

# Blessed Trinity

#### Weekend Magazine

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November 13, 2022 • The Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Catholic prayer for family members in purgatory

By Philip Koslosoki



Deceased family members should be among the first souls we pray for on a regular basis.

For Catholics, purgatory is a place of purgation, a final stage of preparation before the eternal rewards of Heaven.

Most of us will likely go through some sort of purification after death, which is why the Church encourages us to pray for anyone we know who has died, especially our own family members.

Here is a short prayer from the *Raccolta* that highlights praying for those we personally know and hope to some day meet again in eternity.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray Thee, by the Precious Blood which Thy Divine Son shed upon the wood of the cross, especially from his most sacred Hands and Feet, deliver the souls in purgatory, and in particular family members for whom I am most bound to pray; that no neglect of mine may hinder it from praising Thee in Thy glory and blessing Thee for ever. Amen.

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Weekday Masses
Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM
Weekend Masses
Saturday Vigil at 4:00 PM
Sunday
8:00 AM, 9:30 Am & 11:30 AM

Follow the Sunday Mass on our website, **btsp.org**.

Confessions will be held Saturdays 2:45-3:45

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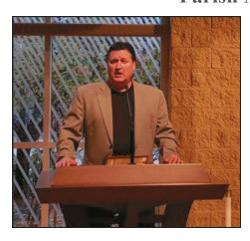
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#### **Parish Mission**



National Catholic speaker, singer, and recording artist Paul Koleske will present a Parish Mission on November 13, 14, and 15 at 7:00pm in the church.

The theme of the Mission is "Igniting the Light of Christ Within You and Transforming Your Life."

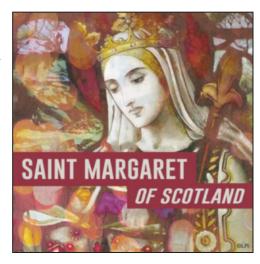
#### Saint Margaret of Scotland | November 16

Saint Margaret was born in exile around 1045, in what is now Hungary. She is the daughter of Princess Agatha of Hungary and Edward the Atheling the Anglo-Saxon heir to the throne of England. The family returned to England, but Edward died soon after their arrival, making Margaret's brother Edgar the presumptive heir. However, the Norman Conquest would turn their world upside down. Agatha and her children fled the country. They likely intended to go back to Hungary, but they were shipwrecked off the coast of Scotland.

King Malcolm Canmore III took the exiles under his wing, and he fell in love with the beautiful and gracious Margaret. Although she initially rebuffed his proposals, the couple were married in 1070 at castle of Dunfermline. Margaret and Malcolm had eight children, six sons and two daughters. Margaret brought culture to the Scottish court and used her influence to soften her rough husband. The saint led a life of austerity, aiding Church reform, promoting Easter communion, and founding churches and monasteries. She instituted the

Queen's Ferry to the shrine of St. Andrew and founded pilgrimage hostels.

Saint Margaret, Queen of Scotland, died on November 16,1093, four days after her husband and eldest son were killed in the battle of Alnwick. She was canonized by Pope Innocent IV in 1250 and named patron of Scotland in 1673.



#### Thoughts Worth Sharing



November 13, 2022

## Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 3:19-20a | 2 Thes 3:7-12 | Lk 21:5-19

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

#### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes events leading up to the end times: wars, earthquakes, famines, plagues, persecution, and even death. It's no wonder some Christians believe the Second Coming could be any day now. After all, our world has seen more than its share of these signs. However, as Jesus tells the disciples, we don't know when the end times will come. We do know, however, that Jesus remains at our side through the thick and thin of these "in between times." Just as Jesus tells the disciples he will give them "wisdom in speaking" to refute their enemies, he will give us the strength we need to persevere in faith. As St. Paul reminds us, we can do that by imitating the early Christians, working quietly to build up the kingdom of God each day.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

When facing a difficult decision or situation, it can be easy to fall into the trap of "catastrophizing" – that is, thinking of our biggest fear coming true, or of the worst that can happen. Today's readings include a laundry list: a blazing fire, toil and drudgery, wars and insurrections, earthquakes, famines, persecution, and death. Yet Jesus tells the disciples, "not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." Rather than focus on our fears – not only about the end times but in our day-to-day lives – Jesus challenges us to trust in God's love for us. It doesn't mean we should resign ourselves to the difficulties we or others face. However, by placing faith over fear we can seek to help others here on earth, confident that Jesus will lead us home when our time comes.

ACT Many people today suffer due to natural disasters, authoritarian leadership, and human violence. Pray for these victims, of course, but also - in your creativity - seek out ways to use your time, talent, and/or treasure to alleviate their situation if possible.



