



3 O' Clock Prayer
The Hour of Great Mercy
Prayers from the diary of
Saint Faustina

You died, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world.

O Fountain of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I trust in You.

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy on us and on the whole world. (3 times)

JESUS, King of mercy, I trust in You!
Amen.



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 16th 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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Daily Highlights, Mass Readings, Daily Saints, Prayers...

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Today's Bible Readings

Latin Rite 1st Reading: Gn 4:1-15, 25 Responsorial Psalm: Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 Gospel: Mk 8:11-13	Syro-Malabar Rite 1st Reading: 1 John 5:6-12 Gospel: Mark 3:13-19	Syro-Malankara Rite 1st Reading: Galatians 2:15-21 Gospel: Mathew 11:20-24
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Meditation: No Sign Shall Be Given to This Generation

Are you good at reading signs? Signs tell us what is coming ahead. The people of Jesus' time expected that the coming of the Messiah would be accompanied by extraordinary signs and wonders. The religious leaders tested Jesus to see if he had a genuine sign from heaven to back his claim to be the Messiah. False messiahs in the past had made extraordinary claims to attract their followers, such as claiming that they could cleave the Jordan River in two or cause the walls of Jerusalem to fall.

What makes us blind-sighted to God's presence and power in our lives? Jesus knew the hearts of those who came to test him. They were more interested in seeking signs to prove that they were right and Jesus was wrong. Jesus revealed the true intention of their heart - they came to argue with him and to test him (Mark 8:11) because they did not believe that he spoke in the name of his Father in heaven. They wanted to discredit his claim to be the true Messiah and Savior. They unfortunately were blind-sighted to the truth of Jesus' message that the Father had sent him, the only begotten Son, to set them free from sin, Satan, and death. No miracle of Jesus would convince them because their hearts were full of self-seeking pride and glory for themselves.

Simeon had prophesied at Jesus' birth that he was "destined for the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that inner thoughts of many will be revealed" (Luke 2:34-35). Jesus gave the Pharisees no sign except himself and the ultimate proof of his divinity when he overcame death and rose victorious from the tomb on the third day. We also need no further proof than the witness of Jesus who fulfilled what Moses and the prophets had foretold would take place when the Messiah came to redeem his people.

Jesus is the only begotten Son of God who came from the Father in heaven to set us free from the power of sin, Satan, and death. His death on the cross atones for all of our sins and opens for us the floodgates of God's merciful love and healing forgiveness. He alone can set us free from guilt, condemnation, pride, and fear. He alone can give us abundant life, peace, and joy through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus gives us "listening ears" and "eyes of faith" to recognize his presence in our lives. The Lord reveals himself and makes his presence known to us in many ways - in his "word" (the good news he came to give us) and in the "breaking of the bread" in the Eucharist (he is the Bread of Life), in his church - the Body of Christ, and in his creation (he is the Word who created all things). And even in the daily circumstances of our lives the Lord Jesus continues to speak to us and guide us. If we seek the Lord Jesus, we will surely find him. And we can be confident that he will give us whatever we need to carry out his will for our lives. Most of all the Lord Jesus assures us of his daily presence with us and the promise that he will never leave us. Theresa of Avila's prayer book contained a bookmark which she wrote: Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you; All things pass: God never changes. Patience achieves all it strives for. Whoever has God lacks nothing, God alone suffices. Is God enough for you?

Lord Jesus, may I always recognize your saving presence in my life and never forget your promises when I encounter trials and difficulties. Give me a faith that never wavers, a hope that never fades, and a love that never grows cold.

Reading 1: Gn 4:1-15, 25

The man had relations with his wife Eve, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have produced a man with the help of the LORD." Next she bore his brother Abel. Abel became a keeper of flocks, and Cain a tiller of the soil. In the course of time Cain brought an offering to the LORD from the fruit of the soil, while Abel, for his part, brought one of the best firstlings of his flock. The LORD looked with favor on Abel and his offering, but on Cain and his offering he did not. Cain greatly resented this and was crestfallen. So the LORD said to Cain: "Why are you so resentful and crestfallen. If you do well, you can hold up your head; but if not, sin is a demon lurking at the door: his urge is toward you, yet you can be his master."

Cain said to his brother Abel, "Let us go out in the field." When they were

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- The Bible in one year: February**
- 01 Gen 50, Isa 33, Matt 21:1-16, Ps 18:26-32
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 - 03 Exod 4-5, Isa 35, Matt 22:1-13, Ps 18:40-46
 - 04 Exod 6, Isa 36, Matt 22:14-35, Ps 18:47-50
 - 05 Exod 7-8, Isa 37:1-27, Matt 22:36-23:11, Ps 19:title-9
 - 06 Exod 9-10, Isa 37:28-38, Matt 23:12-39, Ps 19:10-14
 - 07 Exod 11:1-12:25, Isa 38-39, Matt 24:1-15, Ps 20
 - 08 Exod 12:26-13:22, Isa 40:1-20, Matt 24:16-37, Ps 21:title-5
 - 09 Exod 14-15, Isa 40:21-31, Matt 24:38-51, Ps 21:6-13
 - 10 Exod 16, Isa 41, Matt 25:1-30, Ps 22:title-5
 - 11 Exod 17-18, Isa 42, Matt 25:31-46, Ps 22:6-13
 - 12 Exod 19-20, Isa 43:1-15, Matt 26:1-27, Ps 22:14-20
 - 13 Exod 21:1-22:1, Exod 22:4, Exod 22:2-31, Isa 43:16-28, Matt 26:28-49, Ps 22:21-27
 - 14 Exod 23, Isa 44, Matt 26:50-75, Ps 22:28-31
 - 15 Exod 24-25, Isa 45, Matt 27:1-18, Ps 23
 - 16 Exod 26, Isa 46, Matt 27:19-40, Ps 24
 - 17 Exod 27-28, Isa 47, Matt 27:41-66, Ps 25:title-5
 - 18 Exod 29, Isa 48, Matt 28, Ps 25:6-12
 - 19 Exod 30, Isa 49, Mark 1:1-19, Ps 25:13-22
 - 20 Exod 31-32, Isa 50, Mark 1:20-45, Ps 26:title-3
 - 21 Exod 33-34, Isa 51, Mark 2, Ps 26:4-12
 - 22 Exod 35, Isa 52-53, Mark 3:1-11, Ps 27:title-4
 - 23 Exod 36, Isa 54, Mark 3:12-35, Ps 27:5-14
 - 24 Exod 37-38, Isa 55-56, Mark 4:1-20, Ps 28:title-3
 - 25 Exod 39, Isa 57, Mark 4:21-41, Ps 28:4-9
 - 26 Exod 40, Isa 58, Mark 5:1-23, Ps 29:title-7
 - 27 Lev 1-3, Isa 59, Mark 5:24-43, Ps 29:8-11
 - 28 Lev 4-5, Isa 60, Mark 6:1-23, Ps 30

