

November 22, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, the last great feast day of the Church Year. Advent, the four week period of spiritual preparation begins next week with the First Sunday of Advent. Time is flying by! Please watch in the mail for information regarding the upcoming Advent and Christmas Seasons.

Obviously, Thanksgiving Day is coming this week. It is a wonderful time to thank God for all the blessings we have received. Please note that there are special Thanksgiving Day Masses at St. Mary's Visitation and St. Stanislaus at 9 am that day. That day is set aside as a day for all citizens to give thanks to God for the blessing we have received through our country. Please come and pray at church or at home that day in thanksgiving to God and that He will save and preserve this land of blessings. Our founders and leaders through the last 244 years have recognized that all the blessings we have in this land come from God, not ourselves. May the true spirit of Thanksgiving Day grow strong in the hearts of all of us again!

In 1925, the pope at the time decreed that today's feast day be celebrated throughout the world to counteract the atheism and communism that had begun to spread throughout the world before and during the time of WWI. People and governments in the Christian world were beginning to abandon faith and seek salvation in financial and political systems rather than in God Himself. It is clear that this process of placing worldly powers above God has continued to spread in our world and has caused the unrest that we are seeing currently. Each of us is called to make Christ the King of our lives, our families and homes, our possessions, our parish and local community, and our country. Is Jesus the King of your heart and life or do you allow other things to rule your life? Jesus, we pledge our allegiance only to you!

With the upheaval of our societal and political life that is occurring now, along with the coronavirus situation, it is even more important that we remain in constant prayer and spiritual action against evil wherever it may be found. These events in our lives certainly speak of the times of prophetic fulfillment mentioned in the Book of Revelation. In this intense spiritual struggle in the human and spiritual realms which we face today, a very renowned priest, Fr. Chad Ripperger, is suggesting that we pray and act according to the suggestions below beginning now and into the foreseeable future. We must realize that the difficulties we are facing right now can only be overcome by a deeper conversion of heart to Jesus and prayer and fasting.

"Here is what Fr. Ripperger "actually" suggests..."

Be Strong in God's Grace!

Frequent Confession

Frequent Communions

Daily Rosary

Much Mortification & Fasting

Much Trust in God's Providence and the Power of Our Lady's Intercession

Pray Daily the Following Two Prayers

Consecration of One's Exterior Goods to the Blessed Virgin Mary

(This prayer is particularly useful for breaking various forms of oppression. By relinquishing what belongs to us into the hands of the Blessed Virgin, Satan cannot touch them. This is a strong prayer of protection of you and yours):

I; (Name), a faithless sinner, renew and ratify today in thy hands the vows of my Baptism; I renounce forever Satan, his pomps and works; and I give myself entirely to Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Wisdom, to carry my cross after Him all the days of my life, and to be more faithful to Him than I have ever been before. In the presence of all the heavenly court, I choose thee, O Mary, this day for my Mother and Mistress. Knowing that I have received rights over all my exterior goods by the promulgation of the Natural Law by the Divine Author, I deliver and consecrate to thee, as thy slave, all of my exterior goods, past, present and future; I relinquish into thy hands, my Heavenly Mother, all rights over my exterior goods, including our President, the fairness, honesty and accuracy of the outcome of the election, and our country and I retain for myself no right of disposing the goods that come to me but leave to thee the entire and full right of disposing of all that belongs to me, without exception, according to thy good pleasure, for the greater glory of God in time and in eternity. As I now interiorly relinquish what belongs to me exteriorly into thy hands, I entrust to thee the protection of those exterior goods against the evil one, so that, knowing that they now belong to thee, he cannot touch them. Receive, O good and pious Virgin, this little offering of what little is, in honor of, and in union with, that subjection which the Eternal Wisdom deigned to have to Thy maternity; in homage to the power which both of You have over this poor sinner, and in thanksgiving for the privileges with which the Holy Trinity has favored thee. Trusting in the providential care of God the Father and thy maternal care, I have full confidence that thou wilt take care of me as to the necessities of this life and will not leave me forsaken. God the Father, increase my trust in Thy Son's Mother; Our Lady of Fair Love, give me perfect confidence in the providence of Thy Son. Amen."

