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Latin Rite



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**Today's Bible Readings** 







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### When you pray, fast, and give alms

Syro-Malankara Rite

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Responsorial Psalm 51:3-4,5-6AB,12-13,14, 17 Gospel Gospel Gospel

MT 6:1-6, 16-18 MT 6:5-8 MT 7:13-20

# **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



Human rights are not only violated by terrorism, repression or assassination, but also by unfair economic structures that creates huge inequalities. Pope Francis

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#### Meditation:

Syro-Malabar Rite

Are you hungry for God and do you thirst for his holiness? God wants to set our hearts ablaze with the fire of his Holy Spirit that we may share in his holiness and radiate the joy of the Gospel to those around us. St. Augustine of Hippo tells us that there are two kinds of people and two kinds of love: "One is holy, the other is selfish. One is subject to God; the other endeavors to equal Him." We are what we love. God wants to free our hearts from all that would keep us captive to selfishness and sin. "Rend your hearts and not your garments" says the prophet Joel (Joel 2:12). The Holy Spirit is ever ready to transform our hearts and to lead us further in God's way of truth and holiness.

Devoting our lives to God

Why did Jesus single out prayer, fasting, and almsgiving for his disciples? The Jews considered these three as the cardinal works of the religious life. These were seen as the key signs of a pious (godly) person, the three great pillars on which the good life was based. Jesus pointed to the heart of the matter. Why do you pray, fast, and give alms? To draw attention to yourself so that others may notice and think highly of you? Or to give glory to God? The Lord warns his disciples of self-seeking glory - the preoccupation with looking good and seeking praise from others. True piety is something more than feeling good or looking holy. True piety is loving devotion to God. It is an attitude of awe, reverence, worship and obedience. It is a gift and working of the Holy Spirit that enables us to devote our lives to God with a holy desire to please him in all things (Isaiah 11:1-2).

Fulness of life with God our Father

What is the sure reward which Jesus points out to his disciples? It is communion with God our Father. In him alone we find the fulness of life, happiness, and truth. May the prayer of Augustine of Hippo, recorded in his Confessions, be our prayer this Lent: When I am completely united to you, there will be no more sorrows or trials; entirely full of you, my life will be complete. The Lord wants to renew us each day and give us new hearts of love and compassion. Do you want to grow in your love for God and for your neighbor? Seek him expectantly in prayer, with fasting, and in generous giving to those in need.

The forty days of Lent is the annual retreat of the people of God in imitation of Jesus' forty days in the wilderness. Forty is a significant number in the Scriptures. Moses went to the mountain to seek the face of God for forty days in prayer and fasting. The people of Israel were in the wilderness for forty years in preparation for their entry into the promised land. Elijah fasted for forty days as he journeyed in the wilderness to the mountain of God. We are called to journey with the Lord in a special season of prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and penitence (expressing true sorrow for sin and wrongdoing) as we prepare to celebrate the feast of Easter, the Christian Passover of Jesus' victory over sin, Satan, and death.

Growing in lively faith, firm hope, and fervent charity

The Lord Jesus gives us spiritual food and supernatural strength (faith, hope, and love) to seek his face and to prepare ourselves for spiritual combat and testing. We, too, must follow in the way of the cross in order to share in the victory of Christ's death and resurrection. As you begin this holy season of testing and preparation, ask the Lord Jesus for a fresh outpouring of his Holy Spirit so that you may grow in faith, hope, and love and embrace his will more fully in your life.

"Lord Jesus, give me a lively faith, a firm hope, a fervent charity, and a great love of you. Take from me all lukewarmness in the meditation of your word, and dullness in prayer. Give me received their reward. But when you fast, fervor and delight in thinking of you and your grace, and fill me with compassion for others, especially those in need, that I may respond with generosity."

#### Reading 1 JL 2:12-18

Even now, says the LORD, return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, and weeping, and mourning; Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the LORD, your God. For gracious and merciful is he, slow to anger, rich in kindness, and relenting in punishment. Perhaps he will again relent and leave behind him a blessing, Offerings and libations for the LORD, your God.

proclaim a fast, call an assembly; Gather the people, notify the congregation; Assemble the elders, gather the children and the infants at the breast; Let the bridegroom quit his room and the bride her chamber.

Blow the trumpet in Zion!

Between the porch and the altar Vec the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep, And say, "Spare, O LORD, your people, and make not your heritage a reproach, with the nations ruling over them!

Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'" Then the LORD was stirred to concern for his land and took pity on his people.

Responsorial Psalm 6AB, 12-13, 14 AND 17

R. (see 3a) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

For I acknowledge my offense, and my sin is before me always: "Against you only have I sinned, r and done what is evil in your sight." R. Be merciful. O Lord, for we have sinned. A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me Cast me not out from your presence, and your Holy Spirit take not from me. R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

## Reading 2

Brothers and sisters:

We are ambassadors for Christ.

2 COR 5: 20-6: 2

as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, In the wilderness of prayer and fasting with  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}$  be reconciled to God.

Jesus

For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him. Working together, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says: In an acceptable time I heard you, and on the day of salvation I helped you. Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. Verse Before The Gospel SEE PS 95:8 If today you hear his voice,

#### Gospel

harden not your hearts.

sees in secret will repay you.

MT 6:1-6, 16-18

Jesus said to his disciples: "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father.

When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who

'When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them.

Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you. "When you fast,

do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden.

