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CHACKBAY, LOUISIANA**

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All Saints Day

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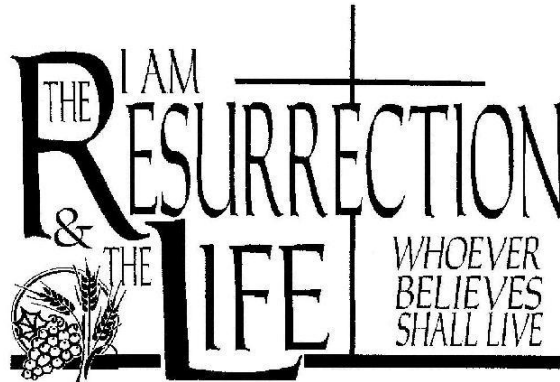
Pastor's Corner...



- ⊕ **H.E. Manning wrote...** “In the glorious company of the apostles, the goodly fellowship of the prophets, the noble army of martyrs, the holy Church throughout all the world is one. Therefore year by year let us reverently commemorate their names, remembering what they were, but steadfastly gazing at what they are. Their very words are still ringing in our ears. Let us live as they would bid us could they still speak. Let us carry on their hallowed offices now bequeathed to our care.”
 - ⊕ **Thoughts on the Sunday Gospel ... *Mt 5:1-12*.. **Rebels with a cause ..****
- A missionary in the gold miner camps of the old Southwest chose his text from the Beatitudes. When the sermon ended, a rusty voice was heard from the back: “If that’s what it means to have God bless me, I think I’ll pass.” The man had a point. When you read the list of “blessing-ees” it sounds like a mixed bag of suffering and horror - hunger, weeping, hatred, persecution. Who wants to live a life so filled with misery? We do. To be a Christian is to be a social outsider. Jesus taught that if we serve God the world will treat us as traitors. Everything we stand for, humility, service, charity, is at war with what the world wants: fame, power, glory. We have declared ourselves rebels, swearing devotion to a foreign King who has an entirely different set of laws. And it is this eternal, merciful

King who has promised us reward for the battle we are waging. This hope of everlasting reward sustains us when we are battle weary and scarred. When the prisons of life seem too much to bear it is His voice of comfort that carries us through. We are willing traitors, rebels joyously suffering for our cause. Why? Because if we chose the world we would be traitors to our own hearts, and to our God. ©Copyright 2008 C L Enterprises

- ⊕ **November 2 is All Souls Day... The best guidance...** What gentle life affirming hope we gain by reading the lives of those blessed souls that have



passed before us. When we are troubled, they comfort us, when we are weary they exhort us. If we stumble they admonish us and when we shirk they lovingly rebuke us. What better guidance can one seek for living a Christian life?

- ⊕ **November - Month of Remembrance...** For those who have gone before

us, families, friends, relatives and those who have no one to pray for them we say, "Eternal rest grant unto them. O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace! Amen.

- ⊕ **Priests Retreat...** Together with all the priests in our diocese, I will be on the Priests Retreat in Manresa during the week of November 9, 2009. Please pray for us and the priests who will be attending the retreat. Please know that we are praying for you. There will be no Mass during this week. Thank you!

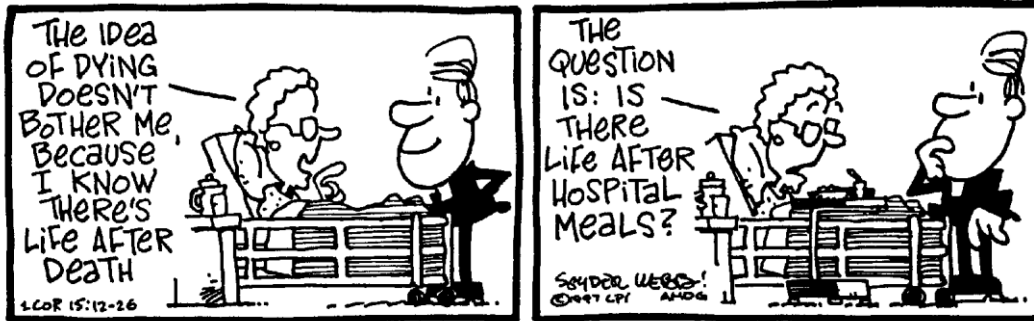
- ⊕ **Safe Environment for the Protection of Children and Young People...** In response to the Charter for the Protection of children and Young people from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has made the following provision for anyone who has been hurt or sexually abused by anyone who works for the church. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has set up an Outreach Line for all victims/survivors of sexual abuse. In continuing our commitment to support and healing, we invite and encourage people who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, to call the outreach line. The Outreach Line operates from 8:30am-4:30pm daily Monday through Friday. A trained mental health professional responds to the line. Individuals are offered additional assistance if requested. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line telephone numbers are: 985-873-0026 or toll free 1-866-444-4241 or victims/survivors and/or their families may call the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 985-850-3129.

- ⊕ **St. Joseph... pray for us!**

- ⊕ **Our Lady of Prompt Succor... hasten to our help!**

Fr. Flood

ALL SOULS



Nov 1 ALL SAINTS

Rv 7:2-4.9-14

Ps 24

1 Jn 3:1-3

Mt 5:1-12

**Nov 2 THE COMMEMORATION OF
ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)**

Readings from Common of Masses for the Dead

Nov 3 Weekday, Martin de Porres

Rom 12:5-16, Ps 131, Lk 14:15-24

Nov 4 Charles Borromeo

Rom 13:8-10, Ps 112, Lk 14:25-33

Nov 5 Weekday

Rom 14:7-12, Ps 27, Lk 15:1-10

Nov 6 Weekday

Rom 15:14-21, Ps 98, Lk 16:1-8

Nov 7 Weekday, BVM

Rom 16:3-9.16.22-27, Ps 145, Lk 16:9-15



All for the Greater Glory of God!

Fr. Robert ☺