

DAILY HIGHLIGHTS, MASS READING, DAILY SAINTS, PRAYERS...

Volume 109, Sunday, October 21, 2018.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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"Not to be served but to serve"

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Prayer for All Souls

Prayer of St. Gertrude the great dictated by Our Lady to release 1,000 Souls from Purgatory each time it is said. The prayer was extend to include living sinners which would alleviate the indebtedness accrued to them during their lives.

“Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.”

St. Gertrude the Great was born in Germany in 1263. She was a Benedictine Nun, and meditated on the Passion of Christ, which many times brought floods of tears to her eyes. She did many penances, and Our Lady appeared to her many times. Her holy Soul passed away in 1334. November 16 is her Feast Day.

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Twenty ninth Week in Ordinary time

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Meditation:

Who doesn't want to be first, and to be esteemed and honored by others? We seem to have an unquenchable thirst for recognition and fame, power and authority to rule our own lives as we please as well as the lives of others. Should we be surprised to see the disciples of Jesus thirsting for power, position, and authority? James and John, the sons of Zebedee, urged their mother to strike a deal with Jesus, their Master and Messiah. They wanted the distinction of being first and most important in position, next to Jesus, of course!

Jesus turns authority and power upside down

When Jesus called the twelve apostles to be his inner circle of disciples who would teach and exercise spiritual authority on his behalf, he did the unthinkable! Jesus taught contrary to the world's understanding of power, authority, and position, by reversing the order of master and servant, lord and subject, first and last! Jesus wedded authority with love, position with sacrifice, and service with humility. Authority without love is over-bearing and slavish. Position without respect and concern for the subordinate is demeaning and rude. And service without generosity and sacrifice is cheap and unkind.

Those who wish to serve with the Lord Jesus and to exercise authority in God's kingdom must be prepared to sacrifice - not just some of their time, money, and resources - but their whole lives and all that they possess! Jesus used stark language to explain what kind of sacrifice he had in mind. His disciples must drink his cup if they expect to reign with him in his kingdom. The cup he had in mind was a bitter one involving crucifixion. What kind of cup does the Lord have in mind for us? For some disciples such a cup entails physical suffering and the painful struggle of martyrdom. But for many, it entails the long routine of the Christian life, with all its daily sacrifices, disappointments, set-backs, struggles, and temptations.

Christ's way of love and service

A disciple of Jesus must be ready to lay down his or her life - each and every day in the little and big sacrifices required - and even to the point of shedding one's blood if necessary for the sake of Christ and his Gospel. What makes such sacrifice a joy rather than a burden? It is love - the kind of "love which God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). An early church father summed up Jesus' teaching with the expression: "to serve is to reign with Christ." We share in God's reign by laying down our lives in humble service and love for one another, just as Jesus did for our sake. Are you ready to lay down your life and to serve others as Jesus has taught and modeled for us?

"Lord Jesus, make me a servant of love for your kingdom, that I may seek to serve rather than be served. In flame my heart with love that I may give generously and serve joyfully for your sake."

Reading 1
IS 53:10-11

The LORD was pleased to crush him in infirmity.

If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life, and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him.

Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days; through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear.

Responsorial Psalm
33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

R. (22) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full. R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness, To deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine. R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you. R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Reading 2
HEB 4:14-16

Brothers and sisters: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help. Alleluia MK 10:45 R. Alleluia, alleluia. The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel
MK 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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The Bible in one year: OCTOBER

