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Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

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"All the people hung upon his words "

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.



Abortion isn't a lesser evil, it's a crime. Taking one life to save another, that's what the Mafia does. It's a crime. It's an absolute evil.

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Meditation:

Why did Jesus drive out the money changers in the temple at Jerusalem? Was he upset with their greediness? This is the only incident in the Gospels where we see Jesus using physical force. Jesus went to Jerusalem, knowing he would meet certain death on the cross, but victory as well for our sake. His act of judgment in the temple is meant to be a prophetic sign and warning to the people that God takes our worship very seriously.

Jesus honors the Father's house of prayer by cleansing it of unholy practices

In this incident we see Jesus' startling and swift action in cleansing the temple of those who were using it to exploit the worshipers of God. The money changers took advantage of the poor and forced them to pay many times more than was right - in the house of God no less! Their robbery of the poor was not only dishonoring to God but unjust toward their neighbor.

The people were hungry for the word of God

In justification for his audacious action Jesus quotes from the prophets Isaiah (Isaiah 56:7) and Jeremiah (Jeremiah 7:11). His act of judgment aims to purify the worship of God's people and to discipline their erring ways. Despite the objections of the religious leaders, no doubt because Jesus was usurping their authority in the house of God, the people who listened to Jesus teaching daily in the temple regarded him with great awe and respect. Luke tells us that "they hung upon Jesus' words" (Luke 19:48). How hungry are you for God's word?

The Lord wants to share his holiness with us

If we approach God's word with a humble attentive heart and with a willingness to be taught by the Lord, then we are in a good place to allow God's word to change and transform us in the likeness of Christ. The Lord wants to teach us his ways so that we may grow in holiness. The Lord both instructs and disciplines us in love to lead us from the error of our sinful ways to his truth and justice. "God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness" (Hebrews 12:10). The Lord calls us to be a holy people who worship him with reverence and gratitude for his great mercy and kindness towards us. Do you allow God's word to transform you in his way of love and holiness?

"Lord Jesus, you open wide the door of your house and you bid us to enter confidently that we may worship you in spirit and truth. Help me to draw near to you with gratitude and joy for your great mercy. May I always revere your word and give you acceptable praise and worship."

Reading 1

1 MC 4:36-37, 52-59

Judas and his brothers said, "Now that our enemies have been crushed, let us go up to purify the sanctuary and rededicate it." So the whole army assembled, and went up to Mount Zion.

Early in the morning on the twenty-fifth day of the ninth month, that is, the month of Chislew, in the year one hundred and forty-eight, they arose and offered sacrifice according to the law on the new altar of burnt offerings that they had made. On the anniversary of the day on which the Gentiles had defiled it, on that very day it was reconsecrated with songs, harps, flutes, and cymbals. All the people prostrated themselves and adored and praised Heaven, who had given them success.

For eight days they celebrated the dedication of the altar and joyfully offered burnt offerings and sacrifices of deliverance and praise. They ornamented the facade of the temple with gold crowns and shields; they repaired the gates and the priests' chambers and furnished them with doors. There was great joy among the people now that the disgrace of the Gentiles was removed. Then Judas and his brothers and the entire congregation of Israel decreed that the days of the dedication of the altar should be observed with joy and gladness on the anniversary every year for eight days, from the twenty-fifth day of the month Chislew.

Responsorial Psalm

1 CHRONICLES

29:10BCD, 11ABC, 11D-12A, 12BCD

R. (13b) We praise your glorious name, O mighty God. "Blessed may you be, O LORD, God of Israel our father, from eternity to eternity." R. We praise your glorious name, O mighty God. "Yours, O LORD, are grandeur and power, majesty, splendor, and glory. For all in heaven and on earth is yours." R. We praise your glorious name, O mighty God. "Yours, O LORD, is the sovereignty: you are exalted as head over all. Riches and honor are from you." R. We praise your glorious name, O mighty God. "You have dominion over all, In your hand are power and might: it is yours to give grandeur and strength to all." R. We praise your glorious name, O mighty God. AlleluiaJN 10: 27 R. Alleluia, alleluia. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord: I know them, and they follow me. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

LK 19:45-48

Jesus entered the temple area and proceeded to drive out those who were selling things, saying to them, "It is written, My house shall be a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves." And every day he was teaching in the temple area. The chief priests, the scribes, and the leaders of the people, meanwhile, were seeking to put him to death, but they could find no way to accomplish their purpose because all the people were hanging on his words.

