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### THE FOUR LAST THINGS

## DEATH and JUDGEMENT

The month of November is traditionally dedicated to praying for the holy souls in Purgatory. In recognition of this we will dedicate the bulletins this week and next to the Church's teachings on the four last things: death, judgement, heaven, and hell. This week we begin with death and judgement.

Where does death come from? Death comes from sin. St. Paul in his letter to the Romans explained: "Therefore, just as through one

person sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all, inasmuch as all sinned" (5:12).

Before the fall of Adam and Eve man lived in communion with God and possessed bodily immortality. But with original sin we lost that immortality and so became subject to decay and to death. With the loss of bodily immortality also comes suffering and illness. So it is now our part in this life to suffer and die.

But what is death? Death is nothing more than the separation of the body and soul. We do not cease to exist at death. We do not become unaware of things at death. Our bodies will cease to live as a result of age, sickness or accident, but we will continue. Life will go on; our souls will continue to be alive, but apart, for a time, from our bodies which will no longer be animated.

Death is a temporary state, for at our death we will be judged by Christ in the particular judgement, and then, at the end of the world, all men shall rise again for the general judgement. Thus the whole man, body and soul, will be rewarded for the good or evil that he has done, body and soul, in this life.

There are three possible outcomes to the particular judgment. Those whose love for God has been perfected in this life are taken straight to heaven, where they enjoy endless happiness in the face to face vision of God. Those who die in God's love but still love Him imperfectly must be purified in the intermediate state of purgatory. Those, however, who reject God's love by mortal sin and die without repenting are condemned to the everlasting torments of hell.

The Lord takes us seriously. He lets us have our own way. We get what we choose. We go to our own place. By the course of our lives we choose eternal happiness or eternal damnation.

The general judgment at the end of time simply solemnly confirms the particular judgments of each one, with the difference that then the body as well as the soul will receive what is due to it. And all God's judgments will be revealed as most just.

## THE PARISH OFFICE

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## HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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### Holy Mass

Tuesday, 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, 9:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

### Confessions

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Holy Rosary** Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

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### Rosters

#### Altar Society

#### Readers

**8:30 a.m.**

**5:00 p.m.**

#### Counters

#### Bus Driver

## SOCIAL MEDIA

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@holycrossgranville

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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### Holy Mass

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:15 a.m.

Thursday, 8:15 a.m.

Friday, 8:15 a.m.

Saturday, 8:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

### Confessions

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

First Friday of the month, 6:15 p.m.

### Holy Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

### Traditional Latin Mass

First Thursday of the month, 6:00 p.m.

### Ghanaian Chaplaincy Mass

Second and last Sunday of the month,  
11:30 a.m.

### Vietnamese Chaplaincy Mass

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

### Children's Liturgy

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

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### Rosters

#### Church Cleaning

L. Hale, D. Portelli,

L. Toman, W. Krasinski, J. Galea,

A. Quinlan, B. Francis, L. Franco

#### Readers

**Vigil** Racquel La Rosa, Sisters, Sisters

**10:00 a.m.** Ingrid Bifulco,

Joseph Ojiba

#### Children's Liturgy

#### Counters

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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Janelle Allan, John Anjoul, Marlene Ashton, John Augustus, Frank Azzopardi, Ann Blesson, Betty Borg, Vincenzo Colosimo, Lucy Farrugia, Carmel Galea, Evangeline Grabato, John Graham, Thomas Hayek, Elizabeth Hicks, Peter Higgins, Ruth La Rosa, Kay King, Jacob Lee, Josephine Magro, Ester Matos, Sid Morgan, Scott Moulton, Tony Moussa, Ben Nursoo, Sarah-Joy O'Connor, Flory Pinto, Don Provest, Anna Saunig, Therese Smeal, Ricardo Tognini, Miriam Welangoda, Lorraine Vella, Sam Wardan.

*St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us.*

## IN MEMORIAM

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Mary Alby, Lorenza Attwill, George Azzi, Miklina Azzopardi, Vic Azzopardi, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, Diane Dib, George Dib, Hanna Dib, Nadia Dib, Tony Dib, Maria Gambin, Maureen Gardiner, Joseph Gibrine, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Lam Hatran, Maria Kim Hoang, John Ibrahim, Laila Ibrahim, La Macchia family, Nouhad Khoury, Betty McGrath, Mondello family, Sam Moussa, Samantha Moussa, Des Miller, Neville O'Sullivan, Jack Pickering, Emmanuel Tabone, Phil Thompson, Francis Tran, Peter Doan Van Tran, Peter Tuu Van Tran, Bernadette Ulbrich, Joseph Vella, Dib Zaiter.

