

Praying for the Holy Souls

All Souls' Day is a special day when we pray for the souls in Purgatory. Do you know what Purgatory is?

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. When people die, their souls go either to Heaven or Hell- if they loved God they will go to Heaven, and if they chose not to love God then they will go to Hell. But some people love God and still do sins. Their souls are dirty with the stain of sin, but they did not choose to reject God altogether. Those souls need to be cleaned before they can go into Heaven.

Purgatory is the place where the souls go who are not clean enough to go straight to Heaven. They have to wait until they have suffered enough to make up for their sins.

Probably most people we know who have died are in Purgatory. We should pray for them whenever we think of them- if we see a picture of them, or hear someone talking about them, or if we hear of someone who just died.

God will hear our prayers and accept the sacrifices we make for the holy souls so that they can go to Heaven sooner. Do you think they will pray for us when they get there?

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:
Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:
Couples should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at least **6 months** before the desired date.
MASS INTENTIONS:
Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

Word Search Puzzle

Luke 7:11-17
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T R Z I D Y W L R E I P Q A C
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touched	large	coffin	young	prophet
widow	disciples	crowd	gate	town
talk	carried	dead	people	help
praise	Jesus	mother	heart	person

SAINTS FUN FACTS

Saint Charles Borromeo along with Saint Ignatius of Loyola and others, led the effort to fight the Protestant Reformation.

He is credited with the founding of seminaries for the education of priests.

He is also celebrated as a Saint of learning and the arts.



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Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

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9.00 - 10.00a.m
&
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Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SOULS - 2nd November 2025 - Year C

Raised to Eternal Life.

The Masses we celebrate today are our prayers and petitions to God for forgiveness on behalf of our deceased brothers and sisters, for all those who are still in purgatory and in need of God's mercy. When St. Paul talked about the resurrection of the dead with the philosophers at Athens, many laughed and mocked him (Acts17:32). In today's First Reading, Isaiah, speaking centuries before the birth of Christ, tells us that the Lord will destroy death forever. Further, we read in Heb.2:14-15, "By His Resurrection, Jesus frees the human race from the fear of death, from the terrible fear of the unknown, of our own disintegration..." Although nothing is more painful than the loss of a loved one, our faith gives us a hope-filled vision in the face of death. In the epistle, St Paul tells us that 'hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us'. God's love, revealed in Jesus and poured into our hearts through the Spirit, continues to hold on to us when we pass through the door of death. What God's love has already done for us through his Son and the Spirit in this life is the assurance of what God's love will do for us in eternity. As Paul says, 'now that we have been reconciled (to God), surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son'. In the gospel reading, in his compassion, Jesus gives her son back to the grieving widow. Jesus understands pain, suffering, and tears; he understands grief and abandonment. Jesus gave his own life for us on the cross so that we too could be saved from eternal death. As followers of a risen Lord, we believe that the faithful who have died have returned to God. One of the ways we expressed our love for our family and friends in this life was by praying for them. Our loved ones who have died can still be touched by the love that finds its voice in prayer. If we believe in Jesus and follow him, we will be raised to Eternal Life with him.

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(excerpt: deaconpetershomilies.org)

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
Is. 25:6-9
Second Reading
Rom.5:5-11
Gospel
Lk.7:11-17

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MASS TIMES
Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.
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MONDAY: GROS ISLET
Mass: 6:00 a. m.
12:30 p.m.
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TUESDAY: GROS ISLET
6:00 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Gros Islet
6:00 p.m. **G/Riviere**
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THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.:
Gros Islet
✠
FRIDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.:
Gros Islet
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SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.:
Gros Islet
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SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.:
GROS ISLET/G. RIVIERE
10:00 a.m.:
Gros Islet/Monchy
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HOLIDAY
Variable

All Souls Indulgences

During the month of November Holy Church promotes prayers for the souls in Purgatory. The souls in Purgatory are members of the Church just like we are, but of the Church “Suffering”. We are members of the Church “Militant”, and we are like soldiers on the march through the world on the way with our Great Captain towards our heavenly home to join the members of the Church “Triumphant”. We can help the souls in Purgatory through our good works as assigned by the Church, who has the authority from Christ to apply to them the merits of His Passion and death, and the merits of the saints.

