



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.**

Mission of Jesus



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

Saturday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time, Volume 170, December 02, 2023.

Today's Bible Readings

Latin Rite
1st Reading:
Dn 7:15-27

Responsorial Psalm:
Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87

Gospel: Lk 21:34-36

Syro-Malabar Rite
1st Reading:
[2 Corinthians 6:3-10](#)

Gospel:
[Mark 6:7-13](#)

Syro-Malankara Rite
1st Reading:
[1 Timothy 4:6-10](#)

Gospel:
[John 7:40-53](#)

Meditation: Jesus, I Trust in You!

Jesus said to his disciples: "Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap. For that day will assault everyone who lives on the face of the earth." Luke 21:36 This is the final day of the liturgical year. Tomorrow begins Advent and the beginning of a new Church year. On this day, we are once again presented with a Gospel passage that points to the final coming of Christ. In preparation for that day, the day in which we meet our Lord for judgment, Jesus points to two grave dangers that will cause our hearts to become "drowsy" and leave us unprepared. First, He says that "carousing and drunkenness" will make us unprepared. Second, He says that "the anxieties of daily life" will also leave us unprepared. On a literal level, carousing and drunkenness means a person relies upon alcohol for satisfaction in life, and they do so by using it to live a lively and somewhat carefree life. They live for the moment and look for satisfaction in self-indulgence. And though drunkenness is specifically mentioned here, there are numerous ways that people attempt to live this way. Everyone wants to be happy in life. We cannot not work to achieve this innate desire. No one intentionally chooses to be unhappy. However, many people regularly choose things in life that do lead to unhappiness and discontentment. But they do so with the false conviction that this or that action will satisfy. And though there are many things that provide temporary or superficial "happiness," the truth is that there is only one thing and one thing alone that provides the happiness and fulfillment we desire. That one thing is the presence of God alive within our souls. The "anxieties of daily life" are also a great burden to so many. No one intentionally chooses to be anxious. No one wants to experience this form of interior disturbance. And though anxiety can come from many sources, physical, psychological and spiritual, one primary source of anxiety is stress that is not dealt with in a proper way. Stress can come from tensions at work, at home or within one's own soul. Stress usually occurs when some difficulty is faced and reacted to with fear, confusion, anger, despair and the like. According to Jesus, giving in to these anxieties can leave a person unprepared for the day of their judgment at the end of their life or the end of the world. But it doesn't have to be that way. Stress and tension, and the anxiety that results from them, is most decisively cured by turning from the difficulty one experiences and turning to a deep and total trust in the providence of God. At Mass, the priest prays after the "Our Father" that God "free us from all distress" and that we will instead "await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ." Faith and hope in God and in His final coming at the end of time is the spiritual cure for the anxiety and distress we often experience in life. Trusting in our Lord, with the utmost confidence, will enable us to achieve this peaceful disposition and with joyful hope and confidence. Reflect, today, upon those things that hinder you the most from being ready to meet our Lord. Perhaps you struggle with ongoing choices that reflect a life of "carousing and drunkenness." Or perhaps you struggle deeply with worry, distress and anxiety. If this is you, know that freedom awaits. It awaits you if you can only embrace and live the final prayer of this reflection: "Jesus, I trust in You." Trust Him. Entrust your poor decisions in life to Him. Entrust your sin to Him. And entrust all of your worries and tensions that lead to an unsettled heart. As you do so, try to rest in the consoling arms of our Lord so that you will be fully prepared for that glorious day of our Lord's judgment that awaits. My hopeful Lord, You and You alone are the answer to every struggle in life. You and You alone can relieve me of my burdens and the poor choices I make. Help me to trust in You always and in every circumstance in life. I do entrust myself to You and choose to make You the single focus of my life. Jesus, I do trust in You!