## **First Thursday Traditional Latin Mass**

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This Thursday evening, the first Thursday of the month, we continue with the Traditional Latin Mass at 6:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church. Join us for this, the Mass of the Ages, and delve into the rich tradition of the Church.

## **“An Evening with Our Lord” First Friday Devotions in Honour of the Sacred Heart of Our Lord**

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This Friday evening, the first Friday of the month, we continue our devotions in honour of the Sacred Heart of Our Lord at Holy Trinity Church, as we pray in reparation for the sins of humanity against almighty God.

Beginning with the Sacrament of Penance at 6:15 p.m., the holy Rosary at 6:30 p.m., Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m., and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30 p.m.

Never miss a chance to pray before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar and to receive the abundant graces that pour forth from His Sacred Heart, especially on the first Fridays of the month.

## **Compulsory Child Protection Training for Volunteers**

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The Diocese of Parramatta has mandated that all volunteers in all roles in parishes must undertake child protection and vulnerable adult training.

Training is available online or in person. There are three compulsory modules and each takes from 60 to 90 minutes to complete.

If you have not submitted your details to the parish office, please speak with Fr. Andrew or call the parish office and we can assist you with this process.

## **N.S.W. Government Public Health Restrictions**

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Public health restrictions imposed by the N.S.W. Government continue to be in place for churches. Under the current restrictions, churches are limited in capacity to one person per four square metres, social distancing of 1.5 metres between members of different households is required, face masks must be worn indoors (for those over 12 years old), congregational singing is not permitted, and hand sanitising and check-in is required for all attending.

### **How to Check-In**

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1. Download the Service NSW app
2. Select “Covid Safe Check-in”
3. Follow the prompts
4. Write “QR” for yourself and the number of dependents checked-in on the manual sign-in sheets (this is to demonstrate that we comply with capacity limits)

If you do not have the app, write your full name and telephone number on the manual sign-in sheets.

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Please assist us with following these requirements to ensure the health and safety of all who attend Mass.

In order to allow as many people as possible to attend Mass, while restrictions are in place that limit the number of people allowed per four square metres, we will continue with the temporary Mass times of Saturdays at 4:30 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 a.m. and Sundays at 3:00 p.m.

The temporary confession times of Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church and Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church will also continue whilst the temporary Mass times schedule is in place.

## **Farewell to Elsie Bugeja**

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Elsie Bugeja, a long-time parishioner, has moved to Lismore with her family. Elsie has been a parishioner for almost 70 years and has dedicated a great deal of her time and effort in support of the parish including volunteering for the St. Vincent de Paul Society, helping in the piety shop and cleaning the church. We thank Elsie for her many years of service to the parish and we wish her all the very best in her new home at Lismore.

## **Holy Family Church Readers**

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If you would like to be rostered as a reader for Holy Mass at Holy Family Church for the Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass or the 5:00 p.m. Mass, please speak with Fr. Andrew or call the parish office.

## **Holy Trinity Church Readers’ Roster**

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The readers’ roster for Masses at Holy Trinity Church is now available. The roster commences from next weekend. The roster has been emailed to all readers and copies are available in the piety shop. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to read at Mass for your service to the Church and to the parish.

## **Holy Trinity Church Cleaners’ Roster**

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The cleaners’ roster for Holy Trinity Church resumes next Saturday. Copies of the roster are available in the piety shop.

We are also asking for volunteers to assist with the cleaning of Holy Trinity Church once a month on a Friday morning. If you are able to assist with this, please speak with Fr. Andrew or call the parish office.

Thank you to all those who regularly volunteer to clean the churches.

