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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 29 SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

SAINT OF THE DAY

November 15: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor. This year the Sunday takes the place of his memorial.

St. Albert was born at Lauingen in Swabia about 1206 and joined the Dominicans in 1223. He taught at Paris and Cologne, where St. Thomas Aquinas was his student. He was Dominican provincial in Germany and, for a short time, Bishop of Regensburg. He died at Cologne on November 15, 1280, and is the patron of scientists.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: What title did St. Albert earn for his knowledge of so many subjects?

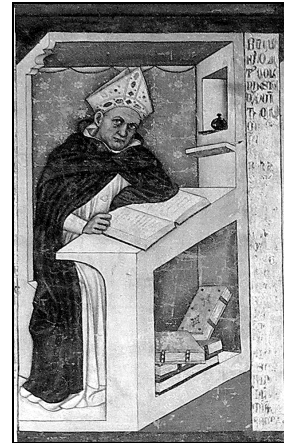
A: "Doctor Universalis," the Universal Doctor.

FROM THE CATECHISM

215. When will this judgment occur?

This judgment will come at the end of the world and only God knows the day and the hour.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 215



St. Albert the Great, fresco by Tommaso da Modena (1352)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Our intention is to make all the aforesaid parts of knowledge intelligible to the Latins."

—*St. Albert the Great, on the purpose of his writings*

PRAYER FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY (SUNDAY)

O LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, I pray Thee, by the Precious Blood which thy Divine SON JESUS shed in the garden, deliver the souls in purgatory, and especially that soul amongst them all which is most destitute of spiritual aid; and vouchsafe to bring it to thy glory, there to praise and bless Thee for ever.

Amen.

(Mothers for Priests brochure PS7)

For those who misspent their time in life, my Jesus mercy!

Recommended Prayer Brochure: PS6 Litany for the Faithful Departed



Sunday Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Matthew 25:14-30, November 15, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

Jesus told his disciples this **PARABLE**:

"A man going on a **JOURNEY**
called in his **SERVANTS** and **ENTRUSTED** his
POSSESSIONS to them.

To one he gave five **TALENTS**; to another, two; to a
third, one--

to each according to his **ABILITY**.

Then he went away.

Immediately the one who received five talents went
and traded with them,
and made another five.

Likewise, the one who received two made another
two.

But the man who received one went off and dug a
hole in the ground

and **BURIED** his **MASTER's** money.

"After a long time

the master of those servants came back

and **SETTLED ACCOUNTS** with them.

The one who had received five talents came forward
bringing the additional five.

He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents.

See, I have made five more.'

His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and
FAITHFUL servant.

Since you were faithful in small matters,

I will give you great responsibilities.

Come, share your master's **JOY**.'

Then the one who had received two talents also came
forward and said,

'Master, you gave me two talents.

See, I have made two more.'

His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and
faithful servant.

Since you were faithful in small matters,

I will give you great responsibilities.

Come, share your master's joy.'

Then the one who had received the one talent came
forward and said,

'Master, I knew you were a **DEMANDING** person,
harvesting where you did not plant

and gathering where you did not scatter;

so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the
ground.

Here it is back.'

His master said to him in reply, 'You **WICKED, LAZY**
servant!

So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant
and gather where I did not scatter?

Should you not then have put my money in the
BANK

so that I could have got it back with **INTEREST** on
my return?

Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the
one with ten.

For to everyone who has,
more will be given and he will grow rich;

but from the one who has not,

even what he has will be taken away.

And throw this useless servant into the **DARKNESS**
outside,

where there will be **WAILING** and grinding of
teeth.'"



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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 30 MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

SAINTS OF THE DAY

November 16: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin.

St. Margaret, granddaughter of the English king Edmund Ironside, was driven by a storm to Scotland and married King Malcolm III. She bore eight children, worked to reform the Church in Scotland, founded the abbey of Dunfermline and was generous to the poor. She died at Edinburgh on November 16, 1093.

St. Gertrude the Great was placed in the monastery of Helfta in Saxony at the age of five and was taught by St. Mechtilde. Her prayer was marked by devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She died in 1301 or 1302.



St. Margaret of Scotland, from a chronicle of the English kings (c. 1300–1340)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Blessed is the one who reads aloud and blessed are those who listen to this prophetic message.”

—*Revelation 1:3 (today's first reading)*

ST. GERTRUDE'S SALUTATION FOR THE DEPARTED

Hail, Jesus Christ, Splendour of the Father;
Hail, Prince of Peace, Gate of Heaven, Living
Bread, Offspring of the Virgin, Vessel of the
Godhead.

(Mothers for Priests brochure PS4)

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: Where is St. Margaret's jewelled book of the Gospels kept?

A: In the Bodleian Library at Oxford, England.

For the once spiritually blind, who now see their folly, my Jesus mercy!

