



Title: All Saints/All Souls

Luke 17:11-19 (*Gospel from Sat 2nd Nov*)

Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her. When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, “Don’t cry.” Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, “Young man, I say to you, get up!” The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother. They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.” This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.

Scripture

Prayer to St Julie Billiard

Saint Julie, through your great devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, you were miraculously cured and favoured by many graces.

By your powerful intercession, obtain for us above all, a great trust in God in all the difficulties of life, the strength to accomplish in all things the adorable will of God, and the special grace we now ardently ask of you.

“We must have courage in the times we live in. Great souls are needed, souls having the interest of God at heart”

St Julie Billiard

Prayers

Eternal Rest

(a prayer when someone has died)

Eternal rest grant unto them (her /him)

O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them (her/him)

May they (her/she) rest in peace.

Amen

Focus on
one each
day

Pray for:

- those who have died as a result of violence or conflict.
- those saints we know in our families/communities/lives.
- ourselves, that we can be more 'saint-like'
- those we know who have died.
- those who are grieving the death of a loved one.

Reflect: The end of the week sees us celebrating two very important dates in the Church’s calendar - they are ‘celebrations’ that we can all relate to, all have a connection with. The first, that of All Saints on 1st November, used to be known as ‘All Hallows’ (which means ‘all who are holy’) and is what led to the naming of Halloween, or All Hollows Eve. On All Saints Day we remember, celebrate and give thanks for the lives of the saints - the holy men and women recognised by the Church, the holy men and women we know or have known in our own lives, and us because as followers of Christ we are called to be holy men and women too.

All Souls Day follows on nicely from this - we focus on all those we know who have died. We take time out to remember them and all they mean to us, all they gave us when they were alive and all that their love continues to mean to us. We pray for all those souls and pray that they are with God. When someone dies we feel very sad and it seems like the END of something, as Christians we can try to find comfort in the fact that death is the START of a new life with Christ.

Saints weren't always perfect but they made a difference, how can you be a more saint-like?

Prayer in action this week:

Be there for someone.

- Be saint-like by trying to do what is right.
- Be responsible with what you own.
- Attend the ‘A Time to Remember’ service - Fri
- Smile at everyone

Living saints...

As you walk beside me, Lord,
lead me to recognise you in all those saints you place into
my life today. **Amen**

Loving God, thank you for giving us the gift of the
saints that live amongst us.

Our lives and the lives of many others are made so
much better by their presence.

Help us to follow their example by trying to live more like
saints each day.

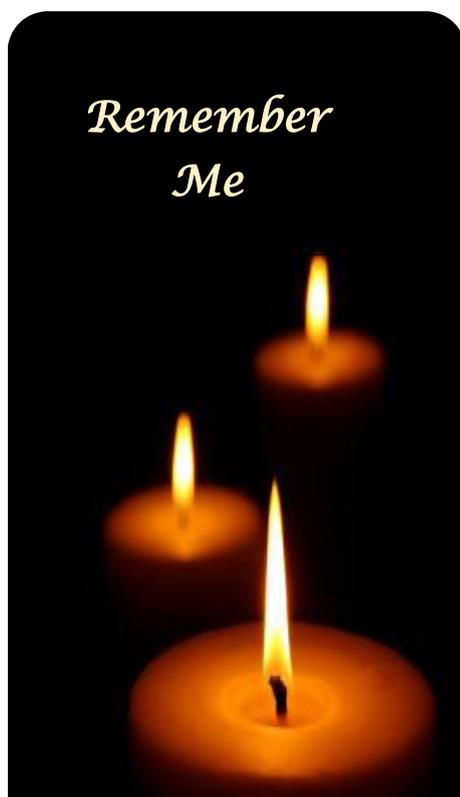
Amen

How can you be a saint?

A man approached Mother Teresa and said, "Mother, I want to do something great for God, but I don't know what. Should I start a school, be a missionary in a foreign land, build up a charitable agency?" He had great visions.

Mother Teresa looked at him closely, with kindness, and responded:

What you need to do is make sure that no one in your family goes unloved.



A Time to Remember

Voluntary service in the Chapel

Wednesday 5th November

Early this week form Tutors (via Registration Wallets) will be given pieces of paper with smiley faces. These are for any form members who wish to write the names of loved ones who have died, one smile per student. Students should not put their own name on so that all are kept anonymous, just the name of the person/people they wish to be remembered in our prayers. We will keep these people in our prayers throughout November.

Saints of the Church

We ask that the saints of our College pray constantly for the happiness and success of all in our community.

We are people inspired by God's spirit and by the example given to us in our Saints, Peter and Paul.

We ask that through their prayers and example we too will learn to be people of faith and love. **Amen**

Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen

Saint Thomas Aquinas

Patron Saint of Catholic Schools

We pray that the story of St Thomas' life inspires us to do the things we are meant to do. Watch over us when we are in college and as we study. Help us not only to love learning but to love and honour the Lord as you did.

Amen

Saint Dominic Savio

Patron Saint of Children

Saint Dominic lived a simple life of study, prayer and duty. In spite of poverty and ill health he was kind, cheerful and helpful to others. Lord, help us to live our lives in a similar way, reaching out to those in need and giving comfort where it is needed.

Amen

Saint Joseph

Patron Saint of the Universal Church

Saint Joseph, you quietly cared for Jesus and Mary, ever mindful of the importance of family. We pray that we may learn from your example so that our love for our families grows ever stronger. Help us to be people of trust, who always place our faith in God. **Amen**