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Friday, 30 October 2026

Let us Pray for our Deceased Confreres

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

P. Bernhard Mersmann	05.11	P. Gaston Lessard	28.03
P. Maxime Legros	08.12	P. Alfred Rösener	09.04
P. Earl Crotty	23.12	P. James O'Connell	16.04
F. Terry Garrett	23.12	P. Bernard McFadyen	07.05
P. Hubert Bonnet-Eymard	26.12	F. Marcellin Kasselmann	23.07
P. Justin Taylor	06.01	P. John Harrington	01.08
P. Joseph McLaughlin	08.01	P. Heliodoro Casado	04.08
P. James Hapuak	17.01	P. Ronald DesRosiers	09.08
P. Paul Glynn	23.01	P. Dylan Hatobu	24.09
P. Ismael Castellanos	23.01	P. Étienne Siffert	28.09
P. Lutoviko Manu	04.02	P. Rory Mulligan	03.10
P. David Wilson	26.02		

Dear brothers and sisters,

even as our sorrow for those no longer among us remains etched in our hearts, let us entrust ourselves to the hope that does not disappoint (cf. Rom 5:5). Let us fix our gaze upon the Risen Christ and think of our departed loved ones as enfolded in his light. Let us allow the Lord's promise of eternal life to resound in our hearts. He will destroy death forever. Indeed, he has already conquered it, opening for us the way to eternal life by passing through the valley of death during his Paschal mystery. Thus, united to him, we too may enter and pass through the valley of death.

The Lord awaits us, and when we finally meet him at the end of our earthly journey, we shall rejoice with him and with our loved ones who have gone before us. May this promise sustain us, dry our tears, and raise our gaze upwards toward the hope for the future that never fades.

(From the Homily of Pope Leo XIV, Verano Cemetery, Rome, 2 November 2025)