Recommended Prayer Brochure: SG3 Saint Gertrude Prayers



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 18:35-43, November 16, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

As Jesus approached **JERICHO**
a **BLIND** man was sitting by the **ROADSIDE**
BEGGING,
and hearing a **CROWD** going by, he inquired
what was happening.
They told him,
"Jesus of **NAZARETH** is **PASSING** by."
He **SHOUTED**, "Jesus, Son of **DAVID**, have
PITY on me!"
The people walking in front **REBUKED** him,
telling him to be **SILENT**,
but he kept calling out all the more,
"Son of David, have pity on me!"

Then Jesus **STOPPED** and ordered that he be
brought to him;
and when he came near, Jesus asked him,
"What do you want me to do for you?"
He replied, "Lord, please let me see."
Jesus told him, "Have **SIGHT**; your **FAITH**
has **SAVED** you."
He immediately received his sight
and **FOLLOWED** him, giving **GLORY** to
God.
When they saw this, all the people gave
PRAISE to God.

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

FROM THE CATECHISM

456. What is the nature of the family in the plan of God?

A man and a woman united in marriage form a family together with their children. God instituted the family and endowed it with its fundamental constitution. Marriage and the family are ordered to the good of the spouses and to the procreation and education of children. Members of the same family establish among themselves personal relationships and primary responsibilities. In Christ the family becomes the domestic church because it is a community of faith, of hope, and of charity.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 456



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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 31 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

TODAY'S SAINT

November 17: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious.

St. Elizabeth, daughter of King Andrew II of Hungary, was born in 1207 and married Ludwig of Thuringia at fourteen. They had three children. She built a hospital below the Wartburg castle and fed the hungry. Ludwig died on his way to the Crusade in 1227. Elizabeth took the habit of the Third Order of St. Francis and nursed the sick in her hospital at Marburg, where she died on November 17, 1231, aged 24. She was canonized in 1235.



St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Hugues Merle (1879)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”

—Revelation 3:20 (today's first reading)

PRAYER FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY (TUESDAY)

O LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, I pray Thee, by the Precious Blood which thy Divine SON JESUS shed in his bitter crowning with thorns, deliver the souls in purgatory, and in particular that one amongst them all which would be the last to depart out of those pains, that it may not tarry so long a time before it come to praise Thee in thy glory and bless Thee for ever. Amen.

(Mothers for Priests brochure PS7)

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: How many beds did St. Elizabeth's hospital below the Wartburg have?

A: Twenty-eight.

For those who strove for worldly riches and pleasures, my Jesus mercy!

Recommended Prayer Brochure: PS5 Prayers for the Poor Souls-Five Wounds



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 19:1-10, November 17, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

At that time Jesus came to **JERICHO** and intended to pass through the **TOWN**. Now a man there named **ZACCHAEUS**, who was a **CHIEF** tax **COLLECTOR** and also a **WEALTHY** man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the **CROWD**, for he was short in **STATURE**. So he ran ahead and **CLIMBED** a **SYCAMORE TREE** in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down **QUICKLY**, for **TODAY** I must stay at your **HOUSE**." And he came down quickly and received him with joy.

When they saw this, they began to **GRUMBLE**, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a **SINNER**." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the **POOR**, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall **REPAY** it four times over." And Jesus said to him, "Today **SALVATION** has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of **ABRAHAM**. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost."

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

FROM THE CATECHISM

381. What is justice?

Justice consists in the firm and constant will to give to others their due. Justice toward God is called "the virtue of religion."

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 381



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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2026

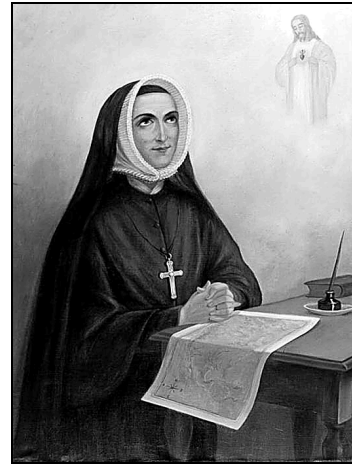
MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

SAINTS OF THE DAY

November 18: Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne.

St. Peter's stands over the Apostle's tomb; Pope Julius II began the present church in 1506. St. Paul's Outside the Walls was rebuilt after a fire in 1823.

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne of France, a nun of the Society of the Sacred Heart, opened in Missouri the first free school for girls west of the Mississippi. At 72 she went to the Potawatomi in Kansas. She died in 1852, aged 83, and was canonized in 1988.



St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (artist unknown, c. 1900)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty."

—Revelation 4:8 (today's first reading)

PRAYER TO ST. PAUL

O God, Who hast taught the whole world by the preaching of blessed Paul the Apostle: grant that we, who celebrate his memory, may by following his example be drawn unto Thee. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, Who with Thee livest and reignest in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. R. Amen.

