That God has ordained that we benefit from the merits of those who already attained eternal life. First, the saints in heaven—that is today’s commemoration. And secondly, the souls in Purgatory, for whom we pray tomorrow on All Souls Day.

We give glory to God by honoring the Saints in part because God has given us a share in their merits through the Church in the form of Indulgences. This is the “sharing of spiritual gifts.” The Church’s authority to bind and loose is exercised in her handing on of the merits from one to another because of this Communion of Saints. But a soul must be in a state of grace in order to have a share in these spiritual gifts. This is why Confession is an essential part of seeking a plenary indulgence.

Mass Intentions for the Week



Monday, - November 02, 2020

6:00 a.m.– All Souls
 7:30 a.m.– Michelle Bert (D)
 7:00 p.m.–All Souls

Tuesday, - November 03, 2020

7:30 a.m.– John Sharp (L)

Wednesday, - November 04, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Olejniczak Family (L&D)

Thursday, - November 05, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Mark Kucel (L)

Friday, - November 06, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Poor Souls
 7:00 p.m.–Jason Zielinski (L)

Saturday, - November 07, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Reparation for the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary
 4:00 p.m.– St. Monica Sodality

Sunday, - November 08, 2020

6:30 a.m.– Special Intention; 9:30 a.m.– People of the Parish; 12:00 p.m.– Purgatorial Society Mass

“When we leave the holy banquet of Communion, we are as happy as the wise men would have been if they could have carried away the infant Jesus.” -St. John Vianney

“The Holy Bible is like a mirror before our mind's eye. In it we see our inner face. From the Scriptures we can learn our spiritual deformities and beauties. And there too we discover the progress we are making and how far we are from perfection.” -Pope St. Gregory the Great

“Words which do not give the light of Christ increase the darkness.” -St. Teresa of Calcutta

“Heaven is filled with converted sinners of all kinds, and there is room for more.” -St. Joseph Cafasso

Mass Servers

Saturday, November 07, 2020

4:00 p.m. D. Bastuba, J. Praet, J. Cline

Sunday, November 08, 2020

6:30 a.m. R. Jacek, M. Pomeroy.
 9:30 a.m. K. Garavaglia, A. Santine, M. Grado, J. Prevo, D. Grado, C. Bueche
 12:00 p.m. M. Chambers, A. & M. Arrigoni, A. & W. Remske, G. Welsing, J. & D. Berch

Readings for the week of November 01, 2020

Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
Monday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32 [26a]/Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [3b]/Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Chaplet of the Holy Souls

(Prayed on a set of Rosary Beads)

Begin with: The Creed, followed by 1 Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, and 1 Glory Be for the Pope's intentions.

On Large Beads Pray: “O holy souls draw the fire of God’s Love into my soul to reveal Jesus crucified in me, here on earth, rather than hereafter in Purgatory.”

On Small Beads Pray: “Crucified Lord Jesus have mercy on the souls in Purgatory”

End with: Recite the Glory Be three times.

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SUNDAY MASSES: Saturdays at 4:00; Sundays at 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), & Noon

HOLY DAY MASSES: 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), Noon & evening at 7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m. (all Tridentine).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 2:30-3:30, Sunday 9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS: Every Saturday after the 4:00 p.m. Mass or Sunday after the Noon Mass. Arrange at the Rectory Office.

BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: After the Noon Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

REGISTRATION: Visit the Rectory or call for a form to be sent out to you.

Prayer of St. Gertrude the Great

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my home and within my family. Amen

“If things go well, let us rejoice, blessing God who makes them prosper. And if they go badly? Let us rejoice, blessing God who allows us to share in the sweetness of His cross.” -St Josemaria Escriva

A Vicarious Descant (continued)

So, Aquinas provides a beautiful catechesis that traces the honoring of the Saints—the Communion of the Saints—through the Sacraments saying, “This communication takes place through the Sacraments of the Church in which operate the merits of the passion of Christ, which in turn operates for the conferring of grace unto the remission of sins.”

