

R: Let us not receive the wages of death but the reward of eternal life.

Christ, our Saviour, look on those who live without hope and do not know you...

R: Let them believe in the resurrection and the life of the world to come.

You restored sight to the man born blind and opened the eyes of his faith...

R: Reveal your face to the dead who have not seen your glory.

Lord, be merciful to us when we leave this earthly dwelling...

R: Make for us a home in heaven that will last forever.

## OUR FATHERS...

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

Lord God, as you are the fount of mercy and wish all people to be saved: have

mercy then on our deceased confreres, family and benefactors, through the intercession of Blessed Virgin ever-virgin, and all of your saints, bring them to the fellowship of eternal joy.

We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.  
Amen.

## SALVE REGINA

Salve, Regina, Mater misericordiæ, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. ad te clamamus exsules filii Hevæ, ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia, ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte; et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.



## Prayer for the Faithful Departed November 2nd



## OPENING

My brothers, we gather today with the whole Church to remember our confrères, family, friends and benefactors who have died.

May our prayers confirm their place in Our Father's loving presence and reassure us of their company for all eternity.

This we ask, through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

## FIRST READING

*From the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1 Cor 15:55-57)*

Death, where is your victory? Death where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

*The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.*

## PSALM

**Resp.** The Lord will guard you from every evil, he will guard your soul.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains:  
from where shall come my help?  
My help shall come from the Lord  
who made heaven and earth.

**Resp.**

May he never allow you to stumble!  
Let him sleep not, your guard.  
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,  
Israel's guard. **Resp.**

The Lord is your guard and your shade, at your right side he stands.  
By day the sun shall not smite you  
nor the moon in the night.  
**Resp.**

The Lord will guard you from evil,  
he will guard your soul.  
The Lord will guard your going

and coming both now and for ever. **Resp.**

Glory be... **Resp.**

## GOSPEL

*From the Gospel of St John (11: 21-27)*

"Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask."

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; <sup>26</sup> and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

"Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who

is to come into the world."

*The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

## INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray to Christ who gives us the hope that our mortal bodies will become like his in glory.

*R: Lord, you are our life and our resurrection.*

Christ, Son of the living God, you raised your friend Lazarus from the dead...

*R: Grant life and glory to the faithful departed, redeemed by your precious blood.*

Compassionate Saviour, you wiped away all tears when you gave back to the widow of Nain her only son///

*R: Comfort those who mourn because the one they love has died.*

Christ, our Redeemer, destroy the reign of sin in our mortal bodies...