



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...

Tuesday of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time, June 18, 2024, Volume 176.

Today's Bible Readings

Latin Rite

1st Reading:

1 Kgs 21:17-29

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16

Gospel: Mt 5:43-48

Syro-Malabar Rite

1st Reading:

[2 Thes 1:3-10](#)

Gospel: [Jn 16:1-7](#)

Syro-Malankara Rite

[Heb 10:5-10; Jn 15:11-17](#)

Meditation: The "Gift" of Being Persecuted

Jesus said to his disciples: "You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust." Matthew 5:43-45 Jesus continues to deepen and clarify His call to His new command to love of others. The love to which He calls us is radical, total, and can be very challenging at first. He calls us to move far beyond the Old Testament understanding of justice by commanding that we love everyone, including those who persecute us. This call to love is not an option but a command. It's a requirement for every Christian. In implementing this command, Jesus gives us not only the command itself but also offers some very practical advice on how we can achieve this depth of love. He says that we should not only love our enemies but that we should pray for them when they persecute us. First of all, an "enemy" is one who tries to inflict some form of harm on us and, generally speaking, sins against us. The common response to these experiences is to defend ourselves and fight back. So the first step is to reject any such temptation. As Jesus said in the Gospel passage prior to this one, "offer no resistance to one who is evil." Today's Gospel passage takes us even further. The practical advice our Lord gives is to "pray for those who persecute you." This command not only requires that you reject the temptation to "get back" at a person or even to simply "resist" what they do to us. You must now pray for them. Praying for someone who sins against you is an act of the greatest charity and generosity. And it's a very practical way to imitate the abundant mercy of God. For that reason, praying for your persecutors radically transforms you interiorly and makes you holy. In a sense, the evil another does to you has the potential to be transformed into a gift given to you, because it gives you an opportunity to return prayer for an injury inflicted. And that is a very real and practical gift we must embrace by this new command of our Lord. Reflect, today, upon those for whom this new commandment calls you to pray. Whose sin has inflicted some hurt or injury upon you or your family? Who do you hold a grudge toward? Whoever comes to mind, commit yourself to deep and sustained prayer for that person. Pray often for them and continue that prayer for as long as the persecution continues. Doing so will transform any and every attempted malice issued toward you into grace for them and holiness for you.

My Lord of abundant mercy, Your command to pray for those who persecute me was first lived by You to perfection. You prayed for those who crucified You as You hung upon the Cross. Give me the grace I need to not only forgive but to also pray for those who have and continue to try to inflict harm upon me. Give me a heart so filled with mercy that every sin committed against me is transformed into love and my own holiness of life. **Jesus, I trust in You.**

1st Reading: 1 Kgs 21:17-29

After the death of Naboth the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite: "Start down to meet Ahab, king of Israel, who rules in Samaria. He will be in the vineyard of Naboth, of which he has come to take possession. This is what you shall tell him, 'The LORD says: After murdering, do you also take possession? For this, the LORD says: In the place where the dogs licked up the blood of Naboth, the dogs shall lick up your blood, too.'" Ahab said to Elijah, "Have you found me out, my enemy?" "Yes," he answered. "Because you have given yourself up to doing evil in the LORD's sight, I am bringing evil upon you: I will destroy you and will cut off every male in Ahab's line, whether slave or freeman, in Israel. I will make your house like that of Jeroboam, son of Nebat, and like that of Baasha, son of Ahijah, because of how you have provoked me by leading Israel into sin." (Against Jezebel, too, the LORD declared, "The dogs shall devour Jezebel in the district of Jezreel.") "When one of Ahab's line dies in the city, dogs will devour him; when one of them dies in the field, the birds of the sky will devour him." Indeed, no one gave himself up to the doing of evil in the sight of the LORD as did Ahab, urged on by his wife Jezebel. He became completely abominable by following idols, just as the Amorites had done, whom the LORD drove out before the children of Israel. When Ahab heard these

