

We pray with the World

November:

Nov. 16: International Day for Tolerance.

May God the Creator help us to see diversity as a gift.

Nov. 20: Universal Children's Day.

May we recognize and report any injustices that children are suffering.

Nov. 25: International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

Let us pray for a fair acknowledgment of women's dignity.

December:

Dec. 2: International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

Let us know how to recognize the different kinds of slaveries in our society.

Dec. 5: International Volunteer Day.

We are thankful for so many people who give their lives gratuitously.

Dec. 9: International Day Against Corruption.

Let us pray for greater transparency in people with responsibilities.

Dec. 10: Human Rights Day

Dec. 18: International Migrants Day.

During these days when we contemplate how the Child God was born outside, and later migrated, let us recognize this Mystery in so many of our brothers and sisters.

Dec. 20: International Human Solidarity Day.

Give us, God, a heart sensitive to the needs of people.

We pray for our deceased members

14/08/2017	Benedikta Bačová CJ, Slovakia
11/09/2017	Winefried Nothaft CJ, MEP
17/09/2017	Irmentraud Leitner CJ, MEP
21/09/2017	Vojtecha Vasková CJ, Slovakia
24/09/2017	Irmina Kellner CJ, MEP
27/09/2017	Concepta Murtagh IBVM, Ireland
05/10/2017	Electa Robu CJ, Romania
08/10/2017	Genovefa Singheiser CJ, MEP
14/10/2017	Christiane Petri CJ, MEP
16/10/2017	Marie Kelly IBVM, Australia
17/10/2017	Antonia O'Sullivan IBVM, Ireland



House of Prayer November-December 2017



In this season of Advent, we are called to expand the horizons of our hearts, to be amazed by the life which presents itself each day with newness. In order to do this, we must learn to not depend on our own certainties, on our own established strategies, because the Lord comes at a time that we do not imagine. He comes to bring us into a more beautiful and grand dimension.

May Our Lady, the Virgin of Advent, help us not to consider ourselves proprietors of our life, not to resist when the Lord comes to change it, but to be ready to let ourselves be visited by him, the awaited and welcome guest, even if it disturbs our plans.

(Message Pope Francis Advent16)

We pray with the MaryWard family

November:

For our sisters CJ and IBVM who celebrate their jubilee during these two months.

Nov. 10-11: We thank God and celebrate the 20 years of IBVM Mission in Asilah (Morocco).

Until Nov. 16: We continue praying for the visit Consultation of CJ to the Province of Patna.

Nov. 25: We pray in gratitude for our Sister Jemarice Clara Atieno IBVM on the day of her First Profession.

Nov. 25-28: We keep in mind and pray for the fruits of the Anti-trafficking Conference organized by the IBVM in Kolkatta.

Until Nov. 30: We continue praying for the CJ Consultation Visit to the Korean Province as well as the visit of the IBVM General Leadership in Ireland.

December:

Dec. 2: We pray very specially for our CJ Sisters: Faith Dhlamini and Locadia Mutizira who are making their Final Profession in Zimbabwe.

Dec. 9: We also pray for our IBVM Sisters: Anastacia Mbatha, Anne Kinyanjui and Evelyn Achieng IBVM on the day of their Final Profession.



We Pray with the Church

November: For witness to the Gospel in Asia.

That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

Asia is the cradle of the great religions. On this continent, Judaism, Hinduism, Christianity, Islam, and other Eastern religions have been born.



December: For the elderly.

May the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Prayer of the elderly

Lord, my strength is fading away. My eyes no longer have the sharpness of before, my ears as well as my hands are becoming clumsier. My feet, slow and tired, remind me at every step that I have gone through many years.

I must admit that those who are younger than I am do things in a better way.

But I also know how to accept myself as I am, with the limitations of age, I obey your wisdom that has arranged everything for the good of the people you love, and that the variants of existence are opportunities to grow in human and Christian maturity. Give me, Lord, strength to accept my weaknesses and the discretion not to annoy others with my complaints and the enumeration of my maladies; and also to know how to withdraw in time and give way to other people better prepared physically or mentally. Someone said that, sometimes, just not to hinder is a big thing.

Despite my pains, may I be interested in the joys and needs of the others. And finally, I pray that the biblical value of the old Eleazar, move me to be an example of fidelity to my condition of being a human and Christian person.

3 Dec: Advent begins.

8 Dec: Celebration of the Immaculate Conception of Mary.