



**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 16<sup>th</sup> 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.**

**Mission of Jesus**



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

Monday of the Sixth Week of Easter, Volume 163, May 15, 2023.

**Today's Bible Readings**

**Latin Rite**

**1st Reading:**

Acts 16:11-15

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b

**Gospel:** Jn 15:26—  
16:4a

**Syro-Malabar Rite**

**1st Reading:**

[Romans 11:25-32](#)

**Gospel:**

[Matthew 18:10-14](#)

**Syro-Malankara Rite**

**1st Reading:**

[2 Corinthians 9:6-10](#)

**Gospel:**

[Luke 11:27-28](#)

**Meditation: Giving Testimony**

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me. And you also testify, because you have been with me from the beginning." John 15:26-27

Jesus informs His disciples that "the Spirit of truth" will come and that the Spirit, as well as the disciples, will "testify" to Him. When Jesus first spoke these words to His disciples, they would not have comprehended what He meant. Since these words are prophetic in nature, they are words spoken that were to come to fulfillment and, then, once fulfilled, the words would be understood. So what does Jesus mean?

When we look at the Acts of the Apostles and read about the early Church, it is clear that something incredibly transforming took place after Jesus ascended into Heaven. Up until that time, the disciples and other followers of Jesus had faith, but they were also fearful. They communicated with those others who believed, but did so in secret and with fear. But as soon as Pentecost came and the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, the Spirit of Truth, descended upon them, the Apostles began to be used by God to powerfully proclaim the Gospel without fear and with great effect upon many. It was this experience of the disciples of our Lord, being filled with the Holy Spirit, to which Jesus was referring.

After Jesus died, and perhaps even more so after Jesus ascended into Heaven, it is likely that some of His disciples immediately concluded that the new movement Jesus started was now over. They could have never conceived of the idea that what Jesus started was only beginning. They could have never conceived of the fact that soon they would share in the beginning of the Church, proclaim the Gospel with courage and power, see the conversion of countless lives, witness the ongoing forgiveness of sins, and ultimately give their lives in imitation of our Lord. These disciples had no idea just what awaited them with the coming of the Advocate, the Spirit of Truth. What was awaiting them was their sharing in the ability to "testify" to Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit. They soon realized that Jesus was actually more alive than ever and that He was now going forth to convert souls by the power of the Holy Spirit and through the instrumentality of all of His new disciples.

The same is true in our lives today. It is far too common for Christians to simply believe in Jesus personally, but then fail to wholeheartedly give testimony to Him by the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. It is far too common for followers of Christ to act more like the disciples prior to the coming of the Holy Spirit. Too often, Christians keep the Gospel to themselves, fearful of giving testimony by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reflect, today, upon these prophetic words of Jesus. Though these words were initially spoken to the Twelve, Jesus also speaks these words to you today. He wants you, too, to be a witness to Him, giving testimony to others so that they will come to believe. Reflect upon how well you fulfill this prophetic calling. Where you are lacking, pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in your life so that God can reach many hearts through you.

Most glorious Jesus, You promised to send upon Your disciples and also upon me the Holy Spirit, the Advocate and Spirit of Truth. Holy Spirit, I welcome You into my life and offer myself to You without reserve to be used to give testimony to the Truth. Please do use me, my God, and touch many lives through me. Jesus, I trust in You.

**1st Reading: Acts 16:11-15**

We set sail from Troas, making a straight run for Samothrace, and on the next day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, a leading city in that district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We spent some time in that city. On the sabbath we went outside the city gate along the river where we thought there would be a place of prayer. We sat and spoke with the women who had gathered there. One of them, a woman named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth, from the city of Thyatira, a worshiper of God,

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listened, and the Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what Paul was saying. After she and her household had been baptized, she offered us an invitation, "If you consider me a believer in the Lord, come and stay at my home," and she prevailed on us.

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b**

**R. (see 4a) The Lord takes delight in his people. or: R. Alleluia.**

Sing to the LORD a new song of praise in the assembly of the faithful. Let Israel be glad in their maker, let the children of Zion rejoice in their king.

**R. The Lord takes delight in his people. or: R. Alleluia.**

Let them praise his name in the festive dance, let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp. For the LORD loves his people, and he adorns the lowly with victory.

