

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

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

ve mercy on us and which whole world. (3 tin

SUS, King of mercy, I ist in You!



Prayer of St. Gertrude the

"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 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



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 absolute evil. **Pope Francis.** It's an

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

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Today's Bible Readings

Latin Rite 1st Reading: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14 **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 31:20, 21, 24

Gospel: Mt 6:1-6, 16-

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Heb 10:1-4; Mt 5:38-42

Gospel: Jn 12:20-

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Meditation: When You Pray, Fast, and Give Alms

Why did Jesus single out prayer, fasting, and almsgiving for his disciples? The Jews considered these three as the cardinal works of the religious life. These were seen as the key signs of a pious person, the three great pillars on which the good life was based. Jesus pointed to the heart of the matter. Why do you pray, fast, and give alms? To draw attention to yourself so that others may notice and think highly of you? Or to give glory to God?

True piety and devotion to God

The Lord warns his disciples of self-seeking glory - the preoccupation with looking good and seeking praise from others. True piety is something more than feeling good or looking holy. True piety is loving devotion to God. It is an attitude of awe, reverence, worship and obedience. It is a gift and working of the Holy Spirit that enables us to devote our lives to God with a holy desire to please him in all things (Isaiah 11:1-2).

Completely united with God our Father

What is the sure reward which Jesus points out to his disciples? It is communion with God our Father. In him alone we find the fullness of life and happiness, truth and beauty, love and joy. Saint Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD) wrote the following prayer in his Confessions: When I am completely united to you, there will be no more sorrows or trials; entirely full of you, my life will be complete. The Lord rewards those who seek him with humble and repentant hearts. He renews us each day and he gives us new hearts of love and compassion that we may serve him and our neighbor with glad and generous hearts. Do you want to grow in your love for God and for your neighbor? Seek him expectantly in prayer, with fasting, and in generous giving to those in need.

Lord Jesus, give me a lively faith, a firm hope, a fervent charity, and a great love for you. Take from me all lukewarmness in meditating on your word, and dullness in prayer. Give me fervor and delight in thinking of you and your grace. Fill my heart with compassion for others, especially those in need, that I may respond with generosity.

1st Reading: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, he and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Please stay here; the LORD has sent me on to the Jordan." "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you," Elisha replied. And so the two went on together. Fifty of the guild prophets followed and when the two stopped at the Jordan, they stood facing them at a distance. Elijah took his mantle, rolled it up and struck the water, which divided, and both crossed over on dry ground. When they had crossed over, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask for whatever I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha answered, "May I receive a double portion of your spirit." "You have asked something that is not easy," Elijah replied. "Still, if you see me taken up from you, your wish will be granted; otherwise not." As they walked on conversing, a flaming chariot and flaming horses came between them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. When Elisha saw it happen he cried out, "My father! my father! Israel's chariots and drivers!" But when he could no longer see him, Elisha gripped his own garment and tore it in two. Then he picked up Elijah's mantle that had fallen from him, and went back and stood at the bank of the Jordan. Wielding the mantle that had fallen from Elijah, Elisha struck the water in his turn and said, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When Elisha struck the water it divided and he crossed over.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 31:20, 21, 24

R. (25) Let your hearts take comfort, all who hope in the Lord.

How great is the goodness, O LORD, which you have in store for those who fear you, And which, toward those who take refuge in you, you show in the sight of the children of men.

R. Let your hearts take comfort, all who hope in the Lord.

You hide them in the shelter of your presence from the plottings of men; You screen them within your abode from the strife of tongues.

R. Let your hearts take comfort, all who hope in the Lord. Love the LORD, all you his faithful ones! The LORD keeps those who are

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constant, but more than requites those who act proudly.

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Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia. Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to him. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Jesus said to his disciples: "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father. When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you. When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you. "When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to others to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you."



Saint Romuald

Italian nobility who spent a wild youth. Acting as second, he witnessed his father kill another man in a duel, and Romuald sought to atone for the crime by becoming a Benedictine monk at Classe, Italy. Abbot from 996 to 999. A wanderer by nature, he established several hermitage and monasteries in central and northern Italy. He tried to evangalize the Slavs, but met with little success. Founded the Camaldolese Benedictines. Spent the last fourteen years of his life in seclusion at Mount Sitria, Bifolco, and Val di Castro. Spiritual teacher of Saint Wolfgang of Ratisbon.

Born: c.951 at Ravenna, Italy

Died: 19 June 1027 at Val-di-Castro, Italy of natural causes, body found incorrupt, enshrined at Fabriano, Italy, relics

translated on 7 Feburary 1481

Canonized: 1582 by Pope Gregory XIII

Patronage: Suwalki, Poland.



Saint Rémi Isoré

Also known as Rémigius Isoré

Additional Memorial 28 September as one of the 120 Martyrs of China, 4 February (Jesuits)

Eldest son in a pious family. His father taught primary school, one brother became a priest, one sister joined the Daughters of Saint Vincent de Paul. Remigious felt a call to the priesthood from an early age. Entered Saint Francis School in 1865 at age 13, and the seminary at Cambrai, France in 1871 at 19. Taught primary school at Roubaix, France in 1873 at age 21. In 1876 at age 24 he entered the Jesuit novitiate at Saint Acheul, and was soon assigned to teach high school at La Providence. Beginning in 1881, he felt a call to missionary work, and was assigned to work in China. He arrived in Xian, Hebei in 1882, and spent a year learning Chinese. Ordained on 31 July 1886 at the Xian Cathedral. Taught at the public school in Zhangjiazhuang. Dean of the school at Guangpingfu. Parish priest of Zhoujiazhuang, Wei Country. Martyred during the Boxer Rebellion.

Born: 22 January 1852 in Bambeque, France **Died:** 19 June 1900 in Wuyi, Hebei, China while praying at the altar, head hung outside the village as a warning to

other Catholics

Canonized: 1 October 2000 by Pope John Paul II.



Saint Juliana Falconieri

Also known as Giuliana Falconieri

Only child of a wealthy Florentine noble family of Chiarissimo and Riguirdata Falconieri. Niece of Saint Alexis Falconieri. Her father died Juliana was very young, and her uncle Alexis had a great influence on her. Given to chronic gastric problems throughout her life. Legend says she never gazed into a mirror, never looked at a man's face, trembled at the mention of sin, and fainted upon hearing scandalous gossip. Juliana refused an arranged marriage at age 14. She became a Servite tertiary in 1285, taking the habit from her spiritual director, Saint Philip Benizi. Helped form, and served as first superior of the Servite Order of Mary (Servite Nuns, the Mantellate Servites), which was formally established in 1304, and their first convent founded in 1305. At her death, unable to receive Holy Communion because of constant vomiting, she requested the priest to spread a corporal upon her breast and lay the Host on it. Soon after, the Host disappeared, Juliana died, and the image of the cross that had been on the Host was found on her breast.

Born: 1270 at Florence, Italy

Died: 12 June 1341 at Florence, Italy of natural causes, relics at the church of San Annunziata in Florence

Beatified: 26 July 1678 by Pope Innocent XI Canonized: 16 June 1737 by Pope Clement XII Patronage: against sickness; sick people.





