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

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Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Today's Bible Readings			
Latin Rite	1st Reading Nm 21:4b-9	Responsorial Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38	Gospel Jn 3:13-17
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The Lord Had Compassion on Her

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.

Pope Francis

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Meditation:

How do you respond to the misfortunes of others? In a number of places the Gospel records that Jesus was "moved to the depths of his heart" when he met with individuals and with groups of people. Our modern use of the word "compassion" doesn't fully convey the deeper meaning of the original Hebrew word which expresses heart-felt "sympathy" and personal identification with the suffering person's grief and physical condition. Why was Jesus so moved on this occasion when he met a widow and a crowded funeral procession on their way to the cemetery? Jesus not only grieved the untimely death of a young man, but he showed the depth of his concern for the woman who lost not only her husband, but her only child as well. The only secure means of welfare in biblical times was one's family. This woman had lost not only her loved ones, but her future security and livelihood as well.

Jesus is lord of the living and the dead

The Scriptures make clear that God takes no pleasure in the death of anyone (see Ezekiel 33:11) - he desires life, not death. Jesus not only had heart-felt compassion for the widow who lost her only son, he also had extraordinary supernatural power - the ability to restore life and to make a person whole again. Jesus, however, did something which must have shocked the sensibilities of the widow and her friends. Jesus approached the bier to make physical contact with the dead man. The Jews understood that contact with a dead body made oneself ritually unclean or impure. Jesus' physical touch and personal identification with the widow's loss of her only son not only showed the depths of his love and concern for her, but pointed to his desire to free everyone from the power of sin and moral corruption, and even death itself. Jesus' simple word of command - "Young man, arise" - not only restored him to physical life, but brought freedom and wholeness to his soul as well as his body.

The Lord Jesus has power to restore us to wholeness of life - now and forever

This miracle took place near the spot where the prophet Elisha raised another mother's son back to life again (see 2 Kings 4:18-37). Jesus claimed as his own one whom death had seized as its prey. By his word of power he restored life for a lad marked for death. Jesus is Lord not only of the living but of the dead as well. When Jesus died on the cross for our sins he also triumphed over the grave when he rose again on the third day, just as he had promised his disciples. Jesus promises everyone who believes in him, that because he lives (and will never die again), we also shall have abundant life with and in him both now and forever (John 14:19). Do you trust in the Lord Jesus to give you abundant life and everlasting hope in the face of life's trials, misfortunes, and moments of despair?

Lord Jesus, your healing presence brings life and restores us to wholeness of mind, body, and spirit. Speak your word to me and give me renewed hope, strength, and courage to follow you in the midst of life's sorrows and joys.

Reading 1

Nm 21:4b-9

With their patience worn out by the journey, the people complained against God and Moses. "Why have you brought us up from Egypt to die in this desert, where there is no food or water? We are disgusted with this wretched food!"

In punishment the LORD sent among the people saraph serpents, which bit the people so that many of them died. Then the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned in complaining against the LORD and you.

Pray the LORD to take the serpents from us."

So Moses prayed for the people, and the LORD said to Moses,

"Make a saraph and mount it on a pole, and if any who have been bitten look at it, they will live."

Moses accordingly made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole, and whenever anyone who had been bitten by a serpent looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.

Responsorial Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38

R. (see 7b) Do not forget the works of the Lord! Hearken, my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable, I will utter mysteries from of old.

R. Do not forget the works of the Lord! While he slew them they sought him and inquired after God again, Remembering that God was their rock and the Most High God, their redeemer.

R. Do not forget the works of the Lord! But they flattered him with their mouths and lied to him with their tongues, Though their hearts were not steadfast toward him, nor were they faithful to his covenant.

R. Do not forget the works of the Lord! But he, being merciful, forgave their sin and destroyed them not; Often he turned back his anger and let none of his wrath be roused.

R. Do not forget the works of the Lord!

Reading 2

Phil 2:6-11

Brothers and sisters: Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped.

Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross.

Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your Cross you have redeemed the world.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Jn 3:13-17

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

Resources

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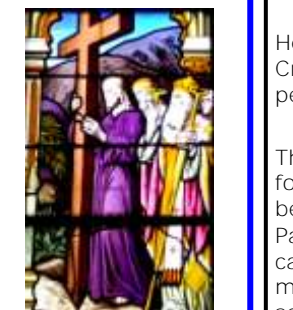
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- 01 2 Chron 28–29, Hos 6, 1 Cor 4–5, Ps 103:17–22
- 02 2 Chron 30–31, Hos 7–8, 1 Cor 6, Ps 104:1–8
- 03 2 Chron 32–33, Hos 9, 1 Cor 7:1–20, Ps 104:9–15
- 04 2 Chron 34, Hos 10, 1 Cor 7:21–40, Ps 104:16–22
- 05 2 Chron 35–36, Hos 11–12, 1 Cor 8, Ps 104:23–29
- 06 Ezra 1:1–2:41, Hos 13–14, 1 Cor 9, Ps 104:30–35
- 07 Ezra 2:42–3:13, Joel 1, 1 Cor 10, Ps 105:1–8
- 08 Ezra 4–6, Joel 2:1–15, 1 Cor 11:1–16, Ps 105:9–15
- 09 Ezra 7, Joel 2:16–32, 1 Cor 11:17–34, Ps 105:16–22
- 10 Ezra 8–9, Joel 3, 1 Cor 12, Ps 105:23–29
- 11 Ezra 10, Amos 1, 1 Cor 13, Ps 105:30–36
- 12 Neh 1–3, Amos 2–3, 1 Cor 14:1–25, Ps 105:37–45
- 13 Neh 4–5, Amos 4, 1 Cor 14:26–40, Ps 106:1–5
- 14 Neh 6:1–7:36, Amos 5, 1 Cor 15:1–29, Ps 106:6–12
- 15 Neh 7:37–8:18, Amos 6, 1 Cor 15:30–58, Ps 106:13–20
- 16 Neh 9, Amos 7, 1 Cor 16, Ps 106:21–27
- 17 Neh 10, Amos 8–9, 2 Cor 1:1–12, Ps 106:28–34
- 18 Neh 11–12, Obad, 2 Cor 1:13–2:17, Ps 106:35–41
- 19 Neh 13, Jonah 1, 2 Cor 3, Ps 106:42–48
- 20 Tobit 1–3, Jonah 2–3, 2 Cor 4, Ps 107:1–7
- 21 Tobit 4–5, Jonah 4, 2 Cor 5, Ps 107:8–14
- 22 Tobit 6–8, Micah 1–2, 2 Cor 6, Ps 107:15–21
- 23 Tobit 9–11, Micah 3–4, 2 Cor 7:1–8:11, Ps 107:22–28
- 24 Tobit 12–14, Micah 5, 2 Cor 8:12–9:15, Ps 107:29–35
- 25 Jdth 1–2, Micah 6, 2 Cor 10, Ps 107:36–43
- 26 Jdth 3–5, Micah 7, 2 Cor 11:1–19, Ps 108:title=5
- 27 Jdth 6–7, Nah 1–2, 2 Cor 11:20–33, Ps 108:1–13
- 28 Jdth 8, Nah 3, 2 Cor 12–13, Ps 109:title=5
- 29 Jdth 9–11, Hab 1, Gal 1, Ps 109:6–12
- 30 Jdth 12–13, Hab 2, Gal 2, Ps 109:13–19



Today's Saints

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ



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In the year 627, during the reign of the emperor Heraclius I of Constantinople, the Persians conquered the city of Jerusalem and removed from its venerable Sanctuary the major part of the true Cross of Our Lord, which Saint Helen, mother of the emperor Constantine, had left there after discovering it on Calvary. The emperor resolved to win back this precious object, the new Ark of the Covenant for the new people of God. Before he left Constantinople with his army, Heraclius went to the church wearing black in the spirit of penance; he prostrated himself before the altar and begged God to sustain his courage. And on leaving he took with him a miraculous image of the Saviour, determined to combat with it even unto death.

