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#### **SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER 2024**

## **30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**ALL SAINTS DAY: 01 NOV** 

#### YEAR B

### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

#### **SUNDAY**

8:00am Mass & 10:00am Mass

### **MONDAY**

7:00pm Mass

#### **TUESDAY TO FRIDAY**

9:00am Mass Sacrament of Penance (Confession) before & after Mass (depending on priests' availability)

#### WEDNESDAY

7:00pm Mass. Every First Wednesday, will include Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

#### **SATURDAY**

9:00am Mass Novena to St. Padre Pio & Blessing with his Relic 9:30am Sacrament of Penance 5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

#### **BAPTISMS**

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sundays. Minimum booking time: two months in advance.

## FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

7:00pm Mass, Adoration starts 3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet 9:00am Saturday Mass

#### YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Every Wednesday, 7pm Mass, then YA meeting for 18-35yrs.

#### FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

Contact the Parish Office.

#### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.



What is All Saints Day? All Saints
Day honours the saints in Heaven –
those who have been recognized
by the Church as saints, as well as
those who have not been
canonized. The feast was
established in Rome as a result of
the emperor's giving of the
Pantheon to the Church and its

dedication to St. Mary and All the Martyrs. This followed the principle, "Christus vincit! Christus regnat! Christus imperat!" (Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands). Thus, throughout the Mediterranean many churches have been built over pagan sites, sanctifying them for Christ. The Church celebrates All Saints Day on November 1.

What is the difference between All Souls Day and All Saints Day? All Saints Day is in honour of those people who are in Heaven. All Souls Day reminds us to pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory who have not yet attained Heaven.

Are all souls in Heaven saints? Yes. The Church has declared some people canonized saints, but there are countless others who have never been recognized as in Heaven, either in the early Church or by a formal canonization process.

**Should you pray to saints?** Yes. If we would ask our friends and family to pray for our intentions, why would we not also ask those closest to God – the saints, angels, and particularly the Blessed Virgin – to pray for us? After all, God is not the "God of the dead but of the living, as all are alive in Him" (Luke 20:38).

Can the saints hear our prayer? Yes, they can. Although the saints do not have ears with which to hear, in God we can pray to them and be "heard," just as we can to Him.

Who is the most esteemed member of the Communion of Saints? Mary, the Mother of God, is the most honoured saint. She is in fact the Queen of Heaven and Queen of the Saints.

Is praying to saints biblical? Sacred Scripture shows us that saints do intercede for humans on earth like in Revelation 6:9-10. We also see explicit mention of the role of the angels accompanying the prayers of the faithful in Rev. 8, and implicitly that of human beings in Rev. 4, where the 24 crowned elders, standing for the 12 tribes and the 12 apostles, the just of the Old and the New Covenant, share in Christ's kingly and priestly function. Another is Rev. 8:3-4: 'And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer; and he was given much incense to mingle with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar before the throne; and the smoke of the incense rose with the prayers of the saints from the hand of the angel before God'. (cf. Tobit 12:15-22)

#### What exactly is a Saint?

Mother Angelica from the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) said, "Saints are ordinary people who love Jesus, try to be like Him, are faithful to the duties of their state in life, sacrifice themselves for their neighbor, and keep their hearts and minds free of this world." A canonized saint is someone who, after careful consideration, is formally recognized by the Church as being with God in Heaven. These include the holy angels, the Just of the Old Law holy men and women mentioned in the New Testament (Mary, Joseph, the Apostles etc.), as well as those recognized in the early Church by inserting their name into the canon of the Mass (canonization). In the Second Millennium this process of "canonization" became more formal.

"DO not be afraid to be saints. Follow Jesus Christ, who is the source of Freedom and Light. Be open to the lord so that he may Lighten all your ways." - St. John Paul II

The above is from: www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days/all-saints-20377 Picture is from: Wikipedia

## **ALL SOULS DAY: 02 NOV**

The Church is composed of the faithful living upon the earth and those who have gone before us. The latter includes the Saints in Heaven and the faithful Souls being purified in Purgatory.

November 02 is All Souls Day. We honor the Souls in Purgatory for their fidelity in life, as well as pray for them, since they are being purified before entering the All-Holy Presence of God.

About All Souls Day continued...

As Rev 21:27 says of the Heavenly Jerusalem, "... nothing unclean shall enter in."

Throughout the month of November, our minds turn toward the Holy Souls in Purgatory. In fact, praying for the living and the dead is one of the spiritual works of mercy. A Holy Soul is someone who is now in Purgatory. They are also referred to as Poor Souls. Praying for the Holy Souls is a good and important practice that should continue throughout the year.

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From 01-08 Nov, a person can gain a plenary indulgence for a soul in Purgatory <u>each day</u> by visiting a cemetery, praying for the dead, along with the usual conditions to gain a Plenary Indulgence.

## Prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory by St. Gertrude the Great

St. Gertrude the Great was told by Our Lord that each time she piously recited the following prayer, it would release 1,000 souls from their suffering in purgatory:

Eternal Father, I offer You 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, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen.

St. Gertrude the Great was a 13th-century German nun, writer, and mystic who was graced with many heavenly visions. It is recounted that Jesus showed her a vast number of souls entering heaven from purgatory as a result of her faithful and frequent recitation of this prayer.

#### PRAYING FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY in

**NOVEMBER:** Please use the November Mass Envelopes to offer Mass for the faithful departed. Please PRINT the names of the loved ones. The Book of Remembrance will be present at the front of the Church from 02 November.

