

#### 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!



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.



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218 Gen 1:27.

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.** 





Friday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time, Jan 24, 2025, Volume 184. Today's Bible Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading:

Syro-Malabar Rite

Latin Rite

**1st Reading:** Hebrews 8:6-13 **Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 85:8, 10, 11-12, 13-14

Gospel: Mark 3:13-19

# 1 Kgs 18:30-39 2 Cor 3:1-5; Mt 4:23 2nd Reading: 25 Acts 5:12-16 3rd Reading: 1 Cor 4 : 9-16 9-16

Svro-Malankara Rite

Réadings:

Gospel: <u>Mt 10:1-15</u> Catechism of the Catholic Church SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS

# Article 1"I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH"

Paragraph 6. MAN355 "God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him, male and female he created them."218 Man occupies a unique place in creation: (I) he is "in the image of God"; (II) in his own nature he unites the spiritual and material worlds; (III) he is created "male and female"; (IV) God established him in his friendship.I. "IN THE IMAGE OF GOD"356 Of all visible creatures only man is "able to know and love his creator".219 He is "the only creature on earth that God has willed for himself",220 and he alone is called to share, by knowledge and love, in God's own life. It was for this end that he was created, and this is the fundamental reason for his dignity:What made you establish man in so great a dignity? Certainly the incalculable love by which you have looked on your creature in yourself! You are taken with love for her; for by love indeed you created her, by love you have given her a being capable of tasting your eternal Good.221357 Being in the image of God the human individual possesses the dignity of a person, who is not just something, but someone. He is capable of self-knowledge, of self-possession and of freely giving himself and entering into communion with other persons. and he is called by grace to a covenant with his Creator, to offer him a response of faith and love that no other creature can give in his stead.358 God created everything for man,222 but man in turn was created to serve and love God and to offer all creation back to him: What is it that is about to be created, that enjoys such honour? It is man that great and wonderful living creature, more precious in the eyes of God than all other creatures! For him the heavens and the earth, the sea and all the rest of creation exist. God attached so much importance to his salvation that he did not spare his own Son for the sake of man. Nor does he ever cease to work, trying every possible means, until he has raised man up to himself and made him sit at his right hand.223359 "In reality it is only in the mystery of the Word made flesh that the mystery of man truly becomes clear."224St. Paul tells us that the human race takes its origin from two men: Adam and Christ. . . the first man, Adam, he says, became a living soul, the last Adam a life-giving spirit. the first Adam was made by the last Adam, from whom he also received his soul, to give him life... the second Adam stamped his image on the first Adam when he created him. That is why he took on himself the role and the name of the first Adam, in order that he might not lose what he had made in his own image. the first Adam, the last Adam: the first had a beginning, the last knows no end. the last Adam is indeed the first; as he himself says: "I am the first and the last."225360 Because of its common origin the human race forms a unity, for "from one ancestor (God) made all nations to inhabit the whole earth":2260 wondrous vision, which makes us contemplate the human race in the unity of its origin in God. . . in the unity of its nature, composed equally in all men of a material body and a spiritual soul; in the unity of its immediate end and its mission in the world; in the unity of its dwelling, the earth, whose benefits all men, by right of nature, may use to sustain and develop life; in the unity of its supernatural end: God himself, to whom all ought to tend; in the unity of the means for attaining this end; . . . in the unity of the redemption wrought by Christ for all.227361 "This law of human solidarity and charity",228 without excluding the rich variety of persons, cultures and peoples, assures us that all men are truly brethren.

Articles 219 GS 12 # 3. 220 GS 24 # 3. 221 St. Catherine of IV, 13 "On Divine Providence": LH, Sunday, week 19, 5 12 # 1; 24 # 3; 39 # 1. 223 St. John Chrysostom, In I: PG 54, 587D-588A. 224 GS 22 # 1. 225 St. Peter Movena mo 117: PL 52 520-521. 226 Acts 17:26 cf. Tob 8:6 Daily Reflecti Support 17: PL 52 520-521. 226 Acts 17:26 cf. Tob 8:6 Daily Reflecti Novena

Siena, Dialogue IV, 13 "On Divine Providence": LH, Sunday, week 19, OR. 222 Cf. GS 12 # 1; 24 # 3; 39 # 1. 223 St. John Chrysostom, In Gen. sermo 2, 1: PG 54, 587D-588A. 224 GS 22 # 1. 225 St. Peter Chrysologus, Sermo 117: PL 52, 520-521. 226 Acts 17:26; cf. Tob 8:6. 227 Pius XII. Enc. Summi pontificatus 3; cf. NA 1. 228 Pius XII Summi pontificatus 3.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Hebrews 8:6-13

