

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

**THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
(ALL SOULS' DAY)**



FIRST READING: WISDOM 3:1-9 OR WISDOM 4:7-15 OR ISAIAH 25:6-9

SECOND READING: ROMANS 5:5-11 OR ROMANS 5:17-21 OR ROMANS 6:3-9 OR ROMANS 8:14-23 OR ROMANS 8:31B-35,37-39 OR ROMANS 14:7-9,10C-12 OR 1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-28 OR 1 CORINTHIANS 15:51-57 OR 2 CORINTHIANS 4:14-5:1 OR 2 CORINTHIANS 5:1,6-10 OR PHILIPPIANS 3:20-21 OR 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18 OR 2 TIMOTHY 2:8-13

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:1-12A OR MATTHEW 11:25-30 OR MATTHEW 25:31-46 OR LUKE 7:11-17 OR LUKE 23:44-46,50,52-53;24:1-6A OR LUKE 24:13-16,28-35; JOHN 5:24-29 OR JOHN 6:37-40 OR JOHN 6:51-59 OR JOHN 11:17-27 OR JOHN 11:32-45 OR JOHN 14:1-6

The readings for the Liturgy of the Word on the Feast of All Souls can be selected from among the above or chosen from among those given for the Masses for the Dead. This reflection is based on John 11:17-27: Jesus consoles Martha at the death of her brother, Lazarus, and declares that he is the Resurrection and the life.

FAMILY CONNECTION:

This reflection is based on John 11:17-27.

In Jesus' conversation with Martha, we learn that we can face death with hope because Jesus promises eternal life for all those who believe in him. In his death and Resurrection, Jesus has conquered death once and for all. In the Communion of the Saints, we continue to share a relationship with all those who have died. The saints in heaven intercede for us before God. We pray for the souls of the faithful departed. Our prayers for them help speed their journey to full communion with the saints in heaven. We praise God for this tremendous gift of our faith.

As you gather as a family, remember the names of family members or friends who have died. Talk about these people, sharing memories of their lives and their influence on your family. Recall that today is All Souls Day. On this day we remember all those who have died, and we pray for them. Read today's Gospel, John 11:17-27, in which we hear Jesus console His friend Martha after her brother's death. Talk about Jesus' promise of eternal life and our hope of eternal life for all those who have died. Conclude by praying for all those who have died, naming in particular family members and friends. After each person is named, pray together "Lord, have mercy." Pray together the Act of Hope.



Saturday	NOVEMBER 1, 2025
9:00 AM & 5PM	FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS
Sunday	NOVEMBER 2, 2025
9:30 AM & 11:15AM	FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS
Monday	NOVEMBER 3, 2025
WHOLE DAY – PASTOR'S REST DAY	
Tuesday	NOVEMBER 4, 2025
8:30am	FRANCIS REMEDIOS (†)
Wednesday	NOVEMBER 5, 2025
8:30am	ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY (†)
Thursday	NOVEMBER 6, 2025
8:30am	DECEASED BELTIJAR FAMILY (†)
Friday	NOVEMBER 7, 2025
8:30am	-GEORGE COWLEY (†)
	-RAMON LAGMAN (†)

**PRAYER FOR THE SOULS
IN PURGATORY**

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family.
Amen.

**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.**

Despite our best efforts, minor oversights may occur – nobody is perfect. We ask for your understanding and invite everyone to stay focused on what truly matters: our faith, our community, and our shared mission. – **FZS**

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November 9, 2025 – Building Fund

November 16, 2025 – Shepherds' trust

We kindly ask that you ensure your donation reaches the parish within one month of the collection date. Your generosity is vital, as 100% of the special collection contributions will be sent directly to the Archdiocese of Toronto within that timeframe. Together, we can make a meaningful impact in our community.

THANK YOU
for your generosity
YOUR SUPPORT HELPS SUSTAIN OUR PARISH!

ALL SOULS DAY MASS

Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the All Souls' Day Mass on **Saturday November 8, 2025 at 2 p.m.**

More information can be found here: <https://www.catholic-cemeteries.ca/news/all-souls-day-mass-saturday-november-8-2025-at-200-pm/> All are welcome!

LOONIE & TOONIE CAMPAIGN RESUMES!

We're happy to share that our *Loonie & Toonie Campaign* for the Parish Hall is back! Although we never officially stopped this effort, we temporarily paused it to focus on the Safety Grill Appeal. Now that the grill project has been successfully completed, we're once again inviting everyone to continue supporting the Parish Hall through your loonie and toonie donations.

You may drop off your contributions in the clearly labeled vessels in the narthex or in the red mailbox by the tabernacle. Every small coin makes a big difference—thank you for your continued generosity and support!



If you are feeling unwell, please stay home. Practice good hygiene—cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your sleeve, dispose of tissues properly, and wash or sanitize your hands right away. Avoid touching your face, as most germs spread by hand contact. Hand sanitizers are available all around the church.

Thank you for helping keep our parish community healthy.



Please note that we will not be selling Sunday Missals this year.

Day of Reflection and Prayer for the Bereaved

Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering, ON L1X 1V4 **Saturday, Dec. 6, 2025 9:30am - 5:00pm**

"Where is God in my pain? How is God working in my grief?" Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith. At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story in a community of faith, to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience, and to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey.

Facilitated by: Sr. Claire Marchal and Mary Hyland

Suggested Offering: \$75 per person (includes lunch)

Please contact: Mary Hyland - 905-441-0957

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ALTAR SERVER AWARDEES

OCTOBER 18, 2025

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to our dedicated altar servers — **AUSTIN SINASWEE, IVAN NAPARAN, AND STEPHEN COSCOLLA** — for their well-deserved recognition and faithful service at the altar of the Lord. Your devotion and reverence inspire our parish community.

May your example encourage more young people to answer the call to serve at the altar. Being an altar server is a beautiful way to grow in faith, friendship, and love for the Eucharist. If you feel called to serve, we invite you to join this rewarding ministry!