

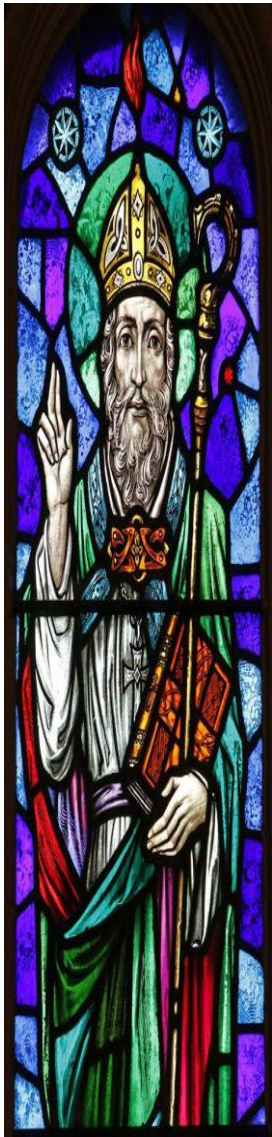


# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH AND SHRINE MERLIN

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Thirty-first Sunday In  
Ordinary Time  
Year A  
Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

## CHURCH SERVICES

### SUNDAY MASSES.

Sundays 10 AM  
\*\*Presently Parishioner Reservations Only\*\*

### WEEK DAY MASSES

Seating is assigned on a first come, first serve basis for week day masses.

Monday / Wednesday / Friday 7 PM  
(Doors open for Prayer at 6 PM)

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8 AM

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Masks are mandatory at all masses; when entering the church, during mass, and when leaving the church. Exceptions are made for medical reasons only.

For more information [Read the](#)

#### Reconciliation

Confessions are available by appointment, and will be heard while maintaining social distancing in the body of the church or outside. The blessing of water will be handled the same way, by appointment only.

To See:

Fr. Antony - 1-519-350-3437  
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### Welcome to St. Patrick's

We warmly welcome **NEW PARISHIONERS** to our parish. You are asked to register by completing a registration form, located in the entrance or by calling the Parish Office.

# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH NEWS



Finance Report - Oct 25, 2020	
Regular	\$ 937.45
Save a Family	10.00
Thanksgiving Appeal	350.00
Shrine	393.00
Rosarian Seminary Fund	70.00
Pie Sales	16.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,776.45</b>

Readings for the week of November 1 <sup>st</sup>
<p><i>Monday, November 2 7 PM– All Souls' Day</i>                      The commemoration of All the Faithful Departed                      1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Wisdom 3:1-9                      2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Romans 6:3-9                      Gospel – John 6:37-40</p>
<p><i>Tuesday, November 3 8 AM</i>                      1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Philippines 2:5-11                      Gospel – Luke 14:15-24</p>
<p><i>Wednesday, November 4 7 PM</i>                      1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Philippines: 2:12-18                      Gospel – Luke 14:25-33</p>
<p><i>Thursday, November 5 8AM</i>                      1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Philippines 3:3-8a                      Gospel - Luke 15:1-10</p>
<p><i>Friday, November 6 – 7PM World Community Day</i>                      1<sup>st</sup> Reading Philippines 3:17 – 4:1                      Gospel - Luke 16:1-8</p>
<p><i>Saturday, November 7 8AM</i>                      1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Philippines 4:10-19                      Gospel – Luke 16:9-15</p>

Mass Intentions For The Week Of November 1 <sup>st</sup>
<i>Sunday, November 1</i>
<i>Monday, November 2</i> † Soul of Geoffery VanRaay
<i>Tuesday, November 3</i> † Holy Souls in Purgatory
<i>Wednesday, November 4</i> † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
<i>Thursday, November 5</i> † Holy Souls in Purgatory Special Intentions Sacred Heart CWL, Parkhill
<i>Friday, November 6</i> † Deceased Members of F.O.S.S.
<i>Saturday, November 7</i> † Deceased Members of F.O.S.S.



## HOLY HUMOUR

On their way home from attending an Ash Wednesday service, little Johnny asked his mother, "Is it true, Mommy, that we are made of dust like the minister said tonight?"



