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Promoting The Gospel Through The Marian Messages

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Currently we are blest to be celebrating our 26th year!

The Monthly Message of Our Blessed Mother from Medjugorje: October 25, 2019

“Dear children! Today I call you to prayer. May prayer be a balm to your soul, because the fruit of prayer is joy, giving and witnessing God to others - through your life. Little children, in complete surrender to God, He will take care of everything and will bless you; and your sacrifices will have meaning. I am with you and bless all of you with my motherly blessing. Thank you for having responded to my call. ”



See a rose Say the Rosary!



Volunteers Needed, if interested call the center at 315-452-4698

For visitors, if the CNY Marian Center is locked, you can obtain a key upstairs at the doctor’s office M- F 9AM to 5PM. The CNY Marian Center is available for group Meetings. For a reservation, call the Center and leave a message. Our monthly newsletter posts to our website, www.cnymariancenter.com, you can be notified when it is posted through the website, email us your email address, also there is a form on the back cover for postal mailings, or call 315-452-4698.

HEAVEN CALLS— IS YOUR RINGER ON ?

Blessing and prayers to all our friends, supporters and newsletter subscribers of the Central NY Marian Center.

Do our hearts ring out with great love for the **Saints** and prayer for the **Poor Souls in Purgatory** as the month of November calls us too?

As we now look at the month of November, the great feast days of the church and the holidays of our Nation, our thoughts turn to our great Saints in heaven and the souls in **Purgatory**.

The month of November is dedicated to the **Souls in Purgatory**, whose feast is celebrated on November 2. The entire month of November falls during the liturgical season known as **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time. The last portion of the liturgical year represents the time of our pilgrimage to heaven during which we hope for reward.



All Saints Day November 1, 2019

This solemnity is celebrated on the first of November. It is instituted to honor all the saints, known and unknown, and, according to **Urban IV**, to supply any deficiencies in the faithful’s celebration of saints’ feasts during the year.

In the early days the Christians were accustomed to solemnize the anniversary of a martyr’s death for Christ at the place of martyrdom. In the fourth century, neighboring dioceses began to interchange feasts, to transfer relics, to divide them, and to join in a common feast; as is shown by the invitation of **St. Basil of**

Caesarea (379) We also find mention of a common day in a sermon of **St. Ephrem the Syrian (373)**, and in the 74th homily of **St. John Chrysostom (407)**. At first only martyrs and **St. John the Baptist** were honored by a special day. Other saints were added gradually, and increased in number when a regular process of canonization was established; **Gregory IV (827-844)** extended the celebration on November 1 to the entire Church. The vigil seems to have been held as early as the feast itself. The octave was added by **Sixtus IV (1471-84)**.

All Souls Day November 2, 2019

The Holy Souls in **Purgatory** are incapable of helping themselves. They depend on the works of mercy by the living and the mercy of Jesus and Mary to shorten their time in purgatory. Their souls are very dear to God’s Heart. He is most generous to those who offer every good act, suffering, prayers, or Holy Mass for these souls. In gratitude they intercede for us.

Since, about the 900’s, the Church has dedicated the month of November as a

month in which to pray for those who have gone before us, especially focusing on those souls who are in **Purgatory**.

The Roman Catholic celebration is associated with the doctrine that the souls of the faithful who at death have not been cleansed from the temporal punishment due to venial sins and from attachment to mortal sins cannot immediately attain the **beatific vision** in heaven, and that they may be helped to do so by prayer and by the sacrifice of the Mass. In other words, when they died, they had not yet attained full sanctification and moral perfection, a requirement for entrance into Heaven. This sanctification is carried out posthumously in **Purgatory**. The official name of the celebration in the Roman Rite liturgy of the Roman Catholic Church is **"The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed."**

Purgatory is not as some think a "second chance" after death, but, rather, a process of purification for those who have died, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church says in "God's grace and friendship, but are still imperfectly purified." (CCC 1030) It is, as the Baltimore Catechism calls it: **"God's Hospital."**

The Western celebration of **All Souls' Day** is on November 2 and follows **All Saints' Day**, which Commemorates the departed who have attained the **beatific vision**. If November 2 falls on a Sunday, the Mass is of **All Souls**, but the Office is that of the Sunday.

