



Ta' Pinu Shrine

Our Lady, Queen of the Family

A CALL TO PRAYER

The Divine Life

Each year on the first two days of November, Catholics throughout the world celebrate the Communion of Saints. The first day of November we call the **Feast of All Saints**; the second day of November we call the **Commemoration of All Souls**.

The community of the Church reaches beyond earthly boundaries to all who have died in the peace of Christ. By baptism we all become members of one Christian family that not even death can separate. The divine life that we receive as Christians unites us all in a real bond of love in Christ. That bond of Christian love extends beyond death into everlasting life.

This is the Communion of Saints. We profess our belief in it each time we say the Apostle's Creed.

'We believe in ... the Communion of saints'

It means that there is a **'living spiritual link'** between the members of the pilgrim Church here on earth and all that have died in God's friendship. That link is maintained and strengthened through prayer.

Every community holds its heroes in great honour. The believing Christian community is no exception. From the earliest days it honoured the Apostles and Christian martyrs who had given supreme witness of faith both by their virtuous lives and by their heroic deaths. Soon the Church added others to that list of great ones, so that the whole community might meditate on their outstanding practice of Christian virtue and strive to imitate their good example.

The whole aim of our lives is to be Christlike. The saints help us by their example to do this. They spent their lives in close imitation of Christ. By trying to follow in their footsteps, we too can achieve a deeper knowledge and love of Jesus.

We must all pray directly to God. But the saints can help us to reach God. Any prayers or devotion to them strengthens our relationship with Christ. They are not God's enemies; they are friends. By praying to them, by asking them to pray for us and with us, we are honouring God through them. We could hardly say we honour God fully if we were to ignore those who served him so faithfully, and whom he loves so much.

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THE CHURCH'S TEACHING ABOUT PURGATORY, (the place of purification, as explained in the Catechism of the Catholic Church):

- **God's Justice and Mercy -**
"All who die in god's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter heaven.

We pause on these words, during the Feast of All Souls, to remember those who went before us marked by the sign of faith. Together, in the communion of the saints, Our Lord, and Our Blessed Mother, we pray for their purification and eternal joy in the light of Heaven!

De Profundis (It is a penitential psalm sung as part of evening prayers and in commemorations of the dead. It is also a good psalm to express our sorrow as we prepare for the Sacrament of Confession.)

Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.

Let Your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication.

If You, O Lord, mark iniquities, Lord, who can stand?

But with You is forgiveness, that You may be revered.

I trust in the Lord; my soul trusts in His word.

My soul waits for the Lord more than sentinels wait for the dawn.

More than sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the Lord,

For with the Lord is kindness and with Him is plenteous redemption;

And He will redeem Israel from all their iniquities.

“When you do not receive communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a spiritual communion, which is a most beneficial practice; by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you”.
(St Teresa of Jesus)



Temperantia (1872-1) by Edward Burne-Jones

Virtue

*Most high, glorious God, enlighten the darkness of my heart and give me, Lord, a correct faith, a certain hope, a perfect charity, sense, and knowledge, so that I may carry out your holy and true command .
 (St. Francis of Assisi)*

A synthesis of Catechism

INSPIRATION AND TRUTH OF THE

SACRED SCRIPTURE (God is the author of the Sacred Scripture)

The divinely revealed realities, which are contained and presented in the text of Sacred Scripture, have been written down under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

For Holy Mother Church, relying on the faith of the apostolic age, accepts as sacred and canonical the books of the Old and the New Testaments, whole and entire, with all their parts, on the grounds that, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, they have God as their author and have been handed on as such to the Church herself.

God inspired the human authors of the

sacred books. To compose the sacred books, God chose certain men who, all the while he employed them in this task, made full use of their own faculties and powers so that, though he acted in them and by them, it was as true authors that they consigned to writing whatever he wanted written, and no more.

Since therefore all that the inspired authors or sacred writers affirm should be regarded as affirmed by the Holy Spirit, we must acknowledge that the books of Scripture firmly, faithfully, and without error teach that truth which God, for the sake of our salvation, wished to see confided to the Sacred Scriptures.

Gospel Reading :- The Kingdom of Jesus



Pilate: “Are you the King of the Jews?”...

Jesus: “My kingship is not of this world...”

Pilate: “So you are a king...”

Jesus: “For this I was born and for this I came into this world and to bear witness to the truth”.

