

Second Reading—1 John 3:1-3.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed

we shall be like him

because we shall see him as he really is.

Surely everyone who entertains this hope

must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

GOSPEL—Matthew 5:1-12.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was
joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught
them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all
kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for
your reward will be great in heaven.'



- * **NOVEMBER - MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE**
- * **ALL SOULS' DAY:** Monday is all souls' day. The Plenary Indulgence for the dead can now be obtained throughout the month of November on a visit to a Church or Oratory under the usual conditions of sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the Holy Father's intentions. 3 Masses will be celebrated on All Souls' day (Monday). The 2 other Masses will be at 12 noon and 7pm in the Adoration Chapel—limited to only 4 persons. So I need to know who wants to come for either of those Masses—we can't take more than 4.
- * **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:** Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. As usual we shall remember all our parishioners and friends who died within the year. Unfortunately, because of Covid, the votive candles may be lit only by one parishioner appointed to do this.
- * **EDUCATION SUNDAY - ADVANCE NOTICE:** Next Sunday is Education Sunday, marking the start of a week when we celebrate the importance of educating children and young people in faith.