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

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Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist

Today's Bible Readings

Latin Rite	1st Reading	1 Cor 2:1-5	Responsorial Psalm	119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102
	2nd Reading		Gospel	Mk 6:17-29
Syro-Malabar Rite	1st Reading	EPH 5:22-33	Gospel	MT 16:13-20
Syro-Malankara Rite	1st Reading	ROM 8:18-25	Gospel	MK 6:21-29

No Prophet Is Acceptable in His Own Country

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 would you react if Jesus spoke this message from the pulpit of your church? It was customary for Jesus to go weekly to the synagogue to worship and on occasion to read the Scriptures and comment on them to the people. His hometown folks listened with rapt attention on this occasion because they had heard about the miracles he had performed in other towns. What sign would he do in his hometown?

Jesus startled them with a seeming rebuke that no prophet or servant of God can receive honor among his own people. He then angered them when he complimented the Gentiles who seemed to have shown more faith in God than the "chosen ones" of Israel. They regarded Gentiles as "fuel for the fires of hell." Jesus' praise for "outsiders" caused them offense because they were blind-sighted to God's mercy and plan of redemption for all nations.

The word "gospel" literally means "good news". Isaiah had prophesied that the Messiah would come in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring freedom to those oppressed by sin and evil (see Isaiah 61:1-2). Jesus came to set people free from the worst tyranny possible - the tyranny of slavery to sin and the fear of death, and the destruction of both body and soul. God's power alone can save us from emptiness and poverty of spirit, from confusion and error, and from the fear of death and hopelessness. The Gospel of salvation is "good news" for us today. Do you know the joy and freedom of the Gospel?

Lord Jesus, you are the fulfillment of all our hopes and desires. Your Holy Spirit brings us grace, truth, life, and freedom. Fill me with the joy of the Gospel and inflame my heart with love and zeal for you and for your will

Reading 1

1 Cor 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling, and my message and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of spirit and power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Responsorial Psalm 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102

R. (97) Lord, I love your commands. How I love your law, O LORD! It is my meditation all the day.
R. Lord, I love your commands. Your command has made me wiser than my enemies, for it is ever with me.
R. Lord, I love your commands. I have more understanding than all my teachers when your decrees are my meditation.
R. Lord, I love your commands. I have more discernment than the elders, because I observe your precepts.
R. Lord, I love your commands. From every evil way I withhold my feet, that I may keep your words.
R. Lord, I love your commands. From your ordinances I turn not away, for you have instructed me.
R. Lord, I love your commands. Alleluia
Mt 5:10
R. Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mk 6:17-29

Herod was the one who had John the Baptist arrested and bound in prison on account of Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip, whom he had married. John had said to Herod, **"It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."** Herodias harbored a grudge against him and wanted to kill him but was unable to do so. Herod feared John, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man, and kept him in custody. When he heard him speak he was very much perplexed, yet he liked to listen to him. She had an opportunity one day when Herod on his birthday, gave a banquet for his courtiers, his military officers, and the leading men of Galilee. **Herodias' own daughter came in** and performed a dance that delighted Herod and his guests. The king said to the girl, **"Ask of me whatever you wish and I will grant it to you."** He even swore many things to her, **"I will grant you whatever you ask of me, even to half of my kingdom."** She went out and said to her mother, **"What shall I ask for?"** **She replied, "The head of John the Baptist."** **The girl hurried back to the king's presence and made her request, "I want you to give me at once on a platter the head of John the Baptist."** The king was deeply distressed, but because of his oaths and the guests he did not wish to break his word to her. So he promptly dispatched an executioner with orders to bring back his head. He went off and beheaded him in the prison. He brought in the head on a platter and gave it to the girl. The girl in turn gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