Brothers and sisters: Now our high priest has obtained so much more excellent a ministry as he is mediator of a better covenant, enacted on better promises. For if that first covenant had been faultless, no place would have been sought for a second one. But he finds fault with them and says:

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brothers and Sisters in Christ to send us related information about your Testimonials and News letters so that we could add them into our website. **The Bible in one year: January** 01 Gen 1–2, Isa 1:1–20, Matt 1, Ps 1 02 Gen 3–4, Isa 1:21–31, Matt 2, Ps 2:1–8 03 Gen 5, Isa 2, Matt 3, Ps 2:9–12 04 Gen 6–7, Isa 3, Matt 4, Ps 3 05 Gen 8–9, Isa 4:1–5:16, Matt 5:1–19, Ps 4 06 Gen 10–11, Isa 5:17–30, Matt 5:20–48, Ps 5:title–5 07 Gen 12–13, Isa 6:1– 7:13, Matt 6:1–15, Ps 5:6– 12 08 Gen 14–15, Isa 7:14– 25, Matt 6:16–34, Ps

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25, Matt 6:16-34, Ps 6:title-6 09 Gen 16-17, Isa 8, Matt 7, Ps 6:7-7:3 10 Gen 18-19, Isa 9, Matt 8:1-17, Ps 7:4-10 11 Gen 20-21, Isa 10, Matt 8:18-34, Ps 7:11-17 12 Gen 22, Isa 11, Matt 9:1-27, Ps 8 13 Gen 23:1-24:38, Isa 12, Matt 9:28-38, Ps 9:title-3 14 Gen 24:39-25:34, Isa 13, Matt 10, Ps 9:4-10 15 Gen 26, Isa 14, Matt 11:1-12, Ps 9:11-20 16 Gen 27, Isa 15, Matt 11:13-30, Ps 10:1-4 17 Gen 28-29, Isa 16-17, Matt 12:1-26, Ps 10:5-11 18 Gen 30, Isa 18:1–19:13, Matt 12:27–50, Ps 10:12–18 19 Gen 31, Isa 19:14-20:6, Matt 13:1-19, Ps 11 20 Gen 32, Isa 21, Matt 13:20-41, Ps 12 21 Gen 33-34, Isa 22, Matt 13:42–58, Ps 13 22 Gen 35–36, Isa 23, Matt 14, Ps 14:title-3 23 Gen 37, Isa 24, Matt 15:1-12, Ps 14:4-7 24 Gen 38-39, Isa 25, Matt 15:13-39, Ps 15:title-16:3 25 Gen 40, Isa 26-27, Matt 16:1–17, Ps 16:4–11 26 Gen 41, Isa 28:1-14, Matt 16:18-17:11, Ps 17:title-6 27 Gen 42-43, Isa 28:15–29, Matt 17:12– 27, Ps 17:7–15 28 Gen 44, Isa 29, Matt 18, Ps 18:title-4 29 Gen 45-46, Isa 30:1-21, Matt 19:1-14, Ps 18:5-11 30 Gen 47, Isa 30:22-31:9, Matt 19:15-30, Ps 18:12-18 31 Gen 48-49, Isa 32, Matt 20, Ps 18:19-25

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Articles Daily Reflections E-books Novena Prayers Saints Songs Testimonials Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will conclude a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers the day I took them by the hand to lead them forth from the land of Egypt; for they did not stand by my covenant and I ignored them, says the Lord. But this is the covenant I will establish with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their minds and I will write them upon their hearts. I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall not teach, each one his fellow citizen and kin, saying, "Know the Lord," for all shall know me, from least to greatest. For I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sins no more. When he speaks of a "new" covenant, he declares the first one obsolete. And what has become obsolete and has grown old is close to disappearing.

# Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 85:8, 10, 11-12, 13-14

**R. (11a) Kindness and truth shall meet.** Show us, O LORD, your mercy, and grant us your salvation. Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land.

### R. Kindness and truth shall meet.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven. **R. Kindness and truth shall meet.** 

The LORD himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase. Justice shall walk before him, and salvation, along the way of his steps.

#### R. Kindness and truth shall meet.

#### Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia. God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### Gospel: Mark 3:13-19

Jesus went up the mountain and summoned those whom he wanted and they came to him. He appointed Twelve, whom he also named Apostles, that they might be with him and he might send them forth to preach and to have authority to drive out demons: He appointed the Twelve: Simon, whom he named Peter; James, son of Zebedee, and John the brother of James, whom he named Boanerges, that is, sons of thunder; Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus; Thaddeus, Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him.

