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### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at **5:00 PM**

Sunday at **7:00 AM, 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM**

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*We, the people of God of St. Rita Parish in Nanakuli, are united in our belief and in our commitment to Jesus Christ. In the spirit of aloha we respond to Christ's mission of love and freedom with our care, concern and communal action. This is expressed in the stewardship of our treasure through tithing and in the gift of our time and talents through shared ministries.*

*As a fast growing rural parish with a large Hawaiian population we feel a special calling to stand together in truth and justice for indigenous people of this land. As part of the universal Church, our outreach extends beyond our boundaries to the global community and we affirm the human dignity of all peoples. As a parish family we enthusiastically participate in bringing about God's reign of peace. We continue to evangelize, welcome and invite all of God's people to St. Rita Parish.*

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**Ordinary Income/Expense**

**Income**

|                                        |                  |
|----------------------------------------|------------------|
| 40000 . OFFERTORY COLLECTION           | 70,826.50        |
| 42000 . OTHER REGULAR INCOME           | 10,293.83        |
| 45000 . REVENUE SUBJECT TO GET         | 1,077.00         |
| 47000 . UNUSUAL (NON-SCHEDULED) INCOME | <u>12,017.00</u> |
| <b>Total Income</b>                    | <u>94,214.33</u> |
| <b>Gross Profit</b>                    | 94,213.33        |

**Expense**

|                                       |                  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| 50000 . EMPLOYMENT COSTS              | 45,845.44        |
| 51000 . PROFESSIONAL SERVICES         | 113.10           |
| 51700 . LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT        | 523.94           |
| 52000 . SUPPLIES AND OTHER SERVICES   | 6,953.08         |
| 53000 . REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE       | 2,622.78         |
| 54000 . UTILITIES                     | 4,795.41         |
| 55000 . CONTRIBUTIONS AND ASSESSMENTS | 19,827.76        |
| 56000 . INTEREST EXPENSE              | 2,256.30         |
| 57000 . TAXES                         | 180.54           |
| 58000 . DEPRECIATION                  | <u>27,116.83</u> |

**Total Expense**

110,235.18

**Net Ordinary Income**

-16,020.85

**Other Income/Expense**

**Other Income**

|                                       |                  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| 70000 . TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED ASSETS | <u>33,156.50</u> |
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**Total Other Income**

33,156.50

**Net Other Income**

33,156.50

**Net Income**

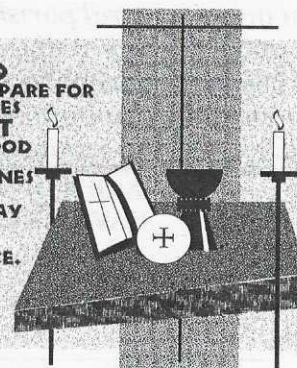
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Twenty-eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2026

The Lord is my shepherd!

THE LORD  
WILL PREPARE FOR  
ALL PEOPLES  
A FEAST  
OF RICH FOOD  
AND  
CHOICE WINES  
AND WILL  
WIPE AWAY  
THE TEARS  
FROM  
EVERY FACE.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PARISH CALENDAR

|              |                  |                                    |
|--------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sat, Oct 10  | 5:00 p.m.        | Mass                               |
| Sun, Oct 11  | 7:00 a.m.        | Mass                               |
|              | 9:00 a.m.        | Mass (Live Stream)                 |
|              | 10:30 a.m.       | Faith Formation Class              |
|              | 5:00 p.m.        | Mass                               |
| Mon, Oct 12  | 7:30 a.m.        | Liturgy of Hours/Rosary            |
|              | 8:00 a.m.        | Mass                               |
| Tues, Oct 13 | 7:30 a.m.        | Liturgy of Hours/Rosary            |
|              | 8:00 a.m.        | Mass                               |
|              | 7:00 p.m.        | <b>Liturgy Meeting Kamiano Tlr</b> |
| Wed, Oct 14  | 7:30 a.m.        | Liturgy of Hours/Rosary            |
|              | 8:00 a.m.        | Mass                               |
|              | 9:30am -11:30 am | Food Pantry Open                   |
| Thu Oct 15   | 8:00 a.m.        | Communion Service                  |
| Fri, Oct 16  | 7:30 a.m.        | Liturgy of Hours/Rosary            |
|              | 8:00 a.m.        | Mass                               |
| Sat, Oct 17  | 8:00 a.m.        | Mass                               |
|              | 3:15-4:00 p.m.   | <b>Confession - Church</b>         |
|              | 5:00 p.m.        | Mass                               |

## NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

**Is:45: 1, 4-6:** The Lord anointed Cyrus of Persia to subdue the nations and free Israel. God made Persia great so that everyone might know that there is no god besides the Lord God of Israel.

**1 Thes:1:1-5b:** The Thessalonians believed in the gospel, lived in the Holy Spirit, and labored in love with full conviction. Paul thanked God for the faith of the Thessalonians and remembered them in prayer.

**Mt:22:15-21:** When some Pharisees tried to trap Jesus into saying something negative about the emperor, Jesus used a Roman coin to teach them, "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belong to God."

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Oct 11 Sun: 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is:25:6-10a; Ps:23; Phil:4:12-14, 19-20; Mt:22:1-14

**Oct 12 : Mon: Ordinary Weekday**

Gal:4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Ps:113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a & 6-7;

Lk:11:29-32

**Oct 13 : Tue: Ordinary Weekday**

Gal:5:1-6; Ps:119: 41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48; Lk:11:37-41

**Oct 14: Wed: Ordinary Weekday**

Gal:5:18-25; Ps:1: 1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Lk:11:42-46

**Oct 15 Thur: Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

Eph:1:1-10; Ps:98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk:11:47-54

**Oct 16 Fri: Ordinary Weekday**

Eph:1:11-14; Ps:33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk:12:1-7

**Oct 17 Sat: Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr**

Eph:1:15-23; Ps:8: 2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7; Lk:12:1-7

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### Operation Funds Collection:

|                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Sunday Collection</b> | <b>\$ 3,239.00</b> |
| <b>Candles</b>           | <b>60.00</b>       |
| <b>Marriage</b>          | <b>300.00</b>      |
| <b>Mass Intention</b>    | <b>30.00</b>       |
| <b>Outreach</b>          | <b>45.00</b>       |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>\$ 3,674.00</b> |

### RESTRICTED COLLECTIONS

|                                      |                    |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Building Fund</b>                 | <b>\$ 723.00</b>   |
| <b>HI Catholic Ministries Appeal</b> | <b>1,438.00</b>    |
| <b>Catholic University</b>           | <b>5.00</b>        |
| <b>Repair &amp; Maintenance</b>      | <b>90.00</b>       |
| <b>Total</b>                         | <b>\$ 2,261.00</b> |

### ON-LINE GIVING (SEPTEMBER)

#### Operation Funds Collection:

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>General Collection</b> | <b>\$ 7,195.00</b> |
| <b>Outreach</b>           | <b>1,455.00</b>    |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>\$ 8,650.00</b> |

#### Restricted Collection:

|                                 |                    |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Building Fund</b>            | <b>\$ 5,652.50</b> |
| <b>Repair &amp; Maintenance</b> | <b>795.00</b>      |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>\$ 6,447.50</b> |

### MAHALO FOR SHARING YOUR TREASURE

**WORD OF LIFE:** "An old Irish proverb says, "It is in the shelter of each other that the people live." Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to "shelter" them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them:

[www.usccb.org/end-of-life-care](http://www.usccb.org/end-of-life-care) "USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Caring for Love Ones at Life's End"



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## 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time A – October 11, 2026