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- 01 1 Chron 1, Ezek 48:13-35, Acts 24, Ps 89:28-34
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- 03 1 Chron 3-4, Dan 2:1-16, Acts 25:14-27, Ps 89:42-48
- 04 1 Chron 5, Dan 2:17-37, Acts 26, Ps 89:49-52
- 05 1 Chron 6, Dan 2:38-49, Acts 27:1-20, Ps 90:1-9
- 06 1 Chron 7, Dan 3:1-23, Acts 27:21-44, Ps 90:10-17
- 07 1 Chron 8, Song of Three 1-25, Acts 28:1-19, Ps 91:1-6
- 08 1 Chron 9, Song of Three 26-45, Acts 28:20-31, Ps 91:7-16
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- 10 1 Chron 12, Dan 3:24-30, Rom 2, Ps 92:4-10
- 11 1 Chron 13-15, Dan 4, Rom 3:1-14, Ps 92:11-15
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- 13 1 Chron 17-18, Dan 5:15-31, Rom 4, Ps 94:6-12
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- 17 1 Chron 25-26, Dan 8, Rom 8:1-20, Ps 96:1-6
- 18 1 Chron 27, Dan 9, Rom 8:21-39, Ps 96:7-13
- 19 1 Chron 28-29, Dan 10, Rom 9, Ps 97:1-7
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- 21 2 Chron 4-5, Dan 11:14-33, Rom 11:1-14, Ps 98
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- 25 2 Chron 12-14, Dan 13:37-64, Rom 14, Ps 101:5-8
- 26 2 Chron 15-17, Dan 14:1-12, Rom 15, Ps 102:1-9
- 27 2 Chron 18-19, Dan 14:13-42, Rom 16, Ps 102:10-16
- 28 2 Chron 20, Hos 1, 1 Cor 1:1-13, Ps 102:17-23
- 29 2 Chron 21-23, Hos 2, 1 Cor 1:14-31, Ps 102:24-28
- 30 2 Chron 24-25, Hos 3-4, 1 Cor 2, Ps 103:1-9
- 31 2 Chron 26-27, Hos 5, 1 Cor 3, Ps 103:10-16



Today's Saints

St. Eufrosia Eluvathingal



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Saint Eufrosia is a humble CMC nun who has personalized the prayer heritage of Carmel and lived according to the divine inspirations and rose to the heights of sanctity. For all of us who are called to be the beloved of God that is to be saints(Rom: 1:7), the spirit-filled life of Bl. Eufrosia is an example and to take a peep into her holy life would be proper and useful. Rosa was born as the daughter of Elavuthinkal Antony and Kunjethi on 17 October, 1877 in Kattur which was in the undivided Trichur Diocese and now in the Diocese of Irinjalakuda. Besides three brothers, Rosa had a sister also, but she died in early childhood. Even in the midst of all wealth and pomp in the family, little Rosas heart desired only God. A good evidence of this is her offer of her virginity to God at the tender age of 9. After overcoming many obstacles she was able by the grace of God to become a member of the boarding of the Kerala Carmelite Congregation in (founded by Bl. Kuriakose Elias Chavara in 1866) at Koonammavu. In those days the Koonammavu boarding was the only place of virtue where the girls who desire religious life can go. There the boarding started in 1868 was taught orderly life and education and practice of virtue besides other handicrafts also were taught. This was a very good training place for the girls who desired religious life. The Koonammavu convent was under the administration of Trichur Vicariate, started in 1887, but in the re-division of the vicariate (Trichur, Ernakulam, Changanassery) it came under the Ernakulam diocese. The first native Bishop of the Trichur diocese Mar John Menachery brought the sisters who belonged to Trichur diocese from Koonammavu. They were taken to the newly founded St. Josephs convent Ambzhakkad, the first Carmelite convent of the undivided Trichur diocese. Here on 10 May, 1897 the head-dress was given to Rosa Elavuthinkal who received the new religious name, Eufrosia of the sacred Heart of Jesus.

One of the important things that happened before coming to Trichur is to be noted here. This child, Rosa was always troubled by many serious sicknesses. From one such a very serious illness, she was saved by a miraculous vision of the Holy Family. The details of this vision and the reasons why she was allowed to continue in the convent were written in a letter by Sr Agnes, the then mother superior and sent through the sisters to Mar John Menachery the Bishop. This letter was the cause to have special attention towards this nun and also to cause the Bishop to order her to report her spiritual state truly to him regularly. This virtuous virgin after receiving the Carmelite dress from Mar John Menachery on 10 January, 1898 began to deepen in personal love for Lord Jesus. On 24 May 1900, the St. Marys convent Ollur was founded. That day itself Sr. Eufrosia along with others made her perpetual profession in this new convent and surrounded her whole self to Jesus.

