

THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS



MASSES

Saturday [anticipated] 4:30 pm

Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am

Mass Tuesday-Friday in the chapel at 9 am

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 7-7:30 pm

Saturday 3-4 pm

in the chapel

**ST IGNATIUS
& ST LUKE'S**

1 November 2020

ALL SAINTS

“SO many were the wonderful works which our Saviour did on earth, that not even the world itself could have contained the books recording them. Nor have His marvels been less since He ascended on high;—those works of higher grace and more abiding fruit, wrought in the souls of men, from the first hour till now,—the captives of His power, the ransomed heirs of His kingdom, whom He has called by His Spirit working in due season, and led on from strength to strength till they appear before His face in Zion. Surely not even the world itself could contain the records of His love, the history of those many Saints, that ‘cloud of Witnesses,’ whom we today celebrate, His purchased possession in every age! We crowd these all up into one day; we mingle together in the brief remembrance of an hour all the choicest deeds, the holiest lives, the noblest labours, the most precious sufferings, which the sun ever saw. Even the least of those Saints were the contemplation of many days,—even the names of them, if read in our Service, would outrun many settings and risings of the light,—even one passage in the life of one of them were more than sufficient for a long discourse....Martyrs and Confessors, Rulers and Doctors of the Church, devoted Ministers and Religious brethren, kings of the earth and all people, princes and judges of the earth, young men and maidens, old men and children, the first fruits of all ranks, ages, and callings, gathered each in his own time into the paradise of God. This is the blessed company which today meets the Christian pilgrim in the Services of the Church. We are like Jacob, when, on his journey homewards, he was encouraged by a heavenly vision. ‘Jacob went on his way, and the Angels of God met him; and when Jacob saw them, he said, This is God’s host: and he called the name of that place Mahanaim.’ [Gen. xxxii. 1, 2.]

And such a host was also seen by the favoured Apostle, as described in the chapter from which the Epistle of the day is taken. ‘I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands ... These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.’ [Rev. vii. 9, 14.]

This great multitude, which no man could number, is gathered into this one day’s commemoration, the goodly fellowship of the Prophets, the noble army of Martyrs, the Children of the Holy Church Universal, who have rested from their labours.”

From a sermon preached by St. John Henry Newman on All Saints 1831.

All Saints’ Day, also known as All Hallows’ Day, Halloween, the Feast of All Saints, or Solemnity of All Saints, is a solemnity celebrated in honour of all the saints, known and unknown.

In the Western Christian practice, the liturgical celebration begins at Vespers on the evening of 31 October, All Hallows’ Eve (All Saints’ Eve), and ends at the close of 1 November. It is thus the day before All Souls’ Day, which commemorates the

faithful departed. In many traditions, All Saints’ Day is part of the season of Allhallowtide, which includes the three days from 31 October to 2 November. It is a national holiday in many Christian countries.

The Christian celebration of All Saints’ Day and All Souls’ Day stems from a belief that there is a powerful spiritual bond between those in heaven (the “Church triumphant”), and the living (the “Church militant”). In Catholic theology, the day commemorates all those who have attained the beatific vision in Heaven.

“...The Church, you see, does not want us to be entirely wrapped up in a handful of saints of our own choosing. There’s nothing wrong about picking and choosing; God made them [the saints] different from each other so that we could have our pick. But it was God who made them all, and made them what they were, and it would be disrespectful of us to take no notice of any of them except a handful. So, once a year, the Church tells us to think about all the blessed saints in heaven. And she chooses, I think, an excellent day for it; the first day of November, when the year has definitely turned to autumn, and the leaves have fallen, and the weather is for the most part rather depressing, either wetter or colder than we quite want it to be. Because it is then we like staying indoors, and sitting at the fireside, if there’s one to sit by; and there’s a kind of snug feeling about coming in out of the misty twilight and drawing the curtains across the windows, which helps us to think about the saints in heaven, so snug there, with all the painful struggles of their earthly life behind them. To be sure, it is nice to be out on a November afternoon; but it is still nicer to come in at the end of the afternoon, and shut the world out from us. And the saints are happy, even in this world, in spite of all their uncomfortable goings on. But happier still when they leave this world, and draw the curtains of heaven round them. Our Lord talks about them sitting down to table in the kingdom of heaven, with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob; that’s what the words mean—we are to think of heaven as a great comfortable family meal, where everyone has his allotted place, and there is no starvation corner.