Ka Leo O Ke Kahuhipa – Aloha ‘Ohana Aloha Nu’ia

### October is the Month of Rosary - Our Lady of the Rosary -

Originally the feast was called **Our Lady of Victory**, commemorating the Christian Naval Victory over the Moslem Naval forces at **Lepanto** on **October 7, 1571**. Later, it was called **Our Lady of Rosary**. The Christian Naval League were greatly outnumbered and, likely, would have been defeated. **Pope Pius V** invoke all Christians in Europe to pray the Rosary beseeching Our Blessed Mother’s assistance. The Christian victory spared the West from fallen into Ottoman Moslem conquest that would have eventually reached all the way to Rome. We are encouraged to daily pray the Rosary in our earthly and spiritual battles we face daily and with Our Blessed Mother’s assistance to overcome all evil. Let us prayerfully participate in the **Holy Rosary** prayers **30 minutes before all masses. Let us place our “battles” into the hands of our Blessed Mother – Our Lady of Victory.**

### St. Rita Parish Living Rosary

Parish Living Rosary will be prayed at the front of our Parish Marian Grotto on **Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 12:00noon – 1:00pm**. All parishioners are invited to join in the Living Rosary. The Living Rosary will be sponsored by St. Rita Respect Life Ministry.

## Scripture Reflections

### Old Testament: Isaiah 25:6-10

**Background Context:** Today’s 1<sup>st</sup> reading taken from the **Book of Prophet Isaiah** perhaps contains one of the most astonishing promise God ever made in the Old Testament, that is **banquet truly worthy of God**. To start with, **a banquet** unique for the number of those invited: the **people of all nations** and of **all generations**. The menu mentioned too is truly worthy of God, **“the choicest food and finest wine”** proving God’s unique wealth and generosity.

**“On this mountain the Lord of host will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure choice wines.” Isaiah 25: 6.** The mountain refers primary to Mount Zion/Jerusalem, the place associated with God’s presence and worship in the Old Testament.

**Application to Life:** Listening carefully we hear an important development the rich banquet is prepared for all people, not just for the Jews. **This is significant**, the rich banquet symbolizing God’s salvation is not presented as restricted only to Isreal. True, Isreal remained central in biblical story of salvation, but God’s final purpose extends outward to all the nations.

The **“rich food and pure choice wine”** mentioned symbolized abundance, joy and life in fullness in God’s eternal banquet. The repetition of the word **“feast”** emphasized God’s generosity and God’s abundance. It is not only a meal but a feast! God do not offer His people and thus to all of us a bare minimum, rather God prepares a table of abundance, a feast.

Reflecting on these amazing descriptions of the sumptuous feast by Prophet Isaiah, brought to my mind the memories of fiestas on the Marianna Islands. I attended many while growing up in the village where

the celebration of the Patron Saint took place annually and practically the whole village participated. I vividly remember the boisterous voices of “Biba San Miguet!” Or “Biba Santa Maria!”

All echoing loudly after the festal Masses. Then of course the sumptuous feast, like what Prophet Isaiah spoke about an amazing feast provided by the villagers! Some of my favorite dishes were shrimp kelaguin, lechon especially with crispy brown skin, pot rose meat, bar-be-q ribs, crispy fried chicken, coconut shrimp with puntan calamasa, red rice, lumpia and so many other ono foods all lined up on the table for all to eat and enjoy!

I’m sure you all have your favorite dish...from grilled ribeye steak, buttered lobster tails, lechon kawale, pinabe, pani popo, palusami, oka i’a, sapasui, poi, kalua pig, lau lau, poke, adobo, sinigang, sisig, kare-kare, pancit, silog, roasted lamb, gogigui, jjimdak, dumplings, kung pao chicken, and lamb chops. There are just too many to mention. Now if earthly fiestas are symbolic of heavenly banquet, what joyous event awaits us in heaven, a wedding banquet bedeck with all the ono food!

Prophet Isaiah further states that God will destroy on this mountain (Mount Zion) **“the veil that veils all peoples, the sheet that is spread over the nations.”** The Prophet Isaiah suddenly pronounced image that shifted from a banquet to sheet - veil covering all humanity.

