PRAY FOR THE SOULS IN NOVEMBER

These are what we can and should do to assist the souls in their purification

- 1. Prayer: the most excellent Prayer is a Mass. Also: Rosary, Stations of the Cross
- 2. Self-sacrifice: fasting from food, distractions such as social media, games ...
- **3. Work of charity:** almsgiving, service hours, volunteering, visiting hospital, prison, nursing homes ...

Indulgences for the Souls

A partial indulgence, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful during the month of November, who

- 1. devoutly visit a cemetery or a Catholic Church, and mentally pray for the dead:
- 2. devoutly recite lauds or vespers from the *Office of the Dead* or the prayer *Eternal rest*

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.

Conditions for a Plenary or partial Indulgence

- 1. Interior detachment of all sins, then go to Confession
- 2. Renewing one's love to God: participating Mass and receiving Holy Communion
- 3. Renewing one's fidelity to the Catholic Church, expressed through the Creed, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father (one Our Father and one Hail Mary)

Notes:

- Confession and Mass do not have to be done on the same day of the visit: one has 10 days before and 10 days after to complete the requirements. One Confession is sufficient for several visits/prayer periods.
- Those who cannot physically visit a cemetery or a Church (legitimate reason such as poor health, imprisoned, ...) can still obtain Indulgences for the Souls by those acts of prayers and interior disposition.