



Holy Masses and Devotions for the Deceased

2026

Fr. Justin Rosary Hour

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

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"And whoever lives and believes in me shall never die" (John 11:26)

November is approaching - a month dedicated to remembering and praying for our Deceased. The celebration of **All Saints Day** and **All Souls Day** remind us that 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, child, brother, sister, cousin, aunt, uncle, friend, neighbor, teacher, priest, religious brother, nun...**

PRAYING
FOR
THE DEAD
IN NOVEMBER



St. James the Apostle invites each of us: "Pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results" (James 5:16). And the death of the one we pray for does not change anything in this regard. For God, time – understood as something that limits – does not exist. Even death does not exist for Him. These things exist only for us. So we can say that God sees everyone as alive. Jesus himself stated this when he told us that "God is not the God of the dead, but of the living" (Matthew 22:32). What each of us does for others in our lives is always present before God. Therefore, it is right to pray for people who have already died.

Prayer for the dead is an expression of love, memory and faith in their continued existence, as well as purification in God's mercy. In this way, we help them on their way to heaven. **The dead need our love expressed in prayer. "Prayer for the deceased is an important obligation, because even if they have died in grace and in God's friendship, they may still need final purification in order to enter the joy of Heaven" (John Paul II - Reflection before the Angelus prayer, 11.2.2003)**

Prayer for the deceased and the requesting of Mass intentions are integral parts of the Catholic faith. In this way, we remember our departed loved ones and unite ourselves with the celebration of Christ's death and resurrection. **Holy Masses offered for the deceased are one of the forms of help we can give to souls in Purgatory.**

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. May our prayers flow to heaven with the great desire that human weakness and sin will be overcome by God's mercy.

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 in their evangelization.

May Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, assist us in our prayers for our beloved departed and bring them quickly to eternal glory.

May God reward your good deeds, which you do for your beloved living and deceased.

With prayer and gratitude,

Br. Daniel, OFM Conv.

Br Daniel Geary with the Fr. Justin Rosary Hour community

PS - If you wish to receive a **Christmas Wafer** and **Calendar for 2027**, please write to us, **before October 31st** and we would be happy to send them to you. **If you have placed an order earlier and have not received your wafer / calendar by the end of November please call 667-240-2242 and ask for Debbie or write in Polish or English, and we will mail you another calendar/wafer ASAP.**

PS - At the request of the Benefactors, the Franciscans are glad to celebrate **individual Holy Masses.**

Holy Masses in December - the request should arrive **by November 25.**

Holy Masses in January - the request should arrive **by December 18,** so that the Post Office can deliver everything on time during the holiday season.

PS - When you send your intentions **REMEMBER to write YOUR NAME and ADDRESS.**