



Holy Masses and Devotions for the Deceased

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Fr. Justin Rosary Hour

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*Dear Friends, Benefactors and Supporters of the Rosary Hour,
Praised be Jesus Christ!*

„And whoever lives and believes in me shall never die” (J 11,26)

November is approaching. Throughout this month as nature fades away, we are reminded that human life in this world also comes to an end. Let us listen to the words of St. John the Baptist: **“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!”** (Mt 3,2). Let us not postpone our conversion to God and the performance of good deeds, because we do not know “the day or hour” when we will have to leave this world.

We know that human life does not end with death. As after winter, spring time approaches so after the death, resurrection of the dead. We live for eternal life and for “everlasting spring”, and as Christians here and now we must support each other on the way to holiness and salvation.

The forthcoming month of November, a **month dedicated to remembering and praying for our deceased** begins with a solemn celebration of **All Saints Day** followed by **All Souls Day**. These days remind us that we too are called to holiness.

Our prayers should embrace all the faithful departed who fulfilled their earthly sojourn, some early in life and others in the autumn of life. Usually, they are the closest people to us: **father, mother, grandmother, grandfather, beloved child, brother, sister, friend, ...**

During these days we will be joined by common **PRAYER FOR THE DEAD** (Wypominki), in remembrance of their eternity: eternal peace and with those whom God has taken to Himself. Our prayers will flow to heaven with the great desire that the human weakness and sinfulness will be overcome by God's mercy.

We encourage you, dear Friends and Benefactors, **to pray for our beloved departed**. As in previous years, **every day throughout November, all the prayers and intentions sent to us will be remembered in MASSES and DEVOTIONS** conducted by the Franciscans for **all the Deceased, whose names have been included on the enclosed card**. **By this we will be asking for great graces for our beloved relatives who have gone before us.**

At the same time, we ask you for your offering which will help the **Franciscans** continue its evangelization and share God's words of love and goodness, hope and peace with the people of today's world.

May Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, assist us in our prayers for our beloved departed and bring them quickly to eternal glory. May she obtain for us the graces we needed in life.

May God awake in you a desire for heaven and sainthood, and reward your good deeds, which you do for your beloved living and deceased.

We cordially greet you and look forward to your reply.

With prayer and gratitude,

Br. Daniel, OFM Conv.

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