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

The Bible in one year: NOVEMBER

01 Prov 5-6, 1 Macc 5:1-15, 1 Tim 5, Ps 119:95-101

02 Prov 7, 1 Macc 5:16-35, 1 Tim 6, Ps 119:102-108

03 Prov 8-9, 1 Macc 5:36-55, 2 Tim 1, Ps 119:109-116

04 Prov 10, 1 Macc 5:56-68, 2 Tim 2, Ps 119:117-123

05 Prov 11-12, 1 Macc 6:1-28, 2 Tim 3, Ps 119:124-130

06 Prov 13-14, 1 Macc 6:29-48, 2 Tim 4, Ps 119:131-137

07 Prov 15, 1 Macc 6:49-63, Titus 1-2, Ps 119:138-144

08 Prov 16-17, 1 Macc 7:1-25, Titus 3, Ps 119:145-151

09 Prov 18-19, 1 Macc 7:26-50, Philom, Ps 119:152-158

10 Prov 20, 1 Macc 8:1-15, Heb 1-2, Ps 119:159-165

11 Prov 21-22, 1 Macc 8:16-32, Heb 3, Ps 119:166-172

12 Prov 23, 1 Macc 9:1-24, Heb 4, Ps 119:173-176

13 Prov 24-25, 1 Macc 9:25-44, Heb 5-6, Ps 120

14 Prov 26-27, 1 Macc 9:45-73, Heb 7:1-12, Ps 121

15 Prov 28, 1 Macc 10:1-11, Heb 7:13-28, Ps 122

16 Prov 29-30, 1 Macc 10:12-31, Heb 8:1-9:15, Ps 123

17 Prov 31, 1 Macc 10:32-51, Heb 9:16-28, Ps 124

18 Eccles 1-3, 1 Macc 10:52-72, Heb 10, Ps 125

19 Eccles 4-6, 1 Macc 10:73-89, Heb 11:1-13, Ps 126

20 Eccles 7-8, 1 Macc 11:1-23, Heb 11:14-40, Ps 127

21 Eccles 9-12, 1 Macc 11:24-43, Heb 12:1-17, Ps 128

22 Song 1-2, 1 Macc 11:44-63, Heb 12:18-29, Ps 129

23 Song 3-6, 1 Macc 11:64-74, Heb 13, Ps 130:title-4

24 Song 7-8, 1 Macc 12:1-29, James 1, Ps 130:5-131:3

25 Wisd of Sol 1-3, 1 Macc 12:30-53, James 2, Ps 132:title-5

26 Wisd of Sol 4-6, 1 Macc 13:1-17, James 3, Ps 132:6-12

27 Wisd of Sol 7, 1 Macc 13:18-37, James 4, Ps 132:13-18

28 Wisd of Sol 8-10, 1 Macc 13:38-53, James 5, Ps 133-134


29 Wisd of Sol 11-12, 1 Macc 14:1-24, 1 Pet 1, Ps 135:1-7

30 Wisd of Sol 13-14, 1 Macc 14:25-49, 1 Pet 2, Ps 135:8-14



Today's Saints

St. Cecilia



Cultivated young patrician woman whose ancestors loomed large in Rome's history. She vowed her virginity to God, but her parents married her to Valerian of Trastevere. Cecilia told her new husband that she was accompanied by an angel, but in order to see it, he must be purified. He agreed to the purification, and was baptised: returning from the ceremony, he found her in prayer accompanied by a praying angel. The angel placed a crown on each of their heads, and offered Valerian a favor: the new convert asked that his brother be baptised.

The two brothers developed a ministry of giving proper burial to martyred Christians. In their turn they were arrested and martyred for their faith. Cecilia buried them at her villa on the Apprian Way, and was arrested for the action. She was ordered to sacrifice to false gods: when she refused, she was martyred in her turn.

The Acta of Cecilia includes the following: "While the profane music of her wedding was heard, Cecilia was singing in her heart a hymn of love for Jesus, her true spouse." It was this phrase that led to her association with music, singers, musicians, etc.

