

John de Brébeuf (1593-1649) Jean de Brébeuf was a French Jesuit who came to Canada at the age of thirty-two and labored there for twenty-four years. He went back to France when the English captured Quebec (1629) and expelled the Jesuits, but returned to his missions four years later. Although medicine men blamed the Jesuits for a smallpox epidemic among the Hurons, Jean remained with them.

He composed catechisms and a dictionary in Huron, and saw seven thousand converted before his death. He was captured by the Iroquois and died after four hours of extreme torture at Sainte Marie, near Georgian Bay, Canada.

Father Anthony Daniel, working among Hurons who were gradually becoming Christian, was killed by Iroquois on July 4, 1648. His body was thrown into his chapel, which was set on fire. Gabriel Lalemant had taken a fourth vow—to sacrifice his life to the Native Americans. He was horribly tortured to death along with Father Brébeuf.

Fr. Charles Garnier was shot to death as he baptized children and catechumens during an Iroquois attack.

Father Noel Chabanel was killed before he could answer his recall to France. He had found it exceedingly hard to adapt to mission life. He could not learn the language, the food and life of the Native Americans revolted him, plus he suffered spiritual dryness during his whole stay in Canada. Yet he made a vow to remain until death in his mission. These eight Jesuit martyrs of North America were canonized in 1930.

The “poor” is my brother and my sister.

A Brazilian bishop used to say: “*when I give bread to the poor, they call me a saint. When I ask why the poor have no bread, they call me a socialist*”.

If a free society cannot help the many that are poor, it cannot save the few that are rich.

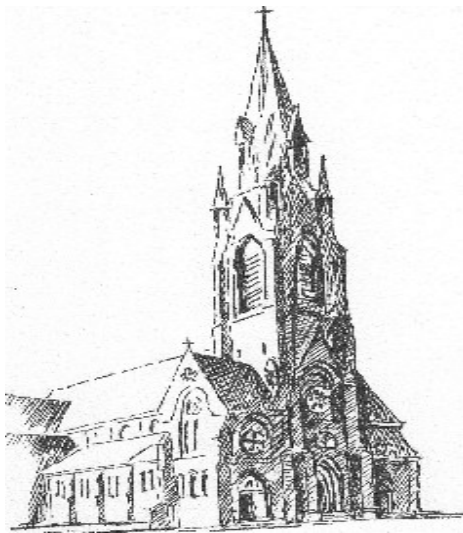
Today it is fashionable to talk about the poor, but not fashionable to talk with them.

World Missions

Today, we will be taking up the collection for World Missions.
Your ongoing and generous contributions will be most appreciated. Thank you.

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8:30 am Portuguese
10:00 am Portuguese
11:30 am English
1:00 pm English

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Monday—Friday 9:00 am Portuguese
6:00 pm English

Saturday 5:00 pm English

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Baptisms will be booked by appointment only

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Every day **before** Mass, except on Sunday

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XXX Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 26, 2025

First Reading (Sir 35:12-14,16-19) God shows no partiality of the rich and powerful, but listens to the humble prayer of the just and the lowly.

Psalm: The poor one called and the Lord heard.

Second Reading (2Tim 4:6-8,16-18) Paul, a prisoner in Rome, feels that his death is drawing near. But his confidence is unshaken and his hope of the ‘crown of glory’ is bright.

Gospel (Lk 18:9-14) Jesus told a story about a Pharisee and a tax-collector who went into the Temple to pray. The Pharisee boasted that he was not like other people. By this he meant that he was not a sinner. The parable of the Pharisee and the tax-collector makes the same point even more forcefully. The proud Pharisee is relying on his good works. Because of these he thinks that God owes him salvation. The tax-collector has nothing to rely on. He knows he’s a sinner. So he throws himself on the mercy of God. His words are few, but the attitude of his heart makes him pleasing to God. His humble prayer wins him forgiveness. The parable was aimed at those who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else. Although he was boastful, the Pharisee was not a hypocrite. His problem was that he had no concept of his need of God or grace or forgiveness.

Glory and Praise to Our God

Glory and praise to our God
Who alone gives light to our days
Many are the blessings He bears
To those who trust in His ways

We the daughters and sons of Him
Who built the valleys and plains
Praise the wonders our God has done
In every heart that sings

In His wisdom He strengthens us
Like gold that's tested in fire
Though the power of sin prevails
Our God is there to save



All That We Have

All that we have
and all that we offer
Comes from a heart
both frightened and free.
Take what we bring now
and give what we need.
All done in his name.

Some would rely on their power,
Others put trust in their gold.
Some have only their Savior,
Whose faithfulness never grows old. Chorus

Sometimes the road may be lonesome,
Often we may lose our way;
Take courage and always remember
Love isn't just for a day.

The Cry of the Poor

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.
Blessed be the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
with praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord,
who will hear the cry of the poor.

Let the lowly hear and be glad:
the Lord listens to their pleas;
and to hearts broken God is near,
who will hear the cry of the poor.

Every spirit crushed God will save;
will be ransom for their lives;
will be safe shelter for their fears,
and will hear the cry of the poor.

We proclaim your greatness, O God,
your praise ever in our mouth;
every face brightened in your light,
for you hear the cry of the poor.

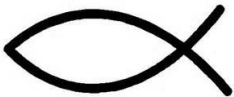
Hail Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen enthroned above; O Maria!
Hail, mother of mercy and of love, O Maria!

Triumph, all ye cherubim;
Sing with us, ye seraphim!
Heav'n and earth resound the hymn:
Salve, salve, salve, Regina!

Our life, our sweetness here below, O Maria!
Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria!

Mass Intentions For This Week



Saturday, October 25th

5:00 pm. Odilia & Michael Correia—Manuel & António Faria—Gary Realejo—Praise to St. Joseph and Santo Cristo

Sunday, October 26th

8:30 am. Nelissa da Mota

10:00 am. Community—Santo Cristo Association—Tommy de Carvalho—Candido, Manuela & Rui Branco

11:30 am. José & Angelo Medeiros—Ana Carvalho—Artur, Maria & Luisa Cabral—Lourdes Bautista—Humberto & Rosa Teves, Luis & Berino Cabral

1:00 pm. Dino Dutra

Monday, October 27th

9:00 am.
6:00 pm.

Tuesday, October 28th

9:00 am.
6:00 pm. Manuel Raulino

Wednesday, October 29th

9:00 am.
6:00 pm.

Thursday, October 30th

9:00 am. Geraldo Simão Firmino & in-laws
6:00 pm.

Friday, October 31st

9:00 am. Intention of Alda Medeiros
6:00 pm.

Saturday, November 1st

5:00 pm.