What does this **“sheet or veil”** represent? It can be understood as a condition that prevents humanity, prevents all of us from seeing and experiencing God’s salvation fully: our ignorance, our suffering, our sin, our alienation and the death we face. Prophet Isaiah described humanity as being covered by something that prevented clear vision. But we are promised that God Himself would remove this covering **“sheet – veil”**, there is therefore an important movement made here: **God prepared the amazing feast – God removed the veil – so that humanity, we all can finally fully experience salvation.**

**We must not forget that this initiative belonged entirely to God**, it is not our doing! Prophet Isaiah further made it clear that **“God would swallow up death forever”** This is also one of the most extraordinary statements in the Old Testament.

**Death was regarded as one of the greatest of realities that human beings could not overcome.** Our human strength, political power and wealth could not defeat death. But **Prophet Isaiah** announced that God will destroy death itself. The language used here is very strong: **God will “swallow up death.”** Now there is an irony here, because death normally **“swallows”** human beings. But Prophet Isaiah stated that God would **“swallow up”** death.

In doing so **“The Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces.”** The image used is deeply personal; God does not merely remove death as an abstract theological problem, rather God **“wipes away”** our human tears, the sorrow, the brokenness and the tears that flows from our eyes! Most of all **“and the reproach of His people God will take away from all the earth.”** **We know that Jesus Christ the Messiah took our reproaches – our sins upon Himself on the Cross!**

Israel in history had experienced humiliation before the nations, in their defeat, exile and suffering could have suggested to other nations that God abandoned Israel. **But God did not abandon His people, and God will not abandon us.** Just as Israel’s hope is based on God’s faithfulness, so our hope too is based on the faithful God.

It is obvious that such a **lavish banquet** is not of this world, in fact when those words were spoken by Prophet Isaiah between **740 BC and 686 BC**, hunger and deprivation rather than banquet was the reality of the people in Jerusalem, time and time again besieged by its enemies and many were poor and knew hunger personally. Prophet Isaiah spoke those words foreshadowing the Messiah who would come to provide such a banquet.

The Holy Mass and the Eucharist we celebrate and partake forms part of its fulfillment. Its final stage will take place in heavenly Jerusalem, in the **“wedding banquet where the Lamb will be present”**. In our baptism God has entered our names on the list of those invited and we must see to it that we do not miss the heavenly wedding banquet, you and I have a reservation there, but we must personally accept the invitation and be present!

### **New Testament: Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20**

**Background Context:** Today's 2<sup>nd</sup> reading contains the conclusion of Paul's letter to the Christian church in Philippi. Paul was in jail at Ephesus and the Christian Church in Philippi had sent a contribution to lighten the burden of his jail life.

Paul greatly appreciative of the help he had received wrote to thank the church in Philippi for their kind gesture while assuring them of the Lord's generous reward for it and while making it clear that what counted to him was not so much the amount they had sent as the love of Jesus Christ they had put in their gift. Paul stated; **“It was kind of you to share in my distress.”**

Paul did not reject their generosity, rather he showed gratitude. This is important he has just explained that he has learned live with little but that did not mean Christian generosity is unnecessary.

**Application to Life:** The Philippian Christians have entered into Paul's suffering by supporting him. The word **“share”** used by Paul is important because it expresses the idea of participation or fellowship by those in Philippi.

Their material assistance becomes a form of communion with Paul's apostolic mission. They are not simply giving money to Paul; they are participating in his ministry because of their generosity to assist him.

Perhaps this is one of the beautiful themes of the Philippian Christian church; Christian fellowship and friendship is expressed through prayer, sacrifice, generosity and solidarity. Paul then gave the Philippian Church a promise, **“My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.”**

This did not mean God will give you everything you desire, rather Paul speaks about God's faithful provision. Notice the expression: **“whatever you need”** here Paul is speaking about what is necessary for Christian life and mission. Paul stated that God provides **“according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus.”** God's generosity is not limited by human resources.

Often, we may feel inadequate in assisting the mission of the Parish Church of St. Rita in financial matters, yet by our generosity according to our means we do more than we can ever realize because God is never outdone in generosity.

The Philippian Christian church had generously given to Paul, and he assures them that God saw their generosity and will provide for them. Therefore, there is a beautiful movement, they gave and God provides. We all have a part in the ministry of the body of Christ the Church.

