# All Saints' Day, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020



# Land Acknowledgement

In this holy time and place, we acknowledge with respect that we gather on the traditional, ancestral territories of the Mohawk and Abanaki first peoples.

May the living Christ lead us always on pathways of reconciliation and peace. Amen.

**Kateri Tekakwitha** given the name Tekakwitha, baptized as Catherine and informally known as Lily of the Mohawks (1656 – April 17, 1680), is a Catholic saint who was an Algonquin–Mohawk laywoman. Born in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon, on the south side of the Mohawk River in present-day New York State, she contracted smallpox in an epidemic; her family died and her face was scarred. She converted to Catholicism at age nineteen, when she was renamed Kateri, and baptized in honor of Catherine of Siena. Refusing to marry, she left her village and moved for the remaining five years of her life to the Jesuit mission village of Kahnawake, south of Montreal on the St. Lawrence River in New France, now Canada.

Tekakwitha took a vow of perpetual virginity. Upon her death at the age of 24, witnesses said that minutes later her scars vanished and her face appeared radiant and beautiful. Known for her virtue of chastity and mortification of the flesh, as well as being shunned by some of her tribe for her religious conversion to Catholicism, she is the fourth Native American to be venerated in the Catholic Church and the first to be canonized.

Almighty and merciful God, we have sinned against you, in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with all our heart. We have not loved others as our Saviour Christ loves us. We are truly sorry. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

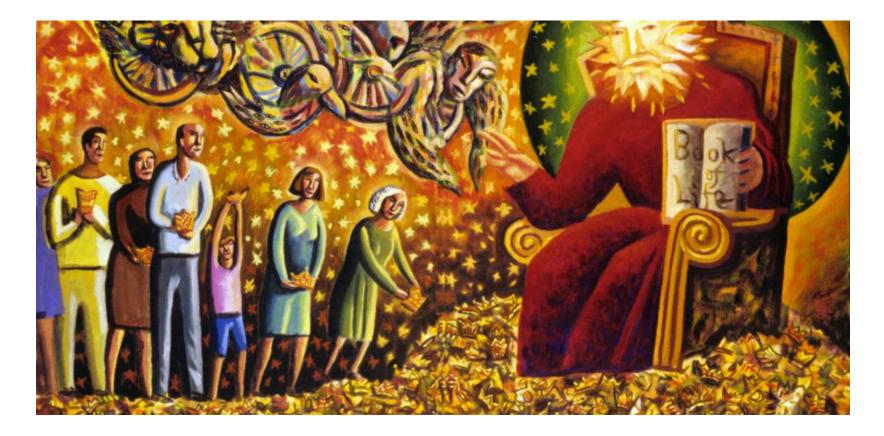
May Almighty God, who pardons all who truly repent, forgive your sins, strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **Amen.** 



**1 For all the saints,** who from their labours rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia! 3 O blest communion, fellowship divine! we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!



# **Opening Sentences for All Saints**

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; There is no end of his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another **And shall declare your power.** 

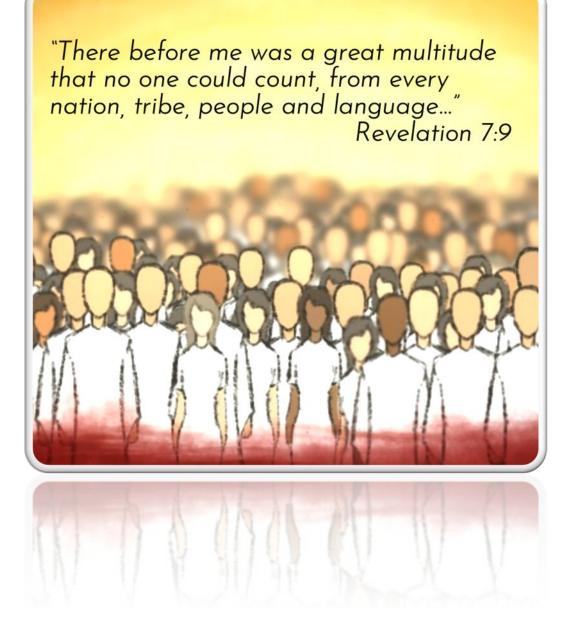
All your works praise you, O Lord And your faithful servants bless you.

