

#### 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!



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 indebted-ness 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<sup>th</sup> is her

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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.** 

We dedicate this website to the Generous Heart of Mother Mary



Daily Highlights, Mass Readings, Daily Saints, Prayers... Wednesday of the Third Week of Easter, Volume 162, April 26, 2023. Today's Bible Readings

Latin Rite

**1st Reading:** Acts 8:1b-8 **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a

Gospel: 1n 6:35-40

Syro-Malabar Rite 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Philippians 1: 21-26

Gospel: Matthew 8:1-4 Syro-Malankara Rite 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Hebrews 5:11-14

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

# Meditation: I Will Raise You up at the Last Day

Why did Jesus call himself the bread of life? The Jews understood that God promised them manna from heaven to sustain them on their journey to the promised land. Bread is the very staple of life. We could not live without food for very long. Bread sustains us. But what is life?

Jesus clearly meant something more than mere physical existence. The life Jesus refers to is connected with God, the author of life. Real life is a relationship with the living God, a relationship of trust, love, obedience, peace, and joy. This is what Jesus makes possible for us - a loving relationship with God who created us for love with him. Apart from Jesus no one can enter that kind of life and relationship. Are you satisfied with mere physical existence or do you hunger for the abundant life which Jesus offers? Jesus makes three claims here. First he offers himself as spiritual food which produces the very life of God within us. Second, he promises unbroken friendship and freedom from the fear of being forsaken or cut off from God. Third, he offers us the hope of sharing in his resurrection.

Jesus rose physically never to die again. Those who accept Jesus as Lord and Savior will be bodily raised up to immortal life with Jesus when he comes again on the last day. Do you know the joy and hope of the resurrection? Lord Jesus Christ, your death brought life and hope where there was once only despair and defeat. Give me the unshakable hope of everlasting life, the inexpressible joy of knowing your unfailing love, and the unwavering faith and obedience in doing the will of our Father in heaven.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 8:1b-8

There broke out a severe persecution of the Church in Jerusalem, and all were scattered throughout the countryside of Judea and Samaria, except the Apostles. Devout men buried Stephen and made a loud lament over him. Saul, meanwhile, was trying to destroy the Church; entering house after house and dragging out men and women, he handed them over for imprisonment. Now those who had been scattered went about preaching the word. Thus Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed and crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city.

# Responsorial Psalm: Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a

**R. (1) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. or: R. Alleluia.** Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise. Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!" **R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. or: R. Alleluia.** 

"Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you, sing praise to your name!" Come and see the works of God, his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. or: R. Alleluia.** He has changed the sea into dry land; through the river they passed on foot; therefore let us rejoice in him. He rules by his might forever. **R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. or: R. Alleluia.** 

## Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia. Everyone who believes in the Son has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day, says the Lord. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

### Gospel: Jn 6:35-40

Jesus said to the crowds, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst. But I told you that although you have seen me, you do not believe. Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone who comes to me, because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me. And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on

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the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."

### **Today's Saints**



**Pope Saint Marcellinus** 

Chosen 29th pope. Enlarged the catacombs. Reigned at the start of the persecution of Diocletian, and was himself martyred. Legend says that he apostatized, made sacrifice to pagan gods, then repented, and was beheaded, but this story has been discredited. **Born:** at Rome, Italy

Papal Ascension: 30 June 296 Died: 25 October 304 at Rome

Died: 25 October 304 at Rome, Italy, interred in the Priscillian catacomb on the Via Salaria.



Saint Paschasius Radbertus Also known as Radbertus, Paschasius Radbert

A foundling whose background is completely unknown. Raised by monks after being found by nuns on the steps of Notre Dame of Soissons. Unruly in his youth, even with the brothers. Benedictine monk under Saint Adalard of Corbie. Deacon. Teacher. Moved to Corbie Abbey in 822, and helped make its school at one of the most famous places of learning in its day. Spiritual teacher of Saint Ansgar. Paschasius travelled Europe, speaking at councils, negotiating political and religious conflicts. Against his will he was elected abbot of the Corbie in 844. During undescribed trouble in the monastery in 851, he resigned his position to settle the dispute. He retired as a hermit to the Saint Riquiet monastery in Cenula where he spent the rest of his life writing on history, philosophy, and theology. His The Body and Blood of Christ started the first controversy on the Eucharist, and cleared the way for a precise understanding of Transubstantiation. **Born:** c.790 at Soissons, France

**Did:** c.860 of natural causes, buried in the church of Saint John at Corbie Abbey, relics re-interred at Saint Peter's church at Corbie on 12 July 1073.



Saint Richarius of Celles Also known as Ricario, Riquier

Additional Memorial 9 October (translation of relics)

Born a pagan. As a young man he protected Cadoc and Frichor, Irish missionaries in danger from local non-Christians. While in hiding, the missionaries converted Richardius. He became a priest, travelling the country on a donkey and preaching the Gospel. Worked in England for several years, then returned to France to found an abbey at Centula and serve as its first abbot. When King Dagobert visited him, Richarius was so frank and blunt with his advice that the king gave him a large reward; Richarius passed it on to the poor. He was among the first to work on ransoming captives. Eventually resigned all offices to live his final years as a prayerful hermit. **Born:** at Centula, France

**Died:** 26 April 645 at Foret-Moutier, France of natural causes, initially buried in a hollowed-out tree because that's all his disciple Sigobart could afford.



