

Birthday of the Church's Church!

Today is a rather unusual feast day. On most feast days we celebrate Our Lord or Our Lady or one the saints. But today we celebrate the day that a church in Rome was started.

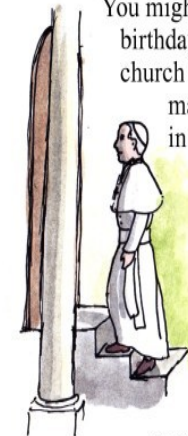
Did you know that every parish has a special feast day when it has its birthday or the feast day of its patron saint? The Saint John Lateran Basilica in Rome was dedicated to God, sort of like its birthday, on November 9. And because it is the Pope's main church- and all Catholics belong to his parish, we celebrate its birthday because it's our church too!

You might be wondering why we have a birthday for a building, though! Well, a church is not just an ordinary building. It is made specially for the worship of God in the Mass. A church is also a symbol of the mystical Body of Christ, which is the people who belong to His Church. Today is a good day to remember and celebrate that we are part of Jesus' Church and His family on earth!

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SAINTS FUN FACTS

Saint Martin of Tours is one of the most popular and recognizable Catholic saints. Many miracles have been attributed to him. He even had a confrontation with Satan.

"Show me your wounds if you are truly Jesus!"

Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - 9th November 2025 - Year C



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

Temples of the Lord.

Why commemorate a church dedication that happened in fourth-century Rome? Because St. John Lateran is no ordinary church. It is the cathedral church or seat of the Pope and known as "the mother of all the world's churches." But more than that, because God has from all time intended the church building to be a symbol of His Church and our bodies. This is what the readings for today's feast invite us to consider. God's prototype for the church is the Jerusalem Temple, described in the First Reading and Psalm. It's God's "holy dwelling," site of His presence in our midst, source of "living waters", of all life and blessing. But God intended the Temple to give way to the Body of Christ. That's what our Lord's words and actions in the Gospel are intended to dramatize. Christ's Body is now the dwelling of God's "glory" among us. It's the new source of living waters, the living bread, the new sanctuary where people will worship in Spirit and truth. By Baptism, we are joined to His Body in the Church. The Epistle says the Spirit of God comes to dwell in us and makes us "God's building...the temple of God". Jesus drove out the sellers of oxen, sheep and doves, signaling an end to the animal sacrifices that formed the worship of the old Temple. In the spiritual worship of the new Temple, we offer our bodies, our whole beings, as a living sacrifice. Like living stones built on the cornerstone of Christ, together we are called to build up the new Temple of God, the Church. As the Jerusalem Temple was, so the Church will always be under construction, until at last it is perfected in the new Jerusalem, our mother Church, come down from heaven .

(excerpt: stpaulcenter.com)

CONFESSIONS
Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00a.m
&
by appointment

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
Eze.47:1-2,8-9,12
Second Reading
1Cor.3:9-11,16-17
Gospel
Jn.2:13-22

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MASS TIMES
Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.
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MONDAY: GROS ISLET
Mass: 6:00 a. m.
12:30 p.m.
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TUESDAY: GROS ISLET
6:00 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Gros Islet
6:00 p.m. G/Riviere
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THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.:
Gros Islet
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FRIDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.:
Gros Islet
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SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.:
Gros Islet
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SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.:
GROS ISLET/G. RIVIERE
10:00 a.m.:
Gros Islet/Monchy
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HOLIDAY
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Leo the Great, Pope - Feast Day Nov 10th.

