# The Commemoration of All the



Faithful Departed

Raising up on the last day



Every year the Church recalls the example, witness, and prayer of the holy women and men who have been identified by the Church as Saints. These saints are more than just role models; they are family members with whom we continue to share relation, in a bond of prayer, called the Communion of Saints. Every year when we celebrate this day, the Gospel we proclaim recalls for us Jesus' teaching about happiness, the Beatitudes. We quickly note in this reading that none of those Jesus names as "blessed" or "happy" are expected . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness.

What does Jesus mean when he uses the word "blessed?" This word is sometimes translated as "happy" or "fortunate" or "favored." In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favor is upon those who are poor, who mourn, who are persecuted. This might have been welcome and surprising news to the crowds who heard Jesus that day.

The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Because of this, it is natural that we proclaim this Gospel on the Feast of All Saints. Saints are people who lived the spirit of the Beatitudes as Jesus lived. On this day, we too are challenged to model our lives on the spirit and promises of the Beatitudes.



MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP!

Sunday Collection October 26 \$5,848 Repairs \$972

As we gather, let us remember and pray for . . .

Monday, November 3

St. Martin de Porres

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

9:00 a.m. †Holy Souls & Luisa Falzoi

Tuesday, November 4

St. Charles Borromeo

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

**†**Holy Souls & Alice Niola 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, November 5

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

9:00 a.m. †Holy Souls & Gilda Tidon

Thursday, November 6

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

9:00 a.m. †Holy Souls & deceased member Legion of

Friday, November 7

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

Book

9:00 a.m. †Holy Souls & Walter & Fatima Rodrigues

<u>Saturday, November 8</u>

4:30 p.m. †Holy Souls & Angus, Ulva & Bert Lafford,

Vincent De Vera II

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Sunday, November 9

♦ People of the parish 9:00 a.m.

**†**Holy Souls 11:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m. **†**Holy Souls & Aida Zabor

#### PARISH BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Remembrance During the month of November, the Parish

Book of Remembrance will be on display in the church. This sacred book contains the names of parishioners who have died and were buried from our parish community.

We kindly ask that no names be written directly in the Book of Remembrance.

If you wish to have loved ones remembered at the Masses during November, please use the All Souls envelope, fill in the names, and place it in the basket provided.

Eternal rest grant unto them,

O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

# Prayer Intention for the Month of November

For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

#### November 1-2

#### ALL SAINTS / ALL SOULS

These two days together honour the dead. We display the parish Book of the Dead with the Easter candle close by. The trees turn barren and the chill of the late fall settles in to stay. November opens a season of the year when our thoughts turn toward the fear of death, the hope of eternal life, the gratitude we feel for God's gifts, and the charity we owe to others. November 1's celebration remembers the saints whose excellent lives make them sure models of redemption. We recognize all the saints of heaven in a universal celebration, a festival of the triumphant Church of the resurrection in the new and holy city of Jerusalem. The saints, in a way, are God's harvest. God has reaped the fruits of good sowing and gathered the mature faithful into the eternal storehouse.

We also "remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep" (Eucharistic Prayer II), those who need forgiveness for their sins, who yearn to see the face of God. That day especially, and the

entire month, is a traditional time for visiting the graves of loved ones.

Mass for All Souls for those parishioners who have died in the past year and who were buried (November 4) in memory of their loved ones.

Anna Josephine Orsini Mary Anne Ferencich Giamattista Romanelli Amelia Angelica Campigotto John Stanley Babos Assunta Pizzi Juan Carloa Rios Victor James Costiff Maria Luce Sebastiano Rosemarie Ann Baldin Louise Elisabeth Denis Maria Grazia Evangelista Frances Funda Pocknell Barbara Jean Shanahan Francesca Cavezza



Antonia Antonietta Ruscitti Giovanni John Mignelli Maria Caicco Victoria Anne Luskey Wanda Quaranta David Gullucci

#### THE ST. THOMAS MORE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Youth Trivia Night on Saturday November 8th, 2025, from 6:30 to 8:00pm.

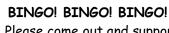
#### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Benediction follow 9:00 am Mass. You are invited to come and spend some time with Jesus



### **INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION**

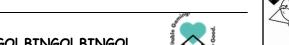
Baptism preparation session held on third Thursday of the month: November 20 from 6:00 to 7:00p.m. Anyone planning to attend must have already been in contact with the parish office.



Please come out and support St. Thomas More Bingo Delta Monte Carlo Bingo Hall 4735 Drummond Rd. Your support is greatly appreciated! Late

November 5 & 12, December 3.

Night Bingo Schedule 2025:



Emilien Mel Lebrasseur Valeriano Avroso Lusia Zarra Catherine Frucci Anna D'Ippolito Anna Muraca Marie Nicole Chartrand Noreen Smith Gerard Peter Levesque Thomas Tom McCracken

#### DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE CARITAS CANADA

Let's take action to Turn Debt into Hope! Development and Peace - Caritas Canada invites us to join the global Turn Debt into Hope campaign. Together, in this Jubilee Year, we are called to act for

the cancellation of the unjust and unpayable debts of the Global

Our campaign also highlights the ecological debt that wealthy countries owe to many countries in the Global South that are caught in debt traps. Let's put people and the planet first by calling on creditors and political leaders to take action to end the debt crisis affecting dozens of impoverished countries.



# **CLOCKS**

Clocks FALL back Nov 2





#### **Please Note:**

## **CHANGE IN SATURDAY MASS TIME**

As the days are getting shorter and it gets darker earlier, the Saturday Vigil Mass time

has been changed to **4:30 PM**. Thank you for your understanding.