1st Reading: Dn 7:15-27

I, Daniel, found my spirit anguished within its covering of flesh, and I was terrified by the visions of my mind. I approached one of those present and asked him what all this meant in truth; in answer, he made known to me the meaning of the things: "These four great beasts stand for four kingdoms which shall arise on the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingship, to possess it forever and ever." But I wished to make certain about the fourth beast, so very terrible and different from the others, devouring and crushing with its iron teeth and bronze claws, and

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trampling with its feet what was left; about the ten horns on its head, and the other one that sprang up, before which three horns fell; about the horn with the eyes and the mouth that spoke arrogantly, which appeared greater than its fellows. For, as I watched, that horn made war against the holy ones and was victorious until the Ancient One arrived; judgment was pronounced in favor of the holy ones of the Most High, and the time came when the holy ones possessed the kingdom. He answered me thus: "The fourth beast shall be a fourth kingdom on earth different from all the others; It shall devour the whole earth, beat it down, and crush it. The ten horns shall be ten kings rising out of that kingdom; another shall rise up after them, Different from those before him, who shall lay low three kings. He shall speak against the Most High and oppress the holy ones of the Most High, thinking to change the feast days and the law. They shall be handed over to him for a year, two years, and a half-year. But when the court is convened, and his power is taken away by final and absolute destruction, Then the kingship and dominion and majesty of all the kingdoms under the heavens shall be given to the holy people of the Most High, Whose Kingdom shall be everlasting: all dominions shall serve and obey him."

Responsorial Psalm: Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87

R. Give glory and eternal praise to him.

"You sons of men, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all forever."

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"O Israel, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all forever."

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Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all forever."

R. Give glory and eternal praise to him.

"Servants of the Lord, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all forever."

R. Give glory and eternal praise to him.

"Spirits and souls of the just, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all forever."

R. Give glory and eternal praise to him.

"Holy men of humble heart, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all forever."

R. Give glory and eternal praise to him.

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia. Be vigilant at all times and pray That you may have the strength to stand before the Son of Man. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Lk 21:34-36

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Today's Saints



Saint Bibiana

Also known as Viviana, Vivian, Vibiana

Her parents, Saint Flavian of Acquapendente and Dafrosa of Acquapendente, were martyred in the persecutions of Julian the Apostate, and Vivian and her sister Demetria were turned over to a woman named Rufina who tried to force them into prostitution. Upon her continued refusal to co-operate, Vivian was imprisoned in a mad house, then flogged to death. A church was built over her grave, in the garden of which grew an herb that cured headache and epilepsy. This and her time spent with the mentally ill led to her areas of patronage.

Born: in 4th century in Rome, Italy

Died: scourged to death c.361, her body was left to the dogs, but none would touch her, and she was buried two days later in the Pretestato Catacombs, Rome, Italy, relics enshrined in the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows, Los Angeles, California from 1855 until the building burned in August 1865 *bull; relics enshrined in the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, Los Angeles, California

Patronage: against epilepsy; epileptics, against hangovers, against headaches, against insanity or mental illness; mentally ill people, Los Angeles, California, single laywomen, torture victims.



Saint Chromatius of Aquileia

Chromatius' father died when the boy was an infant, and he was raised by his mother and large family of older siblings. Ordained c.387. Attended the Synod of Aquileia, and worked for the strong denunciation of Arianism that resulted from the synod. Bishop of Aquileia in 388. He worked for peace with invading troops led by Alaric, and provided aid to those who suffered by being in his path. Active correspondent with Saint Ambrose of Milan. Friend of Saint Jerome, who dedicated several works to him. Influential in the translation of early Christian works into Latin for wider use. Financed Saint Jerome's translation of the Bible, and Rufinus' translation of Eusebius' Ecclesiastical History. Wrote several respected scripture commentaries, seventeen of which survive. Friend of Saint John Chrysostom, supporting him and writing on his behalf against the unjust accusations of Emperor Arcadius.

Born: 4th century at Aquileia, Italy

Died: 2 December 407 in Italy of natural causes.



Pope Saint Silverio

Also known as Sylvere, Silverius

Son of Pope Hormisdas, who had entered religious life after raising a family. Sub-deacon when elected pope at the insistence of King Theodaha the Ostrogoth. A humble man caught in the middle of a political ploy by Vigilius and the Empress Theodora to seize the pontificate for the Monophysites. Kidnapped, convicted of a trumped-up charge of treason, and exiled to the island of Ponza, Italy.

Born: 480 at Frosinone, Campania (in modern Italy)

Papal Ascension: 8 June 536

Died: starved in November 537

Patronage: Ponza, Italy, Valprato Soana.

