

October 25, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

These next ten days will be days of great spiritual and political intensity. Now is the time to pray more intensely than ever for God's intervention and for the conversion of people back to Him. During these days, we will be inundated with all kinds of messages, however, our most important task is prayer and conversion of heart to God. Pray the Rosary at home, come to Mass, come to confession, come to pray at a Holy Hour, especially the Holy Hours being offered every day for the country and for the world.

In addition to the daily Holy Hours in our collaborative which continue through November 15th, we are encouraging everyone in their homes to pray a 9-day novena before the election. The prayers are included today and will be prayed at each Mass as well. Please gather the members of your household to pray these prayers each day. May God save us in this hour! We do not always know what is best for ourselves, but He does!

Please also remember to vote if you are eligible and encourage everyone you know to do so. It is still possible to register to vote in person with your county clerk through election day. Please compare the Ten Commandments to the policy positions of the candidates and the platforms of the parties when considering your vote; God's law must undergird all other law or our society will surely fall. Please be careful not to fall into the trap of voting for candidates according to personalities or even their own exaggerated words. Consider their positions and actual accomplishments above all. These are what affect the society most impactfully.

In the middle of all of the political intensity, we are entering into a time in our Church calendar where we focus on the things of eternity. Please do whatever you can to keep holy All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day. Information for both is included with this bulletin and will be sent home to all parishioners as well. Maybe it is appropriate that these days come right before election day. If every citizen keeps in mind our final goal, the decisions we must make in this world become clearer and chosen with great wisdom.

Much of our reflection this year has been about being prepared for prophesied events which may unfold soon in this world. We have been focused on being prepared for the Final Coming of Christ at the End of Time or at the end of our own lives. In the Gospel of Luke read at Mass on Thursday of this past week, Jesus encourages us to be ready and prepared:

*Jesus said to his disciples:*

*"Be sure of this:*

*if the master of the house had known the hour*

*when the thief was coming,*

*he would not have let his house be broken into.*

*You also must be prepared,*

*for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."*

*Then Peter said,*

*"Lord, is this parable meant for us or for everyone?"*

*And the Lord replied,*

*"Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward*

*whom the master will put in charge of his servants*

*to distribute the food allowance at the proper time?*

*Blessed is that servant whom his master on arrival finds*

*doing so. Truly, I say to you, he will put him*

*in charge of all his property.*

*But if that servant says to himself,*

*'My master is delayed in coming,'*

*and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants,*

*to eat and drink and get drunk,*

*then that servant's master will come*

*on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour*

*and will punish the servant severely*

*and assign him a place with the unfaithful.*

*That servant who knew his master's will*

*but did not make preparations nor act in accord with his*

*will shall be beaten severely;*

*and the servant who was ignorant of his master's will*

*but acted in a way deserving of a severe beating*

*shall be beaten only lightly.*

*Much will be required of the person entrusted with much,*

*and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted*

*with more." (Luke 12:29-48)*

As we contemplate the last things during the month of November and pray for our beloved deceased, it is also time to make sure that we are spiritually prepared to face the events that are unfolding in our world right now and to meet the Lord should He come or call. Messages from heaven keep coming to us. Let us never be afraid but always repentant and ready! Below are a few of the current messages from Catholic prophets and seers urging us to be prepared for what is to come. May these messages bring you all closer to Him! (from [countdowntothekingdom.com](http://countdowntothekingdom.com))

Please pray for the Church during these days when the Church throughout the world is under attack from without and within. Our bishops and priests are under great spiritual attack right now and some have fallen. Please pray for the Church and her priests! Edson Glauber, a seer who we introduced over the last few weeks, received this message this week:

Queen of the Rosary and of Peace to Edson Glauber on October 18th, 2020:

Peace, my beloved children, peace! My children, I your Mother come from Heaven to ask you for prayers for my sons who are priests and for the whole Holy Church. Without priests you cannot receive the blessings, graces and light that my Son Jesus wishes to give you in the Blessed Sacrament. Without priests, you cannot have the strength to fight against the attacks and snares of the evil spirits who each day seek to keep you from the holy way of the Lord. Pray for my sons who are priests and be united to them with your prayers, sacrifices and penance, and the power of good will triumph over all the evil that today exists on the face of the earth. My Son is with you and I am with you together with Joseph my Spouse, and we, the Holy Family, never abandon you, nor do we leave you alone even for a moment. Receive my peace and my maternal blessing: in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen!

This week we also introduce a Polish mystic through whom heaven has been speaking for the last 30 years or so:

The Polish mystic Alicja Lenczewska was born in Warsaw in 1934 and died in 2012, her professional life being spent primarily as a teacher and associate director of a school in the northwestern city of Szczecin. Together with her brother, she started participating in the meetings of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in 1984 following the death of their mother; on March 8, 1985 Alicja's life changed radically when she encountered Jesus standing before her after receiving Holy Communion. It was on this date that she began recording her mystical dialogues. Retiring in 1987, she became a member of the Family of the Heart of Love of the Crucified, making her initial vows in 1988 and perpetual vows in 2005. She was also active in evangelizing and organizing pilgrimages to Italy, the Holy Land and Medjugorje. In 2010 her mystical communications came to a conclusion, two years before her death from cancer in St John's Hospice, Szczecin on January 5, 2012.

Running to more than 1000 printed pages, Alicja's two-volume spiritual journal (Testimony [1985-1989] and Exhortations [1989-2010]) was published posthumously thanks to the efforts of the Archbishop of Szczecin Andrzej Dzięga, who established a theological commission for the evaluation of her writings, which were granted the Imprimatur by Bishop Henryk Wejman. Since their appearance in 2015, they have become best-sellers among Polish Catholics and are frequently quoted in public by clergy both for their penetrating insights into the spiritual life and their revelations concerning the contemporary world. (<https://www.countdowntothekingdom.com/why-alicja-lenczewska/#messages>)

Of the many messages Alicja relayed, this message about the coming Enlightenment of Souls and a Rebirth of the Church following a great period of suffering and purification in the world may encourage us all to be prepared:

Our Lord to Alicja Lenczewska :

The Immaculate Heart of My Mother will Triumph... the Dawn and Spring of the Holy Church is coming... A purification will be given that will bring the Sons of Darkness to the LIGHT OF GOD'S TRUTH, and every person will, according to their own will in the Light of that Truth, have to choose the Kingdom of My Father or give themselves over eternally to the father of lies... Mary is the one through whom will come the REBIRTH OF MY CHURCH, so that it would shine with the FULL SPENDOR of GOD'S HOLINESS. —June 8, 2002

Satan and his servants will rejoice—as they rejoiced then in Jerusalem. But the time of their apparent victory will be short, for the Morning will come of the Resurrection of the Holy Church, Immortal, giving birth to New Life on Earth—the HOLINESS of my Children.” —November 11, 2000

Messages were approved by the Polish Hierarchy in 2017. From the second volume of Alicja's messages, "Exhortations" (Słowa Pouczenia). (<https://www.countdowntothekingdom.com/alicia-on-the-warning>)

As Christians we look forward to the fulfillment of Christ's promises even as we joyfully endure the current trials of this world. Come, Lord Jesus!

In the Hope of God's Final Victory,  
Fr. Derda, Fr. Steve, Deacon Russ and Deacon Ed