Are You Hoping to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

#### **Matrimony**

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

#### **Baptism**

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

#### **Office Hours**

Monday—Friday 9-12 and 1-4 Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm



#### **Special Mass Time**

Thanksgiving, November 24, Mass will be at 9:00am and there will be no 8:00am Mass.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, November 12, Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and

Martyr

4:00 p.m. Lyliane Corvington (Dec)

Sunday, November 13, The Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Michelina Andreo (Dec) 9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners 11:30 a.m. Marlene Romani (Dec)

Monday, November 14, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Art Hanley (Dec)

Tuesday, November 15, Memorial of Saint Albert the Great, Bishop

and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Rosario Reyes (Dec)

Wednesday, November 16, Memorial of Saint Gertrude, Virgin

8:00 a.m. Mass for Vocations

Thursday, November 17, Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

8:00 a.m. Ron Bento (Dec)

Friday, November 18, Memorial of Dedication of the Basilicas of

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

8:00 a.m. Robert J. Krupski (Dec)

Saturday, November 19, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Lyliane Corvington (Dec) 4:00 p.m. William Isaac (Dec)

Sunday, November 20, The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

8:00 a.m. Nicole Boss (Liv) 9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners 11:30 a.m. Marlene Romani (Dec)

### Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father, We lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

11/13 • Rev. Jonathan Emery

11/14 • Rev. Eric Peters

11/15 • Rev. Gerald A. Hendry

11/16 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life

11/17 • Rev. Richard Jankowski

11/18 • Bishop Emeritus Robert N. Lynch

11/19 • Rev. John McEvoy

These are the names of the active priests and seminarians in our Diocese. Remember our Bishop has designated Wednesdays as Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please continue to pray that more young people will hear and answer God's call to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### **Eyes On Your Own Paper**

"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place."

Looking at these words, I have to wonder. Am I reading the Bible or today's newspaper headline?

It's never easier to despair than when you glance up and take a good look at what's going on in the world: disasters, natural and contrived, wars, resentments, rivalries, and divisions. It is almost too much sometimes, isn't it? The twenty-four-hour news cycle doesn't help. Add social media and it's enough to push anyone into a nervous breakdown.

When you find yourself in this place of despair, remember Paul's admonishment in his letter to the Thessalonians. Work quietly and eat your own food.

It's not so different from the old "keep-your-eyes-on-your-own-paper" rule of the classroom. Poking our noses into other people's business, we may think we are getting a shortcut to the right answer, but we're really just getting distracted. When we become too preoccupied with events that we cannot control — whether they are happening in our neighborhood or half-a-world away — we are tempted to leave off the very specific work God has given us in our own lives. We are easily lured into anger, bitterness, and anxiety.

What is the work that God has called you to? Is it your career? Your family? Your community? What is your food — what nourishes you, sustains you, connects you to something real, powerful, and life-giving? This is what you should be concerned with. This is where your thoughts and your efforts should be.

Work quietly and eat your own food.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

#### Prayer for Protection from Hurricanes

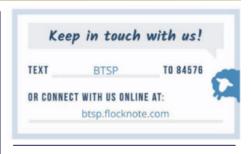
God, Our Father, Creator and Lord of the universe, you have set the earth on its foundation and all the elements of nature obey your command.

We humbly beseech you to keep us safe from all dangers and calm the storm that threatens us.

May we be secure in your loving protection and serve you always with grateful hearts.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

Amen.





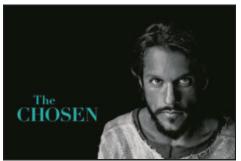
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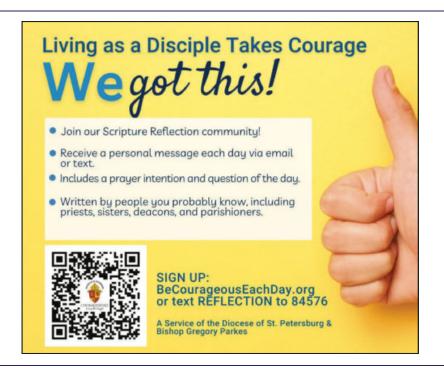




#### **Blessed Trinity Giving Tree St Vincent de Paul Society**

Next weekend, for an opportunity to share your Blessings at Christmas with the less fortunate in our community, **come and see the "Giving Tree"** in the back of the church.

There will be paper angels on the tree, and each one will list a gift card for a child or a teen who are all members of families we have assisted during the past year. We will also include a gift card for each family. Thank you in advance for your support.



#### St. Anthony's Prayer for Peace of Mind

O holy Saint Anthony, your deep faith in Jesus Christ comforted your heart, especially during times of trial and distress. Help me grow in faith, so I may experience peace of mind and heart in my present needs (Here mention). Free me from undue anxiety, needless worry, and burdensome fears. Grant me sure confidence, unfailing trust in God's loving mercy and daily serenity. ~ Amen

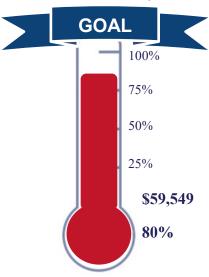
#### Messa in Italiano

Our Lady's Chapel, Cathedral of St. Jude 5815 - 5th Avenue N., St. Petersburg, FL

November 27, 2022 at 4:00pm

Please come to pray and sing in ITALIANO Celebrant: Fr. Anthony M. Fortunato, O. de M.





Thank you for your prayerful giving!

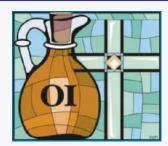
#### Need a tax break?

Congress has permanently enacted qualified charitable distributions from your traditional IRA accounts for those 70 1/2 or older. These distributions can be used to satisfy all or a portion of your Required Minimum Distribution and are free of federal income tax. Also, these gifts help you avoid the Medicare high income surcharge and can help reduce your income taxes on your social security benefits. Distributions must be made directly from your IRA account to your parish, or *directly* from your IRA account to the Diocese of St. Petersburg for the benefit of your parish.

For questions, contact the Diocese of St. Petersburg Campaign Office at stock-iradonations@dosp.org or 727.341.6841.

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To request the Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one, please contact the parish office, 727-867-3663.

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