# Today's Saints



Saint Francis de Sales Also known as Francis of Sales, Gentle Christ of Geneva, the Gentleman Saint, Franz von Sales

Born in the castle of Château de Thorens to a well-placed Savoyard family, the eldest of twelve children born to François de Boisy and Françoise de Sionnz. His parents intended that Francis become a lawyer, enter politics, and carry on the family line and power. He studied at La Roche and Annecy in France, taught by Jesuits. Attended the Collège de Clermont in Paris, France at age 12. In his early teens, Francis began to believe in pre-destination, and was so afraid that he was pre-emptorily condemned to Hell that he became ill and eventually was confined to bed. However, in January 1587 at the Church of Saint Stephen, he overcame the crisis, decided that whatever God had in store for him was for the best, and dedicated his life to God. Studied law and theology at the University of Padua, Italy, and earned a doctorate in both fields. He returned home, and found a position as Senate advocate. It was at this point that he received a message telling him to "Leave all and follow Me." He took this as a call to the priesthood, a move his family fiercely opposed, especially when he refused a marriage that had been arranged for him. However, he pursued a devoted prayer life, and his gentle ways won over the family. Priest. In 1593 he was appointed provost of the diocese of Geneva, Switzerland, a stronghold of Calvinists. Preacher, writer and spiritual director in the district of Chablais. His simple, clear explanations of Catholic doctrine, and his gentle way with everyone, brought many back to the Roman Church. He even used sign language in order to bring the message to the deaf, leading to his patronage of deaf people. Bishop of Geneva in 1602. He travelled and evangelized throughout the Duchy of Savoy, working with children whenever he could. Friend of Saint Vincent de Paul. He turned down a wealthy French bishopric to continue working where God had placed him. With Saint Jeanne de Chantal he helped found the Order of the Visitation . A prolific correspondent, many of his letters have survived. The value of his writings led to his being declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Blessed Pius IX in 1877, and a patron of writers and journalists by Pope Pius XI in 1923. The Salesians of Don Bosco, the Oblates of Saint Francis de Sales, and the Missionaries of Saint Francis de Sales are named in his honour as is the Saint François Atoll in the Seychelles Islands.

**Born:** 21 August 1567 at Château de Thorens, Savoy (part of modern France)

**Died:** 28 December 1622 at Lyon, France of natural causes, buried at the basilica of the Visitation, Annecy, France, his heart was preserved as a relic at Lyon, during the French Revolution his heart was was moved to Venice, Italy **Canonized:** 19 April 1665 by Pope Alexander VII

**Patronage:** against deafness, authors, writers (proclaimed on 26 April 1923 by Pope Pius XI), Catholic press, confessors, deaf people, journalists (proclaimed on 26 April 1923 by Pope Pius XI), teachers, educators, Champdepraz, Aosta, Italy, 8 dioceses.



Additional Memorial 20 October (translation of relics to Minden, Germany) Spiritual student of Pope Saint Eleutherius during his missionary days. Priest. Consecrated bishop of Foligno, Italy by Pope Victor I in Rome c.204; he was the first bishop given the pallium as symbol of his office. For a time, Felician was the only bishop in northern Italy. Ordained Saint Valentine of Terni as priest. Arrested, tortured and martyred at age 94 in the persecutions of Decius, dying en route to a triumph for Decius.

**Born:** c.158 in Foligno, Italy **Died:** c.250 just outside of Foligno, Italy, a chapel was built over his grave, the chapel later replaced by a church, relics transferred to Metz, France on 4 October 970, some relics translated to Minden, Germany, some relics returned to Foligno in 1673 and 1674

Patronage: Foligno, Italy.

Saint Babylas of Antioch Also known as Babila

Saint Felician of Foligno



Bishop of Antioch in 240. In 244 he refused entrance to liturgical services to emperor Philip the Arabian, due to the emperor having murdered his predecessor; he ordered him to take his place among the penitents by the church door, which the emperor did. During the persecutions of Decius, Babylas made an unwavering confession of faith in public; he was thrown into prison. Martyr. **Died:** of abuse and mistreatment in prisons c.260, Babylas buried in his chains to symbolize his love and loyalty to

God, Caesar Gallus built a church at Daphne near Antioch in honor of Babylas, and his relics enshrined there, Julian the Apostate consulted an oracle of Apollo near the shrine Babylas; when he received no answer, Julian blamed it on the proximity of the saint, and had the relics returned to their original burial site, relics taken to Cremona, Italy in the middle ages.



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