But this should not be understood as commercial transaction with God; **“If I give money God must give me more money.”** That would reduce our Christian generosity to a business arrangement.

“This mind set is often **the errors of “prosperity Gospel preachers”** that being a generous Christian we gain earthly wealth. **The point is deeper; we are stewards therefore; God is the ultimate source of everything we have and those who give generously can entrust themselves to God’s providence.**

Paul concludes, **“to God and our Father be glory forever and ever Amen.”** This is the proper conclusion. Paul’s attention moved away from himself, his needs and Philippian’s generosity and towards God. Everything began with God and everything ultimately led back to God. Christian response to God’s goodness is therefore the doxology, praise and thanksgiving.

### **Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14**

**Background Context:** The parable of the wedding feast took place while Jesus was in Jerusalem in his final period of His ministry and He is speaking in the context of increasing conflict with the Jewish religious leaders. **The parable of the wedding banquet** therefore concerned Israel’s religious leaders’ response to God’s invitation, but it also opened toward the wider invitation to all the nations...to all peoples.

If all banquets were expected to be occasions to rejoice, this is doubly so in the **wedding banquet**. People normally strive for months to prepare one, gathering money, taking stock of food and the venue to be held. Normally people do not measure food or drinks on such occasions; family, friends or even strangers who happen to be present, are all welcome. On the other hand, we feel deeply hurt if someone invited to such a planned wedding banquet ignores or refuses to attend.

The Gospel speaks of a king who prepared wedding feast for his son and invited family and friends to join in the banquet. Strangely enough they refuse to attend. Their refusal meant more than lack of their courtesy; it amounted to rebellion; it was a way to show to the king that they rejected his rule.

Yet the king sent his servants once more, but no amount of pleading would do, and as in the case of the wicked tenants in earlier parable, they ill-treated the servants and even killed some of them. The reaction of the king was all too natural. The king **“was furious, he dispatched his troops, destroyed those murders and burnt their town.” Matthew 22:7.**

**Application to Life:** The king now states that the banquet is ready but those invited were not worthy of coming. Then he commanded the servants, **“Go out, therefore into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.”** Now the invitation has become much broader. The servants gather **“both the good and the bad.”** This detail is very important, the kingdom is not presented as a banquet reserved for people who already appear perfect, everyone is invited.

The servants gathered people from streets without making distinction between those who are socially respected and those who are not. **This points toward the universal dimension of the Gospel.** The

kingdom of God is offered beyond the original boundaries of the invitation. Then comes the most difficult part of the parable. The king saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment.

**At first this seems strange because** the guests have been brought in from the streets. **How could someone who was suddenly invited be expected to have a wedding garment?**

This is why **wedding garments** should not be simply interpreted as expensive clothing. **In the biblical and early Christian interpretation of this parable, the wedding garment represents an appropriate response to God's invitation - a life transformed by God's grace.**

The **invitation is free - it is God's abundant grace**, but it is not meaningless. **Being invited to the wedding banquet must produce a response**, in other words: **God's grace is freely given but God's grace called for conversion.**

The king asked, **"Friend how did you get in here without a wedding garment? But he was reduced to silence."** His silence suggests that he has no adequate response. He accepted the invitation outwardly, but there is no evidence of inner transformation.

**But here comes the lesson Jesus meant for us;** once inside the banquet hall, once invited into God's kingdom, we must not be wearing a filthy, ragged clothes of sin we must always ready dressed interiorly in the wedding garment of virtuous life led by conversion and transformation.

The **parable warned against two different attitudes;** 1). Rejecting God's invitation outright and 2). Accepting the invitation yet never allowed conversion and transformation to take place in our lives – to prepared the wedding garment before the invitation. Christian faith is therefore not merely about being present, **it is about living according to the graces we have received, live of conversion and transformation.**

Jesus stated **many are invited but few are chosen**, that is God's invitation is generous and wide, but being called required a response of faith, conversion and faithful living. **The kingdom – salvation** is not something we possess automatically.

