

Saved by Hope

Rom 8:24



MISSIONARIES OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD ATLANTIC PROVINCE
C.P.P.S. MISSION PROJECTS | UNIO SANGUIS CHRISTI

2023 Calendar

"HOPE, O MY SOUL, HOPE"

It is true that there are many menus of hope presented to us, but even when such menus temporarily fill or satisfy us, it becomes evident that there is only one great hope which satisfies our primordial hunger for true and lasting happiness. And if you pay a close attention to the saints featured in this calendar by reading and meditating on their lives, you will encounter the kind of hope that keeps those who rely not on their own strength from discouragement; that sustains them during trials; that opens up their hearts in expectation of the kingdom of heaven here on earth and in eternal life (Cf. CCC 1817-21). This hope is a supernatural gift from God and which leads us to God.

This gift, a copy of the 2023 calendar, is an invitation to open your heart to hope. Why hope? Because we all need hope to sustain us as we journey through life to God, to face the hour of darkness, to face darkness in our future. For despite the shining beauty and goodness of the children of light, the forces of evil still loom large and make the earth horrifically inhospitable. When evil from the human heart makes the world a hostile place, we might wonder if life is worth living, we may be led to believe that evil has the last word. This is precisely the point we might lose sight of our journey to our heavenly homeland. We need a trustworthy hope to believe that we have a future and to fall in love again with the journey, embracing all its joys and sorrows. That no matter what happened yesterday, last week or last year, the hope that has God as its foundation inspires us with deep faith that tomorrow will be better. With this sure hope we are filled with a reservoir of good will that even the worst pandemic eventually passes; even darkness eventually gives way to the light; and even the curse of the cross gives way to the joy of the resurrection.

But even more than that hope is a call to action. While Christians have a future awaiting them in Jesus Christ, they nonetheless live the present worthy of the promises awaiting them. "That means: the Gospel is not merely a communication of things that can be known—it is one that makes things happen and is life-changing. The dark door of time, of the future, has been thrown open. The one who has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life". (Benedict XVI, *Spe Salvi*).

By displaying this calendar in your home or workplace, you help us to witness the gospel, inspire hope and ignite change. One hundred percent of the proceeds we raise from our calendars go to support and strengthen our missionary activities in impoverished communities across the world with a particular attention to our missions in Tanzania. We can't do it alone. They can't do it alone. We need your help. They need your help. And this is the redeeming HOPE!

Yours in the Blood of Jesus,

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Director of Development

CALENDAR KEY

Colors of the Liturgical Year are displayed as follows:

1. Advent & Lent = ● Violet
2. Easter & Christmas Seasons, Solemnities and Feasts which are not martyrdom are in Gold (**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**)
3. Ordinary Time = ● Green
4. Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Pentecost, Exaltation of the Cross and Feasts of the Apostles, Evangelists and Martyrs are in Red (**Saint Andrew, apostle**)
5. Obligatory Memorials are in bold black: **Saint Clare, virgin**
6. Optional memorials are in regular black : Saint Henry
7. Special commemorations for the Precious Blood Family are in dark red, bold and italicized: ***Our Lady of Sorrows***
8. Provincial and Federal holidays appear in italic and blue color: *Mother's Day*

CIRCLES—LECTIONARY FOR MASS

Sunday Cycle Year A from November 27, 2022 to November 26, 2023

Weekday Cycle I from January 10 to February 21, 2023

May 29 to December 2, 2023

YEAR B from December 3, 2023 to November 24, 2024

Weekday Cycle I



"Humanity should question itself, once more, about the absurd and always unfair phenomenon of war, on whose stage of death and pain only remain standing the negotiating table that could and should have prevented it." – St. John Paul II

