

The Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter

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"May the Angels lead thee into paradise: may the Martyrs await thy coming and bring thee into the holy city, the heavenly Jerusalem. May a choir of Angels welcome thee, and with the poor man Lazarus of old, may thou enjoy eternal rest."

Dear Friend in Christ,

It is not uncommon in our Catholic culture to surround our loved ones in their hour of death and commend their souls to eternity. Unfortunately, in our increasingly secular culture, many people do not have the benefit of such care. We Catholics know that immediately after our earthly life ends, we'll face God Who, in His perfect justice, will determine the eternal destiny of our soul. If we have died in a state of grace, we shall receive the good news that we are to spend eternity in paradise, enjoying the infinite delights of the Beatific Vision. In that case, we'll be with God forever, never alone for an instant.

Nor will we be alone even as we make our passage into Heaven. The text at the top of this page, a translation of the beautiful chant that concludes the traditional Requiem Mass, describes what will happen during that journey. We'll have angels to guide us and welcome us, martyrs to show us into the heavenly Jerusalem, and holy people such as Lazarus with whom to enjoy our repose.

Of course, even many faithful Catholics will not proceed directly to Heaven after death. Because nothing impure can enter Heaven, any of us who has unforgiven venial sins or unpaid debts from forgiven sins will have to be purified for a time in Purgatory before we receive our reward.



The Holy Souls in Purgatory suffer tremendously. They cannot pray for themselves and must wait for us to free them from their torments, so that they can be with God Whom they have loved so long.

This November, then, let us increase our efforts to assist the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Here's what we can do.

Help the FSSP Free Holy Souls from Purgatory

Across North America, our priests and seminarians will be making daily visits to pray at local cemeteries. We hope you will do the same.

From November 1 through November 8, Holy Mother Church makes it possible for each of us to earn a plenary indulgence each day for a soul in Purgatory. This indulgence is available to all those who visit a cemetery to pray for the faithful departed, and who fulfill the usual conditions: receive Holy Communion daily, pray for the Holy Father's intentions daily, make a good Confession within several days (that week, if possible), and remain free from attachment to any particular sin.

Another indulgence is available for those who devoutly visit a church or oratory on All Souls Day, November 2nd, and recite and Our Father and the Creed.

But remember that if you find yourself falling short of one or more of these conditions, you can still earn a partial indulgence. That partial indulgence could help free a soul from Purgatory!

Do Something More for Your Departed Family and Friends

Even if you visit the cemetery every day in early November and meet all the conditions for earning plenary indulgences, you may find yourself wishing you could do more for your departed loved ones. A simple glance at your family tree will remind you of how many souls may be counting on you, their practicing Catholic descendant, to free them from Purgatory.

What can you do for them besides pray at your local cemetery in November? The priests of the Fraternity of St. Peter will offer a **Novena of Masses** for the deceased from November 2 through November 10, 2022. **Please fill out the enclosed reply card** with the names of your deceased loved ones, to be remembered in this Novena of Masses, and return it to us today. Our priests and seminarians will pray for your loved ones each day throughout November.

As we approach November, I ask you to:

- 1. **Pray and make sacrifices for the dead,** especially by visiting a cemetery each day from November 1 through November 8 or visiting a church or oratory on November 2.
- 2. Send in the enclosed reply card with your prayer intentions for our Novena of Masses.
- 3. Please contribute to the support of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter, so that we can continue to form faithful priests who will offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the Poor Souls.

Holy Priests Need Your Support, Too

I know you'll be doing everything you can in November to free souls from Purgatory. So will the priests of the FSSP. We realize you can't meet all the conditions for a plenary indulgence without making a good confession and receiving Holy Communion, and so our hardworking priests across the North American Province will be generous in making the sacraments available to you.

Sadly, there are still many cities in North America where Catholics lack access to the traditional sacraments and a full traditional parish life. That's why we continue to form and send out faithful, holy priests who are shaped by the traditions of the Church, guided by the sound teachings of St. Thomas Aquinas, and protected under the mantle of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Will you help us?

Another group of new priests has been sent out to our various apostolates. We now face the challenge of growing to meet the increased demand that we see in many of our parishes. Will you help us provide the timeless traditions of the Church to those in need?

As you return your reply card with your prayer intentions, then, please consider enclosing a gift to contribute to the support of holy traditional priests.

Thank you for your charity towards the Holy Souls—and your support of the FSSP. May the angels lead many more souls into Paradise this November!

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Anthony Dorsa

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Director of Fundraising Operations

Enroll your loved ones in our Novena of Masses!

Please consider enclosing a gift with your prayer requests on the enclosed card. Or go online at

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Thank you for your support!