

## Wypominki — Prayer for the Deceased Fr. Justin Rosary Hour • P. O. Box 454 • Athol Springs, NY 14010

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## "And whoever lives and believes in me shall never die" (J 11,26) Dear Friends and Benefactors of the Rosary Hour!

## Praised be Jesus Christ!

We are slowly approaching November, a month dedicated to remembering the Deceased. We assure you that far more important than a candle or flowers on a grave is the MEMORY OF THE DEAR DEPARTED, memory in PRAYER and offering the HOLY MASSES FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS. You can do this by taking part in Rosary Hour's WYPOMINKI. Joining in prayer for the living and the dead is one of seven works of mercy and entrusts us all into God's care.

Glorious is **the Solemnity of All Saints and All Souls' Day**. Until someone who was very close to us suddenly dies, this Solemnity is not as important as Christmas or Easter. But when the loved one passes away, that day becomes the day on which, with all our heart, we want to be

with loved ones, who we will see us in future. It enlivens our faith. We pray for our loved ones, who are no longer with us, and for those for whom no one is praying.

We receive All Saints Day from the perspective of all the saints in heaven, and our communications with them or them with us. However Souls' Day is a day of prayer for the all dead, our loved ones and others.

This day is an opportunity to enter with them in the new dialogue, to thank them again and to make stronger this knowledge that one day we will meet at Father's House. All Souls' Day is a reminder, as the Church sings in this

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

day in the Preface that, the life of your faithful, o Lord, is changed, but it does not stop there. This is a reminder that our life is passing, but also a reminder that we must strive for holiness of life.

We visit the graves of our loved ones, but let's not forget that the most important thing is prayer.

Throughout the entire month of November, Franciscans will offer daily Mass and devotion for the faithful departed, for those who have preceded us in the pilgrimage to the Father's House. They will commend to the Mercy of God those souls whom you have indicated on your intention form.

**Praying for the deceased is our duty.** Church Tradition has always urged prayer for the deceased. It is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls. **Think about the dear ones** 

who passed away, especially those who you miss: parents, brothers, sisters, spouse, children, friends... and many others who have fallen asleep in Christ. Maybe they are waiting for your prayers. If you beseech Heaven for them, the overabundance of your prayers for their intentions will be passed on to other needy souls. No prayer will be wasted. Remember that every deceased who you help to reach Heaven, may one day become like a magnet that will draw you there.

Your generous free will offering will earn you graces in heaven, because you are contributing to good work: to preach the teachings of the Church on the airwaves and the Internet. The existence and continuance of the Father Justin Rosary Hour is only possible through people like you. It is for this reason that we ask for your generosity so that we may continue serving the people of the twenty-first century, leading all to God and eventually to a heavenly reward where we will live together forever in eternity.

May God, who calls each of us to holiness, reward you abundantly! Sincerely yours,

Fr. Marcel Sokalski, OFM Conv.

Fr. Marcel with the *Rosary Hour* community

PS. As a thank you, we will send you the short Chaplet for the Souls of the Dead and other prayers for them.