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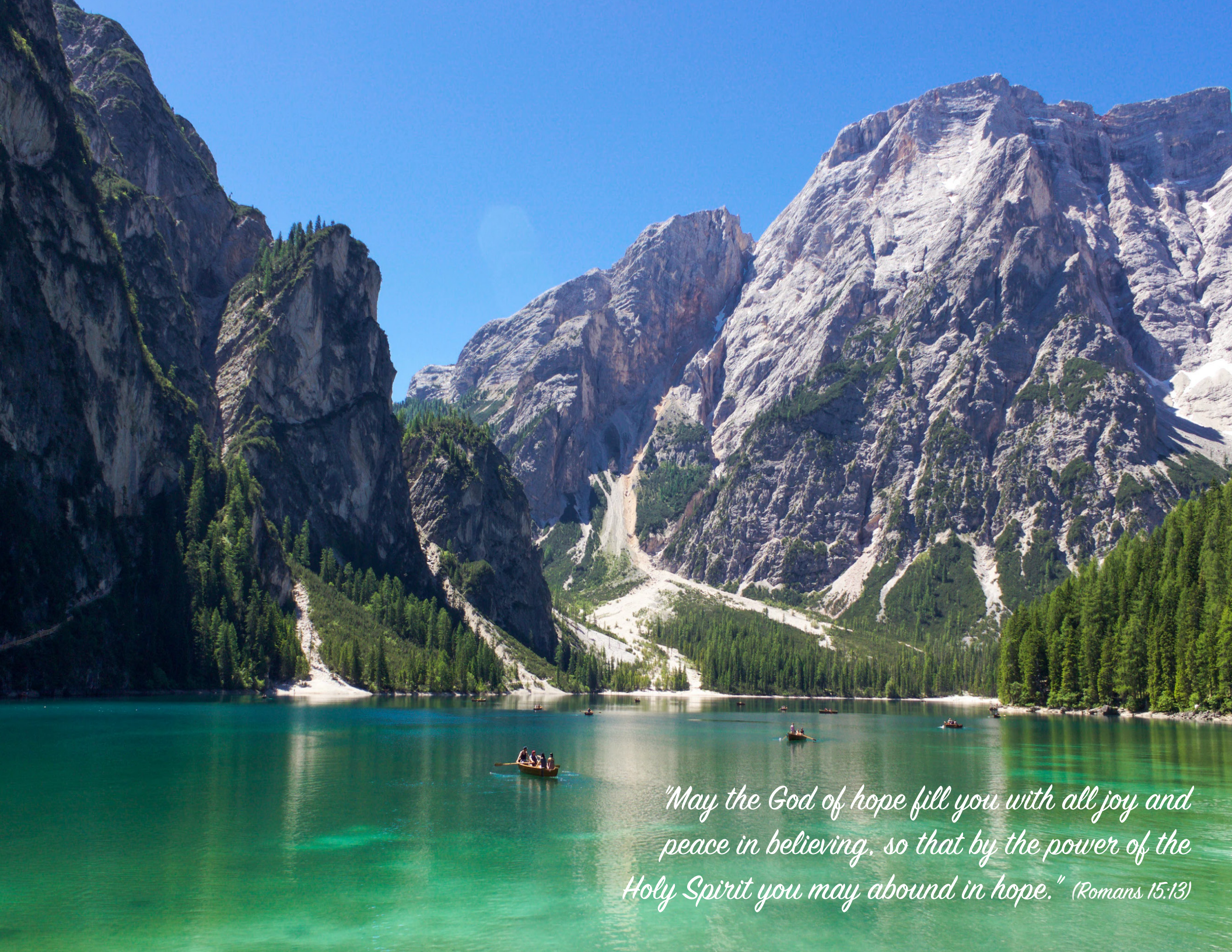
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January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>New Year's Day</i> Solemnity of The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God	2 Saint Basil the Great and Saint Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and doctors of the Church	3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus	4 Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious (US)	5 Saint John Neumann, bishop (US)	6 <i>Birth of St. Gaspar</i> Saint André Bessette, religious (US)	7 Saint André Bessette, religious (CA)
8 The Epiphany of the Lord	9 The Baptism of the Lord	10 Tuesday in the 1 st Week in Ordinary Time	11	12 Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys, virgin (CA)	13 Saint Hilary, bishop and doctor of the Church	14
15 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	16 <i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i>	17 Saint Anthony, abbot	18	19	20 Saint Fabian, pope and martyr, Saint Sebastian, martyr	21 Saint Agnes, virgin and martyr
22 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	23	24 Saint Francis de Sales, bishop and doctor of the Church	25 The Conversion of Saint Paul, apostle	26 Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, bishops	27 Saint Angela Merici, virgin	28 Saint Thomas Aquinas, priest and doctor of the Church
29 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	30	31 Saint John Bosco, priest	"Peace is also endangered by those forms of fundamentalism and fanaticism which distort the true nature of religion, which is called to foster fellowship and reconciliation among people. May we strive break down the walls which divide us, strengthen the bonds of mutual love and grow in understanding." — <i>Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI</i>			

