

# NOVEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Christ the King All Saints Party	27 Adult Catechism	28	29	30	31	1 All Saints
2 21st Sunday after Pentecost	3 Commemoration of All Souls	4	5	6	7 First Friday	8 Roses of Mary Men's Schola
9 Dedication of the Archbasilica of the Most Holy	10	11	12	13	14 Pro-Life Vigil	15 Altar Guild Men's Schola
16 23rd Sunday after Pentecost	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 24th and Last Sunday after Pentecost	24	25	26	27	28 All-Night Adoration	29
30 First Sunday of Advent	1	2	3	4	5	6

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## Please pray for:

### Repose of the Souls of:

Pope Francis  
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1st Lt. David Bentley, U.S. Air Force  
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# + IMMACULATE + CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH



"O Mary, through thine Immaculate Conception  
make my body pure and my soul holy."

## TWENTY-FIRST Sunday after PENTECOST



November 2, 2025

### Sunday Schedule:

Low Mass: 7 a.m.  
9 a.m.  
Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

### Confessions:

One-half hour before Mass  
and Saturdays at 4 p.m.

### Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday: 8 a.m.  
Thursday: 6 p.m.  
Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.

### Holy Hour:

Thursday: 7 p.m.

Pastor:

FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.

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Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter parish in Colorado Springs

# The Location of Purgatory

from: *Purgatory Explained by the Lives and Legends of the Saints*,  
by Fr. F.X. Schouppe, S.J.

Although faith tells us nothing definite regarding the location of Purgatory, the most common opinion, that which most accords with the language of Scripture, and which is the most generally received among theologians, places it in the bowels of the earth, not far from the Hell of the reprobates. Theologians are almost unanimous, says [St. Robert] Bellarmine, in teaching that Purgatory, at least the *ordinary* place of expiation, is situated in the interior of the earth, that the souls in Purgatory and the reprobate are in the same subterranean space in the deep abyss which the Scripture calls *Hell*.

When we say in the Apostles' Creed that after His death *Jesus Christ descended into Hell*, the name Hell, says the Catechism of the Council of Trent, signifies those hidden places where the souls are detained which have not yet reached eternal beatitude. But these prisons are of different kinds. One is a dark and gloomy dungeon, where the damned are continually tormented by evil spirits, and by a fire which is never extinguished. This place, which is Hell properly so called is also named Gehenna and abyss.

There is another Hell, which contains the fire of Purgatory. There the souls of the just suffer for a certain time, that they may become entirely purified before being admitted into their heavenly fatherland, where nothing defiled can ever enter.

A third Hell was that into which the souls of the saints who died before the coming of Jesus Christ were received, and in which they enjoyed peaceful repose, exempt from pain, consoled and sustained by the hope of their redemption. They were those holy souls which awaited Jesus Christ in Abraham's bosom, and which were delivered when Christ descended into Hell. Our Savior suddenly diffused among them a brilliant light, which filled them with joy, and gave them sovereign beatitude, which is the vision of God. Then was fulfilled the promise of Jesus to the good thief: "This day thou shalt be with Me in Paradise."

"A very probable opinion," says St. Thomas "and one which, moreover, corresponds with the words of the saints in particular revelation, is that Purgatory has a double place for expiation. The first will be destined for the generality of souls, and is situated below, near to Hell; the second will be for particular cases, and it is from thence that so many apparitions occur."

The Holy Doctor admits, then, like so many others who share his opinions, that sometimes Divine Justice assigns a special place of purification to certain souls, and even permits them to appear either to instruct the living or to procure for the departed the suffrages of which they stand in need; sometimes also for other motives worthy of the wisdom and

## Upcoming Parish Events

### November 3 ~ Commemoration of All Souls

We will have three Masses on Nov. 3: 8 a.m., noon, and a Sung Mass at 6 p.m.  
After the noon Mass we shall go to Pikes Peak National Cemetery to pray the Rosary (Bring a sack lunch to eat after Mass before driving to the cemetery). Cemetery located at 10545 Drennan Road, Colorado Springs.

### November 7 ~ Home Schoolers' First Friday

Catechesis and pot-luck breakfast for home-schooled children of the parish. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Gracey Wike, cosfssp.homeschoolgroup@gmail.com.

### November 8 ~ Young Roses of Mary

Girls' group (ages 8-18) to meet 7:45 a.m. for Mass, followed by breakfast and catechesis on feminine virtues. Contact Amy Seltzer, caseltzer@gmail.com.

### November 8 ~ Men's Schola Rehearsal

Schola rehearsal will begin after Mass Saturday morning. Men interested in singing with an all-men schola may contact Kelsey Villalobos, (719) 651-9800, for more information.

mercy of God.

Such is the general view concerning the location of Purgatory. Since we are not writing a controversial treatise, we add neither proofs nor refutations; these can be seen in authors such as Suarez and Bellarmine. We will content ourselves by remarking that the opinion concerning a subterranean Hell has nothing to fear from modern science. A science purely natural is incompetent in questions which belong, as does this one, to the supernatural order. Moreover, we know that spirits may be in a place occupied by bodies, as though these bodies did not exist. Whatever, then, the interior of

the earth may be whether it is entirely of fire, as geologists commonly say, or whether it be in any other state, there is nothing to prevent its serving as a sojourn of spirits, even of spirits clothed with a risen body. The Apostle St. Paul teaches us that the air is filled with a multitude of evil spirits: "We have to combat," says he, "against the spirits of wickedness in the high places" (*Ephesians 6:12*).

On the other hand, we know that the good angels who protect us are no less numerous in the world. Now, if angels and other spirits can inhabit our atmosphere, whilst the physical world is not in the least degree

## + MASS INTENTIONS +

FOR THIS WEEK

### Monday, November 3 ~ Commemoration of All Souls

8 a.m. — + Faithful Departed  
Noon — + Faithful Departed  
6 p.m. — + Faithful Departed

### Tuesday, November 4 ~ St. Charles Borromeo

8 a.m. — + Faithful Departed

### Wednesday, November 5 ~ Daily Mass for the Dead

8 a.m. — + Faithful Departed

### Thursday, November 6 ~ Daily Mass for the Dead

6 p.m. — + Faithful Departed

### Friday, November 7 ~ Daily Mass for the Dead

8 a.m. — + Faithful Departed  
6 p.m. — + Faithful Departed

### Saturday, November 8 ~ Daily Mass for the Dead

8 a.m. — + Faithful Departed

### Sunday, November 9 ~ Dedication of the Archbasilica of the Most Holy Savior

7 a.m. — + Faithful Departed  
9 a.m. — Private Intention  
11 a.m. — Pro Populo

+ Fr. James and Fr. Dennis are accepting Mass intentions. +

changed, why cannot the souls of the dead dwell in the bosom of the earth?

St. Theresa had great charity towards the souls in Purgatory, and assisted them as much as lay in her power by her prayers and good works. In recompense, God frequently showed her the souls she had delivered; she saw them at the moment of their release from suffering and of

their entrance into Heaven... "I saw on my right side this soul come forth from the depths of the earth and ascend into Heaven in transports of joy. Although this priest was advanced in years, he appeared to me with the features of a man who had not yet attained the age of thirty, and with a countenance resplendent with light."

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