



# All Saints Day

November 1

## What is the Feast Day for All Saints?

The Feast Day for All Saints, also known as All Saints' Day, is a Christian holiday celebrated annually on November 1st. It is a special day to honour all the saints, both known and unknown, who have lived holy and virtuous lives. Saints are individuals who have been recognized by the Church for their exceptional devotion to God and their extraordinary acts of love and kindness.

On All Saints' Day, we gather to remember and celebrate the contributions of the saints to the faith. We attend special church services and offer prayers to honour these inspirational figures. The day serves as a reminder of the diversity and richness of the Catholic faith, with saints coming from various walks of life, cultures and historical periods.

The holiday has ancient origins, dating back to the early centuries of Christianity. It was originally celebrated in May or in connection with Easter, but later moved to November 1st to coincide with the Celtic festival of Samhain and the Roman Catholic feast of All Souls' Day, creating a three-day observance known as Allhallowtide.

In some Christian traditions, the day is marked by the lighting of candles and the reading of the names of the saints. It is a time of joy and thanksgiving, as Catholics express gratitude for the exemplary lives of the saints and seek their intercession in prayers.

All Saints Day is a significant day, offering a moment to honour the saints' legacies and seek inspiration from their devotion to God. It is a time to celebrate the triumph of goodness, love and compassion in the lives of these remarkable individuals that encourages us to follow their example in our own journey of faith.

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## Quotes

*"The saints are like the stars. In His providence Christ conceals them in a hidden place, and they shine in the Church to the glory of God."*

– St. Augustine

*"The world offers you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness."*

- Pope Benedict XVI

*"The saints were not superhumans; they were just ordinary people who allowed God to work in extraordinary ways through them."*

- Unknown

## Prayer

In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit;

Heavenly Father,  
On this special day of All Saints,  
We come before you with hearts full of gratitude and joy.  
We thank you for the countless saints who have gone before us,  
Those known to the world and those known only to you.

We thank you for their example of faith, hope and love,  
Their courage in the face of trials and their unwavering devotion to you.

We ask for their intercession and guidance in our own lives,  
That we may follow their footsteps and grow closer to you each day.

As we honour the saints of old and the ones among us,  
Help us to remember that we are called to be saints too,  
To live lives of holiness and love, serving you and our neighbors.

May we be inspired by their stories and virtues,  
And may their prayers strengthen and sustain us on our journey.

We lift up to you all the saints who have touched our lives,  
Those who have encouraged us, taught us and walked with us.

Bless them and keep them in your eternal embrace,  
And may their lives continue to inspire generations to come.

We offer this prayer in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
Who is the ultimate example of holiness and the source of all grace.

Amen.

## Patron Saint

All Saints  
Sanctity

Holy Men and Women  
Christian Unity

Missionaries  
Church

Love and Compassion  
Heaven and Eternal Life

Spiritual Communion  
Universal Salvation





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**FEAST DAY:  
November 1**

**SCHOOL LOCATION:**  
Markham, ON

*"A saint is a person  
who never gives up  
on the journey to  
heaven."*

*-Pope Francis*

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