(Mothers for Priests brochure SP5)

FROM THE CATECHISM

183. What is the competence of the college of bishops?

The college of bishops in union with the Pope, and never without him, also exercises supreme and full authority over the Church.

*Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church,
Q. 183*

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: What did the Potawatomi call St. Rose?

A: "Woman-Who-Prays-Always."

For the indolent, who neglected to perform good works, my Jesus mercy!

Recommended Prayer Brochure: SP5 Litany of Saint Peter and Litany of Saint Paul



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 19:11-28, November 18, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

While people were listening to Jesus speak, he proceeded to tell a parable because he was near Jerusalem and they thought that the Kingdom of God would appear there immediately. So he said, "A **NOBLEMAN** went off to a distant **COUNTRY** to obtain the **KINGSHIP** for himself and then to return. He called ten of his **SERVANTS** and gave them ten **GOLD COINS** and told them, 'Engage in trade with these until I return.' His fellow **CITIZENS**, however, despised him and sent a **DELEGATION** after him to announce, 'We do not want this man to be our king.' But when he returned after obtaining the kingship, he had the servants called, to whom he had given the money, to learn what they had gained by **TRADING**. The first came forward and said, 'Sir, your gold coin has earned ten additional ones.' He replied, 'Well done, good servant! You have been faithful in this very small matter; take charge of ten **CITIES**.' Then the second came and reported, 'Your gold coin, sir, has earned five more.' And to this servant too he said, 'You, take charge of five cities.'

Then the other servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your gold coin; I kept it stored away in a **HANDKERCHIEF**, for I was **AFRAID** of you, because you are a demanding man; you take up what you did not lay down and you **HARVEST** what you did not plant.' He said to him, 'With your own words I shall condemn you, you wicked servant. You knew I was a demanding man, taking up what I did not lay down and harvesting what I did not plant; why did you not put my money in a **BANK**? Then on my return I would have collected it with **INTEREST**.' And to those standing by he said, 'Take the gold coin from him and give it to the servant who has ten.' But they said to him, 'Sir, he has ten gold coins.' He replied, 'I tell you, to everyone who has, more will be given, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. Now as for those **ENEMIES** of mine who did not want me as their king, bring them here and **SLAY** them before me.'" After he had said this, he proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem.

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

ON THIS DATE IN CATHOLIC CHURCH HISTORY

November 18, 1965: Pope St. Paul VI promulgated the Second Vatican Council's Constitution on Divine Revelation, Dei Verbum.



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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 33 THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

TODAY'S SAINT

November 19: no saint on the U.S. calendar. From the Roman Martyrology:

St. Mechtilde of Helfta was born about 1241 to a noble family and entered the monastery at Helfta as a girl. She trained the choir there, and her singing was so lovely that Christ called her His "nightingale." Her visions were written down in the "Book of Special Grace." She taught St. Gertrude and died on November 19, 1298.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: St. Mechtilde's elder sister was abbess of Helfta. What was her name?

A: Gertrude of Hackeborn, not the St. Gertrude whom Mechtilde taught.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

✠ **St. Barlaam**, a farmer of Antioch, who was forced to hold burning coals and incense in his hand to offer to the gods, but kept the faith.



Sts. Mechtilde and Gertrude, ceiling fresco by Immoenz Anton Warathy (c. 1720)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Never has there arisen one like to her in our monastery; nor, alas! I fear, will there ever arise another such!"

—St. Gertrude, of St. Mechtilde

ST. MECHTILDE'S "OUR FATHER" (FIRST PART)

Our Father who art in heaven. I beg of Thee, loving Father, to pardon the souls in purgatory for not having worshiped Thee as they ought, but for having shut their hearts to Thee who did desire to dwell there. To atone for their faults, I offer Thee the love and honour Thy cherished Son rendered Thee while on Earth and the abundant satisfaction by which He paid the debt of all their sins.

(Mothers for Priests brochure PS8)

For the tepid, who devoted little time to prayer, my Jesus mercy!

Recommended Prayer Brochure: PSL Litany for the Poor Souls



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 19:41-44, November 19, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

As Jesus drew near **JERUSALEM**,
he saw the **CITY** and **WEPT** over it, saying,
“If this day you only knew what makes for
PEACE—
but now it is **HIDDEN** from your **EYES**.
For the days are coming upon you
when your **ENEMIES** will raise a **PALISADE**
against you;

they will **ENCIRCLE** you and hem you in on
all **SIDES**.
They will **SMASH** you to the **GROUND** and
your **CHILDREN** within you,
and they will not leave one **STONE** upon
another within you
because you did not **RECOGNIZE** the time
of your **VISITATION**.”

