



**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...

Friday of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time, June 21, 2024, Volume 176.

**Today's Bible Readings**

**Latin Rite**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:**

2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18

**Gospel:** Mt 6:19-23

**Syro-Malabar Rite**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:**

[Phil 1:27-30](#)

**Gospel:** [Lk 12:4-12](#)

**Syro-Malankara Rite**

[2 Cor 9:6-11](#); [Mt 6:19-21](#)

**Meditation: Your Intentions in Life**

"The lamp of the body is the eye. If your eye is sound, your whole body will be filled with light; but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be in darkness. And if the light in you is darkness, how great will the darkness be." Matthew 6:22-23 Every Scripture passage, in a spiritual sense, can teach us many lessons. Saint Thomas Aquinas, in his commentary on Matthew's Gospel, offers one interpretation to the passage quoted above by saying that the "eye" in this passage refers to your intention and "your whole body" refers to all of your actions that follow from your intention. Therefore, when your intentions are in line with God's will, the actions that follow will be also. This is a very practical and useful lesson for your journey toward holiness. With this insight from Saint Thomas, we must look at our intentions in an honest and complete way. What are your intentions in life? It's easy for us to form various intentions that may seem good as well as some that are contrary to the will of God without even realizing it. We may intend to get a good night's sleep on one occasion. Or intend to have fun with family and friends on a certain day. Or we may intend to cook a good meal, clean the house, do well at work, etc. There are many momentary intentions that are good and are a normal part of daily living. However, the most important intention to consider is that which is the deepest of them all. What is the most central, foundational, and fundamental intention by which your life is directed? The primary intention that you should work to acquire is to give God the greatest glory possible in all that you do. Giving glory to God is accomplished when you choose Him and His holy will above everything else in life. When this is the deepest and most fundamental intention of your life, everything else will flow from it. All secondary intentions and actions will align with this central focus and work toward its accomplishment. But when there are other "first intentions" that you have on the most fundamental level, then all the rest of your intentions and actions will be misguided and directed in a disordered way. Reflect, today, upon the most fundamental intention you have in life. Doing so will require a considerable amount of interior reflection and honesty. It will require that you sort through the many things that motivate you and the decisions you make each and every day. Reflect upon the primary purpose of your life, which must be to give God the greatest glory possible by choosing and living His perfect will. Do all of your daily actions align with this ultimate goal? Commit yourself to the holy work of examining all of your actions in this light so that you will more fully achieve the purpose for which you were created.

God of all glory, You and You alone are worthy of all my praise. Your will and Your will alone must become the foundation of all that I choose in life. Give me the spiritual insight I need to look deeply at all that motivates me and all of my most interior intentions in life. May all of my intentions and all of my actions have as their goal Your eternal glory. Jesus, I trust in You.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20**

When Athaliah, the mother of Ahaziah, saw that her son was dead, she began to kill off the whole royal family. But Jehosheba, daughter of King Jehoram and sister of Ahaziah, took Joash, his son, and spirited him away, along with his nurse, from the bedroom where the princes were about to be slain. She concealed him from Athaliah, and so he did not die. For six years he remained hidden in the temple of the LORD, while Athaliah ruled the land. But in the seventh year, Jehoiada summoned the captains of the Carians and of the guards. He had them come to him in the temple of the LORD, exacted from them a sworn commitment, and then showed them the king's son. The captains did just as Jehoiada the priest commanded. Each one with his men, both those going on duty for the sabbath and those going off duty that week, came to Jehoiada the priest. He gave the captains King David's spears and shields, which were in the temple of the LORD. And the guards, with drawn weapons, lined up from the southern to the northern limit of the enclosure, surrounding the altar and the temple on the king's behalf. Then Jehoiada led out the king's son and put the crown and the insignia upon him. They proclaimed him king and anointed him, clapping their hands and shouting, "Long live the king!" Athaliah heard the noise made by the people, and appeared before them in the temple of the LORD. When she saw the king standing by the pillar, as was the custom, and the

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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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captains and trumpeters near him, with all the people of the land rejoicing and blowing trumpets, she tore her garments and cried out, "Treason, treason!" Then Jehoiada the priest instructed the captains in command of the force: "Bring her outside through the ranks. If anyone follows her," he added, "let him die by the sword." He had given orders that she should not be slain in the temple of the LORD. She was led out forcibly to the horse gate of the royal palace, where she was put to death. Then Jehoiada made a covenant between the LORD as one party and the king and the people as the other, by which they would be the LORD's people; and another covenant, between the king and the people. Thereupon all the people of the land went to the temple of Baal and demolished it. They shattered its altars and images completely, and slew Mattan, the priest of Baal, before the altars. Jehoiada appointed a detachment for the temple of the LORD. All the people of the land rejoiced and the city was quiet, now that Athaliah had been slain with the sword at the royal palace.

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18**

**R. (13) The Lord has chosen Zion for his dwelling.**

The LORD swore to David a firm promise from which he will not withdraw: "Your own offspring I will set upon your throne."