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in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him. Then the LORD asked Cain, "Where is your brother Abel?" He answered, "I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?" The LORD then said: "What have you done! Listen: your brother's blood cries out to me from the soil! Therefore you shall be banned from the soil that opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. If you till the soil, it shall no longer give you its produce. You shall become a restless wanderer on the earth." Cain said to the LORD: "My punishment is too great to bear. Since you have now banished me from the soil, and I must avoid your presence and become a restless wanderer on the earth, anyone may kill me at sight." "Not so!" the LORD said to him. "If anyone kills Cain, Cain shall be avenged sevenfold." So the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest anyone should kill him at sight.

Adam again had relations with his wife, and she gave birth to a son whom she called Seth. "God has granted me more offspring in place of Abel," she said, "because Cain slew him."

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21
R. (14a) Offer to God a sacrifice of praise.

God the LORD has spoken and summoned the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting. "Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you, for your burnt offerings are before me always."

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"Why do you recite my statutes, and profess my covenant with your mouth Though you hate discipline and cast my words behind you?"

R. Offer to God a sacrifice of praise.
"You sit speaking against your brother; against your mother's son you spread rumors. When you do these things, shall I be deaf to it? Or do you think that I am like yourself? I will correct you by drawing them up before your eyes."

R. Offer to God a sacrifice of praise.

Alleluia
R. Alleluia, alleluia.
I am the way and the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father except through me.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mk 8:11-13
The Pharisees came forward and began to argue with Jesus, seeking from him a sign from heaven to test him. He sighed from the depth of his spirit and said, "Why does this generation seek a sign? Amen, I say to you, no sign will be given to this generation." Then he left them, got into the boat again, and went off to the other shore.

Today's Saints



Saint Martinian the Hermit
Also known as Martinian of Athens Profile Hermit from age 18. Miracle worker. There are a couple of stories attached to Martinian; in them the line between fact and a good story probably blurs a little. Legend says that one day a miserable, bedraggled woman named Zoe showed at his door requesting a traveller's hospitality. He took her in, but her true colors soon showed as she cleaned up and showed herself to be a beautiful woman who tried to seduce Martinian. When he realized how tempted he was, he built a fire and put his feet in it; the pain, as you might imagine, was excruciating. Martinian said, "If I cannot stand this fire, how will I tolerate the fires of Hell?" He counseled her while she treated his wounds, converted her, and she became a nun in Bethlehem. To save himself from his own weakness, the saint moved to a large rock surrounded on all sides by the sea. There he lived on bread and water brought to him by a Christian sailor who visited three times a year. After six years living exposed on the rock, he had a visitor - a young woman who washed up on the rock after her ship had gone down at sea. Before she could speak, he gave her all his provisions, promised to send his friend the sailor to rescue her when he returned, then threw himself into the sea. He washed up on shore, and two months later had the girl rescued. He then spent the rest of his days in Athens.
Born: c.350 at Caesarea, Palestine
Died: c.398 at Athens, Greece



Saint Paulus Liu Hanzuo
Also known as Baolu Additional.

Memorial 28 September as one of the Martyrs of China

Raised in a poor Christian family, Paulus worked as a shepherd in his youth, and had little education. Feeling a call to the priesthood, he entered seminary at age 24; because he had no Latin, he was allowed to study philosophy and theology in Chinese. Ordained in his early 30's, Father Paulus served as a priest in the apostolic vicariate of Sichuan, China, and worked with the Foreign Mission Society of Paris. Because of the persecution of Christians at the time, he worked as a vegetable seller by day, ministered to covert Catholics by night. He was betrayed to the authorities by a local carpenter; he was in the middle of Mass when found, asked for permission to finish, and when it was done he turned himself over for arrest. He was imprisoned, flogged, and when he would neither pay a bribe nor renounce his faith, he was executed. Martyr.
Born: c.1778 in Lezhi, Sichuan, China
Died: strangled to death on 13 February 1818 in Chengdu, Sichuan, China
Canonized: 1 October 2000 by Pope John Paul II



Saint Fusca of Ravenna
Also known as Fosca

Raised in a pagan family, at age 15 Fusca converted to Christianity and was baptized along with her nursemaid, Saint Maura. During the persecutions of Decius she was ordered by her family to renounce the faith; she refused. Arrested and tortured and ordered to sacrifice to idols, she refused. Martyr.
Died: stabbed to death with a sword c.250 in Ravenna, Italy