01 Jdth 14-16, Hab 3, Gal 3:1-15, Ps 109:20-27

02 Esther 11:2-12:6, Esther 1, Zeph 1, Gal 3:16-29, Ps 109:28-31

03 Esther 2:1-3:13, Esther 13:1-7, Esther 3:14-15, Zeph 2-3, Gal 4, Ps 110

04 Esther 4, Esther 13:8-15:16, Haggai 1, Gal 5, Ps 111

05 Esther 5-7, Haggai 2, Gal 6, Ps 112:1-6

06 Esther 8:1-12, Esther 16, Esther 8:13-17, Zech 1, Eph 1, Ps 112:7-10

07 Esther 9:1-11:1, Zech 2, Eph 2, Ps 113

08 Job 1-3, Zech 3-4, Eph 3, Ps 114

09 Job 4-5, Zech 5, Eph 4:1-20, Ps 115:1-7

10 Job 6-7, Zech 6-7, Eph 4:21-32, Ps 115:8-14

11 Job 8-9, Zech 8, Eph 5, Ps 115:15-18

12 Job 10-11, Zech 9, Eph 6, Ps 116:1-10

13 Job 12-13, Zech 10, Phil 1:1-18, Ps 116:11-19

14 Job 14-15, Zech 11, Phil 1:19-30, Ps 117

15 Job 16-17, Zech 12-13, Phil 2, Ps 118:1-10

16 Job 18-19, Zech 14, Phil 3, Ps 118:11-17

17 Job 20, Mal 1-2, Phil 4, Ps 118:25-29

18 Job 21-22, Mal 3, Col 1, Ps 118:25-29

19 Job 23-25, Mal 4, Col 2, Ps 119:1-10

20 Job 26-27, 1 Macc 1:1-28, Col 3:1-14, Ps 119:11-17

21 Job 28-29, 1 Macc 1:29-48, Col 3:15-4:18, Ps 119:18-24

22 Job 30-31, 1 Macc 1:49-64, 1 Thess 1, Ps 119:25-31

23 Job 32, 1 Macc 2:1-25, 1 Thess 2-3, Ps 119:32-38

24 Job 33-34, 1 Macc 2:26-45, 1 Thess 4, Ps 119:39-45

25 Job 35-36, 1 Macc 2:46-70, 1 Thess 5, Ps 119:46-52

26 Job 37, 1 Macc 3:1-15, 2 Thess 1, Ps 119:53-59

27 Job 38-39, 1 Macc 3:16-35, 2 Thess 2, Ps 119:60-66

28 Job 40, 1 Macc 3:36-60, 2 Thess 3, Ps 119:67-73

30 Prov 1-2, 1 Macc 4:17-36, 1 Tim 3, Ps 119:81-87

31 Prov 3-4, 1 Macc 4:37-61, 1 Tim 4, Ps 119:88-9401 Jdth 14-



Today's Saints

St. Ursula and her Companions

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Saint Ursula was born in Great Britain of Christian parents; her father, Maurus, was king of Cornubia in Scotland. Ursula was sought in marriage by a young pagan prince, but had already vowed her life and her heart to Jesus Christ.

In the year 383 she was boarded onto a boat with a large number of young girls and Christian women whom a Roman conqueror wished to give as wives to his soldiers, after having endowed them with rich terrains. But during the crossing of the Channel a storm arose, and the ships, instead of reaching western Gaul, were driven towards the mouth of the Rhine. The Huns who at that time were ravaging Europe saw the ships, and were making ready to pillage them and inflict on these virgins and women a dishonor more dreaded by them than death. Commanded by Ursula, they resisted heroically and so well that suddenly the sentiments of the barbarians changed. They took up their arms to be rid of this peaceful army. Soon the victims fell under the blows of the executioners, and their souls winged their way to heaven.

The prince of the Huns, struck by Ursula's beauty, spared her at first; he tried to console her for the death of her companions and promised to marry her. When she did not assent he shot her with an arrow, and this consecrated virgin fell with the others. She was considered the leader of the eleven thousand brought by the Romans from Great Britain. Many churches have relics of this army of martyrs, but no region is more richly endowed than that of Cologne, since it is to that city that the Christians of the region devotedly carried the mortal remains of the martyrs.

In the seventh century a magnificent church rose over their tomb, whose walls itself served as reliquaries. This holy cemetery has been rendered illustrious by many miracles. Pilgrims and especially young girls have come from all over Europe, to beg protection for their virginity from Saint Ursula and her companions. The very arrow which pierced Saint Ursula is still conserved there. A religious, who had great devotion to these martyrs, had fallen dangerously ill; a virgin appeared to him and said: I am one of the virgins whom you honor. To reward you for the eleven thousand Our Father's you recited to honor us, you will have our assistance at the hour of death. And soon the glorious troop came to escort his soul. Saint Ursula is the patron of young teachers, and many congregations of nuns, dedicated to education, bear her name.

Reflection: In the estimation of the wise man, to teach the safeguard of virtue is the most important part of the education of youth: My son, conserve thy soul in meekness, and render to it the honor it deserves... Who will honor the one who dishonors it? The poor man finds his glory in his instruction and in his fear of God. (Eccl. 10:31-33)

St. Wendelin

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Prince of Scotland, the son of King Forchado and Queen Irelina. Educated by the local bishop, Wendelin decided to abandon life in the royal family, and devote himself to God. Dressed as a pilgrim, Wendelin left his castle home in the middle of the night, and left the worldly life behind.

Pilgrim to many holy sites, reaching Rome, Italy in 574. During an audience with Pope Benedict I, the pope told him to follow his desire for a life with God. Lived for a while in Einsidel, Germany. Hermit in the forest wilderness of Westerich.

During a trip to the shrines in Trier, Germany, he reportedly met a wealthy highwayman. The thief admonished Wendelin for begging when he was so obviously capable of earning his living. He then worked for the thief as a swineherd until he found there was no time for his prayers. He transferred to work tending cattle, Wendelin again had time for prayer. However, the herd he tended grew so fast that he soon found himself again over-worked. This time he was transferred to tending sheep, traditionally a job for children or older men as it was less physically demanding. Even when his flock grew large, he still had time for prayer. Legend says that God transferred Wendelin and his flocks back to the old hermitage many times, and then brought them back in the evening.

Hermit near Trier in 590. Abbot in Tholey, Germany in 597.

Born : 554 in Scotland

Died : 617 at Tholey, Germany of natural causes

St. Laura of Saint Catherine of Siena

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Educated at the Holy Spirit School in Amalfi, Colombia, and in Medellín, Colombia. Teacher. Beginning in 1908, she worked as missionary to the natives in the Uraba and Sarare regions. Founded the Works of the Indians and the Congregation of Missionary Sisters of Immaculate Mary and of Saint Catherine of Siena who minister to the poor throughout South America. Known for her defense of Indian rights, and as a strong role model for South American girls.

Born : 26 May 1874 in Jerico, Antioquia, Colombia as Laura Montoya y Upegui

Died : 21 October 1949 in Medellín, Colombia of natural causes

Beatified : • 25 April 2004 by Pope John Paul II

- the beatification miracle involved the 1994 cure of an 86 year old woman with uterine cancer

Canonized : Sunday 12 May 2013 by Pope Francis