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"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." (Romans 15:13)


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February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>"The blessed ashes imposed upon our forehead are a sign that reminds us of our condition as creatures, that invites us to repent, and to intensify our commitment to convert, to follow the Lord ever more closely." — <i>Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI</i></p>			1	2 The Presentation of the Lord	3 Saint Blaise, bishop and Martyr Saint Ansgar, bishop	4 Saint Maria de Mattias
5 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6 Saint Paul Miki and companions, martyrs	7	8 Saint Jerome Emiliani, priest, Saint Josephine Bakhita, virgin	9	10 Saint Scholastica, virgin	11 Our Lady of Lourdes
12 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	13	14 Saint Cyril, monk, and Saint Methodius, bishop <i>St. Valentine's Day</i>	15	16	17 The Seven Founders of the Order of Servites, religious	18
19 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time	20 <i>Presidents' Day (US)</i>	21 Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	22 Ash Wednesday 	23 Saint Polycarp, bishop and martyr	24	25
26 1st Sunday of Lent	27 Saint Gregory of Narek, abbot and doctor of the Church	28	<p>World Day of Social Justice – February 20, 2023 "There are several social issues that need attention. Do your research and advocate for a cause. It could be anything related to race, education, healthcare, malnutrition, etc. Start a conversation, build dialog, call for action, and try to make a difference in the world." — <i>National Today</i></p>			

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"Hope is rooted in the belief that more is possible, that justice and peace will prevail even if not in our own time. To be a hopeful community is to trust that God's plan for God's people will be fulfilled in spite of all obstacles."

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March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>World Water Day – March 22, 2023</p> <p>"The world owes a grave social debt to the poor who do not have access to safe drinking water. The world also owes a debt to all those for whom traditional sources of drinking water have been polluted to the point of being unsafe, destroyed by weapons and rendered unusable, or dried up as a result of poor forest management." — <i>Pope Francis</i></p>			1	2	3 Saint Katharine Drexel	4 Saint Casimir
5 2nd Sunday of Lent	6	7 Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity, martyrs	8 Saint John of God, religious	9 Saint Frances of Rome, religious	10	11
12 <i>Daylight Saving Time Begins</i> 3rd Sunday of Lent	13	14	15	16	17 Saint Patrick, bishop	18 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop and doctor of the Church
19 4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare)	20 Saint Joseph, husband of Mary	21	22	23 Saint Turibius de Mongrovejo, bishop	24	25 The Annunciation of the Lord
26 5th Sunday of Lent	27	28	29	30	31	

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"I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die." (John 11:25-26)

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April 2023

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<p style="text-align: center;">Mass Association</p> <p>Since 1883 with the approval of Pope Leo XIII the Missionaries of the Precious Blood throughout the world have offered 4000 Masses annually for those enrolled in their Mass Association. Enrollments may be made on behalf of the living and the dead. These may be made in person or by mail at the Shrine of St. Gaspar, 540 St. Clair Ave. W., Toronto ON M6C 1A4. Requests are also accepted by telephone at 416-653-4486 or through the Atlantic Province website. The suggested offering is \$25.00 plus \$4.00 postage if the certificate is mailed.</p>						1
2 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion	3	4	5	6 Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper	7 Good Friday of the Lord's Passion 	8 Holy Saturday
9 Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection	10 <i>Easter Monday (CA)</i> Monday in the Octave of Easter	11 Tuesday in the Octave of Easter	12 Wednesday in the Octave of Easter	13 Thursday in the Octave of Easter	14 Friday in the Octave of Easter	15 Saturday in the Octave of Easter
16 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)	17 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin (CA)	18 Blessed Marie-Anne Blondin, religious	19	20	21 Saint Anselm, bishop and doctor of the Church	22
23 3rd Sunday of Easter	24 Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest and martyr	25 Saint Mark, evangelist	26 Our Lady of Good Counsel	27 St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, priest; St. Peter Chanel, priest and martyr	28	29 Saint Catherine of Siena, virgin and doctor of the Church
30 <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i> 4th Sunday of Easter	NOTES					