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

FROM THE CATECHISM

571. What is contemplative prayer?

Contemplative prayer is a simple gaze upon God in silence and love. It is a gift of God, a moment of pure faith during which the one praying seeks Christ, surrenders himself to the loving will of the Father, and places his being under the action of the Holy Spirit. Saint Teresa of Avila defines contemplative prayer as the intimate sharing of friendship, “in which time is frequently taken to be alone with God who we know loves us.”

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 571



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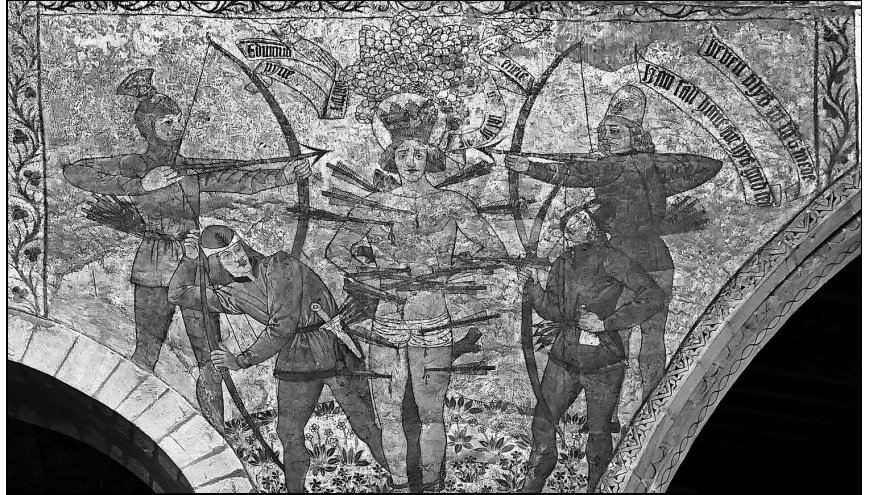
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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 34 FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

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
H	O	U	S	E	E	F	S	N	H	E	D	R	O	N
E	L	H	A	N	G	I	N	G	I	R	L	C	S	D
U	S	C	U	F	K	B	K	F	I	I	J	C	E	W

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



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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 35 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

TODAY'S MEMORIAL

November 21: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Legend: the Protoevangelium of James, an early writing not part of the Bible, tells that Mary's parents brought her to the Temple at the age of three to be dedicated to God.

The feast began in the East.

Philippe de Mazières brought it to the West, where it was kept at Avignon in 1372, and Pope Sixtus V restored it to the calendar in 1585. It honors Mary's giving of herself wholly to God.



The Presentation of the Virgin (detail), Titian (1534–1538)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"He is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."

—Jesus, Luke 20:38 (today's Gospel)

"HAIL MARY" FOR THE POOR SOULS (FIRST PART)

Hail Mary! Behold, most merciful Mother, Thy poor and sorrowful children who suffer so grievously in the purification of purgatory.

We beg Thee, for the sake of the great joy which the angelic salutation caused Thee, have compassion on them, and send them Thy holy angel to bring them also joyful greeting, and to announce to them release from their sufferings.

(Mothers for Priests brochure PS8)

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: What do the Eastern Churches call today's feast?

A: The Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

✚ **Pope St. Gelasius I**, who taught clearly the rights of Church and state, and died poor after giving all to the poor (496).

For those who desire most to be united to Thee, my Jesus mercy!

Recommended Prayer Brochure: M28 Little Crown of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 20:27-40, November 21, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

Some **SADDUCEES**, those who deny that there is a **RESURRECTION**, came forward and put this question to Jesus, saying, "Teacher, **MOSES** wrote for us, If someone's **BROTHER** dies leaving a **WIFE** but no child, his brother must take the wife and raise up **DESCENDANTS** for his brother. Now there were **SEVEN** brothers; the first **MARRIED** a woman but died **CHILDLESS**. Then the second and the third married her, and likewise all the seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. Now at the resurrection whose wife will that woman be? For all seven had been married to her." Jesus said to them, "The children of this age marry and remarry;

but those who are deemed **WORTHY** to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. They can no longer die, for they are like **ANGELS**; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise. That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the **BUSH**, when he called 'Lord' the God of **ABRAHAM**, the God of **ISAAC**, and the God of **JACOB**; and he is not God of the dead, but of the **LIVING**, for to him all are **ALIVE**." Some of the **SCRIBES** said in reply, "Teacher, you have answered well." And they no longer dared to ask him anything.

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

FROM THE CATECHISM

198. What kind of devotion is directed to the holy Virgin?

It is a singular kind of devotion which differs essentially from the cult of adoration given only to the Most Holy Trinity. This special veneration directed to Mary finds particular expression in the liturgical feasts dedicated to the Mother of God and in Marian prayers such as the holy Rosary which is a compendium of the whole Gospel.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 198