

# Our Lady, Help of Christians

## Parish Newsletter & Announcements

O Mary, powerful virgin, thou art the mighty and glorious protector of the Church; thou art the marvelous help of Christians; thou art terrible as an army in battle array; thou alone hast destroyed every heresy in the whole world. In the midst of our anguish, our struggles and our distress defend us from the power of the enemy, and at the hour of our death receive our souls in paradise. Amen.

*Prayer to Our Lady, Help of Christians composed by St. John Bosco*



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**All Saints Day, November 1 (Wednesday)** - All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times will be 10:00 am (Low Mass) and 5:30 pm (High Mass). Adoration & Confession will begin at 4:30 pm.

**All Saints Day Party, November 1 (Wednesday)** - will be on the Feast of All Saints at 11:00 am. Children: dress up as your favorite saint and prepare a short presentation (optional), join in saintly games, and enjoy a potluck! All are welcome! Please see the food sign-up sheet in the hall.

**All Souls Day, November 2 (Thursday)** - All Souls Day Mass times will be 6:45 am and 9:00 am. The 9:00 am Mass on All Souls Day will be held in Maple Hill Cemetery, weather permitting, in front of Father Jeremiah Treacy's grave. Father will lead the Rosary in the cemetery after Mass - at 10:00 am. There will also be a 5:30 pm High Mass on All Souls Day.

**Rosary in the Cemetery** - Please note that this month there are announced times for praying the Rosary in the cemetery (see calendar) during the Octave. A plenary indulgence is attached to this practice. See right column

**November 14** - there is an opportunity to make a Holy Hour of Reparation from 4:30 - 5:30. Benediction will be at 5:15. Immediately following will be a Low Mass, with an Adult Education class following Mass.

There will be **NO MASS** from November 20 - November 25. Happy Thanksgiving to all during that week!

**Advent Candle Orders** - All candle orders will be available for pick up beginning Sunday, November 19. If you have questions, please text Mary Lou Newman at 918-316-2525 or email [marylou.newman115@gmail.com](mailto:marylou.newman115@gmail.com)

**PLEASE NOTE THE CALENDAR FOR MASS TIMES AND EVENTS**

### ACTS TO PERFORM FOR A PLENARY INDULGENCE FOR THE HOLY SOULS

**All Souls Day and the Toties Quoties Indulgence - From noon on November 2 to midnight on November 3:** The Catholic faithful, as often as they visit a church to pray for the faithful departed, and recite six times during each visit the *Our Father*, *Hail Mary*, and *Glory Be* for the intentions of the Holy Father, may gain a plenary indulgence applicable only to the souls in purgatory, under the usual conditions. (*see below*) This plenary indulgence may also be gained from noon on the following Saturday (November 4) to midnight on the following Sunday (November 5), but only by those who did not gain it on the preceding November 1 and 2.

**Octave of All Souls (November 1st - November 8th):** those who visit a cemetery during the Octave of All Souls with a spirit of piety and devotion and pray, even only mentally, for the departed, may gain a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions on each day of the octave, applicable only to the Holy Souls in purgatory.

*Note: there is an indulgence attached to the Rosary, led by Father Mackey, to be prayed in the cemetery (November 2, 3, 4) during the Octave.*

**Throughout November:** Those who recite prayers or perform other devout exercises for the departed during this month may gain an indulgence of 3 years each day of the month, and a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions, if they perform these devotions daily for the entire month.

**Public services in November:** Those who, during November, take part in public services held in a church in intercession for the faithful departed may gain an indulgence of 7 years on each day of the month, and a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions if they do so on at least 15 days.

### Usual conditions for gaining a plenary indulgence:

1. Detachment from venial sin (if one is not totally detached from sin a partial indulgence will be granted)
2. Reception of Holy Communion at least 8 days before or after the indulgence is sought.
3. Sacramental confession up to 8 days before or after the indulgence is sought.
4. Prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father.

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