The period from 1904-1910 when Sr. Eufrosia was the Asst. Superior of St. Marys convent Ollur and in-charge of the novices was a period of innumerable graces. When in the congregation officially novitiate was started it was Sr. Eufrosia who was selected to be the first novice mistress. It was at this time that the order of Mar John Menachery Mariam Thressia who is today among the blessed came to stay at the Ollur convent in order to discern her vocation. It was mother Eufrosia who was the novice mistress who gave the necessary formation to Mariam Thressia. More than mistress and disciple it was the coming together of two holy saintly souls guided by the Holy Spirit. In the deep experience of God both of them were great friends. Mother Eufrosia who was appointed superior of the St. Marys convent Ollur from 1913-1916 served the sisters under her authority in a very exemplary way. She was able to do loving and kind services to all those who came into contact with her because of the divine love she received from the Holy Eucharist and the Sacred Heart of Jesus and her devotion to Mother Mary.

Mother Eufrosia grew in humility, poverty and holiness as she completely obeyed the will of God every moment. The whole life of this virgin was full of continuous prayer, penance and reparation. Mother Eufrosia who found contentment in loving Jesus, her divine spouse was always in the forefront in receiving censure and abuses. All those who approached her she helped with motherly love, prayer and good advice. This prayer help she extended to souls in purgatory also. After a long life of 75 years, Eufrosia, the praying mother passed away in the convent at Ollur on 29 August, 1952. It was a wonder that the church bell at Cheralayam parish began to ring without stop at her death. To all those who prayed her intercession, the one who never forgets even after death, granted graces. God is revealing her great heavenly inheritance to the poor people through miracles and signs. This holy virgin who desired to become an unknown saint is raised today to the glory of the altar by the Almighty and the sweet fragrance of her sanctity is spread worldwide.

The Beheading of St. John the Baptist



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Saint John the Baptist was called by God to be the precursor of His divine Son. In order to preserve his innocence spotless, and to improve upon the extraordinary graces which he had received in his earliest infancy, he was directed by the Holy Spirit to lead an austere and contemplative life in the wilderness. There he devoted himself to the continuous exercise of devout prayer and penance.

When Saint John was thirty years old, the faithful minister of the Lord began to discharge his mission. Clothed with the garments of penance, he announced to all men the obligation weighing upon them of washing away their iniquities with the tears of sincere compunction. He proclaimed the Messiah, who was of his own age but whom he had never seen, when one day Jesus came to be baptized by him in the Jordan. Saint John was received by the poor folk as the true herald of the Most High God, and his voice was, as it were, a trumpet sounding from heaven to summon all men to avert the divine judgments. Souls were exhorted by him to prepare themselves to reap the benefit of the mercy offered from heaven.

When the tetrarch Herod Antipas, in defiance of all laws divine and human, married Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip who was yet living, Saint John the Baptist boldly reprimanded the tetrarch and his accomplice for so scandalous an adultery. Herod, motivated by his lust and his anger, cast the Saint into prison. About a year after Saint John had been made a prisoner, Herod gave a splendid entertainment to the official world of Galilee. Salome, a daughter of Herodias by her lawful husband, pleased Herod by her dancing, to the point that he made her the foolish promise of granting whatever she might ask. Salome consulted with her mother as to what to ask, and that immoral woman instructed her daughter to demand the death of John the Baptist, and that the head of the prisoner should be immediately brought to her on a platter. This barbaric request startled the tyrant himself; but governed by human respect he assented and sent a soldier of his guard to behead the Saint in prison. Thus died the great forerunner of our blessed Saviour, some two years after his entrance upon his public ministry, and a year before the death of the One he announced.

Reflection: All the signal graces with which Saint John was favored sprang from his humility; in that virtue all his other virtues were founded. If we desire to form ourselves to solid virtue, we must, above all things, labor to lay the same deep foundation.

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