



October 29, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we celebrate All Saints Day, and on Monday, Nov 2 is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, or "All Souls' Day." On that day, we not only remember our departed loved ones, we also pray for them. We assist them by our prayers and sacrifices so their purification in Purgatory may be completed and accomplished, and they may be granted kind admittance to the eternal, heavenly Kingdom of God. We refer to the souls in Purgatory as the "poor souls," but they are fortunate, because their entry into heaven is certain, although they must first undergo purification from all their worldly attachments and complete the temporal punishments for their sins. We believe that our prayers can hasten this process and so we pray for them in a special way on All Souls' Day. Let us pray for all of our dear departed loved ones, and also for all of the "poor souls," especially those who have no one else to pray for them.

On Saturday, Nov. 7, Bishop Brennan will ordain ten men to the permanent diaconate in an ordination ceremony to take place at St. Paul Church in Westerville. **Among those to be ordained as deacons are two of our own parishioners of St. Andrew Parish: Dan Dowler and Victor Nduaguba.** We are very proud of these men and are confident that they will serve the Church well as worthy deacons. We congratulate Dan and Victor and offer our best wishes to them and their families on this happy occasion. And we also offer our prayers for a blessed and fruitful ministry as deacons. I am also very pleased to announce that Deacon Dowler will be assigned to the diaconal ministry right here at St. Andrew Parish. I look forward to his joining me, Fr. Ferguson, Fr. DeVille, and Deacon Berg on our ministerial team!

May God bless you all in the somber month of November, and may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Your Pastor,
Msgr. Stephan Moloney