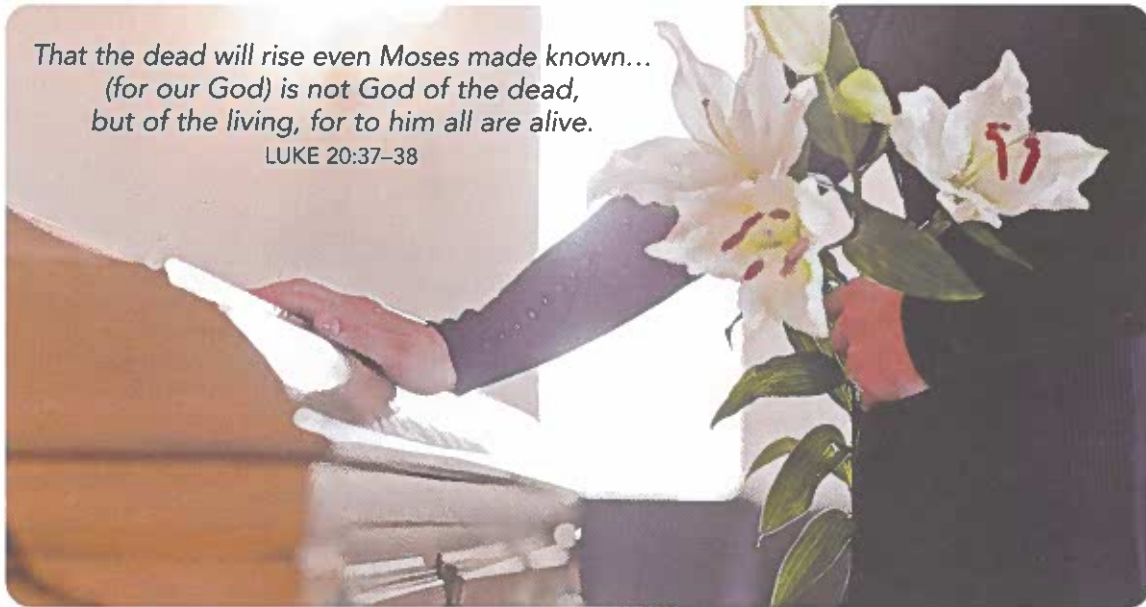


*That the dead will rise even Moses made known...  
(for our God) is not God of the dead,  
but of the living, for to him all are alive.*  
LUKE 20:37-38



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## I Believe in the Resurrection of the Dead

**W**e say this every time we pray the Creed. It is such a familiar statement that we might fail to be astounded.

The ancient Israelites did not think that death was the ultimate end. They believed the dead went to a place called Sheol. This was a place just for the dead; there was neither reward nor punishment. Some scholars think that it was only much later, when Israel encountered Greek culture, that we see a more developed teaching on the afterlife. We hear that teaching in the first reading. Facing martyrdom for his faith, one of the brothers insisted, "The King of the universe will raise us up to live again forever" (2 Maccabees 7:9). His faith was based on his assurance that his covenant bond with God would not be severed, even by death.

In the Gospel, the Sadducees are trying to make Jesus look ridiculous. There was a custom that if a man died without an heir, his brother was to have relations with the

widow. The child born of that union was considered the legal heir of the deceased man. This custom was meant to ensure that the inheritance remained within the family. The Sadducees, who do not believe in resurrection, are mocking Jesus with their question. Jesus, aware of their intention, does not fall into their trap. Instead, he replies that in the coming age, marriage will not be necessary because resurrected life will not end. Finally, if God is a God of the living and not the dead, as Moses declared, then all are somehow resurrected.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### FOR Reflection

- ★ *Reflect on the implications in your life of this teaching on the resurrection of the dead.*
- ★ *How prepared are you for the inevitable reality of death?*

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**Mass Intentions**

**Sat. Nov. 5 Vigil**  
5:00 p.m. †Barry Quinlin - VQ  
**Sun. Nov. 6 Mass/32nd Sunday Ord.Time**  
10:00 a.m. †Sandra Garcia Madigan  
12:00 p.m. All Souls Remembrance #5

**Thur Nov 10 Mass/St. Leo the Great**  
5:30 p.m. †Zachary Daughenbaugh  
**Fri. Nov. 11 Mass/St. Martin of Tours**  
8:00 a.m. All Souls Remembrance #7

**Sat. Nov. 12 Vigil**  
5:00 p.m. Graces for Madison Crego  
**Sun. Nov. 13 Mass/33rd Sunday Ord.Time**  
10:00 a.m. †Zachary Daughenbaugh  
12:00 p.m. All Souls Remembrance #9