And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay

#### Resources

- Importance of the Mass
- Mystical Stigmata What is Charismatic
- Renewal **◆ The Real Meaning of** Christmas
- Why should I Confess? History & Devotion-Sacred Heart

## Prayers • Prayer

- ◆ Novena
- **Holy Rosary**
- **Way of the Cross Holy Mass**
- **Bible**
- **Intercession Prayers** & Other Prayers

### **Downloads**

• Divine Songs -Malayalam

51:3-4, 5-

- Divine Songs English
- Divine Songs Tamil
- ◆ Divine Songs Telugu Other Downloads
- Holy Picture Gallery Wallpapers

#### The Bible in one year: **MARCH**

01 Lev 6-7, Isa 61-62, Mark 6:24-45, Ps 31:title-4 02 Lev 8, Isa 63, Mark 6:46-

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30 Num 18-19, Jer 20, Luke 4:1-



# Today's

St. Colette



## St. Colette

Carpenter's daughter whose parents were near 60 at her birth. Colette was orphaned at age 17, and left in the care of a Benedictine abbot. Her guardian wanted her to marry, but Colette was drawn to religious life. She initially tried to join the Beguines and Benedictines, but failed in her vocation. Franciscan tertiary. Hermitess. On 17 September 1402, at age 21, she became an anchoress - walled into a cell whose only opening was a grilled window into a church. She had visions in which Saint Francis of Assisi ordered her to restore the Rule of Saint Clare to its original severity. When she hesitated, she was struck blind for three days and mute for three more; she saw this as a sign to take action.

Colette tried to follow her mission by explaining it, but had no success. Realizing she needed more authority behind her words, she walked to Nice, France, barefoot and clothed in a habit of patches, to meet Peter de Luna, acknowledged by the French as the schismatic Pope Benedict XIII. He professed her a Poor Clare, and was so impressed that he made her superioress of all convents of Minoresses that she might reform or found, and a missioner to Franciscan friars and tertiaries. She travelled from convent to convent, meeting opposition, abuse, slander, and was even accused of sorcery. Eventually she made some progress, especially in Savoy, where her reform gained sympathizers and recruits. This reform passed to Burgundy in France, Flanders in Belgium and Spain.

Colette helped Saint Vincent Ferrer heal the papal schism. She founded seventeen convents; one branch of the Poor Clares is still known as the Colettines. She was known for a deep devotion to Christ's Passion with an appreciation and care for animals. Colette fasted every Friday, meditating on the Passion. After receiving Holy Communion, she would fall into ecstasies for hours. She foretold the date of her own death.

Born: 13 January 1381 at Corbie, Picardy, France as Nicolette Boilet, named in honor of Saint Nicholas of Myra Died: • 6 March 1447 at Ghent, Belgium of natural causes• relics at the Monastère Sainte-Claire, Poligny, France

Canonized: 24 May 1807 by Pope Pius VII

Patronage: • against eye disorders• against fever• against headaches• against infertility• against the death of parents• craftsmen• Poor Clares• servants • Corbie, France • Ghent, Belgium

## St. Fridolin



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Born to the Irish nobility. Evangelist. Benedictine monk at Luxeuil Abbey and at Poitiers, France. Received a vision of Saint Hilary of Poitiers in which he was shown the location of Hilary's relics, which had been lost during a Vandal invations. Fridolin found them, and built a chapel to house them. He built churches in Alsace, in Switzerland, and in Burgundy. Missionary among the Alamanni in the Upper Rhine; many thought he was a roaming cattle thief, and chased him away. He founded the monastery in Säckingen, Baden (part of modern Germany, and served as its abbot. On the date of his feast, the houses of Säckingen are decorated with the flags of Germany, Switzerland, and Ireland.

Born: Irish

Died : • c.540 at Säckingen, Germany of natural causes• buried in Sackingen

Patronage: • for good weather• Alsace, France• Glarus, Switzerland• Säckingen, Germany• Strasbourg, France

#### St. Rose of Viterbo



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Franciscan tertiary. At age three she brought a person back from death. Preached in the streets from age ten and led public processions praising Christ. Prophetess and subject to visions. Had the friendship of birds. Was repeatedly refused entrance to the Poor Clares, and in 1250 she was exiled for supporting the pope against Frederick II. After her death, Pope Alexander IV ordered her body laid to rest in the convent that had refused her.

Born: 1234 at Viterbo, Italy

Died: 6 March 1252 of natural causes

Canonized: 1457 by Pope Callistus III Patronage: • exiles• people rejected by religious orders• tertiaries• Viterbo, Italy

by the Moors, and promoted the work of the Knights Templar in the region.

## St. Ollegarius



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Also known as Olaguerand and Olegari, Augustinian and bishop. A native of Barcelona, Spain, he was the son of Visigoth parents. After entering the Augustinian canons, he became prior at St. Aidan's monastery and was ordained. In 1115, he was appointed bishop of Barcelona, but it took a papal bull to compel him to accept the office. The following year, he was transferred to Tarragona and elevated to the rank of archbishop. Ollegarius attended the first General Council of the Lateran in 1123, and Pope Callistus II made him a papal legate with the mission of preaching a

crusade against the Moors of Spain. As archbishop, Ollegarius rebuilt most of Tarragona, which had been long neglected after its sack and occupation

Feast day: March 6 Birth: 1060 Death: 1137

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