ETECNAL CEST BEANT UNTO THEM, O LOCD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIBHT SHINE UPON THEM. MAY THEY CEST IN PEACE. AMEN.





#### ST. PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

#### OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY.



ALL SAINTS NIGHT: This Thursday 31

October 6pm (Church)-7.30pm

All children are invited to come dressed as Saints of their choice or in white, for an evening of fun and games. Snacks provided. Please RSVP by

27 October using this QR Code.

**ALL SAINTS DAY: THIS FRIDAY 01 NOVEMBER** 

Time: 9:00am Mass & 7pm Mass.

### FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ALL-NIGHT ADORATION



When: This Friday 01 November 7pm: Mass followed by the All-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**3am:** The Divine Mercy Chaplet **7am:** All Souls Day Mass, Exposition

9am: All Souls Day Mass & Novena to St.

Padre Pio. Come and spend time with Our Lord. The sign-up sheet is on the Welcome Table.

#### **ALL SOULS DAY MASSES**

When: This Saturday 02 November: 7am Mass, 9am Mass & 12pm (midday) Mass. On All Souls Day we especially remember all departed souls including our families and friends by praying for them at Mass.

# ADVENT FAMILY RETREAT DAY: THE CHRISTMAS MIRACLE – Saturday 30 November, 9am-3.30pm

Mass & Novena, Sessions for primary-school aged and teens/adults, Holy Rosary, Lunch & afternoon tea and more. Free event, registration is essential! The Retreat Program is on the Parish Noticeboard.

Sunday 27 October: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time YrB

Monday 28 October: Sts. Simon & Jude

Friday 01 November: ALL SAINTS Saturday 02 November: ALL SOULS

#### **NEXT SUNDAY: 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Ps 17:2-4. 47, 51, R.v.2

Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 12:28-34

#### ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

**Date:** Tuesday 29 October **Place:** Cecil & Michael Aldama **Date:** Tuesday 05 November **Place:** Gilbert & Silvana Grech

#### **LEGION OF MARY MEETING:**

Every Thursday, 5.30pm in the Church meeting room.

#### **OUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR HELP**

We like to provide morning tea after the 8am & 10am Masses on Sunday morning. Thank you to the volunteers who set this up each weekend and have been doing so for many years. We really need more helpers so this can continue. You would be rostered on one Sunday per month. Setting up starts 20 minutes before 8am Mass and then remain after Mass to help parishioners. Helpers for 10am Mass check the table before Mass and remain after Mass to help & pack all away when finished. Please contact the parish office if you would like to help. Thank You.

**PARISH INCOME & EXPENSES** sheet for September can be found on the Parish Noticeboards.

#### MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

Thanksgiving to God-Birthday & Wedding Anniversary. Recently Deceased: Laurie Cook. Deceased: Mavis & Vince Quinn, Dominic Botlero, Mario Manna. Prayers for the Sick: Kyla Aggar, Richard Daher, Eric Norman Santos, Jimmy Zacharias, Mario Cauchi, Alona Alcaraz, Adrienne Auld, Trent Moore, Bernadette Tecson, Ernesto Modelo, Joselito Canaria, Lynn Navarro, Kim Baluyot, Jasmine Arada, Maricris Palencia, Yvonne Videla, Alejandra Modelo, Emily & Danilo Rosales, Georgina Rastegorac, Maryrose Vella, Catherine Vella. Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered.

#### ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK ONE - FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 02/03 NOVEMBER 5:30PM MASS TIME 8:00AM 10:00AM COORDINATOR Trudi Almeida Lynn Young Regina Rossetto Billy Layug ACOLYTE Khalid Younan **Chris Hersey** Lya Layug **SENIOR SERVER** Gilbert Grech Manny Medel Kylie Sultana 1. Trudi Almeida 1. Trish Warda 1. Zon Lupisan READER 2. Maz Lirio 2. Denise Robens 2. Regina Rosetto MUSIC Children's Choir HOSPITALITY help needed each month Zon Lupisan **BAPTISM Daniel Rossetto** Doris Cutajar, Paula Harris, Mel Gaudoin, Josephine Caruana, Valeni Rodrigues, Meghan Warda **CLEANING TEAM**

## **30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading Jeremiah 31:7-9

#### A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

I shall lead them back in mercy – both the blind and the

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob!

Hail the chief of nations!

Proclaim! Praise! Shout:

The Lord has saved his people,

the remnant of Israel!

See, I will bring them back

from the land of the North

and gather them from the far ends of earth;

all of them: the blind and the lame,

women with child, women in labour:

a great company returning here.

They had left in tears,

I will comfort them as I lead them back;

I will guide them to streams of water,

by a smooth path where they will not stumble.

For I am a father to Israel,

and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 125. R. v.3

(R.) The Lord has done great things for us;

we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,

It seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,

on our lips there were songs. (R.)

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels

the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!

Indeed we were glad. (R.)

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage

as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears

will sing when they reap. (R.)

They go out, they go out, full of tears,

carrying seed for the sowing:

they come back, they come back, full of song,

carrying their sheaves. (R.)

Second Reading Hebrews 5:1-6

#### A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

You are a priest forever in the line of Melchizedek. Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness.

That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation** Timothy 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

**Gospel** Mark 10:46-52

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Master, grant that I may see.

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