"Consult not your fears but your hopes and dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what is still possible for you to do." -Pope Saint John XXIII


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May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Saint Joseph the Worker	2 Saint Athanasius, bishop and doctor of the Church	3 Saint Philip and Saint James, apostles	4 Blessed Marie-Léonie Paradis, religious	5	6 Saint François de Laval
7 5th Sunday of Easter	8 Blessed Catherine of Saint Augustine, religious	9	10 Saint John of Avila, priest and doctor of the Church	11	12 Saint Nereus and Saint Achilleus, martyrs Saint Pancras, martyr	13 Our Lady of Fatima
14 <i>Mother's Day</i> 6th Sunday of Easter	15	16	17	18 Saint John I, pope and martyr	19	20 Saint Bernardine of Siena, priest
21 Ascension of the Lord	22 <i>Victoria Day (CA)</i> Saint Rita of Cassia, religious	23	24 Mary Help of Christians	25 Saint Bede the Venerable, priest and doctor of the Church	26 Saint Philip Neri, priest	27 Saint Augustine of Canterbury, bishop
28 Pentecost Sunday	29 <i>Memorial Day (US)</i> The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church	30 Tuesday in the 8 th Week in Ordinary Time	31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	"In trial or difficulty I have recourse to Mother Mary, whose glance alone is enough to dissipate every fear." — St. Therese of Lisieux		

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"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)


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June 2023

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<p>"When freedom does not have a purpose, when it does not wish to know anything about the rule of law engraved in the hearts of men and women, when it does not listen to the voice of conscience, it turns against humanity and society." —St. John Paul II</p>				<p>1 Saint Justin, martyr</p>	<p>2 Saint Marcellinus and Saint Peter, martyrs</p>	<p>3 Saint Charles Lwanga and companions, martyrs</p>
<p>4 The Most Holy Trinity</p>	<p>5 Saint Boniface, bishop and martyr</p>	<p>6 Saint Norbert, bishop</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 Saint Ephrem, deacon and doctor of the Church</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 Saint Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor of the Church</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</p>	<p>17 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>
<p>18 <i>Father's Day</i> 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>19 <i>Juneteenth (US)</i> Saint Romuald, abbot</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, religious</p>	<p>22 St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop, Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist</p>
<p>25 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Saint Cyril of Alexandria, bishop and doctor of the Church</p>	<p>28 Saint Irenaeus, bishop, martyr and doctor of the Church</p>	<p>29 Saint Peter and Saint Paul, apostles</p>	<p>30 The First Martyrs of the Church of Rome</p>	

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"Hope, O my soul, hope. You know neither the day nor the hour. Watch carefully, for everything passes quickly, even though your impatience turns a very short time into a long one." -St. Teresa of Avila


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July 2023

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<p>"It is an incontestable things that the Most Blessed Sacrament should be the center of our hearts. The sacred ciborium is the wine cellar wherein Jesus captures our affections and draws us to himself." — <i>St. Gaspar del Bufalo</i></p>						<p>1 <i>Canada Day</i> St. Junípero Serra, Priest <i>Feast of the Precious Blood</i></p>
<p>2 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>3 Saint Thomas, apostle</p>	<p>4 <i>Independence Day</i> Saint Elizabeth of Portugal</p>	<p>5 Saint Anthony Mary Zaccaria, priest</p>	<p>6 Saint Maria Goretti, virgin and martyr</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>9 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 Saint Benedict, abbot</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 Saint Henry</p>	<p>14 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin (US)</p>	<p>15 Saint Bonaventure, bishop and doctor of the Church</p>
<p>16 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Saint Apollinaris, bishop and martyr</p>	<p>21 Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, priest and doctor of the Church</p>	<p>22 Saint Mary Magdalene</p>
<p>23 <i>World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly</i> 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>24 Saint Sharbel Makhluf, priest</p>	<p>25 Saint James, apostle</p>	<p>26 Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Saint Martha, Saint Mary and Saint Lazarus</p>
<p>30 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>31 Saint Ignatius of Loyola, priest</p>	<p>NOTES</p>				