They make known the glory of your kingdom **And speak of your power.** 

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; Let all flesh bless his holy name, for ever and ever. Amen.



**Revelation 7:9-17** After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."



#### Psalm 95 VENITE, EXULTEMUS DOMINO

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving : and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods. In his hand are all the corners of the earth : and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it : and his hands prepared the dry land. O come, let us worship and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is the Lord our God : and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Today, O that ye would hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness; When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works. Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said : It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways. Unto whom I sware in my wrath : that they should not enter into my rest.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen



Psalm 34



I will bless God at all times, God's praise will continually be in my mouth. My soul will glory in God, the humble will hear and be glad. O magnify God with me, let us exalt God's name together.

I sought God, who answered me, and freed me from all my fears. Look to the Most High, and let your light shine, and your faces will not be ashamed.

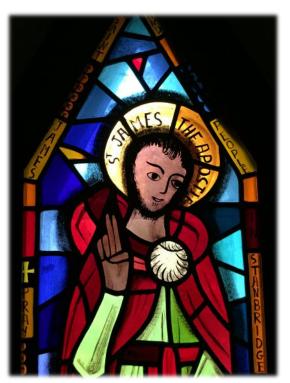
This poor soul cried out and God heard, and saved me from all my troubles. R

Your angel, O God, keeps guard over those who fear you and delivers them.

Taste and see that our God is good. Happy are those who take refuge in God. Fear God, you who are the saints, for those who fear God lack nothing. Strong lions suffer want and go hungry,

but those who seek God lack no good thing. R



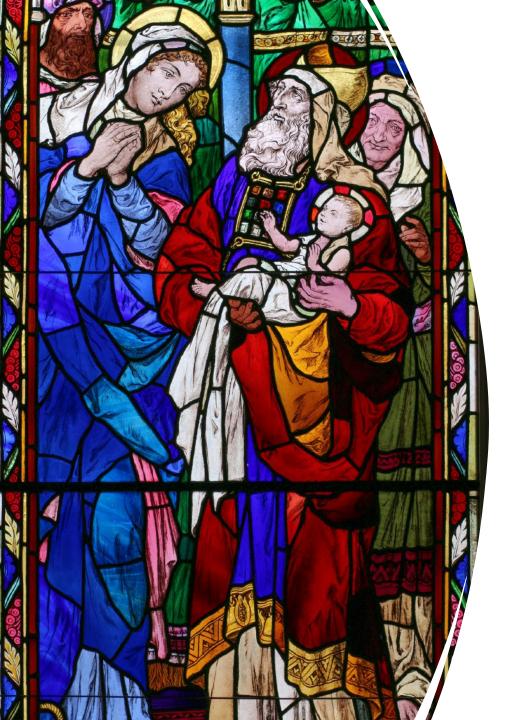




### 1 John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.



### The Responsory – Saints' Day

The Lord is righteous and delights in righteous deeds; the just shall see his face. The Lord is righteous and delights in righteous deeds; the just shall see his face.

When foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do? **The just shall see his face.** 

His eyes behold the inhabited world; his piercing eye weighs our worth. **The just shall see his face.** 

The Lord weighs the righteous as well as the wicked, but those who delight in violence he abhors. **The just shall see his face.** 

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. The Lord is righteous and delights in righteous deeds; the just shall see his face. Let saints on earth in concert sing

