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Ephesus Notes



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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

SAINTS OF THE DAY

October 31: Eve of All Saints.
From the Roman Martyrology:
St. Alphonsus Rodriguez,
born at Segovia, Spain, in
1532, lost his wife and all three
children. At about forty he
became a Jesuit brother and
for many years was porter of
the college at Majorca, where
many came to him for advice,
among them St. Peter Claver.
He died on October 31, 1617.

St. Wolfgang, a Benedictine
monk, was Bishop of
Regensburg from 972 until his
death on October 31, 994.
Legend: Wolfgang threw his
axe into the forest and built his
hermit's cell where it fell.



The Vision of St. Alphonsus Rodriguez, Francisco de Zurbarán (1630)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“... wherever Jesus Christ is, there is
the Catholic Church.”

—St. Ignatius of Antioch (October 17)

ANCIENT PRAYER TO MARY

We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God;
despise not our petitions in our necessities, but
from all dangers deliver us always, O glorious and
blessed Virgin. Amen.

(St. Lucy Prayer Book)

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: Which Little Office did
St. Alphonsus Rodriguez help
to make popular?

A: The Little Office of the
Immaculate Conception.

Mary, Gate of Heaven, Pray for us.

Recommended Prayer Brochure: Supplication of Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompeii



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 14:1, 7-11, October 31, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

N	P	L	D	W	Y	P	H	I	G	H	E	R	L	G
E	L	O	C	O	M	P	A	N	I	O	N	S	T	D
X	A	W	S	D	N	H	D	R	N	R	O	G	F	A
A	C	E	W	I	F	A	G	B	A	N	Q	U	E	T
L	E	S	E	N	T	R	H	U	M	B	L	E	D	T
T	S	T	D	V	H	I	I	R	E	C	L	I	N	E
S	G	A	D	I	O	S	O	E	C	S	H	E	S	D
O	F	B	I	T	N	E	T	N	N	R	T	O	V	T
M	F	L	N	E	O	E	A	J	F	D	S	R	S	N
M	K	E	G	D	R	S	A	B	B	A	T	H	H	T

On a **SABBATH** Jesus went to dine
at the home of one of the leading **PHARISEES**,
and the people there were observing him
carefully.

He told a **PARABLE** to those who had been
INVITED,
noticing how they were choosing the **PLACES**
of **HONOR** at the **TABLE**.

“When you are invited by someone to a
WEDDING BANQUET,
do not **RECLINE** at table in the place of honor.
A more distinguished **GUEST** than you may
have been invited by him,
and the **HOST** who invited both of you may
approach you and say,

‘Give your place to this man,’
and then you would proceed with
embarrassment
to take the **LOWEST** place.
Rather, when you are invited,
go and take the lowest place
so that when the host comes to you he may say,
‘My **FRIEND**, move up to a **HIGHER**
POSITION.’

Then you will enjoy the esteem of your
COMPANIONS at the table.
For everyone who **EXALTS** himself will be
HUMBLED,
but the one who humbles himself will be
exalted.”

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Saturday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time.

FROM THE CATECHISM

194. What is the meaning of the “communion of saints”?

This expression indicates first of all the common sharing of all the members of the Church in holy things (sancta): the faith, the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, the charisms, and the other spiritual gifts. At the root of this communion is love which “does not seek its own interests” (1 Corinthians 13:5) but leads the faithful to “hold everything in common” (Acts 4:32), even to put one’s own material goods at the service of the most poor.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 194