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Latin Masses & Devotions in November		Time	Celebrant
Thursday, 1 st Nov.	Solemn Feast of All Saints	10.30 a.m.	Fr. Domotor
Friday, 2 nd Nov.	All Souls' Day Mass	9.00 a.m.	
Saturday, 3 rd Nov.	Privileged Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary	10.30 a.m.	
Sunday, 4 th Nov.	Fourth-last Sunday after Pentecost	12.00 p.m.	
Friday, 9 th Nov.	Feast of the Dedication of the Archbasilica of Our Saviour + commem. St. Theodore, Martyr.	9.00 a.m.	
Sunday, 11 th Nov.	Third-last Sunday after Pentecost	12.00 p.m.	
Friday, 16 th Nov.	Feast of St. Gertrude the Great, Virgin	9.00 a.m.	
Sunday, 18 th Nov.	Second-last Sunday after Pentecost	12.00 p.m.	
Wednesday, 21 st Nov.	Feast of the Presentation of our Lady in the Temple	10.30 a.m.	
Friday, 23 rd Nov.	Feast of Pope St. Clement I, Martyr + commem. St. Felicitas, Martyr	9.00 a.m.	
Sunday, 25 th Nov.	Last Sunday after Pentecost	12.00 p.m.	
Friday, 30 th Nov.	Solemn Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle, Patron of the Diocese of Victoria (1st class here).	9.00 a.m.	

PRAYER INTENTIONS: For the sick and suffering (see also Parish Bulletin)

Fr. Domotor	Fr. Alex MacLellan	Mrs. Mary Lawson	Miscellaneous Intentions: For our Priest, Bishop and the Holy Father.
Miss Lorna Cue	Mrs. Agnes Berard	Mrs. Christine Stornebrink	

Please remember in your prayers the faithful departed: Fr. Michael Birch, Irene Domotor, Roger Brown, Earl & Elsa Morrison, Bernard & Nova Wauthy, Louis Berard, Marcellina Baldauf, Patricia Gould.

Public Square Rosary Rally



A *Public Square Rosary Rally* was held on the steps in front of Our Lady of Fatima Church (4635 Elk Lake Drive) on Saturday, 13th October, at noon. Twenty people attended the Rally.

Mrs. May Lawson 99th Birthday

Mrs. Mary Lawson is celebrating her 99th birthday on Saturday, 3rd November. If her condition permits, Mrs. Lawson might attend morning Mass that Saturday with a visiting daughter and granddaughter from the U.S.A.

After the Mass on Sunday, 28th October there will be an opportunity to sign a birthday card for Mary which will be handed to her in the hall on Sunday, 4th November after the Mass. Please pray for Mrs. Lawson's health and well-being. Masses are being offered for Mary on Saturday and Sunday, November 3rd and 4th.

Our Website under construction

The U.V.V.I.A. website (<https://latinmassvictoria.com/>) has recently been changed to a different version of WordPress. This facilitates its maintenance. Mr. Rob McBride is our new webmaster. He took over from Mr. Jesse Olson, who now resides in Calgary. For the future, we are looking for a younger person who can initially participate in the maintenance of our website and eventually take over complete responsibility for it. Please contact Mr. McBride or Mr. Stornebrink if you are interested in helping us on this. We are regularly adding new resources and updates. Documents are in p.d.f. format and contain active links so that anyone can download copies of the documents (e.g. Missalettes, Devotions).

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**Prof. DE MATTEI TO THE YOUTH:
"THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY TO BE HAPPY: BE HOLY."**

Liturgy

The entire month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The traditional liturgical colour on All Souls' Day is black. During this month, and especially in an octave ending on 9th November, we pray above all for the deceased souls in Purgatory, particularly those of our relatives and friends. We should never presume that, after death, any given soul goes directly to Heaven. Such a notion is a Protestant heresy. Heretics deny the existence of Purgatory, as the term Purgatory is not to be found in the Bible (and yet nor is the term *Trinity* but most Protestants believe in that). It is perturbing to hear some priests claim at a funeral that the departed is now exulting in Heaven. A priest cannot canonise anyone, and why pray for the dead if they instantly arise to eternal bliss upon death? Most of the saved will need to spend time in Purgatory to expiate unconfessed venial sins or to pay fully the penalties owing for the commission of confessed mortal sins. The change from black to white vestments, funeral palls and even hearses further supports this false impression of 'instant canonisation' at a *Novus Ordo* funeral.