A plenary (“full”) indulgence, which is applicable only to the souls in Purgatory is granted to the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a church or an oratory on All Souls Day (November 2nd) .

Requirements for Obtaining a Plenary Indulgence on All Souls Day:

- Visit a church and pray for souls in Purgatory
 - Say one “Our Father” and the “Creed” in the visit to the church
 - Say one “Our Father” and one “Hail Mary” for the Holy Father’s intentions
 - Worthily receive Holy Communion (ideally on the same day if you can get to Mass.)
 - Make a sacramental confession within a week of All Souls Day
 - For a plenary indulgence one must be free from all attachment to sin, even venial sin (otherwise, the indulgence is partial, not plenary).
- To obtain a Plenary Indulgence for a soul in Purgatory on each of the days from 1-8 November:
- Make a good Confession within a week of before or after All Souls Day
 - Be free from all attachment to sin, even venial sin, for a plenary indulgence
 - Visit a cemetery and pray for the dead
 - Say one “Our Father” and one “Hail Mary” for the monthly intentions set by the Pope
 - Receive Holy Communion worthily on the same day or soon after.

Several indulgences may be gained on the basis of a single confession but only one may be gained after a single good reception of Communion and prayer for the Pope’s intentions. If you are not correctly disposed or if you don’t fulfill the prescribed works and/or the three conditions the indulgence will be partial and not plenary.

(excerpt: smmomaha.org)

What is an Indulgence? An Indulgence is the remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven.

PLEASE PRAY
FORTHE SICK

Patsy Crafton
Iris Macauldy
Marie Joseph
Anne Marie Felicien


DECEASED

Neil Peter
Andrea Leon
Stanislaus Paul
Alexandra John
Jennifer Gaston
Justina Monlouis
Anthony Jn. Baptiste

WEEKDAY READINGS

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MONDAY
Rom.11:29-36
Lk.14:12-14
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TUESDAY
Rom.12:5-16
Lk.14:15-24
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WEDNESDAY
Rom.13:8-10
Lk.14:25-33
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THURSDAY
Rom.14:7-12
Lk.15:1-10
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FRIDAY
Rom.15:14-21
Lk.16:1-8
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SATURDAY
Rom.16:3-9,16,22-27
Lk.16:9-15
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MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET	CLERGY / RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SOULS -YEAR C		
Sat Nov 1– 5:00 p.m.		All Souls
Sun Nov 2 - 7:30 a.m. <i>The Solemnity of All Souls</i>		All Souls
10:00 a.m.		All Souls
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		All Souls
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		All Souls
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Nov 3 - 6:00 a.m.	Archbishop Malzaire Msgr. Michel Francis	B'day: Mary Popo, Cuthbert Elizee
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Kevin Haywood Catherine & Lucy Lubin Chalica & Nicholas Smith
Tues Nov 4 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i>	Fr. John Wilson Fr. Vinoth Santhappan Sr. Mary Lee Cox	Thks: Glace Motors Ltd. B'day: Richmond & Richard Felix
Wed Nov 5 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Joseph Raj Fr. Angus Evumude Sr. Mary Mutwiwa	Dc'd: Jones Joseph
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Egbert Jean & family Francis Smith, Remy & Chong families
Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu Nov 6 - 6:00 a.m.	Msgr. Patrick Anthony	Deliv: Marie Louis B'day: Danquah Theophilus
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Rosa & Antoine Glace Irene & Joseph Destang
Fri Nov 7 - 6:00 a.m.	Archbishop Robert Rivas Sr. Frances Nosbisch	Dc'd: Teresa Huntley
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Kateri Haywood, Theresa Modeste Sandra Haynes, Danielle Theophilus
Sat Nov 8 - 6.30 a.m. <i>BVM</i>	Fr. Amalraj Fr. Albert Smith Mother Rosaria Joseph	Dc'd: Kenneth James, Shauyna James Hester & Patrick Joseph, Maria Bernard