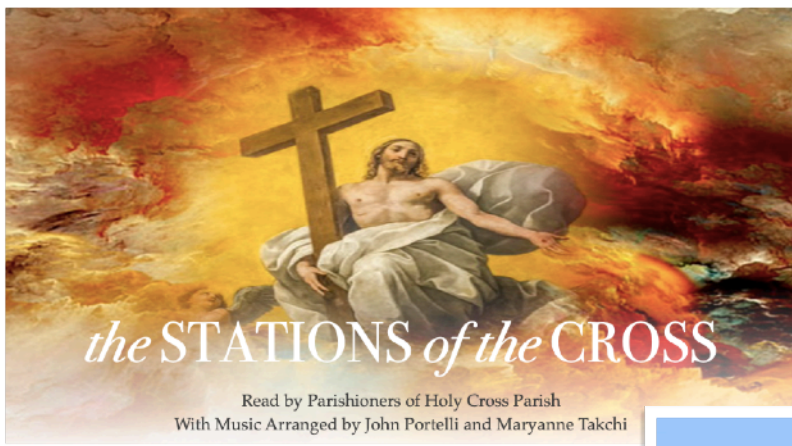
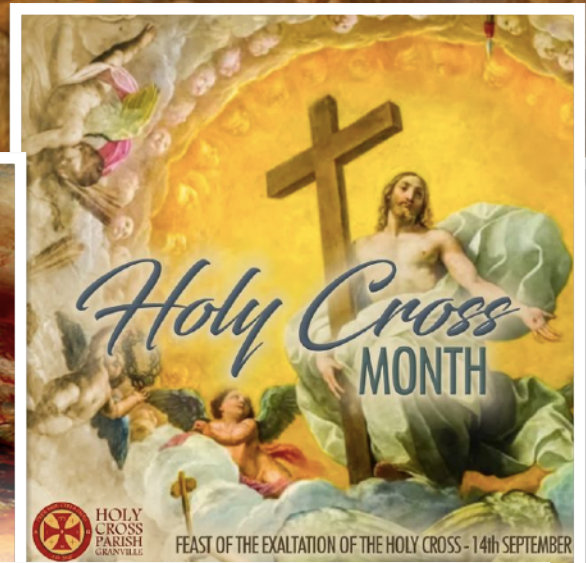


SEPTEMBER 5TH

SEPTEMBER 13TH

# HOLY CROSS NOVENA

Led by Parishioners of Holy Cross Parish, Granville



## the STATIONS of the CROSS

Read by Parishioners of Holy Cross Parish  
With Music Arranged by John Portelli and Maryanne Takchi



HOLY CROSS PARISH

## TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday 24th  
September

IN CELEBRATION OF  
HOLY CROSS  
MONTH



## THE MARIAN CHALLENGE

1-31 AUGUST

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# Holy Rosary ZOOM

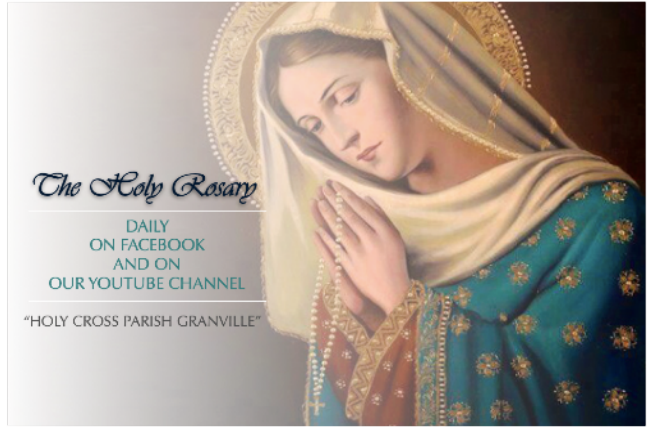
## LIVE

To pray the Holy Rosary live with us, visit [zoom.us](https://zoom.us)  
and click on "Join a Meeting" and enter the meeting ID below



**ADORATION**  
*of the* **BLESSED SACRAMENT**

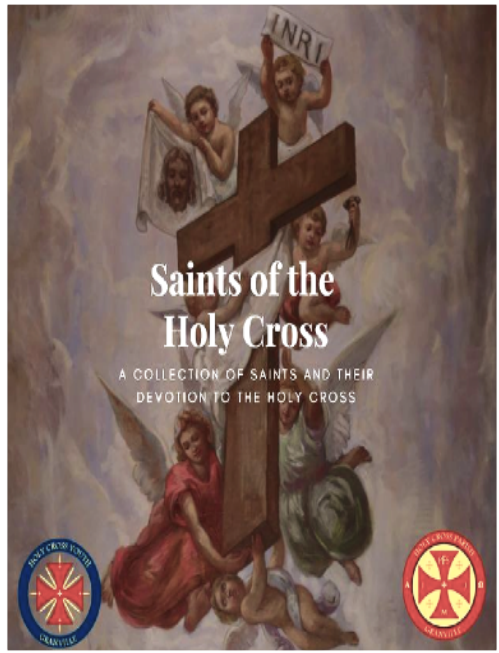
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*The Holy Rosary*



DAILY  
ON FACEBOOK  
AND ON  
OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL

"HOLY CROSS PARISH GRANVILLE"



**Saints of the Holy Cross**

A COLLECTION OF SAINTS AND THEIR  
DEVOTION TO THE HOLY CROSS


**HOLY CROSS PARISH**  
**WALK 4 MARY**

*Pray a decade of the Rosary  
while out on your daily walk!  
If you are housebound, take a  
stroll in your home or in your  
garden!*

*Send us a video  
or a message saying:*  
**"I will Walk 4 Mary"**



**DIVINE MERCY**  
*Chaplet*

- HOLY CROSS CONNECTS -

*Mental Health*

This Friday | 6:30PM

Via Zoom: [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us)

