

As we approach **All Saints Day and All Souls Day**, let us take time to remember those that have gone before us, those in heaven, the Church Triumphant, the saints, who are shining examples for us how to live and what awaits those who live out a Catholic life. Then we have the Church Suffering, those souls in purgatory, who rely on our prayers and sacrifices to shorten their time of purification. As many a Catholic grandmother has said, “offer it up for the souls in purgatory,” which is a part of Catholic teaching from the beginning.

We here on earth are in the Church Militant. There is a reason for the name. We are here to fight against the evil one and his minions “who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls,” as the St. Michael prayer tells us. The goal is to get ourselves and as many others as we can to heaven. Our goal is also to strive to restore the **Kingship of Christ** over all the world. As Catholics, the just society, the moral society, the proper society is under the Kingship of Christ. He is the Lord of ALL! Just as in the Lord's Prayer we pray “thy kingdom come on earth...” We are called by Baptism and Confirmation to be soldiers for Christ, to stand against evil and for the truth of Jesus Christ, as Paul says, whether convenient or inconvenient.

Part of our duty as the Church Militant is to **vote Catholic!** Remember that respect for life, especially when it comes to abortion, is a critical issue of primary importance. There is no way a Catholic can vote for a candidate that is for abortion, the killing of innocent babies in the womb, especially if there is a clear alternative choice that is opposed to abortion, or Pro-Life. It would be sin for a Catholic to vote for the proabortion candidate.

Viva Cristo Rey!!!