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**Our Sick:** Joseph Wilson, Tom Flores, Rosa Maria Santos, Gia Marquez, Jan Yokum, Jennie Meja, Kane Schrock, Deja Aldama, Bernice Padilla, Rosemary Garcia, Ben Mettlen, Arabella Macis, Sean Gleason, Brianna Hill, Gina Mortenson, Marj Blatt, Margaret Mann, Paula Meier, Sheryl Garvik, Izaac Morales, Kayla Albrant, Christy Chapman, Stan Prather, Ron Uhrig, Kaze Marquez, Anthony Steven Villarreal, Shelby Wolover-Milleson, Caiden Lee, Frank Laso, Fritz Ramirez, Rodney Hergenreter, Marj Chapman, Stella, Amanda Weisensee, Norma Wolfe, Sandra Mantey, Fr. Blach, Daniel Hoffman, Alvin Vigil, Jessica Penner

**For the Soul:** Jo Ann Termentozzi, Lois Barnhart, Kari Kissler, Louis Lusby

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What does the Catholic Church actually teach? **Tuesdays - 6:30 p.m. - RE building**

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**GOD BLESS YOU!**

**Weekend of November 12/13**

Portion of the collection will go towards the **Archdiocese for Military Services** who provide pastoral ministries to those in the US Armed Forces. Their mission is **"Serving Those Who Serve"**

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"The government has the moral function to secure justice and peace in society. Citizens, especially prayerful Catholics, are required to participate in the political process with well-formed consciences."

*Bishop Jorge H. Rodriguez  
Auxiliary Bishop of Archdiocese*

Voter Guide available in the vestibule.

**First Weekend of the Month Adoration  
November 5th/6th**

**Saturday Sunday**  
Adoration begins 4:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m.

**Annual Seminaries' Appeal  
November 5/6**

This weekend, all Catholics are being asked to support the annual Seminaries' Appeal. Your gift is an investment in the future of our church while also encouraging our seminarians on their daily path of priesthood.

Visit [archden.org/futurepriests](http://archden.org/futurepriests) to donate.  
**Thank you!**

This weekend we welcome seminarian Daniel Carlisi.



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ACA Goal: \$ 16,039

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**Thank you for your support!**



**FEED THE  
HUNGRY**

**Food Drive - Help feed families**

If you are able, please consider canned goods & items for the Brush Food pantry. Your donations help feed the hungry. Monetary donations also welcome.

Drop off donated goods at St. Mary's  
**Thank you for your support!**

# Dear Padre,

## What is the purpose of confession if we're punished anyway when we die?

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, sin has a double consequence: eternal punishment and temporal punishment. "Grave sin deprives us of communion with God and therefore makes us incapable of eternal life." This consequence is called the "eternal punishment" of sin. "On the other hand, every sin, even venial...must be purified either here on earth, or after death in the state called Purgatory. This purification frees one from what is called the 'temporal punishment' of sin" (CCC 1472). Thus, with the remission of the eternal punishment incurred by mortal sins, and the remission—at least in part—of the temporal punishments resulting from sin, the sacrament of penance allows penitents to attain complete purification "in such a way that no punishment would remain" (CCC 1472).

Because our relationship with God was ruptured by sin, Christ instituted the sacrament of penance so that our friendship and communion with God can be restored, including our unity with his body on earth, the Church. In fact, "reconciliation with the Church is inseparable from reconciliation with God" (CCC 1445). The words of absolution in the sacrament attest to this reality: "Through the ministry of the Church, may God give you pardon and peace."

God is loving and merciful, not vindictive and unforgiving. Our Creator, who made us to be with him for eternity, doesn't desire an eternal punishment that prevents the very purpose for which we were created!

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### A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*It is of great comfort and hope to listen to this simple and clear word of Jesus about life beyond death; we need it very much especially in our time, so rich in knowledge about the universe but so lacking in wisdom about eternal life.*

ANGELUS, NOVEMBER 10, 2019

## Calendar

**Monday**  
NOVEMBER 7  
Weekday  
Ti 1:1-9  
Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday**  
NOVEMBER 8  
Weekday  
Ti 2:1-8, 11-14  
Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday**  
NOVEMBER 9  
*Dedication of the  
Lateran Basilica (Rome)*  
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12  
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17  
Jn 2:13-22

**Thursday**  
NOVEMBER 10  
*St. Leo the Great,  
Pope and Doctor  
of the Church*  
Phmn 7-20  
Lk 17:20-25

**Friday**  
NOVEMBER 11  
*St. Martin of Tours,  
Bishop*  
2 Jn 4-9  
Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday**  
NOVEMBER 12  
*St. Josaphat,  
Bishop and Martyr*  
3 Jn 5-8  
Lk 18:1-8

**Sunday**  
NOVEMBER 13  
*Thirty-third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*  
Mal 3:19-20a  
2 Thes 3:7-12  
Lk 21:5-19

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