ALL SOULS DAY

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

For many of you, it may have only been a few months since your husband or wife passed away — or perhaps it was your parents, or even your child. You get up from the sofa, walk to the kitchen, and for a split second, you think you see them. Then reality returns: "No... Mom passed away." Or you visit Grandpa's house, and only Grandma is there — but your heart fools you for a moment. These are very common experiences. Certain places or moments awaken memories so vividly that it feels as though our loved one is still here. Some might say, "They're gone. It's just a memory." But we, as Christians, do much more than that. For us, these moments are gentle reminders of a profound truth: our loved ones still live in God. And that little flash of memory often becomes a prayer — "May she rest in peace." That is why we gather today — on the Commemoration of All Souls.

Why do we pray for the dead? Why do we offer funeral Masses? Why do we dedicate the whole month of November to them? Because we believe in the power of prayer. We believe that our loving prayers truly help our loved ones to receive the fullness of God's love in heaven. We pray because we believe in love — real, sacrificial love. The kind that comes from God and returns to Him. Love does not disappear at death. We loved our family members and friends — and we still love them. And real love naturally prays. And God receives that love. He hears those prayers. Some of our loved ones are already saints — completely united to Him. But others — though good — may still need healing from the effects of sin. Just like an arm that has healed but still aches when it rains — the soul may still need to be purified. This is what we call **Purgatory** — not punishment, but **preparation**. A place where the soul opens itself fully to the burning fire of God's love. And they rely on our prayers to help them.

So today, we pray for our parents, spouses, children, relatives, and friends. We know they were good people — but we also know they were human. That is why we offer the Holy Mass — the very sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross — the highest prayer possible. Throughout this month, and in our daily prayers, we continue to remember them. We do not forget them — because we are one Church: the saints in heaven, the souls in purgatory, and us on earth — united in love.

Jesus assures us in today's Gospel (John 6:37): "I will not reject anyone who comes to me."

So, we trust in His mercy. With confidence we pray: "May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace." Amen.

(Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.)



Daylight Savings Time

Please remember to turn your clocks back one hour this Sunday, November 2, at 2:00 a.m.

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, November 3

9:00 a.m.

Soul of Alfredo Osmena

req Leilani

Deceased members of the Legion of Mary

req Ark of the Covenant Praesidium-Legion of Mary Nestor, Remy and Visitacion Mercado req Tessie and Lov

Nestor, Remy and Visitacion Mercado req Tessie and Loy Abugan Birthday blessings for Don Ondiano req Anabeth Ondiano

Tuesday, November 4

9:00 a.m.

This Jubilee Year, our Parish family prays for the intentions of the Hugh Carlos Family.

Intentions of our Lady of Vailankanni prayer group
Danylo, Shoham, Yakir req Pauline Nguyen

Wednesday, November 5

7:00 p.m.

*****NO MORNING MASS*****



HEALING MASS

ADORATION: 6:00 p.m. HEALING MASS: 7:00 p.m. ANOINTING WITH HOLY OIL

All souls in purgatory req Benilda Fajardo Birthday blessings for Grace Kennedy and Antu req Grace Vlademir, Yuliy, Reei req Pauline Nguyen

Thursday, November 6

9:00 a.m.

Julien Man

Jagica and Bruno Marzic req Mario Marzic
Amit, Yair, Betzelet req Pauline Nguyen

Friday, November 7

9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

DAY OF PRAYER AND ADORATION

All souls in purgatory Soul of the Servant of God Frank Duff req Pauline Nguyen req Ark of the Covenant, Legion of Mary

Ron, Eitah, Eran

req Pauline Nguyen

Saturday, November 8

5:00 p.m.

This Jubilee Year, our Parish family prays for the intentions of the Ramos family.

Maria Balla req Rita Balla
Birthday blessings for Elise Podsiadly
Lukasik family req Irene Kapolka
Omri, Michael, IDF req Pauline Nguyen
Deceased members of Puthuveettil and Puthenveettil req Antu

Sunday, November 9

10:00 a.m.

For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community



A memorial book. Will be available in the church for the whole month of November where you can write the names of your loved ones and they will be included in our prayers.



SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually in the presence of our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This week the Lamp burns for:

- Deceased members of Kalayamthanam
 Family req Suja and Lukose Mathew
- 2. All souls in purgatory

req Maria Laguisma

. All souls in purgatory req Teresa Tan

4. Healing and intentions of Hendrickson Sy and Manuel Go req Felisa Go



HEALING MASS

NOVEMBER 5, 2025

ADORATION: 6:00 p.m. HEALING MASS: 7:00 p.m. ANOINTING WITH HOLY OIL

"Heal me, O Lord and I shall be healed. save me, and I shall be saved, for you are my praise." Jeremiah 17:14

Please join us with your family and friends



October 25/26, 2025

Sunday Offering \$1,619 .00 Loose Offering 449.00 Neighbours in Need Offering 392.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to St. Charles Garnier Parish.

BIBLE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK



"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." ... Matthew 5:16

NOVEMBER – THE MONTH DEDICATED TO ALL SOULS

You and I know the numbness death causes that empty feeling. And yet death is part of our life. We must face it. Our faith tells us it is the bridge to eternal life and union with God. You and I have these wonderful people who graced and colored our life – parents, spouses, grandparents, children, relatives, and friends. They showed us the face of God by their love and presence. We miss them when they die, and we want to stay in touch because they are part of us.

Let us all remember to pray for and offer requiem Masses up for our loved ones and for all the Holy Souls in purgatory.



The Sunday Missal for 2026 is now available. The cost is \$7.00. Please get your copies. We have a very limited number.

"Build His Will Together" Parish Renovations Fund

Our church has undergone several building improvements which results in greater reverence to God Our Heavenly Father. The renovations were also driven by the need to address some safety issues. Parishioners are encouraged to offer donations to the "Build His Will Together" — St. Charles Renovation Fund. Special envelopes will be available at the back of the church. You may make a one-time gift or multiple gifts through postdated cheques. Please mark the envelope clearly with your name and address and parish envelope number. This will enable the office to include your contribution in your tax receipt. Hence, all contributions are best to be received no later than December 31st in order to be included in your 2025 tax receipt. Thank you for your continued support to our parish. If you have any questions, please contact Donna.



PARISH MOVIE & DINNER NIGHT "PADDINGTON"

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025, Following the 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass

Lasagna Dinner & Movie: \$15 pp

Tickets are available after every Holy Mass Please invite your family and friends

DAY OF PRAYER AND ADORATION 7th OF NOVEMBER 2025



9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

9:30 a.m. Adoration Begins and ends 4:00

4:00 p.m. Benediction 6:00 p.m. Confession 7:00 p.m. Holy Mass

Prayer Intention: Families be made strong in

God's love.

"How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty! My soul yearns for the courts of the LORD." Ps. 84:1-2

Please join us with your family and friends!