"Yes, darling," his mother answered.

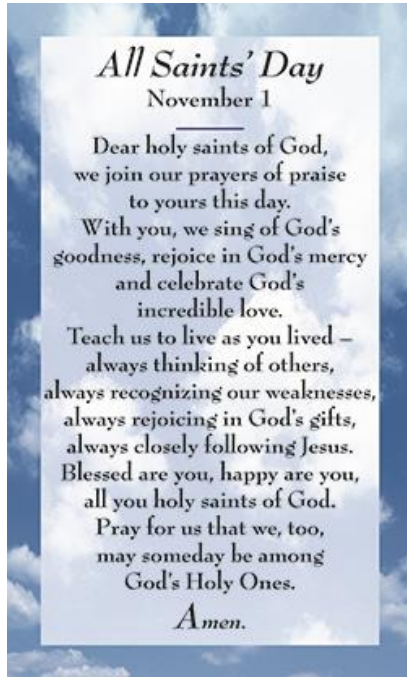
"And is it true that we go back to dust again when we die?"

"Yes, dear," his mother replied.

"Well, Mommy, when I said my prayers last night and looked under the bed, I saw someone who is either coming or going."

# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH NEWS

## NOVEMBER - MONTH OF HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY



### Where All Saints Day came from

Although now observed in November, All Saints Day was originally celebrated on May 13, although the origin cannot be traced with certainty. Pope Boniface IV formally started what would later be known as All Saints Day on May 13 in 609 AD when he dedicated the Pantheon in Rome as a church in honor of the Virgin Mary and all martyrs.

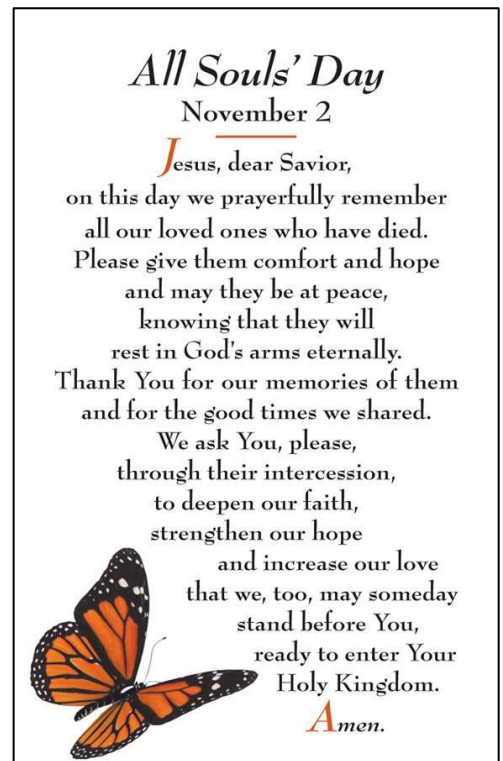
The current date of [November 1](#) was established by Pope Gregory III during his reign (731-741 AD) when he dedicated a chapel in Rome's St. Peter's Basilica in honor of all saints. While this celebration was originally limited to Rome, later in 837 Pope Gregory IV ordered the official observance of All Saints Day every November 1 and [extended its celebration](#) to the entire Church.

### All Saints really means ALL saints

While many canonized saints are celebrated with their own [individual day](#) (such as St. Patrick), saints that have not been canonized have no particular holiday. [All Saints Day recognizes](#) those whose have attained heaven, but their sainthood is known only to God.

According to Catholic belief, the soul of a person who dies can go to one of three places. The first is heaven, where a person who dies in a state of perfect grace and communion with God goes. The second is hell, where those who die in a state of mortal sin are naturally condemned by their choice. The intermediate option is purgatory, which is thought to be where most people, free of mortal sin, but still in a state of lesser (venial) sin, must go.

Purgatory is necessary so that souls can be cleansed and perfected before they enter into heaven. There is scriptural basis for this belief. The primary reference is in 2 Maccabees, 12:26 and 12:32. "Turning to supplication, they prayed that the sinful deed might be fully blotted out. Thus, made atonement for the dead that they might be free from sin."





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