**R. The Lord has chosen Zion for his dwelling.**

"If your sons keep my covenant and the decrees which I shall teach them, Their sons, too, forever shall sit upon your throne."

**R. The Lord has chosen Zion for his dwelling.**

For the LORD has chosen Zion; he prefers her for his dwelling. "Zion is my resting place forever; in her will I dwell, for I prefer her."

**R. The Lord has chosen Zion for his dwelling.**

"In her will I make a horn to sprout forth for David; I will place a lamp for my anointed. His enemies I will clothe with shame, but upon him my crown shall shine."

**R. The Lord has chosen Zion for his dwelling.**

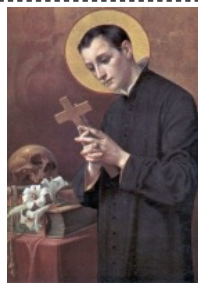
**Alleluia**

R. Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel: Mt 6:19-23**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and decay destroy, and thieves break in and steal. But store up treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor decay destroys, nor thieves break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be. "The lamp of the body is the eye. If your eye is sound, your whole body will be filled with light; but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be in darkness. And if the light in you is darkness, how great will the darkness be."

**Today's Saints**



**Saint Aloysius Gonzaga**

Also known as Aluigi Gonzaga, Lewis Gonzaga, Luigi Gonzaga

Born to the Italian nobility who grew up in a castle, the son of Ferdinand Gonzaga, a prince in the Holy Roman Emperor and a compulsive gambler. Cousin of Saint Rudolph Acquaviva. Trained from age four as a soldier and courtier. Served as a page in the Spanish court. He suffered from kidney disease, which he considered a blessing as it left him bed-ridden with time for prayer. While still a boy himself, he taught catechism to poor boys. He received his First Communion from Saint Charles Borromeo. At age 18, Aloysius signed away his legal claim to his family's lands and title to his brother, and became a Jesuit novice. Spiritual student of Saint Robert Bellarmine. Tended plague victims in Rome, Italy in the outbreak of 1591 during which he caught the disease that killed him at age 23.

**Born:** 9 March 1568 in the family castle of Castiglione delle Stivieri in Montua, Lombardy, Italy

**Died:** 20-21 June 1591 at Rome, Italy of plague, fever, and desire to see God, relics entombed under the altar of Saint Ignatius Church, Rome

**Beatified:** 19 October 1605 Pope Paul V (cultus confirmed), 1621 by Pope Gregory XV

**Canonized:** 31 December 1726 by Pope Benedict XIII

**Patronage:** against sore eyes, AIDS care-givers, AIDS patients, for bodily purity, Catholic youth, Jesuit students, for relief from pestilence, teenage children, teenagers, young people, Castiglione delle Stiviere, Italy, Valmonte, Italy.



**Saint Lazarus**

Also known as Lazaro

Leper mentioned by Christ in the parable of Lazarus and the rich man in the Gospel of Luke (see below). The Order of Saint Lazarus was founded in the 12th century to provide nursing for lepers, taking Lazarus as its patron. The knights of the order were lepers, and besides helping their fellow sufferers, they carried out military duties. They founded a hospital for lepers near the northern wall of Jerusalem.

**Patronage:** against leprosy; lepers, Order of Saint Lazarus.



**Saint Jose Isabel Flores Varela**

Additional Memorial 21 May as one of the Martyrs of the Mexican Revolution

Seminarian at Guadalajara, Mexico. Parish priest at Zapotlanejo, Jalisco, Mexico in 1900. Strong and gentle father to his flock, he refused to abandon his parish during the persecutions of the Church by the government; he went into hiding, and ministered covertly to his parishioners. The mayor of Zapotlanjejo, Jose Orozco, was virulently anti-Catholic, and offered a reward for the capture of any priest. Father Jose was betrayed for this reward, and arrested; his Judas was Nemesio Bermejo, an ex-seminarian who lived with Flores. Flores was offered his freedom if he would accept the anti-Church Calles government; he declined. Orozco turned the Zapotlanejo rectory into a jail, threw Flores into it, gave him no food or water for three days, played music outside the gaol so he could not sleep, and repeatedly offered him freedom in exchange for cooperation; Father Jose declined. On the night he died, Jose was taken to a nearby cemetery, and tortured by being repeatedly hanged in a tree, but being lowered before he died. One of the soldiers, who had been baptized by Father Flores, refused to participate in the torture; the others shot him. They then took the padre's few possessions and murdered him. The squad tried to shoot him, but their guns would not fire, and the troop's commander, Anastasio Valdivia, cut Flores' throat. Martyr.

**Born:** 28 November 1866 at Teul, Zacatecas, Mexico

**Died:** throat cut between 1am and 2am on 21 June 1927 in a cemetery near Zapotlanejo, Jalisco, Mexico

**Canonized:** 21 May 2000 by Pope John Paul II during the Jubilee of Mexico.