Praying for the dead is one of the spiritual acts of mercy. These can be practised by everyone, sick or healthy, old or young, alone or in a family. Acts of mercy benefit the souls in purgatory through a lessening of suffering whilst in purgatory and eventually through an earlier release from it.

Masses for the Dead

November is the month in which people often request Masses to be said for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, especially for deceased family members or friends. There is even a special liturgical octave for this which begins on **All Souls' Day**,

Requests for Traditional Latin Masses should always be made directly to Fr. Domotor.

Mass stipends are a way to support the priests in their personal monetary needs.

Gregorian Masses for the Dead

Gregorian Masses are a series of thirty Holy Masses celebrated on thirty consecutive days for the repose of the soul of one departed person. Gregorian Masses derive their name from Pope St. Gregory the Great, who was the first to popularise this practice.

The practice of Gregorian Masses goes back to a tradition hailing from Pope St. Gregory the Great (540-604). According to legend, a deceased monk appeared and requested 30 Masses to be celebrated for the release of his soul from Purgatory. On completion of the stipulated days, he appeared once more, radiant in Heavenly glory.

From the time of this legend the practice of celebrating 30 consecutive Masses for one person with the intention of procuring his or her release from Purgatory became an established custom which has been regulated in various ways over the centuries.

For more information, click on the following link accessible from our U.V.V.I.A. website (see po.2 of this Newsletter) <http://www.ewtn.com/library/liturgy/zlitur267.htm>

Gregorian Masses are said in the *Novus Ordo* or in the *Vetus Ordo*, the Traditional Latin Mass, by priests of religious orders, seminary priests or priests who are not assigned to a parish. The stipend may double for the Masses said in the *Vetus Ordo* as there are fewer priests available for celebrating Latin Masses in this Form.

Responsory for the Dead – *The Libera me*

One of the most beautiful and beloved pieces of the Gregorian chant repertoire is the *Libera me, Domine*, sung in the **Office of the Dead**, the last responsory of the **Matins**. It is also sung during the absolution of the dead beside the coffin immediately after the Requiem Mass and before the burial at the catafalque. It is also said or sung on All Souls' Day (2nd November) and whenever all three nocturnes of Matins of the Dead are recited.

The text of *Libera me* asks God to have mercy upon the deceased person at the Last Judgement.

Libera me, Domine, de morte æterna,
in die illa tremenda
Quando cœli movendi sunt et terra
Dum veneris iudicare saeculum per ignem.

Tremens factus sum ego, et timeo,
dum discussio venerit, atque ventura ira.

Quando cœli movendi sunt et terra
Dies illa, dies iræ, calamitatis et miseriæ,
dies magna et amara valde.

Dum veneris iudicare saeculum per ignem.
Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine: et lux
perpetua luceat eis.

Deliver me, O Lord, from death eternal in that awful day. When the heavens and the earth shall be moved: When Thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.

Dread and trembling have laid hold on me, and I fear exceedingly because of the Judgement and of the wrath to come.

On that day, that day of wrath, of sore distress and of all wretchedness, that great day and exceeding bitter.

When thou shalt come to judge the world by fire. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

The *Libera me* is begun by a cantor, who sings the versicles alone, and the responses are sung by the choir. The text is written in the first person singular, "Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death on that fearful day," a dramatic substitution in which the choir speaks for the dead person.

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Maria Simma and her “visits” from souls in Purgatory

Maria Simma was born on February 2, 1915 in Sonntag, Austria. She was the second of eight children. Her mother and father were poor peasant farmers and the family lived a “hand to mouth” existence. They were humble Catholic country folk who possessed a simple yet very devout faith in God. . . .

In 1940 came the first visit from a Holy Soul (a departed soul from Purgatory) – Maria was age 25. The holy soul--a man-- appeared to her in a vision one night. He was pacing back and forth in her bedroom at the foot of her bed. Confused, she called out to him and said “Who are you?” but she received no reply. Then she hopped out of bed and tried to grasp him saying “How did you get in here? Go away”, he gave no response and as she reached out to touch him he disappeared. However, as soon as she got back into bed he reappeared, pacing back and forth once again. She wondered how is it that she could readily see this man, but not speak to or touch him. She thought to herself, “Well, so long as he does not come near me” and she remained watching him and after a while he disappeared and she remained awake pondering the meaning of what happened. For further reading go to the following website:

<http://www.mysticsofthechurch.com/2013/10/maria-simma-visits-from-souls-in.html>

Note: A book will be on display at the next book sale for Seminarians after Mass in the hall.