

November Eucharistic Liturgies

All Saints' Feast Day November 1st

Suggestions for Planner

Prior to Mass have the children list all the saints they know, see if any uncanonised saints are mentioned. Explain to the class that this is the feast of all the living and dead saints (that includes US.) If you have a circle of friends candle holder, bring it to class. Explain to the students that there are two circles of friends like this one. One circle in heaven and one on earth. At Mass both circles of friends are connected spiritually. It is the time that we are the closest to heaven without actually being there ourselves. Show the students holy card of saints, if you have any or go online to show them. Have young students create and wear halos to Mass.

Entrance Hymn: Lead me, Lord
When the Saints Go Marching In

First Reading: Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14

Psalm 24: 1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 (**Refrain** – *Lord, blessed are those who seek your face.*)

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12a

Prayer of the Faithful: compose with class (some examples below)
Our response to each prayer is **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That the church may attract others by its holiness, we pray to the Lord. **R.**

That those who live unholy lives may realize God calls them to be holy, we pray to the Lord. **R.**

That we may someday join all the saints in heaven, we pray to the Lord. **R.**

Prayers adapted from Weekday Liturgies for Children by Mary Kathleen Glavich, SND p.178

Preparation of the Gifts Hymn: Here I Am, Lord
This Little Light of Mine

Communion Hymns: One Bread, One Body
I Am the Bread of Life

Recessional Hymns: We Are the Light of the World – Kari Jobe
City of God
Go Out in the World – Ed Bolduc

All Souls' Feast Day November 2nd

Suggestions for Planner

Prior to Mass have the children have the class who are preparing the liturgy create a book of remembrance – go from class to class in the school and ask classes to write the names of all the deceased people who have gone to heaven before them. Kindergarten students may want pets' names include, allow this until they can understand that we are really looking for people's names. Share the idea from yesterday's mass that we are connected with all the dead through the communion of saints.

Entrance Hymn: We Are Called

First Reading: Job 19: 1, 23-27

Psalms 103: 8+10, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18 (**Refrain** – *The Lord is kind and merciful.*)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-23

Gospel Reading: John 12:23-26

Prayer of the Faithful: compose with class (some examples below)
Our response to each prayer is **Lord, hear us.**

For the church, that it may offer the good news of eternal life to the world, we pray to the Lord.
R.

For people who will die today, that they may have a happy death, we pray to the Lord. **R.**

For those who work with the dying, that they may hope in Christ and convey this hope to the people for whom they care. We pray to the Lord. **R.**

For all our loved ones who have died, that they may enjoy lasting peace in glory, we pray to the Lord. **R.**

Prayers adapted from Weekday Liturgies for Children by Mary Kathleen Glavich, SND p.225

Preparation of the Gifts Hymn: Only A Shadow

Peace is Flowing Like a River

Communion Hymns: Come to Me
Taste and See

Recessional Hymns: City of God
Lead me, Lord
We Are A Family (GIF, GIC Grade 1)

Remembrance Day (within a Mass celebration) November 11th

Suggestions for Planner

Prior to Mass have the children have the students make poppies. The Canadian flag and the school's stained glass dove can be in a prominent place on the altar. An older class who prepares the liturgy could be asked to find pictures and words from newspapers and magazines that depict peace and make a collage that can be place in front of the altar. There ought to be a moment of silence planned as part of the liturgy to show our respect and gratitude for those who made the ultimate sacrifice with their lives.

Entrance Hymn: O Canada

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16

Psalm 146: 6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10 (**Refrain – Praise the Lord, O my soul!**)

Gospel Reading: Mark 12: 38-44

Prayer of the Faithful: compose with class (some examples below)

Our response to each prayer is **Lord, grant us peace.**

For our country, that we may remain united in hope and loyalty and be thankful for the heritage we have received. We pray to the Lord. **R.**

For peace in the world, for all countries' leaders that they may have the wisdom to know what is right and the courage to do it. We pray to the Lord. **R.**

For all who suffer as a result of war, the injured or disabled, the homeless and refugees, and those who have lost loved ones. We pray to the Lord. **R.**

That all those who have died fighting for freedom, in past and present wars, may come into the light of God's presence. We pray to the Lord. **R.**

Adapted from Celebrating Our Faith, NOCCC, page 76

Preparation of the Gifts Hymn: Peace is Flowing Like a River
Peace Prayer

Communion Hymns: Taste and See
One Bread, One Body

Recessional Hymns: Let There Be Peace on Earth
O Canada

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary November 21st

Suggestions for Planner

Prior to Mass have the children have the students talk about what they know about Mary, the mother of Jesus. This feast celebrates that Mary's mom Anne and her father Joachim brought her when she was a baby to the temple in Jerusalem to present her to God as was the Jewish tradition. They had not been able to conceive a child and when Mary was born, she was a gift for which her parents were very thankful. We know now that God was going to pick Mary when she grew up to be Jesus' mother but when she was a baby, her parents could never have imagined how special their daughter was to God.

Entrance Hymn: Immaculate Mary

First Reading: Revelation 4:1-11

Psalm 150: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (**Refrain – Holy, holy, holy Lord, mighty God!.**)

Gospel Reading: Luke 19:11-28

Prayer of the Faithful: compose with class (some examples below)
Our response to each prayer is **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lord, Mary your mother is always concerned for those in pain or need. May we help those who need us with generous hands and joyful hearts. We pray to the Lord. **R.**

Lord, Mary your mother was Spirit filled throughout her life. Guide our Church so that we may be aware of the Spirit's presence today. We pray to the Lord. **R.**

Lord, Mary your mother encouraged harmony among people. Help us serve one another and listen to God's Word. We pray to the Lord. **R.**

Adapted from Celebrating Our Faith NOCCC manual page 224-225

Preparation of the Gifts Hymn: Hail Mary: Gentle Woman
Here I Am, Lord
The Servant Song

Communion Hymns: We Come to Your Table
Bread for the World
Look Beyond

Recessional Hymns: Hail Holy Queen
We Are A Family – GIF GIC Grade 1

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Around November 25

Suggestions for Planner: This is the last Sunday of the Liturgical calendar. Next Sunday is the new year starting with the First Sunday of Advent. On this last Sunday, we celebrate that Jesus, the Christ, is our Lord and the King of the Universe. If you have a crown, you could use it as a decoration in front of the altar. Or you could make a banner if the title of this celebration – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

Entrance Hymn: We Are Called
Christ, Be Our Light

Reading: Daniel 7:13-14

Psalm 93: 1ab, 1c-2, 5 (**Refrain:** *The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.*)

Gospel: John 18: 33b-37

Prayer of the Faithful - compose with class (some examples below)
Our response to each prayer is **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the church that it may take to heart the words of Jesus, we pray to the Lord: **R.**

For those in public office that they may act with justice and honesty, we pray to the Lord: **R.**

For those whose lives are based on false values, that they may realize their foolishness, we pray to the Lord: **R.**

For our families, friends, and ourselves, that we may be inspired to do good deeds and have the strength to do them, we pray to the Lord. **R.**

Prayers adapted from Weekday Liturgies for Children by Mary Kathleen Glavich, SND p. 102

Preparation of the Gifts: Your Words are Spirit and Life

Communion: Whatsoever You Do
 Cry of the Poor
 We Come to Your Table

Recessional: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
 A Rightful Place