



1st Reading: RV 7:2-4, 9-14  
Responsorial Psalm: PS 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
Second Reading: 1 JN 3:1-3  
Gospel: MT 5:1-12a

## Solemnity of All Saints & The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed(All Souls)

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints. In doing so, we not only celebrate those saints who have been proclaimed through the ages, those whom are "Blessed" and those beatified at "Saints", but also many of our brothers and sisters who boldly or even quietly, live their Christian life in the fullness of faith and love. Jesus gave us the way to live out our holiness as prescribed in the Beatitudes. Jesus himself lived out everyone of the "blesseds" by taking note that all life is blessed. "The Beatitudes truly are "be" attitudes. On this Feast of All Saints, may we remember and give thanks for the many individuals in our lives who daily lived out the Beatitudes. These men and women (the saints named and unnamed) incorporated in their daily lives this teaching of Jesus. Ask yourself: Who do you know who truly lives out these be-attitudes? Do you consciously strive to live and embody the Beatitudes in your daily life?" ([Sr. Kristen Anne Harpenau, OSB](#))

### Reflect

Which beatitude do you feel most comfortable with? Which one do you feel is part of who you are? Which one do you think you reflect most in your life? Here are some simple ways your family can live out the Beatitudes:

<https://bitly.co/44aU>



1. Gather pictures of deceased family members. Share stories and pray for them.
2. Visit a cemetery to honor the dead.
3. Make a Votive Candle with names of deceased family and friends.
4. Add names of deceased friends and family to the "Book of Remembrance" during the month of November at your parish.

### November 4: Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo, bishop

St. Charles Borromeo is the patron saint of Catechists & Seminarians. Send words of encouragement or thanks to the catechists in your parish. Pray for our seminarians or send cards of encouragement:

<https://vocations-syracuse.org/our-seminarians/>

Being holy means that we're in process--growing in intimacy with Christ. Jesus invites everyone to the fullness of Christian life.

(Kathy Coffey, Catholic Update, September 2012)

Universal Call to Holiness...

Each of us is



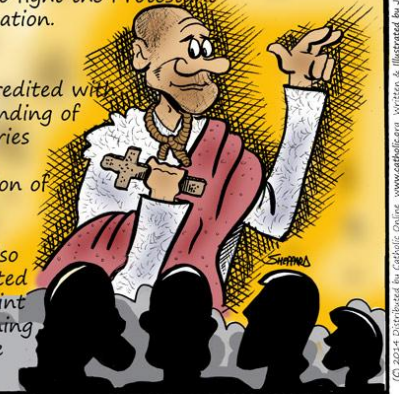
Give eternal rest, O Lord, and may your light shine on him/her forever.

### SAINTS FUN FACTS

Saint Charles Borromeo along with Saint Ignatius of Loyola and others, led the effort to fight the Protestant Reformation.

He is credited with the founding of seminaries for the education of priests.

He is also celebrated as a Saint of learning and the arts.



## Links for More Ideas, Activities & Resources FYI

[4Catholiceducators.com](#) - Beatitudes printable poster 8.5x11 (Children/Family Faith Builder)

[TeachingCatholicKids.com](#) - 30+ ideas for celebrating the feasts of All Saints and All Souls (Children's Faith Builder)

[thecatholicspirit.com](#) - All Souls Day: Why should we pray for the dead? (Adult Faith Builder)



### VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: MERCY

MERCY is caring for the needs of people's minds, hearts, and lives. It means to share in God's forgiveness and love.

Blessed are the merciful for they will be shown mercy. ~ Matthew 5:7