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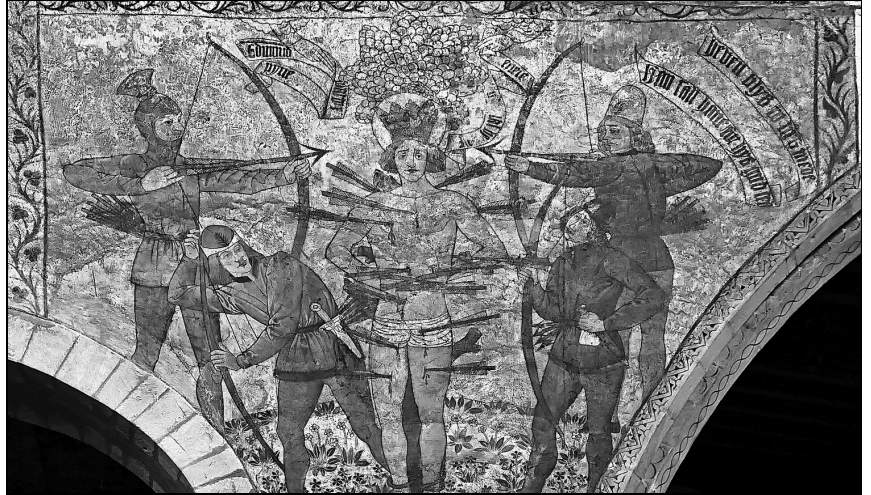
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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 34 FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

TODAY'S SAINT

November 20: no saint on the U.S. calendar. From the Roman Martyrology:

St. Edmund was crowned King of East Anglia in England as a youth of about fifteen. He spent a year in his tower at Hunstanton learning the whole Psalter by heart. When the pagan Danes invaded, he was captured and refused to give up his faith. He was tied to a tree, shot with arrows and beheaded at Hoxne in 869 or 870.



The Martyrdom of St. Edmund, medieval wall painting, Pickering, England (photo: Helge Klaus Rieder, CC0)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"My house shall be a house of prayer."

—Jesus, Luke 19:46 (today's Gospel)

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: Which English town grew up around St. Edmund's shrine and still bears his name?

A: Bury St Edmunds, in Suffolk.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

✚ **St. Bernward**, Bishop of Hildesheim in Germany, who defended his flock and renewed the discipline of the clergy (1022).

PRAYER FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY (FRIDAY)

O LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, I pray Thee, by the Precious Blood which thy Divine SON shed on this day upon the wood of the Cross, especially from his most sacred hands and feet, deliver the souls in purgatory, and in particular that soul for which I am most bound to pray; that no neglect of mine may hinder it from praising Thee in thy glory and blessing Thee for ever.
Amen.

(Mothers for Priests brochure PS7)

For those who fought for their country, my Jesus mercy!

Recommended Prayer Brochure: PS1 Prayers for the Poor Souls



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 19:45-48, November 20, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

T	E	A	C	H	I	N	G	W	O	R	D	S	V	E
T	P	W	R	D	E	A	T	H	S	U	R	N	O	E
P	E	R	R	E	E	L	H	S	C	R	I	B	E	S
R	E	M	I	I	A	N	I	E	H	P	V	D	P	W
L	P	O	P	E	T	Y	E	L	I	R	E	A	U	D
H	T	D	P	L	S	T	V	L	E	A	D	E	R	S
B	R	T	F	L	E	T	E	I	F	Y	I	J	P	W
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Jesus entered the **TEMPLE AREA** and proceeded to **DRIVE** out those who were **SELLING** things, saying to them,
“It is **WRITTEN**,
My **HOUSE** shall be a house of **PRAYER**,
but you have made it a **DEN** of **THIEVES**.”
And every day he was **TEACHING** in the temple area.

The **CHIEF PRIESTS**, the **SCRIBES**, and the **LEADERS** of the **PEOPLE**, meanwhile, were seeking to put him to **DEATH**, but they could find no way to accomplish their **PURPOSE** because all the people were **HANGING** on his **WORDS**.

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Friday of the Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time.

FROM THE CATECHISM

522. How does one bear witness to the truth?

A Christian must bear witness to the truth of the Gospel in every field of his activity, both public and private, and also if necessary, with the sacrifice of his very life. Martyrdom is the supreme witness given to the truth of the faith.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 522