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TODAY'S SAINTS

**November 24: St. Andrew Dung-Lac,
Priest, and Companions, Martyrs.**

St. Andrew Dung-Lac, a Vietnamese convert who became a priest, is honored today with 116 companions martyred in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862: eight bishops, many priests and a great number of lay men and women of every age. In 1832 Emperor Minh-Mang banned foreign missionaries and tried to make Christians deny their faith by trampling on a crucifix. All were canonized by Pope St. John Paul II.



The arrest of three of the Vietnamese martyrs at Ninh Bình, painting (1838)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified.”

—Jesus, Luke 21:9 (today's Gospel)

PRAYER FOR THE DEPARTED (ST. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, FIRST PART)

O GOD of the Spirits of all flesh, O Jesu,
Lover of souls, we recommend unto Thee
the souls of all those Thy servants, who
have departed with the sign of faith and
sleep the sleep of peace.

We beseech Thee, O Lord and Savior, that,
as in Thy mercy to them Thou became
man, so now Thou would hasten the time,
and admit them to Thy presence above.

(Mothers for Priests brochure PS3)

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: Where did the Jesuits open the first permanent Catholic mission in Vietnam, in 1615?

A: At Da Nang.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

✚ **St. Colman**, Bishop of Cloyne in Ireland.

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For those who have offended me, *my Jesus mercy!*

Recommended Prayer Brochure: PS3 Prayers for the Departed by St JHN



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 21:5-11, November 24, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

While some people were speaking about how the **TEMPLE** was **ADORNED** with **COSTLY STONES** and **VOTIVE OFFERINGS**,
Jesus said, "All that you see here—the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."
Then they asked him,
"TEACHER, when will this happen?
And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?"
He answered,
"See that you not be **DECEIVED**,
for many will come in my name, saying,

'I am he,' and 'The time has come.'
Do not follow them!
When you hear of **WARS** and **INSURRECTIONS**,
do not be **TERRIFIED**; for such things must happen first,
but it will not immediately be the end."
Then he said to them,
"NATION will rise against nation, and **KINGDOM** against kingdom.
There will be **POWERFUL EARTHQUAKES**,
FAMINES, and **PLAGUES**
from place to place;
and **AWESOME** sights and **MIGHTY** signs
will come from the **SKY**."

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

FROM THE CATECHISM

147. What does the word Church mean?

The word Church refers to the people whom God calls and gathers together from every part of the earth. They form the assembly of those who through faith and Baptism have become children of God, members of Christ, and temples of the Holy Spirit.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 147