Our spiritual growth comes from responding daily to God's invitation for conversion slowly making our baptismal – wedding garment ready for that special day we are called - invited. Don't take God's grace for granted. Faithfulness requires preparation. God's invitation is inclusive but requires commitment and finally judgement follows, consequences to the lives we daily chose to live.

### **ANNUAL MONTH of OCTOBER PARISH COUNT**

Please note that our ushers will be counting the number Sunday attendance at all the masses, both children and adults, during the Month of October.

### **OUR 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTIONS - MAHALO NUI LOA**

**Mahalo for Your Continuous and Generous Support:** We collected **\$1,438.00** last weekend October 3 - 4. We now have turned in to the Diocese the total **\$11,246.00** to date, which is now **81 %** of the goal of **\$13,843.00**. We are almost to the goal to complete our part in the Diocesan Catholic Ministry Appeal for Year 2026.

Mahalo Nui Loa for your kokua and God bless you all. **2<sup>nd</sup> Collections** are taken on weekly basis for St. Rita's **2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal**. We are already at 81% of the goal of **\$13,843.00** the Diocese has set for us by December 2026! We hope to avoid having unpaid 2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal to be added to coming **2027 - 2028 Diocesan Parish Assessment**.

### NOVEMBER is the MONTH of POOR SOULS:

After the **ALL SAINTS DAY** November 1<sup>st</sup>, **Our Daily Novena Prayers for POOR SOULS** will be prayed before all masses and the intentions for **ALL SOULS**. The Novena Prayers for Poor Souls will be prayed 30 minutes before the Mass. All our Masses are being offered for **the Intentions of the POOR SOULS** during the Month of November.

The **POOR SOULS** envelopes are **available at the front of the church**, please pick one and fill it in with the names of your deceased loved ones. **PLEASE PRINT THEIR NAMES** clearly. **ALL SOULS MASS BOX** will be placed at the front of the church starting November 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Do not drop your ALL SOULS envelopes** in the box, only drop them into the collection baskets at mass. Please turn them in by end of October in preparation for Month of Poor Souls.

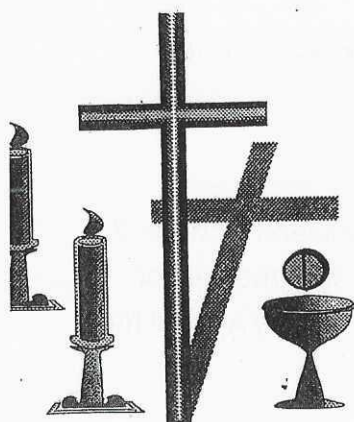
Let us pray for all our **deceased Loved Ones** who have gone before us. Why are they called **Poor Souls**? **Because upon our earthly death we no longer** can gain any virtuous acts, just as we **no longer** can commit evil. Many souls who died in the friendship of God but not fully prepared for Heaven enter into the state of **Purgation – Purgatory** to be cleansed of all stains of sin. They seek our prayers in their expiation for their sins confessed but not fully expiated on earth.

Therefore, the Mother Church invites her children, the baptized faithful who are living to pray and do acts of penance for them. If anyone has already entered Heaven, then our prayers and penances will benefit those other souls, especially those who have been forgotten and in need of our prayers.

**All Baptized are members of the Church**, the Church on earth we the living are called **Church Militant**, those who have died and are in purgation-Purgatory are called **Church Suffering** and those who have entered Heaven are called **Church Triumphant**. **The Church Suffering cannot pray for themselves we the Church Militant and Church Triumphant can do so as member of the** body of Christ and intercede on their behalf. Poor Souls who enter Heaven after purgation – Purgatory are ever grateful to all those who prayed for their behalf and in Heaven will continuously intercede on our behalf.

### ALL SOULS DAY – ENVELOPES

*Have a blessed week in the month of Nov! Love!*



*All Souls  
Day  
remembrance of  
our beloved dead*

In the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, on All Souls Day, please remember the Souls of:

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