"Holy Mary, Mother of God, our Mother, teach us to believe, to hope, to love with you. Show us the way to his Kingdom! Star of the Sea, shine upon us and guide us on our way!" -Benedict XVI, Spe Salvi 50

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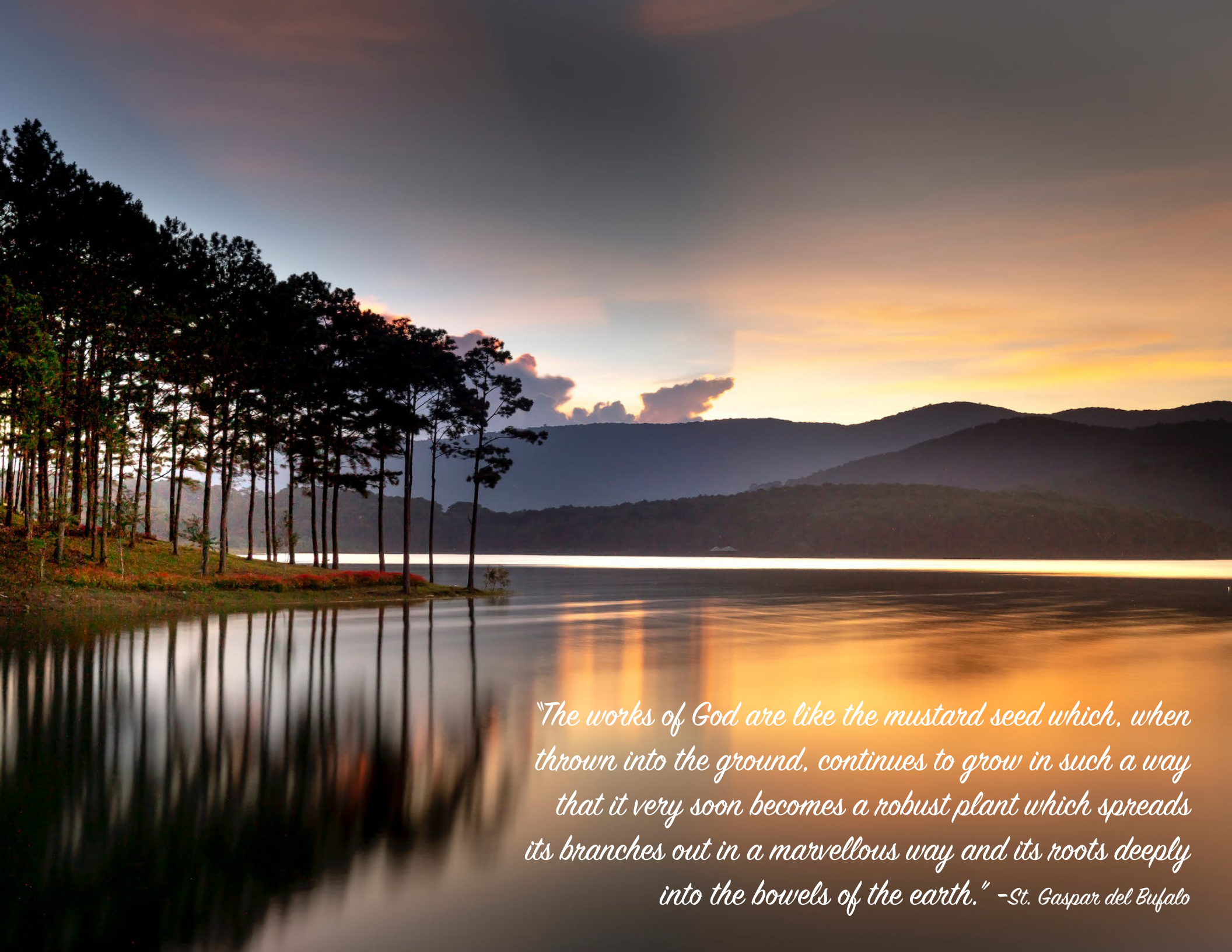
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<p>"Unlike statues, missionaries are not motionless. They serve wherever God wills to call them." — <i>St. Gaspar del Bufalo</i></p>		<p>1 Saint Alphonsus Liguori, bishop and doctor of the Church</p>	<p>2 Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop, Saint Peter Julian Eymard, priest</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Saint John Vianney, priest</p>	<p>5 The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major in Rome</p>
<p>6 The Transfiguration of the Lord</p>	<p>7 Saint Cajetan, priest Saint Sixtus II, pope, and companions, martyrs</p>	<p>8 Saint Dominic, priest</p>	<p>9 Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin and martyr</p>	<p>10 Saint Lawrence, deacon and martyr</p>	<p>11 Saint Clare, virgin</p>	<p>12 Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, religious</p>
<p>13 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>14 Saint Maximilian Kolbe, priest and martyr</p>	<p>15 Foundation Day (C.P.P.S) The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p>16 Saint Stephen of Hungary</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 Saint John Eudes, priest</p>
<p>20 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>21 Saint Pius X, pope</p>	<p>22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p>23 Saint Rose of Lima, virgin</p>	<p>24 Saint Bartholomew, apostle</p>	<p>25 Saint Joseph Calasanz, priest Saint Louis</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>28 Saint Augustine, bishop and doctor of the Church</p>	<p>29 The Passion of Saint John the Baptist, martyr</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>"Anyone who truly loves God travels securely." — <i>St. Teresa of Avila</i></p>	