These first eight days of November are unlike any other time in the Liturgical cycle. During this time, the faithful are offered an opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence for a soul in purgatory by visiting a cemetery and praying any prayer for the dead. One must add the Credo and the Pater Noster and complete the other obligations for a plenary indulgence including Holy Communion that day, Confession within 2 or 3 weeks, prayers for the Holy Father—such as the Our Father and Hail Mary—and a detachment from sin, even venial.

Today’s Gospel is that of the Beatitudes. If the Ten Commandments spoke of the foundations of love of God and neighbor, the Beatitudes speak of the heights of sanctity in love of God and neighbor. Those whom the Church has declared venerable, blessed or saint attained these heights of sanctity and have triumphed and are in heaven.

Let us ask with confidence to share fully in the merits of the Saints. Let us also pray with love and hope in God’s mercy for the souls in Purgatory particularly in the Octave which begins today. Let us also ask the Saints and Angels to intercede for us and for our country this Tuesday. May God grant our country every grace and much mercy that we may escape the designs of our enemies and one day be numbered among the saints in heaven.

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The Knights of Columbus are hosting an all night Adoration Monday, November 2nd for the election. Adoration begins after the 7:00 p.m. Mass

on Monday and will end before the 7:30 a.m. Mass on Tuesday.

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Masses for Monday, November 2nd, All Souls Day, will be as follows: 6:00am; 7:30am; & 7:00pm. All Masses will be Tridentine.

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40 Hours Devotion Schedule 2020

Friday, November 13th

7:30 a.m. Opening Mass with procession after Mass.

6:00 p.m. Benediction

Saturday, November 14th

6:00 a.m. Exposition

7:30 a.m. Mass at side altar

6:00 p.m. Benediction

Sunday, November 15th

6:00 a.m. Exposition

12:00 noon Closing Mass with Procession

Sign up sheets for adoration are on the side tables of the church today.

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Come and Visit the Assumption Grotto to Secular Carmelites. If you would like to be a part of a Fraternal Community, be inspired by Carmelite Saints, seek the face of God through contemplative prayer, and have a special devotion to our Blessed Mother, call *Paula Zurawski* at 586.463.1770 and leave a message **to schedule a visit with the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Discalced Carmelite Seculars**, at Assumption Grotto, in Detroit. We meet on the First Saturday of each month, beginning with a Communion Service at 8:30 am. The richness of Carmelite teachings and spirituality will still the restlessness of your heart as you learn to rest in the Lord. We look forward to meeting you!

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Seven Sisters Apostolate

See the flyer on the side tables of the church for more information on our three

parish Seven Sisters Groups. The groups are organized to pray for Archbishop Vigneron, Fr. John Bustamante and Fr. Perrone. We are in need of more women willing to commit an hour a week for one of our priests as a substitute or alternate. The Holy hour may be done in a parish church near you, anytime on the day you are assigned. Please call and leave your name at the rectory if God is calling you to assist our priests in this Apostolate. For more information on the Seven Sisters Apostolate go to their website: <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/home>

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Morning Offering “O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father” (from “Manual of Prayers,” Midwest Theological Forum).

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Election Prayer Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of our people in America. May we choose a President of the United States, and other government officials, according to Your Divine Will. Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of unborn human life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of the family, and the sanctity of the aging. Grant us the wisdom to give You, what belongs to You, our God. If we do this, as a nation, we are confident You will give us an abundance of Your blessings through our elected leaders. Amen.



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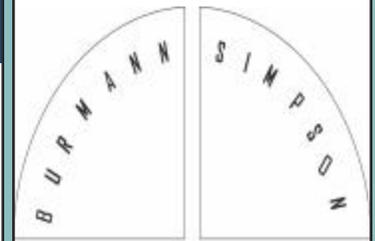
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DIANE M. KORZENIEWSKI
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