

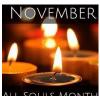
## Holy Masses and Devotions for the Deceased <sup>2022</sup> Fr. Justin Rosary Hour 12290 Folly Quarter Rd • Ellicott City, MD 21042

## 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)

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, these are people we knew and loved: **father**, **mother**, **grandmother**, **grandfather**, **beloved child**, **brother**, **sister**, **friend**, ...



Heaven — "the true home" of God, saints, angels — is what every Christian strives for.

It is worth realizing what do we actually confess when we pronounce the words "I believe in the communion of saints" in the Creed.

The union of us with our brothers and sisters who sleep in the peace of Christ is in no way interrupted, but on the contrary, according to the constant faith of the Church, this union is reinforced by an exchange of spiritual goods. (CC 955).

Spiritual communion works both ways: we, the living, can offer our prayers for the dead who are in purgatory. At the same time, however, those who have already attained salvation intercede for us, "confirming us in holiness".

Masses for the dead are one of the forms of help we can give to souls in purgatory. As the Catechism says: "From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God. The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead" (CCC 1032).

Throughout November we ask you to join us spiritually 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 human weakness and sin will be overcome by God's mercy.

We encourage you 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.

Br Daniel Geary with the Fr Justin Rosary Hour community

and the Companions of St. Anthony



**PS** – If you would like to receive a brochure with powerful **Prayers for the Deceased write to us or mark it on the return card.** At your request, we would be happy to send it to you. When you send your intentions **REMEMBER to write YOUR NAME and ADDRESS**.