Only, let us always remember that the curtains of heaven are transparent curtains. Not in the sense that you and I can look in; ah, if only we could! What a world of good it would do us! No, but the saints can look out; they can see you and me still ploughing our way through the mud and the darkness of this earthly existence, feeling our way with difficulty and falling, every now and again, into the ditch. And they can help us; not only because the light of their example shines down on us, and makes it easier, sometimes, to see what we ought to do. They can help us with their prayers, strong prayers, wise prayers, when ours are so feeble and so blind. When you look out on a November evening, and see the sky all studded with stars, think of those innumerable saints in heaven, all ready to help you...”

From a sermon preached by Msgr. Ronald Knox in the boys’ chapel of All Hallows, Shepton Mallet, Somerset, All Saints 1950.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All who are suffering or sick and all caregivers who minister to the sick: Greg and Felicia Yohe, Joe Coleman, John Hogan, Deirdre McQuade, Danny Hart, Amy Howard, Mary Morehead and family, Curtis Bailey, Leondre Massey, Sister Constance Ward, George Cochran, Mark Anthony Turner, Rachel Fisher, Patricia Ransom, Beverly A. Woods, Kerianna Prather, Victoria P.; D.K.C., M.M., R.M., K.M., C.M., C.A., E.D., E.G., W.B., J.M., H.G., and J.G.

Please call or email the office to add a name to the prayer list.

Before calling, please be sure you have spoken to the person [or a member of his family] about adding the name—we do not want to inadvertently disregard someone's desire for privacy.

Names of those who are sick or suffering will be kept on the list for one month; to keep a name on the list for longer, you must email the parish office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BISHOP'S VISITATION

The Most Reverend Steven Lopes, Bishop of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter, will be with us next Sunday, November 8th, at the 11 am Mass, to confirm our children. As they enter these last days leading up to this sacrament, please keep our candidates for Confirmation in your prayers.

MASS OF THE FIVE WOUNDS

St. Luke's will offer the votive **Mass of the Five Wounds** five times for the repose of the souls of the beloved dead of St. Luke's and St. Ignatius' parishioners and friends. With this intention, four low Masses of the Five Wounds will be offered at 9 am, Tuesday November 10th through Friday November 13th. A fifth sung Mass of the Five Wounds will take place on **Saturday November 14th at 10:30 am.**

REQUIEM BOOK

If you would like to have your deceased friends and relations remembered at masses during the month of November, please email the office so that we can enter the names in our **Requiem Book**. Or fill out one of the Requiem Book slips in the back of the church or the entrance of the auditorium, and place it in the collection basket. *And mark your calendars for November 14th at 10:30 am to assist in the offering of the Mass of the Five Wounds.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 31 October

Anticipated Mass for Sunday
4:30 pm Msgr. Patrick Begley +

Sunday, 1 November

THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
8 am Pro populo
9:30 am Jane Slattery
11 am Edward Guinivan and companions

Monday, 2 November

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
9 am The Poor Souls

Tuesday, 3 November

Martin de Porres, Religious
9 am Harold Kruse + [Lorraine LaValley]

Wednesday, 4 November

Charles Borromeo, Bishop
9 am Elizabeth Donovan [Jane Slattery]

Thursday, 5 November

Feria
9 am Jose Manlapaz + [Susie Martinez]

Friday, 6 November

Feria
9 am Madeline's intentions [George F. Hickey Jr.]

Saturday, 7 November

Anticipated Mass for Sunday
4:30 pm special intention [S. White]

Sunday, 8 November

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity
8 am Pro populo
9:30 am Msgr. William J. O'Donnell +
11 am those confirmed at this Mass

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