



All Saints Day (November 1st)

All Saints Day is a special day when we honor all the saints in heaven, both known and unknown. While many well-known saints have their own feast days, this day also celebrates the many faithful people who lived holy lives and are now with God, including those who were never officially recognized as saints. It reminds us that we are all called to live holy lives and follow Christ's example.

Dress as Your Favorite Saint: Invite children to dress as their favorite saint, wear a simple outfit or symbol representing a saint, or participate in saint-themed activities and games, such as Saint Bingo

Attend Mass: Join your parish community in celebrating All Saints Day and honoring all the saints in heaven, both known and unknown. All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation, meaning Catholics are expected to attend Mass.

Make Saint-Themed Treats: Celebrate All Saints Day by making Soul Cakes with children. These small, round, spiced cakes or cookies are traditionally marked with a cross and were given in exchange for prayers for the souls of the faithful departed. They can also be made for All Souls' Day on November 2.



All Souls' Day (November 2nd)

All Souls' Day is a time to pray for the souls in purgatory, whom we call the "Poor Souls." They can no longer pray or make sacrifices for themselves, perform good works, or merit graces. Therefore, we pray for them, asking God to bring them into the fullness of heaven.

Things to do:

Visit graves of family & friends to clean headstones, leave flowers and place memorial candles. Draw crosses or write the name of departed ancestors on paper lunch bags, fill the bottoms with sand, and place battery-operated tea lights inside.

Offer special prayers, rosaries or novenas for the Souls in Purgatory.

“May the souls of the faithfully departed through the mercy of God, rest in Peace.”

Set up a small table with framed photos of deceased family members, lighting a votive candle during prayer time and mealtime.

Take the “Prayer Cards” from those family members and friends that have passed away and hang them in your house with a string and clothes pins, after every meal you could pray for them by name.

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