The fourth Sunday of November brings us to the end of the Liturgical Year, (Church religious year) to start the next Liturgical Year on the next Sunday, first Sunday of Advent.

The Church begins the liturgical year by the commemoration of the coming of the Son of God on Christmas Day and finishes it by announcing his second coming as Judge of all human beings, to give everyone what he or she deserved during his or her earthly life. As Blessed John Paul II said, this feast looks like a synthesis of the entire salvific mystery.

After the three years Jesus spent in travelling from one place to another, teaching “The Truth” and doing all kinds of good, beginning from healing to the resurrection of three persons from death, the Jews instead of accepting his teachings, of the “Truth” they finished him by death on a cross. But Jesus’ mission didn’t end there. After three days Jesus rose from death to continue to strengthen the apostle in “The Truth” until he sends on them the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, to establish his spiritual Kingdom, “The Church”. As Jesus had answered to Pilate, his kingdom was not a worldly kingdom. It is a spiritual one, established by his dead on a cross offered, to God the Father as a ransom for our original sin, teaching us that those who wish to make part of this kingdom and expand his kingdom to the end of the world have to recourse to love, the way he did among us, and not by force of arms. The kingdom of Jesus is not based on terrorism or some other illegal force but as the Preface of Christ the King Eucharistic celebration affirms, Jesus offered to the Father “a kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice love and peace”.

When the apostles asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, the first thing he recommended was to say, “Father in heaven, thy Kingdom come”. Pope Pius XI, in his Encyclical, Quas primas. 10th Nov. 1925, explained very clear, how the kingdom of Jesus, our Lord and our God, must come. It should reign in our mind, in our will and in our actions. He reigns in our mind by accepting and firmly believe his revelations as presented by him in the four Gospels. He must reign in our will by obeying God’s laws and precepts. He must reign in our heart by controlling our earthly desires and love God above all things. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls. Let us turn to our Lady Mary, the holy mother of our King and queen of our heart and ask her to help us be loyal subjects to Our Heavenly King and put into practice all he had taught us and requested from us.

Liturgical Celebrations for NOV-DEC 2013

Date	November Celebrations
Fri 1 st November 2013	ALL SAINTS DAY -
Sat 2 nd Nov 2013	ALL SOULS DAY First Saturday—Immaculate Heart of Mary Devotion Rosary, Holy Mass & Devotion at 2.00p.m
Sun 3rd Nov 2013	Inauguration of the Our Lady of Czestochowa Oratory Blessings by by Fr Krzysztof Poplawski OP followed by Holy Mass
Sun 3 rd & 17 th Nov 2013	Family day prayer at Our Lady of Lanka Oratory @ 2.00p.m
Wed 6 th Nov 2013	Mother and Child Oratory Novena followed by Holy Mass at 8.00p.m
Sun 10 th Nov 2013	Our Lady of Good Health – Vailankanni Confession, Rosary, Benediction , Holy Mass& Divine Mercy Chaplet
Fri 13 th Nov 2013	Black Nazarene Oratory Holy Mass at 8.00p.m.
Sunday 24 th Nov 2013	FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING
Wed 13,20,27 th Nov 2013	Mother and Child Oratory Novena at 8.00p.m.
Main events for December	
Sun 1 st Dec 2013	Inauguration of the Virgin Mary of Divine Grace Oratory (Indonesian -Santa Perawan Maria Bunda Rahmat Ilahi) 10.30 a.m. Rosary followed by the Holy Mass & blessing of the Oratory
Saturday 7 th Dec 2013	First Saturday—Immaculate Heart of Mary Devotion & 7 th Anniversary of the O.L of Perpetual Help Oratory Rosary, Holy Mass & Devotion at 2.00p.m
Sun 8th Dec 2013	Feast Of Our Lady of Guadalupe SERENADE, PROCESSION FROM THE ORATORY LED BY THE SPANISH COMMUNITY GROUP, FOLLOWED BY HOLY MASS AND BENEDICTION
Sun 22nd Dec 2013	Walk with Baby Jesus for Peace Celebrations Final Celebration of the Year Devotional prayers, Rosary and Holy Mass and benediction at 2.00p.m



About Us...

Special Devotions, Pilgrimages and other activities are welcome at any time at the Our Lady Ta Pinu Shrine, All Nations Marian Centre

We are happy to listen to your requests and we' will attempt to meet your requirements so that you may experience a peaceful time away in our "space to grow" and to ensure you enjoy a worthwhile yet memorable & reflective experience.