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"The works of God are like the mustard seed which, when thrown into the ground, continues to grow in such a way that it very soon becomes a robust plant which spreads its branches out in a marvellous way and its roots deeply into the bowels of the earth." -St. Gaspar del Bufalo

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September 2023

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<p>"When we are overcome by sadness, fear, or suffering; when the pains of loss overwhelm us; when evil seems to have taken power; let us look to the cross and be filled with peace, knowing that Christ has walked this road and walks it now with us and with all our brothers and sisters." — <i>St. Teresa of Avila</i></p>					<p>1 <i>World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation</i></p>	<p>2 Blessed André Grasset, priest and martyr</p>
<p>3 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>4 <i>Labour Day</i> Blessed Dina Bélanger, religious</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p>9 Saint Peter Claver, priest (US)</p>
<p>10 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 The Most Holy Name of Mary</p>	<p>13 Saint John Chrysostom, bishop and doctor of the Church</p>	<p>14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</p>	<p>15 <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i></p>	<p>16 Saint Cornelius, pope, and Saint Cyprian, bishop, martyrs</p>
<p>17 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 Saint Januarius, bishop and martyr</p>	<p>20 Saint Andrew Kim Taegön, priest, Saint Paul Chông Hasang and companions, martyrs</p>	<p>21 Saint Matthew, apostle and evangelist</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, priest</p>
<p>24 <i>World Day of Migrants and Refugees</i> 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>25 Saint Cosmas and Saint Damian, martyrs</p>	<p>26 Saint John de Brébeuf, Saint Isaac Jogues, priests, and companions, martyrs</p>	<p>27 Saint Vincent de Paul, priest</p>	<p>28 Saint Lawrence Ruiz and companions, martyrs Saint Wenceslaus, martyr</p>	<p>29 Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, and Saint Raphael, archangels</p>	<p>30 Saint Jerome, priest and doctor of the Church</p>

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"Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence." – St. John Paul II

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October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	2 The Holy Guardian Angels	3	4 Saint Francis of Assisi, religious	5 Saint Faustina Kowalska, virgin	6 Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher, religious Saint Bruno, priest	7 Our Lady of the Rosary
8 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9 <i>Thanksgiving Day (CA)</i> Saint Denis, bishop, and companions, martyrs Saint John Leonardi, priest	10	11 Saint John XXIII, pope	12	13	14 Saint Callistus I, pope and martyr
15 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	16 Saint Marguerite d'Youville, religious	17 Saint Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr	18 Saint Luke, evangelist	19 Saint Paul of the Cross, priest Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs (US)	20 Saint Hedwig, religious Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin	21 <i>Feast Day of Our Beloved Founder, St. Gaspar del Bufalo</i>
22 <i>World Mission Sunday</i> 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	23 Saint John of Capistrano, priest	24 Saint Anthony Mary Claret, bishop	25	26	27	28 Saint Simon and Saint Jude, apostles
29 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	30	31	<p style="text-align: center;">Shrine of St. Gaspar del Bufalo</p> <p>The chapel was dedicated in 1981 and serves to promote devotion to the Most Precious Blood and to the founder of the Missionaries, St. Gaspar del Bufalo. It is located at 540 St. Clair Ave. W., Toronto ON. The chapel is open for prayer Monday-Friday from 9:00am-5:00pm.</p>			