Leo the Great was Pope from 29 September 440 to his death in 461. He was the first pope to have been called "the Great". He is perhaps best known for having met Attila the Hun in 452 and persuading him to turn back down from his invasion of Italy. The significance of Leo's pontificate, however, lies in his doctrinal insistence on the mysteries of Christ and the Church, the supernatural charisms of the spiritual life given to humanity in Christ and in his Body, the Church, and his assertion of the universal jurisdiction of the Roman bishop, commonly referred to as the doctrine of Petrine supremacy, holding that papal power was granted by Christ to St. Peter alone, and that that power was passed on by Peter to his successors. Leo is also a Doctor of the Church, most remembered theologically for issuing the Tome of Leo, which clarified the doctrines related to the union of Christ’s distinct human nature and distinct divine nature. Through numerous letters addressed to bishops and members of the imperial family, Leo tirelessly worked for the propagation and universal reception of the faith in Christ as defined by the Council of Chalcedon. Leo defended the true divinity and the true humanity of the one Christ against heretical one-sidedness. A central idea around which Leo deepens and explains his theology is Christ's presence in the Church, more specifically in the teaching and preaching of the faith (Scripture, Tradition and their interpretation), in the liturgy (sacraments and celebrations), in the life of the individual believer and of the organized Church, especially in a council. With strong conviction of the importance of the Bishop of Rome in the Church, and of the Church as the ongoing sign of Christ’s presence in the world, Leo the Great displayed endless dedication as pope. Today there is widespread criticism of Church structures and criticism that bishops and priests are too preoccupied with administration of temporal matters. Pope Leo is an example of a great administrator who used his talents in areas where spirit and structure are inseparably combined: doctrine, peace and pastoral care.

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**PLEASE PRAY
FORTH THE SICK**
Patsy Crafton
Iris Macauldy
Marie Joseph
Anne Marie Felicien

DECEASED

Andrea Leon
Stanislaus Paul
Alexandra John
Jennifer Gaston
Barthelmy Felix
Anthony Jn. Baptiste

WEEKDAY READINGS

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MONDAY
Wis.1:1-7
Lk.17:1-6
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TUESDAY
Wis.2:23-3:9
Lk.17:7-10
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WEDNESDAY
Wis.6:1-11
Lk.17:11-19
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THURSDAY
Wis.7:22-8:1
Lk.17:20-25
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FRIDAY
Wis.13:1-9
Lk.17:26-37
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SATURDAY
Wis.18:14-16.19:6-9
Lk.18:1-8

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MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY / RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA -YEAR C		
Sat Nov 8- 6:00 p.m.		Guid: Arial Willie Int: The Glace family B'day: Mikaela Elliott Thks: Alghitha Richelieu & family
Sun Nov 9 - 7:30 a.m. <i>Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>		Eucharistic Service
10:00 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		B'day: Lysa Esnard Thks: Albertha Lorde, Mia Radjou
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Nov 10 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Leo the Great Priest & Doctor</i>	Fr. Joseph Xavier Sr. Petronilla Banda	Dc'd: Marie Celine Lawrence Dumond & Nathalie Joseph, Norman Jean
12:30 p.m.		St. Anthony: Rosanna Busette Thks: Diane & Richard Palton
Tues Nov 11 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>	Sr. Benedicta Chanda	Dc'd: Charles Hippolyte Neil, Rosemarie & Joyce Edmunds
Wed Nov 12 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr</i>	Fr. Festus Iwuagwu Rev. Wilfred Harris Rev. Marcellus Serieux	B'day: Theresa Louis Deborah Desir, Alison Jacob-Valty
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Claude & Catherine Bodley Members of Augustin family Members of the Carasco family
Thu Nov 13 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Virgin</i>	Rev. Madison Stanislaus Rev. Vincent Norbert Rev. Anthony Pierre	Dc'd: Kevin Haywood, Edna Dembo Richard & Theresa Charles
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Didacus Jules
Fri Nov 14 - 6:00 a.m.	Sr. Mary Dungdung Sr. Mercy Masaka	Dc'd: Teresa Huntley, Mathilda Philip Patsy Dixon, Rose Ann Raymond
12:30 p.m.		St. Augustin: Phil Wellington Aylwin, Michele & Marlon Benjamin
Sat Nov 15 - 6.30 a.m. <i>St. Albert the Great Bishop & Doctor</i>	Rev. Jeremy Joseph Sr. Marie Joseph	Dc'd: Rosa & Antoine Glace, Ila Henry Verdant family members James & Paulina Prudent