Solemnity of All Saints

November 1, 2026

Come to me all you who labor, and I will give you rest!

La enorme muchedumbre de los redimidos, descrita en el Apocalipsis **(PRIMERA LECTURA)**, es a la vez una realidad presente, aunque invisible, y un futuro en pos del cual caminamos. El **EVANGELIO** de las bienaventuranzas nos señala el camino que hay que seguir: "Dichosos los limpios de corazón, porque verán a Dios". Por su parte, la primera carta de san Juan reafirma nuestra condición de hijos de Dios, llamados a ver un día a Dios "tal cual es" **(SEGUNDA LECTURA)**.



Masses For The Week

sab 31	**Vigilia of All Saints**	
04:30 pm	Missa Pro Populo	
Sun 01	**All Saints**	
11:30 am	+For All Souls in Purgatory	
Mon 02	**The Commemoration of all the Faithfull Departed**	
08:00 am	+All Souls Day Remembrance	
Tue 03	**Weekday**	
08:00 am	+Epigmeniol Matinez, Jr. (Herminia Torres)	
Wed 04	**Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop**	
08:00 am	+For All Souls in Purgatory	
Thr 05	**Weekday**	
08:00 am	+Mario Martinez (Collazo Family)	
Fri 06	**Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**	
08:00 am	+For All Souls in Purgatory	
Sat 07	**Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**	
08:00 am	+Ramon C. Hernandez – 25th Anniversary (Family)	

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning for
+All Souls in Purgatory

Good News!

November 1, 2026
All Saints
Revelation 7:2–4, 9–14 / 1 John 3:1–3 / Matthew 5:1–12a

MIGUEL DULICK

What a lovely feast when we hear again the familiar beatitudes. Blessed! Blessed! Blessed! Are you poor in spirit? Come on down—you get the kingdom of heaven! Are you mourning? Comfort on call! Meek? This land is your land! Hungering for righteousness? Your marching days are done! Are you merciful? You ain't seen nothin' yet! What about clean of heart? That's hard to live up to, but the reward is that you get to see God! Peacemaker? "Why, you're one of my own children!" says God. And, finally…insulted and persecuted? Crowned in heaven; that is your reward!

How many saints are there? According to the Book of Revelation, "A great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue" (Revelation 7:9). Pope John Paul II took that as a mandate, multiplying saints beyond the capacity of the calendar to accommodate them; he wanted every community to have a patron saint. Pope Benedict kept up the "multitude-ing," and, in 2015, Pope Francis declared Archbishop Oscar Romero—long called "*San Romero de las Americas*" by the faithful of El Salvador since his assassination in 1980—a martyr *in odium fidei*, that is, he had been murdered out of hatred of his faith. This led to his beatification in the same year and his canonization by Pope Francis in 2018. I visited his tomb in 1985, and there were already hundreds of notes stuck on the wall, all grateful for *el milagro*—the miracle. Saints of God, pray for us. ●

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Dear Padre

November 1, 2026

Growing up, I was never taught how to pray, just how to recite prayers. After a lot of reading about prayer, I find myself conflicted about to whom I pray. At church, we pray to Jesus. But, on the other hand, God is the Almighty One who gave me life. And to make it even harder, there are Mary and the saints. So, to whom do I pray?

A person can end up reciting long formulas of prayers or decades of the rosary without being mentally present. Distraction in prayer is a major problem. Real prayer is conversation with God. God appreciates having our full attention.

If you really look at the prayers of the Mass, you'll see they are all directed to God the Father, with the exception of a prayer that is said to Jesus before Communion. We pray *through* Christ *in* the Holy Spirit *to* God the Father in all the other prayers. However, the Persons of the Blessed Trinity are not jealous of one another. To honor the Father brings immense pleasure to the Son, and vice-versa.