Meeting ID: 844 7144 9117

Presented by  
**Rosette Chidiac**  
Mental Health  
Social Worker




HOLY CROSS PARISH GRANVILLE

**HOLY CROSS MONTH**  
**HOLY CROSS FAMILIES**



**HOLY CROSS FRIENDS & FAMILY**

**SEND US YOUR MESSAGE**



SEND A VIDEO OR PHOTOGRAPH OF YOUR FAMILY WITH A SHORT MESSAGE OF HOPE FOR THE PARISH FOR HOLY CROSS MONTH.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

SEND THEM THROUGH FACEBOOK MESSENGER OR EMAIL TO [GRANVILLE@PARRACATHOLIC.ORG](mailto:GRANVILLE@PARRACATHOLIC.ORG)



**DAILY MASS ON YOUR DEVICE**

 **YouTube**



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# MASSES FOR THE DEAD

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## NOVEMBER MASSES

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*To have the names of the faithful departed  
of your family and your friends remembered at the altar  
during Holy Masses said during the month of November,  
complete one of the special November Masses envelopes  
and leave this in the box by the doors of the church.*

*The names of those given will be written  
in the Book of Remembrance  
and placed at the altar of St. Joseph  
at Holy Family Church  
and in the chapel of the Missionary Sisters  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the World  
at Holy Trinity Church.*

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During the month of November the Church asks the faithful to pray for the faithful departed—that the Holy Souls in Purgatory may be forgiven their sins and so borne to live forever with Our Lord and all the Angels and Saints.

Of this Pope Francis has said that “Church tradition has always urged prayer for the dead, in particular by offering the celebration of the Eucharist for them: It is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly to the most abandoned ones.”

Pope Benedict XVI said that “praying for the dead is a noble practice that implies belief in the resurrection of the dead... We intend our prayers of suffrage... to be united with this prayer of the Lord which is priestly *par excellence*. Christ substantiated his entreaty to the Father with the gift of himself on the Cross; let us offer our prayers in union with the Eucharistic Sacrifice, which is the real and actual representation of that unique and saving self-emptying.”

The Holy Mass is the highest form of prayer of the Church, because it is the prayer of Christ Himself—the Son of God to the Father by the power of the Holy Spirit. There can be no greater prayer than this to be said for those who are suffering in purgatory, and no greater hope of salvation than offering this prayer.

We pray for those who have died because they can no longer pray for themselves. While in this life we can pray for ourselves and perform penances as acts of contrition for our sins. But at our death, we are no longer able to do this and so we rely solely on the love and the mercy of those who remain in this world and of the Saints in heaven to pray for us and our eternal souls.

In each Mass the Priest prays for the dead, asking the Lord to remember His servants “who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace” and asking that they may be granted “a place of refreshment, light, and peace.” This November, remember those who have died and pray for them, so that, they, when we depart from this world, will remember and pray for us.

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# ALL ✠ SOULS ✠ DAY



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ALL SAINTS' DAY, MONDAY, 1 NOVEMBER

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9:15 A.M. | HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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ALL SOULS' DAY, TUESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER

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8:15 A.M. | HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

9:15 A.M. | HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

5:00 P.M. | HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

6:30 P.M. | HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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*“Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*May they rest in peace.*

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.”*

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The Readings

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**Introit** (Cf. Ps 37:22-23)

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;  
be not far from me!  
Make haste and come to my help,  
O Lord, my strong salvation!

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**First Reading**

**The Book of Deuteronomy** (6:2-6)

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

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**Responsorial Psalm** (Ps. 17:2-4, 47, 51. R. v. 2)

R. I love you Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,  
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.  
My God is the rock where I take refuge;  
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.  
The Lord is worthy of all praise:  
when I call I am saved from my foes. R.

Long life to the Lord, my rock!  
Praised be to the God that saves me.  
He has given great victories to his king  
and shown love for his anointed. R.

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**Second Reading**

**The Letter to the Hebrews** (7:23-28)

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which

came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

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**Gospel Acclamation** (Jn 14:23)

Alleluia, alleluia!  
All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.  
Alleluia!

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**Gospel of Mark** (12:28-34)

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

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**Communio** (Cf. Ps 15:11)

You will show me the path of life,  
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

“ *Eternal Father,  
I offer You the most Precious Blood  
of Your Divine Son, Jesus,  
in union with the Masses  
said throughout the world today,  
for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory,  
for all sinners everywhere,  
for sinners in the universal Church,  
those in my own home  
and within my family.*

*Amen.* ”

— St. Gertrude the Great