Heaven visibly assisted the valiant emperor, for his army won victory after victory. One of the conditions of the peace treaty was the return of the Cross of Our Lord, in the same condition as when it was removed. Heraclius on his return was received in Constantinople by the acclamations of the people; with olive branches and torches, they went out to meet him. And the true Cross was honored, on this occasion, in a magnificent triumph.

The emperor wished to give thanks to God by going in person to Jerusalem to return this sacred wood, which had been in the power of the pagans for fourteen years. When he reached the Holy City, he placed the precious relic on his shoulders, but when he came to the gate leading out to Calvary, it became impossible for him to go forward. He was greatly astonished, and those in attendance were stupefied. Take care, O Emperor! said the Patriarch Zachary to him. Certainly the imperial clothing you are wearing does not sufficiently resemble the poor and humiliated condition of Jesus carrying His cross. Heraclius was touched on hearing this: he removed his shoes and his imperial robes, adorned with gold and jewels. Wearing a poor man's tunic, he was able to go up to Calvary and deposit there his glorious burden. To give greater brilliance to this triumphant march, God permitted several miracles to occur by the power of the Cross of Christ. A dead man returned to life, four paralytics were cured; ten lepers recovered their health and fifteen blind persons their sight; many possessed persons were delivered from the evil spirit, and a large number of sick persons were completely cured.

In those days the greatest power of the Catholic world was the Empire of the East, and that bulwark against the eastern pagans was verging toward its ruin, before God put forth His hand to save it in this way. The re-establishment of the Cross at Jerusalem, by means of the emperor's Christian valor, was a sure pledge of its protection. It was after these events that the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross was instituted, to perpetuate their memory in the Church.

Reflection: It is not necessary to make a pilgrimage to Jerusalem to venerate and exalt the Holy Cross: we can do so by meditating upon it daily and exalting it in our own lives.

St. Albert of Jerusalem



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Born to a wealthy and prominent noble Italian family. Well educated, especially in theology and law. Ordained, he served as canon to Holy Cross Abbey in Mortara, Italy. Bishop of Bobbio, Italy in 1184. Bishop of Vercelli, Italy. Mediated disputes between Pope Clement III and Frederick Barbarossa, and for his efforts was named Prince of the Empire. Papal legate to Northern Italy. Negotiated peace between Pope and Piacenza in 1199. Helped formulate the Rule for Saint Bocard and his hermits. This Rule later was adopted as the Rule for the Carmelites, and thus Albert is considered a co-founder of the order.

Patriarch of Jerusalem in 1205 under Pope Innocent III, a position that generally led to conflict with the Muslims, and martyrdom. Since his lands were wholly in the hands of Saracens, he established his see city at Akka (Acre). Held the office nearly ten years. Well known for his involvement in both state and church matters, and as a peacemaker to the Frankish factions in his see. Summoned to serve in the General Council of the Lateran, but murdered before he could attend.

Born: 1149 at Parma, Italy as Albert Avogadro

Died: • stabbed to death in the Church of Saint John of Acre on 14 September 1215 while part of the procession of the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross • killed by a disgruntled hospital administrator he had been forced to fire

St. Jean-Gabriel-Taurin Dufresse



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Entered the Society of Foreign Missions of Paris seminary in 1774, and ordained on 17 September. Missionary to Szechuan, China in 1775. Imprisoned for six months in 1784 during a government persecution of Christians. He was re-assigned to Macao, but return to the Chinese missions in 1788.

Titular bishop of Thabraca and co-adjutor Vicar Apostolic of Se-Ciuen, China on 24 July 1798; he succeeded to the Vicar Apostolic on 15 November 1801. Spent the next 15 years in constant danger during the persecution of Christians and foreigners. Betrayed to the Chinese authorities by a scared native Christian. Martyr.

Born: 8 December 1750 at Ville-de-Lezoux, diocese of Clermont, Puy-de-Dôme, France

Died: • beheaded in 14 September 1815 at Chengdu, Sichuan, China • head attached to a pole and his body left exposed for three days as a warning to others, then buried by local Christians

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