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The Bible in one year: June

- 01 1 Sam 5ñ7, Ezek 2, John 9:1ñ18, Ps 69:7ñ13
- 02 1 Sam 8ñ9, Ezek 3, John 9:19ñ41, Ps 69:14ñ20
- 03 1 Sam 10ñ11, Ezek 4, John 10:1ñ20, Ps 69:21ñ27
- 04 1 Sam 12ñ13, Ezek 5, John 10:21ñ42, Ps 69:28ñ36
- 05 1 Sam 14, Ezek 6, John 11:1ñ22, Ps 70
- 06 1 Sam 15ñ16, Ezek 7, John 11:23ñ44, Ps 71:1ñ6
- 07 1 Sam 17, Ezek 8, John 11:45ñ57, Ps 71:7ñ14
- 08 1 Sam 18, Ezek 9ñ10, John 12:1ñ30, Ps 71:15ñ24
- 09 1 Sam 19ñ20, Ezek 11:1ñ11, John 12:31ñ50, Ps 72:titleñ3
- 10 1 Sam 21ñ22, Ezek 11:12ñ25, John 13:1ñ24, Ps 72:4ñ10, 11 1 Sam 23ñ24, Ezek 12, John 13:25ñ38, Ps 72:11ñ20, 12 1 Sam 25, Ezek 13, John 14, Ps 73:titleñ3
- 13 1 Sam 26ñ27, Ezek 14, John 15, Ps 73:4ñ10
- 14 1 Sam 28ñ30, Ezek 15, John 16:1ñ15, Ps 73:11ñ17
- 15 1 Sam 31, Ezek 16:1ñ25, John 16:16ñ33, Ps 73:18ñ24
- 16 2 Sam 1ñ2, Ezek 16:26ñ45, John 17, Ps 73:25ñ28
- 17 2 Sam 3ñ4, Ezek 16:46ñ63, John 18:1ñ21, Ps 74:titleñ9
- 18 2 Sam 5ñ6, Ezek 17, John 18:22ñ40, Ps 74:10ñ16
- 19 2 Sam 7ñ9, Ezek 18:1ñ19, John 19:1ñ25, Ps 74:17ñ23
- 20 2 Sam 10ñ11, Ezek 18:20ñ32, John 19:26ñ42, Ps 75:titleñ6
- 21 2 Sam 12, Ezek 19:1ñ20:13, John 20, Ps 75:7ñ10
- 22 2 Sam 13ñ14, Ezek 20:14ñ33, John 21, Ps 76
- 23 2 Sam 15, Ezek 20:34ñ49, Acts 1:1ñ14, Ps 77:titleñ3
- 24 2 Sam 16ñ17, Ezek 21, Acts 1:15ñ26, Ps 77:4ñ11
- 25 2 Sam 18, Ezek 22:1ñ13, Acts 2:1ñ32, Ps 77:12ñ20
- 26 2 Sam 19ñ20, Ezek 22:14ñ31, Acts 2:33ñ47, Ps 78:titleñ4
- 27 2 Sam 21, Ezek 23:1ñ22, Acts 3, Ps 78:5ñ11
- 28 2 Sam 22ñ23, Ezek 23:23ñ49, Acts 4:1ñ24, Ps 78:12ñ18
- 29 2 Sam 24, Ezek 24:1ñ13, Acts 4:25ñ37, Ps 78:19ñ25
- 30 1 Kings 1, Ezek 24:14ñ27, Acts 5:1ñ31, Ps 78:26ñ32

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words, he tore his garments and put on sackcloth over his bare flesh. He fasted, slept in the sackcloth, and went about subdued. Then the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, "Have you seen that Ahab has humbled himself before me? Since he has humbled himself before me, I will not bring the evil in his time. I will bring the evil upon his house during the reign of his son."

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16

R. (see 3a) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

For I acknowledge my offense, and my sin is before me always: "Against you only have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight."

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Turn away your face from my sins, and blot out all my guilt. Free me from blood guilt, O God, my saving God; then my tongue shall revel in your justice.

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia. I give you a new commandment; love one another as I have loved you. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Mt 5:43-48

Jesus said to his disciples: "You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Today's Saints



Saint Gregory Barbarigo

Also known as Gregory Bardardico, Gregorio Barbarigo, Gregorio Giovanni Gasparo Barbarigo, Gregory Lewis Barbadigo

Son of a Venetian senator. Educated at the University of Padua. Civil and canon lawyer. Worked on the negotiations for the Peace of Westphalia that ended the Thirty Years' War on 24 October 1648; one of his co-workers was archbishop Fabio Chigi, the future Pope Alexander VII. Ordained on 21 December 1655. Domestic prelate to Pope Alexander VII. Referendary of the Tribunals of the Apostolic Signature of Justice and of Grace. Bishop of Bergamo, Italy on 9 July 1657. Created cardinal on 5 April 1660. Bishop of Padua, Italy on 24 March 1664. Part of the conclave of 1667 that chose Pope Clement IX. Part of the conclave of 1676 that chose Blessed Pope Innocent XI. Supervised Catholic teaching in Rome, Italy for three years. Part of the conclave of 1689 that chose Pope Alexander VIII. Part of the conclave of 1691 that chose Pope Innocent XII. Noted as a distinguished churchman and leading citizen whose charities were on a princely scale. Worked for unity of the Latin and Orthodox Churches.

Born: 16 September 1625 at Venice, Italy as Gregorio Giovanni Gasparo Barbarigo

Died: 18 June 1697 at Padua, Italy of natural causes, buried in the cathedral of Padua

Beatified: 6 July 1771 by Pope Clement XIV

Canonized: 26 May 1960 by Blessed Pope John XXIII.



Saint Elizabeth of Schönau

Also known as Elizabeth of Sconaue, Elisabeth

Born to the German nobility. Raised and educated in Schönau Benedictine abbey near Bingen, Germany from age 12. Elizabeth came to see the abbey as home, and took vows as a Benedictine nun in 1147. Friend of Saint Hildegard von Bingen. Abbess at Schonau from 1157 until her death. In 1152 she began receiving ecstasies and visions of Jesus and Mary, received the gift of prophecy, and suffered the assaults of demonic forces. With the help of her brother Egbert, a monk and abbot, she wrote three volumes describing her visions. The periods in ecstasies weakened her already fragile health.

Born: 1126 in Bingen, Germany

Died: 18 June 1164 at Bingen, Germany of natural causes, buried in the church of Saint Florin at the Schönau abbey, most relics were destroyed by Swedish forces in 1632, remaining relics enshrined in the parish church in Schönau

Canonized: never formally canonized, but popular devotion went on for centuries, added to the Roman Martyrology in 1584 by Pope Gregory XIII.



Saint Marcellian

Also known as Marcellianus

Son of Saint Tranquillinus of Rome who raised him a pagan before his own conversion. Twin brother of Saint Mark. Convert to Christianity. May have been a deacon. Imprisoned for his faith during the persecutions of Maximian Hercules. Visited in prison by Saint Sebastian who encouraged him not to give in. Martyr.

Died: nailed to a post and pierced with a lance in 286, buried near the Catacomb of Saint Domitilla, grave re-discovered in 1902.

