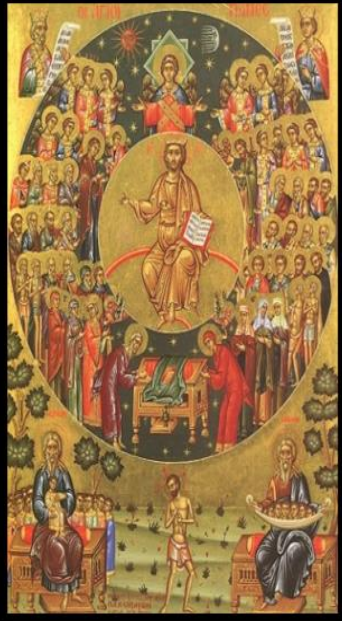


2024 MASS SCHEDULE FOR:

All Saints Day

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Thursday October 31st, 2024\7 PM Vigil Mass,
Friday, November 1st, 2024\8 AM
and 7 PM First Friday Purgatorial Masses



SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS DAY:

The Feast Day to honor all the saints, known and unknown. In the early days Christians were accustomed to solemnize the anniversary of a martyr's death for Christ at the place of martyrdom. In the fourth century, neighboring dioceses began to interchange

feasts, to transfer relics, to divide them, and to join in a common feast. Frequently groups of martyrs suffered on the same day, which naturally led to a joint commemoration. In the persecution of Diocletian, the number of martyrs became so great that a separate day could not be assigned to each. But the Church, feeling that every martyr should be venerated, appointed a common day for all. Gregory IV (827-844) extended the celebration on Nov. 1st to the entire Church.

And, lo, I Beheld a great multitude which no man could number, standing before the throne, and in sight of the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands. And they cried with a loud voice, saying: Salvation to our God Who sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.



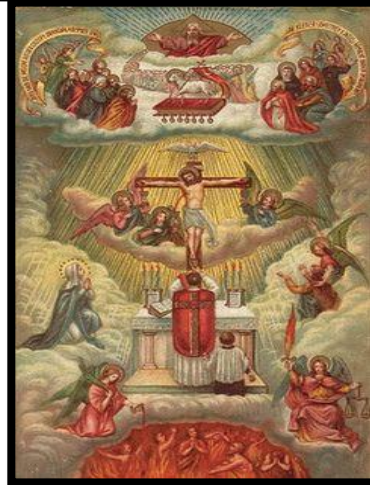
PARISH CENTER

In observance of All Saints Day,
The Parish Center Offices
will be **closed**
Friday, Nov. 1st.

CONFESSIONS

In preparation for the **All Souls Day** indulgence, **Confessions** will be heard **Saturday, October 26th at 4 PM and after the 5 PM Mass**, as well as the **Sunday, October 27th, after the 8 AM, 10 AM and 12:15 PM Masses**.

(See below for details in obtaining plenary indulgences.)



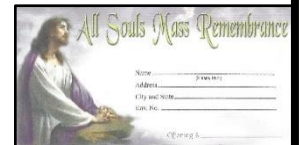
ALL SOULS NOVENA OF MASSES

Envelopes to inscribe the deceased in the *All Souls Novena of Masses* are available in the rear of the **Church**.

Mass Schedule for: **All Souls Day**
Saturday, November 2, 2024

8 AM All Souls Novena
5 PM All Souls Novena

(and the recently deceased)



Although not a holy day of obligation (like All Saint's Day) All Souls Day is a day to live and practice the teachings of our Catholic Faith. From the time of the Apostles, we are taught that souls are purified in Purgatory and that our prayers for those souls can and do shorten their time of waiting. On All Souls Day the Church, by the power of the Keys given to St. Peter to open and close the gates of heaven makes special graces available, a plenary indulgence, to assist the souls in Purgatory.

The **plenary indulgence** flows from the power Christ gave to the Popes through St. Peter, to "open and close" the gates of Paradise. It means that on the **Feast of All Souls** we may, by our prayers, obtain entry into heaven for a soul waiting in Purgatory. *The requirements are that within a week of All Souls Day we:*

- ❖ *receive the Sacrament of Penance and Holy Communion and*
- ❖ *to Church and*
- ❖ *offer five Our Fathers, Hail Mary's, Glory Be to the Father, and the Nicene Creed for the intentions of the Pope.*