And praying to Mary and the saints is better understood as asking them to pray *with* us. Jesus said that when two are in agreement about anything they pray for, God will grant that prayer. (See Matthew 18:19.) We exercise the option of praying with others when we invoke the saints.

The great thing is that any genuine prayer is a tremendous help to one's spiritual life. ●

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?
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ANNUAL WHITE MASS

The Annual White Mass is scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at 6 pm at San Agustin Cathedral. The White Mass is offered for all members of the medical profession throughout the Diocese of Laredo. All people of the diocese are invited to attend.

Misa Blanca Anual

La Misa Blanca Anual está programada para el martes, 3 de noviembre del 2026 a las 6 pm en la Catedral de San Agustín. La Misa Blanca se ofrece por todos los miembros de la profesión médica en la Diócesis de Laredo. Todos están invitados.

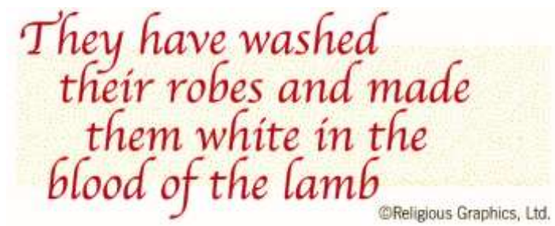


ALL SOULS DAY MASS REMEMBRANCE

Pick up your ***All Souls Day Mass Remembrance*** envelopes located in the entrances of the church. Please deposit them in the collection basket. All Souls Day will be celebrated on Monday, November 2, 2026 at 8:00 a,m. Remember to include deceased loved ones. Thank you

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Justin Pecina, Irma Santos, Gerardo Castro, Guadalupe Ortiz, María E. Maldonado, Alicia Guardiola, Delia Hinojosa, Rebecca Quintero, Herminia Torres, Vladimiro Checchin, Lalo Uribe, María Elena García, Aida Ramírez, Rebecca and Carlos Quintero.

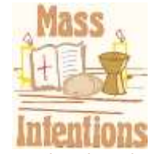




Colecta de la Semana Pasada
Envelopes: ***$ 1,430.00***
Loose: ***$ 214.00***
Children's Envelopes: ***$ 0.00***

Total Sunday Collection: $ 1,644.00

Total Expenses Last Week: $ 2,398.99



MASS INTENTION BOOK FOR THE YEAR 2027

On ***Tuesday, November 03, 2026***, the Mass Intention Book for 2026 will open. During the first week, the faithful are limited to only *three* individual intentions. During the second week, another three intentions will be allowed. After the third week, you may choose as many dates that are available. The purpose of limiting is to give all the parishioners an opportunity to get an intention for their loved ones. If you have intentions you would like to offer during a Mass, please bring them to the Parish Office. **NO intentions will be accepted by phone. All intentions must be made in person (M-F: 9a-12p & 1:30p-3:30p).** Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you. Fr. Nolasco.

Libro de Intenciones de Misas para el Año 2027

El martes, día ***3 de noiembre de 2026****, el Libro de Intenciones de Misas para el año 2026 se abrirá. Durante la primera semana se limitará por persona sólo tres intenciones individuales. Durante la segunda semana otras tres intenciones se permitirán. Después de la tercera semana, usted puede escoger tantas fechas que estén disponibles. El propósito de limitar es para darles una oportunidad a todos los parroquianos conseguir una intención para su ser amado. Si usted tiene intenciones que le gustaría ofrecer durante una Misa, por favor traiga los a la Oficina de la Parroquia.* ***NINGUNA intención será aceptada por teléfono. Todas las intenciones deben hacerse personalmente (l-v: 9a-12p y 1:30p-3:30p).*** *Les agradecemos su cooperación. Gracias. Padre Nolasco.*



SANCTUARY CANDLE FOR THE YEAR 2027

Anyone interested in making a $10.00 donation to have the Sanctuary Candle burning weekly in memory of a loved one or for a special intention may do so in person in the Parish Office during regular hours.