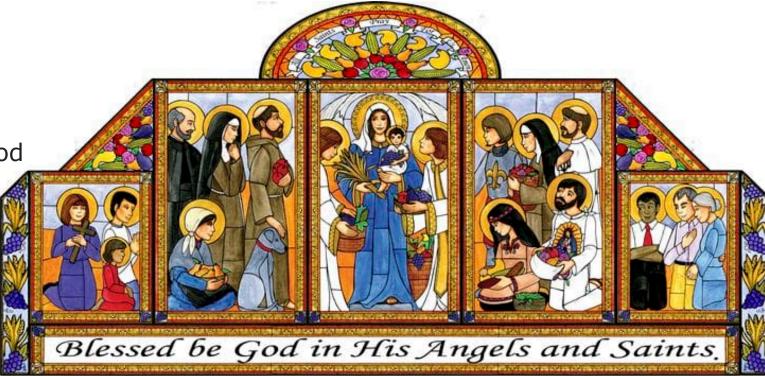
with those whose work is done; for all the servants of our King in earth and heaven, are one.

2 One family, we live in him, one church above, beneath, though now divided by the stream, the narrow stream of death.

3 One army of the living God, to his command we bow; part of his host have crossed the flood and part are crossing now.

4 But all unite in Christ their head, and love to sing his praise: Lord of the living and the dead, direct our earthly ways!

5 So we shall join our friends above who have obtained the prize; and on the eagle wings of love to joys celestial rise.



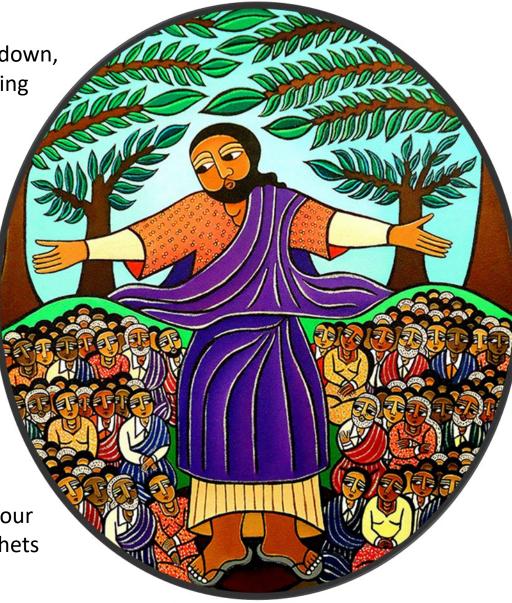
Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth."Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy."Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. "





### Sermon by the Rev. Tyson L. Røsberg

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.





## **Our Father**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Notre Père qui es aux cieux, que ton nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite

sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation, mais délivre-nous du Mal.

Car c'est à Toi qu'appartiennent le Règne, la puissance et la gloire aux siècles des siècles.

Amen.

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Who are these like stars appearing,

these before God's throne who stand? Each a golden crown is wearing; who are all this glorious band? "Alleluia!" hark, they sing, praising loud their heavenly King.

2 Who are these of dazzling brightness, these in God's own righteousness? These whose robes of purest whiteness shall their lustre still possess, still untouched by time's rude hand -whence comes all this glorious band?

3 These are they who have contended for their Saviour's honour long, wrestling on till life was ended, following not the sinful throng; these, who well the fight sustained, triumph through the Lamb have gained. 4 These are they whose hearts were riven, sore with woe and anguish tried, who in prayer full oft have striven with the God they glorified; now, their painful conflict o'er, God has bid them weep no more.

5 These, the Almighty contemplating, did as priest before him stand, soul and body always waiting day and night at his command: now, in God's most holy place, blest they stand before his face.



### **Closing Prayers**

God of unfailing light, in your realm of glory

the poor are blessed, the hungry are filled,

and every tear is wiped away.

Strengthened by this vision, may we follow in the way of holiness that your Son made known in life and death. Amen.

#### Almighty God,

whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the mystical Body of your Son, grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you;

through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**May God,** who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you this day, and always. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord/ Thanks be to God!



THE COMMUNION OF THE SAINTS



### Lay Reader Commissioning Service on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, at 2:30 pm with Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson and our Lay Readers: Kate Murray, Randy Gates, Bev Sanborn, and Valerie Cook.