From: <https://usgraceforce.com/grace-force-podcast-episode-64-fr-ripperger-fighting-back-against-the-satanic-mob/>

Another powerful prayer to pray often during these times of spiritual struggle is:

Prayer of Command

In His Name and by the power of His Cross and Blood, I ask Jesus to bind any evil spirits, forces and powers of the earth, air, fire, or water, of the netherworld and the satanic forces of nature. By the power of the Holy Spirit and by His authority, I ask Jesus Christ to break any curses, hexes, or spells and send them back to where they came from, if it be His Holy Will. I beseech Thee Lord Jesus to protect us by pouring Thy Precious Blood on us (my family, etc.), which Thou hast shed for us and I ask Thee to command that any departing spirits leave quietly, without disturbance, and go straight to Thy Cross to dispose of as Thou sees fit. I ask Thee to bind any demonic interaction, interplay, or communications. I place N. (Person, place or thing) under the protection of the Blood of Jesus Christ which He shed for us. Amen

With all the upheaval in our country today, we are also encouraged to ask the angels to help us in the spiritual battle with the forces of evil. It is pious tradition that God has assigned a particular angel to guard each individual country. The Catechism of the Catholic Church briefly mentions this belief: "This state of division into many nations, each entrusted by divine providence to the guardianship of angels". (CCC 57) Some countries, such as Portugal, even celebrate a feast day in their Church calendar to honor the guardian angel of their countries.

In this spirit, the Bishop of Steubenville, OH, Most Rev. Jeffrey Montforton, former rector of Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit, has approved this prayer for us to pray:

Prayer to Guardian Angel of the United States

O glorious Guardian Angel of the United States, to whom God has entrusted the care of our beloved country, we honor you and thank you for the care and protection you have given to this great nation from the first moment of its inception.

O powerful Angel Guardian, whose watchful glance encompasses this vast land from shore to shore, we know that our sins have grieved our Lord and God and marred the beauty of our heritage. Lead us to a deep conversion, so that we may return to the embrace of His merciful love!

O Holy Angel, obtain for us through the intercession of the Queen of Heaven before the throne of God the graces we need to overcome the forces of evil so rampant in our beloved land. Help us, our God-given protector and friend, to respond wholeheartedly to the urgent pleas of the Mother of God at Fatima. Assist us to offer the prayers and sacrifices necessary to bring peace and goodness to our nation.

We want to make you known and loved throughout our land, so that docile to your inspirations we may know, love and serve our Lord more faithfully and so become once more "one Nation under God"! Amen.

Taken from: https://opusangelorum.org/Prayer/united_states_prayer.html

Finally, during these days when we call to mind the end times and the Second Coming of Christ and His final Victory over sin and death, as described in the Book of Revelation, we continue to reflect on heaven's prophetic messages given through modern day Catholics who speak to us very urgently to prepare for what is to come and may already be upon us. Please freely consider these two messages given through spiritual seers we have introduced in previous letters:

Gisella – Now is the Time of Battle—Our Lady to Gisella Cardia on November 14th, 2020: My children, thanks for being here in prayer and for having listened to my call in your hearts. My beloveds, Jesus is suffering because of what they are doing to Him; Satan is disturbing many souls and is leading men of the Church down the path of pride and arrogance, and this will cause them to believe that they are omnipotent, traveling the road of perdition; but what pains me is that the flock will be scattered without having known Jesus. Instead, my children, God asks you for humility: this is the virtue by which you will be recognized as His children. Now is the time of the true battle, and with the weapons of fasting and the Holy Rosary in your hands, fight together with me for the Triumph of My Immaculate Heart. Beloved children, the times that will come will be terrible, but do not fear, because I and my Son will be close to you in the tribulation. Jesus will make the Holy Spirit descend upon you, just as He did with his apostles. Those children of mine who are the ambassadors and prophets of these times will suffer most of all; do not leave them on their own. Love one another as brothers and sisters, be united with love and pray together with devotion. Now I bless you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Pedro – Men Will Abandon God's Laws—Our Lady Queen of Peace to Pedro Regis on November 14th, 2020:

Dear children, I am your Sorrowful Mother and I suffer because of what comes to you. Men will abandon the Laws of God and embrace human laws. They will be slaves to the New Order. God's enemies will act to separate you from the truth. My poor children will walk like the blind leading the blind and the pain will be great for those who love and defend the truth. I ask you to

be of the Lord. He loves you and knows you by name. Be meek and humble of heart and testify everywhere to the Love of My Jesus. I have come from Heaven to help you. Listen to Me. Do not retreat. After all tribulation, the Victory of God will come for the just. Seek strength in prayer, in the Gospel and in the Eucharist. Nothing is lost. Courage. You are not alone. I am walking with you. This is the message that I give you today in the name of the Most Holy Trinity. Thank you for having allowed Me to gather you here once more. I bless you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen. Be at peace.

Jesus our King, and Mary our Queen, save us, our country, and the world!

In Christ, the King of the Universe,
Fr. Derda, Fr. Steve, Deacon Russ & Deacon Ed