



The Origins Of All Souls' Day

Once the Halloween candy has been counted and the costumes stored away, many religious people around the world enter into a time of remembrance for the dead. In the Christian calendar, this tradition is upheld on **All Souls' Day**, which falls yearly on Nov. 2. It follows All Saints' Day, which is observed on Nov. 1.

While All Saints' Day is a day that we Catholics remember those who have already entered heaven, All Souls' Day is a day to pray for all loved ones who have died. In particular, we remember the souls of those who are caught in purgatory, undergoing a process of purification before entering heaven.

Our Catholic Church teaches that *"all who die in God's grace, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven."*

The purification that happens in purgatory is entirely different from the punishment that takes place in hell. According to the church's catechism purgatory is like a "cleansing" or "purifying" fire for people who are already assured of God's grace. We Catholics believe that souls in purgatory can be helped along the path towards heaven by the prayers of those who are still living.

One of the most famous prayers for those in purgatory is the prayer of St. Gertrude the Great, a 13th century German Benedictine nun. According to tradition, God revealed to the nun that the following prayer would release souls from purgatory every time it is said:

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.

During this month let us remember to pray for our beloved dead!

MOTHERS' HOME FUNDRAISER

Mothers' Home & Mercedarian Works of Charity Auction/Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, November 4, 2017 at The Champagne Room at the Polish Club, 65-67 Marple Rd, Clifton Heights, PA 19018. Cost: \$25/person. 6:30pm Doors open; 7pm Buffet. For tickets, call or text: 215-341-9842; e-mail: thirdorderofmercy@gmail.com; or in the Narthex of the church after all Masses.

Attention Business Owners and Entrepreneurs:

We are looking for sponsors for the brochure for this event. Place a business card-sized ad for \$25 for your business. Half page is \$50, full page 75. Please contact Mario Gallo to place your ad in our brochure for this event. Call at 610-766-2426 or E-Mail: mariogallojr1965@gmail.com

Are You Feeling Hurt because of Separation or Divorce?

The Church is here for you. Come journey with Rose Sweet, National Catholic speaker as she brings heart, hope, and humor to her talks. Join others for this Day Retreat and find the path to healing, answers to some tough questions, and practical ways to move forward. Saturday, November 18, 2017 at 9am Our Lady of Lourdes Church & Hall, Phila, PA. Cost: \$25/person. To Register, call (215) 870-9913 or visit www.nonnatus.org

MISSIONARY OF MERCY

In his Apostolic letter *Misericordia et misera*, Pope Francis extended the faculties of the specially-appointed priests, known as Missionaries of Mercy, beyond the Jubilee Year of Mercy as "a concrete sign that the grace of the Jubilee remains alive and effective the world over" (MM 9). The Archdiocese of Philadelphia rejoices to have Rev. Msgr. George A. Majoros appointed to this ministry to "hear confessions, and preach on behalf of and promote the Sacrament of Reconciliation." Msgr. Majoros will hear confessions on the first Sunday of each month at 5:30pm at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, Phila, PA.

PARENTS, KIDS, AND PORNOGRAPHY

Religious Alliance Against Pornography (RAAP) will host the webinar *Parents, Kids, and Pornography: The Attack on a Generation* on November 7, 2017 at 12pm and November 16, 2017 at 8pm. This webinar explores the impact of pornography on the attitudes and behavior of youth today. To Register, visit: bit.ly/pornography-impact-on-youth

YOUNG ADULT MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for a viewing of "I Confess" an Alfred Hitchcock thriller followed by a discussion on November 10, 2017 from 7-10pm at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, PA. It is a fun way to grow in our understanding of this great Sacrament as we celebrate that God still calls men to be the priests who hear our confessions. Visit: heedthecall.org/upcoming-events

MIRACULOUS MEDAL SHRINE NOVENA

89th Annual Miraculous Medal Solemn Novena and Feast Day Mass will be on November 13-21, 2017; Feast Day Mass on November 22, 2017 at 10am at the Shrine, 500 E. Chelton Ave, Phila, PA 19144. For info, visit: www.MiraculousMedal.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Archdiocesan May Procession
Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 2:00 PM
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

* Join us in kicking off Black Catholics History Month for St. Martin de Porres Mass on Friday, November 3, 2017 at 7pm at St. Athanasius, 2050 E. Walnut Lane, Phila, PA 19138. Honoree is Cynthia Brown; Celebrant and Homilist is Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap.