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*"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet
of the messenger who announces peace." (Isaiah 52:7)*

October 2023

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December 2023

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November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>"Words which do not give the light of Christ increase the darkness." — <i>Mother Teresa</i></p>			1 All Saints	2 The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls)	3 Saint Martin de Porres, religious	4 Saint Charles Borromeo, bishop
5 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	6	7	8	9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome	10 Saint Leo the Great, pope and doctor of the Church	11 <i>Remembrance Day</i> Saint Martin of Tours, bishop
12 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	13 Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin (US)	14	15 Saint Albert the Great, bishop and doctor of the Church	16 Saint Gertrude, virgin Saint Margaret of Scotland	17 Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, religious	18 The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saint Peter and Saint Paul in Rome, apostles
19 <i>World Day of the Poor</i> 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	20	21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	22 Saint Cecilia, virgin and martyr	23 <i>Thanksgiving Day US</i> Saint Clement I, pope and martyr Saint Columban, abbot	24 Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, and companions, martyrs	25 Saint Catherine of Alexandria, virgin and martyr
26 <i>World Day of Youth</i> Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	27	28	29	30 Saint Andrew, apostle	<p>"I wish not merely to be called Christian, but also to be Christian." — <i>St. Ignatius of Loyola</i></p>	

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"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." (John 1:5)


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January 2024

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December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>"Today the darkness begins to grow shorter and the light to lengthen, as the hours of night become fewer.... realize that the true light is now here and, through the rays of the gospel, is illumining the whole earth." — St. Gregory of Nyssa</p>					1	2
<p>3 <i>St. Francis Xavier (Our Patron)</i> 1st Sunday of Advent</p>	<p>4 Saint John Damascene, priest and doctor of the Church</p>	5	6 Saint Nicholas, bishop	7 Saint Ambrose, bishop and doctor of the Church	8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9 Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
<p>10 2nd Sunday of Advent</p>	<p>11 Saint Damasus I, pope</p>	<p>12 Our Lady of Guadalupe</p>	<p>13 Saint Lucy, virgin and martyr</p>	<p>14 Saint John of the Cross, priest and doctor of the Church</p>	15	16
<p>17 3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudate)</p>	18	19	20	<p>21 Saint Peter Canisius, priest and doctor of the Church</p>	22	<p>23 Saint John of Kanty, priest</p>
<p>24 4th Sunday of Advent</p>	<p>25 The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)</p>	<p>26 Saint Stephen, first martyr</p>	<p>27 Saint John, apostle and evangelist</p>	<p>28 The Holy Innocents, martyrs</p>	<p>29 5th Day in the Octave of Christmas Saint Thomas Becket, bishop and martyr</p>	<p>30 6th Day in the Octave of Christmas</p>
<p>31 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</p>	NOTES					



"The soul that is attached to anything however much good there may be in it, will not arrive at the liberty of divine union. For whether it be a strong wire rope or a slender and delicate thread that holds the bird, it matters not, if it really holds it fast; for, until the cord be broken the bird cannot fly." – St. John of the Cross

Prayer to St. Gaspar for the Church

St. Gaspar, you loved the persecuted Church, and in the name of God you accepted disgrace and exile. We beg your intercession for the Church today. Help us discern how we are to live and promote the message of the Gospel. United with you, may our hearts have compassion for the poor, the oppressed, the abandoned. Increase our love for the Blood of Christ, so that we also may be prepared to risk our lives. We thank God for your good works and example. Give us strength in our weakness so that we may grow stronger in our vocation to the honor of God and the salvation of all. Amen.

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