Historically, the Western tradition identifies the general custom of praying for the dead dating as far back as 2 Maccabees 12:42-46. The custom of setting apart a special day for intercession of the faithfully departed on November 2 was first established by **St. Odilo of Cluny (d. 1048)** at his abbey of Cluny in 998. The celebration was soon adopted in several dioceses in France, and spread throughout the Western Church. While November 2 remained the liturgical celebration, in time the entire month of November became associated in the Western Catholic tradition with prayer for the departed; lists of names of those to be remembered being placed in the proximity of the altar on which the sacrifice of the mass is offered.

Visiting a Cemetery

That is why **St. Gertrude the Great**, a saint and mystic of the 13th century, spent the majority of her life in prayer and study, something that happened after she began to have a series of visions. It is said, that as a result of those visions she began to also have a greater devotion to praying for the souls in **Purgatory**. In fact, one time when **Jesus** appeared to her, He told her that each time she said a certain prayer that He revealed to her, 1,000 souls would be freed from **Purgatory** and that the prayer could even be used for the most hardened of sinners. **St. Gertrude prayers for the cemetery visit are found on page 23 in the Pieta Prayer Book.**

An **indulgence** is granted the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only momentarily, for the dead. This indulgence is applicable only to the souls in **Purgatory**. **This indulgence is a plenary one from November 1 through November 8 and can be gained each one of these days.** On the other days of the year this indulgence is a partial one.

A **plenary indulgence** is a full pardon for punishments owing to sin, sacramentally confessed, and makes possible immediate entrance into heaven after death. The requirements for gaining a plenary indulgence are sacramental confession, Communion and prayers for the Pope's intentions such as an **Our Father** and a **Hail Mary**. We must also have an attitude of love and penitence, with no attachment to any sin. If this disposition is in any way less than complete, or if the three prescribed conditions are not fulfilled, the indulgence is only partial.

A **partial indulgence** is a partial pardon for penance owing. The faithful should at least have a contrite heart to gain the partial indulgence.

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica November 9, 2019

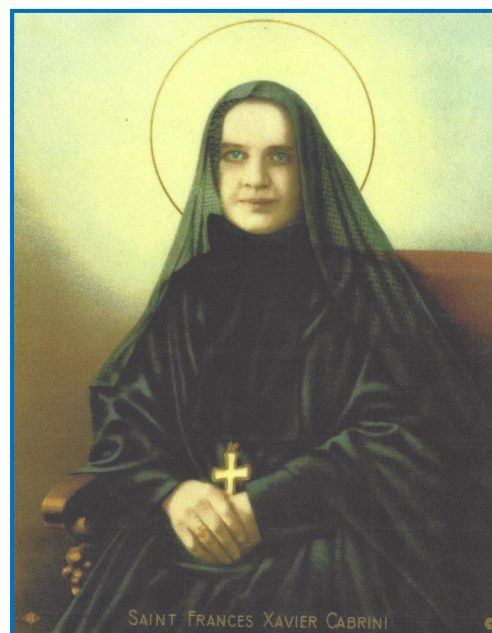
Today the Church celebrates the feast of the Dedication of the **Lateran Basilica** in Rome, the oldest and highest ranking of

the four major basilicas in Rome. The **Basilica of St. John Lateran** is the cathedral of the diocese of Rome, the official ecclesiastical seat of the Holy Father, the Bishop of Rome, not St. Peter's Basilica as so many mistakenly believe. The Basilica is also called the Church of Holy Savior or the **Church of St. John Baptist**. In ancient Rome this was the church where everyone was baptized. It the oldest church in the West, built in the time of Constantine and was consecrated by Pope Sylvester in 324. This feast became a universal celebration in honor of the archbasilica, the ecclesiastical mother church, called **"the mother and mistress of all churches of Rome and the world" (omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput)**, as a sign of love for and union with the See of Peter.