For more information about how we can assist in planning your activity to be held at the Marian Centre, Please Call us on the numbers listed on page4

OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA- QUEEN OF POLAND'S ORATOR AN INVITATION

The Polish Community of the Polish Dominican Pastoral Centre in Victoria, would like to cordially invite you to attend a solemn blessing of the Oratory dedicated to Our Lady of Czestochowa and Divine Mercy.

The ceremony will take place on: 3rd NOVEMBER 2013.

The ceremony will be celebrated both in Polish and English.

2:15pm – Blessing of the oratory will be by Fr Krzysztof Poplawski OP, Prior Provincial of Polish Province of the Order of Preachers, in the presence of clergy, nuns and the faithful

3:00pm – Holy Mass, followed by light refreshments

May this day be for all of us an occasion to strengthen our friendship with Our Blessed Mother Mary and her Son our Lord Jesus Christ. - Fr Dominik Jalocha OP and the Polish Community

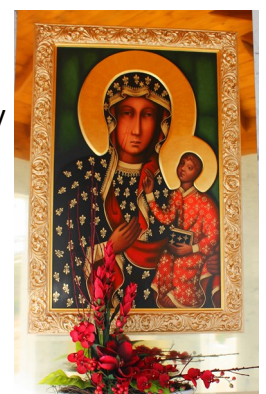
INDONESIAN COMMUNITY GROUP JOINING THE MARIAN MOVEMENT AT TA PINU MARIAN CENTRE.



The Indonesian Catholic Family, would like to inform the Devotees of the Our Lady Ta Pinu Marian Centre of their celebrations on the occasion of the inauguration of their Oratory devoted to **"Virgin Mary Mother of Divine Grace"** -in Indonesian **"Santa Perawan Maria Bunda Rahmat Ilahi"**

The ceremony is to be held on the 1st of December 2013 from 10.30 onwards

'We are grateful and appreciate your kindness and support for our community'



Friday, 23rd October 2013

"**God is a prisoner too. He is inside the cell,**" Pope Francis said at an audience with Italian prison chaplains in the Vatican.



"**He is a prisoner of our egoism, of our systems, of the many injustices . . . that punish the weak while the big fish swim freely,**" the Pope said.

PRAYER FOR THOSE IN TROUBLE

Most Blessed Virgin, in your life of glory, remember the sorrows of earth. Look with kindness on those who suffer, who struggle against difficulties, who drink unceasingly the bitterness of this life.

Have pity on those who love each other and are separated.
Have pity on the lonely of heart.
Have pity on the weakness of our faith.
Have pity on the objects of our affection.
Have pity on those who weep, those who pray; those who fear . . .
Obtain for all hope and peace.



Mary with the Child and the Saints - by Titian C1510 - Musée du Louvre, Paris, France.

Originally published during World War II for the Marine Corps, it enjoys an *Imprimatur* and *Nihil Obstat*.

MARY AND THE SAINTS

As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us

"Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved."

Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed." The Church honours her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.



EXTRACT FROM THE HOMILY FOR
THE BLESSING OF THE STATIONS OF
THE CROSS AT TA PINU MARIAN
SHRINE, BACCHUS MARSH
Saturday, 2nd December 2000

My brothers and sisters in Christ, Each of us has a special memory of one or more places in the world- places where important events happened in our lives, or places which are beautiful or important for the historical events which occurred there. We return there often either in memory or by actually going back there. For religious people, certain places hold a special affection. We, Christians, believe that the Son of God became a man and lived among us. This whole Jubilee Year has been a celebration of the passing of two thousand years since the Birth of Jesus at Bethlehem. From the earliest days, Christians have wanted to visit the places made sacred by the presence of the Saviour: Nazareth, the See of Galilee, Jerusalem. But not everyone can follow where his or her heart leads. It was to satisfy this natural longing that nearly fifteen hundred years ago various churches across Europe built shrines to the last journey of Christ. After the period of the crusades in the twelfth century, these shrines came to be called **Stations of the Cross**, and from the sixteenth century, the number was fixed at fourteen. Today, in this new shrine built as far away from Jerusalem as we can be, we have dedicated this magnificent series of depictions of the royal road of the Cross, and we have followed after Christ as he climbed the hill of Calvary where he offered his life for us.



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