Died: ♦ martyred in the 3rd century♦ suffocated for a while, and when that didn't kill her, she was beheaded♦ her grave was discovered in 817, and her body removed to the church of Saint Cecilia in Rome♦ the tomb was opened in 1599, and her body found to be incorrupt

Patronage: ♦ Academy of Music, Rome, Italy♦ for bodily purity♦ composers♦ luthiers♦ martyrs♦ music♦ musicians♦ musical instrument makers♦ poets♦ singers♦ Albi, France, archdiocese♦ Omaha, Nebraska, archdiocese of♦ Valleyfield, Québec, diocese of♦ Acquasparta, Italy♦ Albi, France, city of

Bl. Tommaso Reggio



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Vice of Angela Pareto and the Marquis of Reggio. Tommaso felt a call to the priesthood at age 20; he studied and was ordained on 18 September 1841. Vice-rector of the seminary in Genoa, Italy at age 25. Rector of the seminary in Chiavari, Italy. Helped found The Catholic Standard, the first Catholic newspaper. In 1865 the Standard and 25 other papers supported slates of Catholic candidates, hoping to found a Catholic political party. However, in 1874 Catholics were told they could not vote, and Father Tommaso closed the paper.

Bishop of Ventimiglia, Italy in 1877: the diocese was so poor, Tommaso had to travel to his parishes on a mule. He opened new parishes, organized three synods and liturgical revival, set up teaching programs. Prayed every night from 3 to 6 a.m., and never let anyone see him worry. Founded the Sisters of Saint Martha in 1878, a congregation devoted to caring for the poor.

Following an earthquake in 1887, he worked with the injured in the rubble, and ordered his priests to use all resources to help the displaced. Founded orphanages at Ventimiglia and San Remo, Italy to house, educate, and train children who had lost their families in the quake.

In 1892 he asked the Pope to relieve him of his duties: instead, on 11 July the Pope appointed him archbishop of Genoa, Italy. The city was politically complex and tense, but his humble, open, pious generosity won over many, and people in and out of the Church came to him with problems. Set up a network to help immigrants, worked for Catholic lay associations, supported limited work hours and complete days off for working people - radical notions in those days. He died while on pilgrimage with a group of other bishops and clergy.

Born: 8 January 1818 at Genoa, Italy

Died: ♦ afternoon of 22 November 1901 at Triora, Imperia, Italy of natural causes♦ funeral held at the Cathedral of San Lorenzo, Genoa, Italy

Beatified: ♦ 3 September 2000 by Pope John Paul II♦ the beatification miracle involved the healing of Pabla Valdenegro Romero, a six-year-old girl, of Guillain-Barré Syndrome (polyradiculoneuritis), with albumin-cytological dissociation, ascending paralysis with cranial nerve involvement, quadriplegia, prolonged respiratory failure, two cardiac arrests, subcutaneous emphysema, and other infectious pulmonary complications in Valpariso, Chile, on 10 November 1985

Bl. Anna Kolesárová



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Daughter of Ján "Hruska" Kolesár and Anna (née Kusnířová), she was born into a pious farming family and baptized at the age of one day. Anna's mother died when the girl was ten years old, and she did her best to run the household for her father and brother, Michal. When Russian soldiers were liberating her area of Slovakia from Nazi occupation near the end of World War II, local families hid from them due to their rough, violent reputation, and to avoid the combat that went on around their villages. On 22 November 1944, Anna was discovered by a drunken Red Army soldier who made her cook for him, and then demanded sex. She refused and ran to her father and brother, but was gunned down by the soldier. Martyr.

Born: 14 July 1928 in Vysoká nad Uhom, diocese of Kosice, Czechoslovakia (in the modern Slovak Republic)

Died: ♦ shot in the chest and the face with a rifle on 22 November 1944 in Pavlovce nad Uhom, Kosice, Slovak Republic♦ buried in a shallow grave on the evening of the next day by her family who still had to spend most of their time in hiding due the combat around them♦ re-buried and given proper funeral rites by Father Anton Lukáč on 29 November 1944: he immediately begin conducting his own preliminary investigation into her Cause for Canonization♦ during the period of Communist Czechoslovakia, mention of the incident and gatherings at her grave were prohibited♦ since the fall of the Communist government, her grave has become a pilgrimage site for young people including the Catholic youth organization Domcek which is dedicated to her memory

Beatified: 1 September 2018 by Pope Francis

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