Initially the observance of this feast was confined to the city of Rome; beginning in 1565, it was extended to all the Churches of the Roman rite. The honoring of this sacred edifice was a way of expressing love and veneration for the Roman Church, as **St. Ignatius of Antioch says, "presides in charity" over the whole Catholic communion (Letter to the Romans, 1:1).**

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini November 13, 2019

Francesca Cabrini was born on July 15,



1850, in the village of Sant' Angelo, on the outskirts of Lodi, about twenty miles from Milan, in the pleasant, fertile Lombardy plain. She was the thirteenth child of a farmer's family, her father Agostino being the proprietor of a modest estate. At thirteen Francesca was sent to a private school kept by the Daughters of the Sacred Heart. Here she remained for five years, taking the course that led to a teacher's certificate.

In November 1880, she and six other women who had taken religious vows with her founded the **Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**. She founded 67 institutions: in New York; Chicago and Des Plaines, Illinois; Seattle; New Orleans; Denver and Golden, Colorado; Los Angeles; Philadelphia; and in countries throughout South America and Europe. Cabrini was naturalized as a United States citizen in 1909.

Cabrini died of complications from dysentery at age 67 in Columbus Hospital in Chicago, Illinois, on December 22, 1917. Her body was originally interred at Saint Cabrini Home, an orphanage she founded in West Park, Ulster County, New York.

Cabrini was beatified on November 13, 1938, by **Pope Pius XI**, and canonized on July 7, 1946. Heralded by a great pealing of the bells of St. Peter's and the four hundred other churches of Rome, the canonization ceremony took place on July 7, 1946.

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is the patron saint of immigrants, and of the religious institute, the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará, (Servidoras).

Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary November 21, 2019

The Presentation of the **Blessed Virgin Mary**, celebrated every year on November 21, commemorates (in words of the Liturgy of the Hours, the daily prayer of the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church) "that dedication of herself which **Mary** made to **God** from her very childhood under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit who filled her with grace at her Immaculate Conception." Also known as the **Dedication of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, the feast origi-



nated in the East, where it is called the Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos Into the Temple.

This devotion is testified by a tradition that comes from a century after her life. **The Presentation of Our Lady in the Temple is told in a delightful Apocryphal text, the Protoevangelium of James**, which may be dated around the year 200 AD. This book offers a colorful account of many aspects of **Mary's** early life, *which prepared for the Gospel*. Her father, Joachim, tells Anna his wife that he wishes to bring their child to serve in the Temple of the Lord in Jerusalem. Anna gets him to wait until the child is three years old, before having her live away from her parents.

In the Roman Calendar it is a major double feast day.

Thanksgiving Day November 28, 2019

Thanksgiving Day we give thanksgiving for our family and friends, the bounty's of the earth and all the blessings of our **Father in Heaven**.

" In the Gardens of Stone, many souls were cultivated for Heaven." As reflected in John's Gospel (15:13) "Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."



Bud O'Brien, Chairman of the Board

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CNY Marian Center is pleased to announce our 2019

Christmas Party

Date: Friday, December 6

Location

Dr. Patsy and Nancy Iannolo residence

100 Hampton Road, Syracuse, NY

Time: 6:30—10 PM

All supporters & friends are welcomed!!!

Dr. Patsy and Nancy Iannolo, founders of the CNY Marian Center in 1992, every Christmas they show their deep appreciation for the board members, volunteers, and sponsors.

Dr. Patsy and Nancy take this time of the year to acknowledge the deep commitment of the board members and volunteers who give their precious time to the daily operations of the Marian Center. As the work of the center entails the many in house programs and programs we bring into the parishes of the diocese. Every year Dr. Patsy takes this opportunity to express his heartfelt thanks to everyone.

A light buffet will be served, guaranteed great cooking and array of different beverages will be offered. Guaranteed something for everyone!

Many clergy and laity will be stopping in and out throughout the evening.

Join us for an unforgettable evening!!!





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