**R. The Lord takes delight in his people. or: R. Alleluia.**

Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy upon their couches. Let the high praises of God be in their throats. This is the glory of all his faithful. Alleluia.

**R. The Lord takes delight in his people. or: R. Alleluia.**

**Alleluia.**

R. Alleluia, alleluia. The Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the Lord, and you also will testify. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel: Jn 15:26–16:4a**

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me. And you also testify, because you have been with me from the beginning. "I have told you this so that you may not fall away. They will expel you from the synagogues; in fact, the hour is coming when everyone who kills you will think he is offering worship to God. They will do this because they have not known either the Father or me. I have told you this so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you."

**Today's Saints**



**Saint Isidore the Farmer**

Also known as Isadore the Farmer, Isidore Bonden, Isidore of Madrid, Isidore the Laborer, Isidore the Worker, Isidro Labrador Profile Pious farmer. Married to Saint Mary de la Cabeza. Their son died young; they became convinced it was the will of God that they not have children, and they lived together chastely the rest of their lives, doing good works. Accused by fellow workers of shirking his duties by attending Mass each day, taking time out for prayers, etc. Isidore claimed he had no choice but to follow the highest Master. One tale says that when his master came in the morning to chastise him for skipping work for church, he found angels plowing the fields in place of Isidore. Miracles and cures reported at his grave, in which his body remains incorrupt.

**Born:** c.1070 at Madrid, Castille (part of modern Spain)

**Died:** 15 May 1130 at Madrid, Spain of natural causes, buried at the Church of San Isidro in Madrid

**Canonized:** 12 March 1622 by Pope Gregory XV

**Patronage:** against the death of children, agricultural workers, farm workers, farmers, field hands, husbandmen, ranchers, day laborers, for rain, livestock, rural communities, United States National Rural Life Conference, World Youth Day 2011m, diocese of Digos, Philippines, diocese of Malaybalay, Philippines, 24 cities.



**Saint Euphrasius of Andújar**

Also known as Euphrasius of Illiturgi, Euphrasius of Illiturgis, Euphemia, Eufrasio, Apostle of Spain

First century spiritual student of the Apostles. One of the first group of missionaries to Spain, ordained by Saint Peter and Saint Paul. Martyr. Legend says that he once travelled from Spain to Rome, Italy in 30 minutes in order to help the Pope; he managed the quick trip by bribing a captive goblin with leftover food. He is also reputed to have brought a portrait of the Virgin Mary which had been painted by Saint Luke and given to him by Saint Peter.

**Died:** 1st century in Illiturgis, Spain, church built over his sepulcher in the 7th century, relics taken to the Mao River valley in the Lugo province of Galicia, Spain ahead of invading Moors, re-interred in the church of Santa María do Mao, O Incio, Spain, some relics taken to Ajaccio, Corsica, some relics taken to the cathedral in Jaén, Spain

**Patronage:** diocese of Ajaccio, France, diocese of Jaén, Spain, Corsica, Ajaccio, France, Andújar, Spain.



**Saint Hallvard of Oslo**

Also known as Hallvard Vebjørnsson, Hallvard of Lier, Alvard, Alvarado, Halward Profile Born to the Norwegian royalty. In 1043, as he was about to cross the Drammenfjord in a boat, a woman ran up to him, begging his help; she claimed she was falsely accused of theft, and feared for her life. Hallvard took her aboard, but the pursuers reached them before he could push off. They demanded he give her up, but he refused, saying the woman swore she was innocent. One of the pursuers shot and killed both Hallvard and the woman with a bow. The mob attached a stone to Hallvard's body and threw it into the sea; it floated, and was later enshrined at Christ Church, Oslo, Norway. Revered as a martyr because he died in defense of innocence, in the best spirit of chivalry.

**Born:** c.1020

**Died:** shot with an arrow c.1043 at Drammen, Drammen kommune, Buskerud fylke, Norway, buried in the Saint Hallvard Cathedral, Oslo, Oslo kommune, Oslo fylke, Norway

**Patronage:** protection of innocence, protection of virtue, Oslo, Norway.