* Black Catholic History Month Workshop will be on November 4, 2017 from 8:30am-1:30pm at LaSalle University, 1900 W. Olney Ave, Phila, PA 19141. Dr. Camille Brown will present 'I Give Myself Away: Embracing Black Catholic Holy Men and Women.' For info, contact Fr. Richard Owens, OFM Cap at 215-587-3541 or E-mail: fr.rowens@archphila.org

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sunday – October 29

8am-1pm Food for the Needy Dropoff—Rectory Porch
12pm 800th Anniversary Celebration of the Order’s Foundation Mass—Church

Monday – October 30

7pm First Holy Communion Class—Parish Center
7pm Youth Group—Parish Center
7pm Parish Council Meeting—Rectory

Tuesday – October 31

7:30pm RCIA Classes—Parish Center

Wednesday – November 1: All Saints Day

OLL Parish Center Closed

Thursday – November 2: All Souls Day

1pm Senior Citizens Group—St. Donato Church Hall
7pm All Souls’ Requiem Mass—Church

Saturday – November 4

8:30am Saturday Salve—Church
9:15am The Legion of Mary
10am Church Cleaning
12pm Baptism—Church
4pm Devotion to St. Raymond Relic—Church
6:30pm Third Order Fundraiser Dinner—The Polish Club

Sunday – November 5

8am-1pm Devotion to St. Raymond Relic—Church

PARISH MINISTRIES—November 5th

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector: J. Loney
Servers: P. Cheely, L. Haselbarth

Sunday 8:00am

Lector: J. Kenneh
Servers: J. Jackson, J. Dunson

9:30am

Servers: J. Hare, S. Oberdorf, R. Green, D. Green

10:00am (St. Donato)

Lector: D. DiPilla

11:30am

Lector: D. Aniatang
Servers: T. Bradford, J Allie, G. Wallacavage

8:00pm

Lector: R. Trench

November 1st – All Saints Day

12:00pm

Lector: L. Graham

7:00pm

Lector: R. Trench
Servers: S. Oberdorf, P. Cheely, L. Haselbarth

AID FOR FRIENDS

The cool weather is here...time to start cooking those savory stews and soups! Please prayerfully consider cooking extra meals for our needy clients. Trays should be available near the church exits. We’d like to fully stock all of the freezers (Lourdes, St. Matthias, St. Denis) in this region, before the cold and snowy weather hits, so that our clients don’t get stranded with out food this winter. For further information about volunteering, please call the OLL Parish Center or Ginny Schwartz at 610-348-2947.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center

1941 Wynnewood Road
Philadelphia, PA 19151

215-473-1669 (phone)
215-473-1670 (fax)

www.ourladylourdes.org

For information concerning sacraments or to meet with a staff member, please contact Denise Baker the parish secretary at the office number above.

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (vigil)
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 (Latin High Mass),
11:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
10:00 a.m. at St. Donato Worship Site

Sacrament of Reconciliation (confessions)

Saturday 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

OLL WEBSITE

Check It Out! Includes the Weekly Bulletin, Calendar, and Mass Schedule, Updates.
Visit: www.ourladylourdes.org

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes

If you are new to our area and/or you enjoy coming to our parish, SIGN UP and be a part of our Overbrook Family! Fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or contact the Parish Center to register.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

___ New Registration ___ Change of Address

___ Moving out of Parish