MERCY Peace & Justice CALENDAR

November 2026
Black Catholic History Month (USCCB)
Native American Heritage Month (USA)
National Family Literacy Month

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1 **Feast of All Saints - Happy Feast Day!**

We pray with gratitude for peacemakers and justice seekers

National Family Literacy Day: We pray with gratitude for people like Dolly Parton who encouraged reading by donating books to children

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2 **All Souls Day**

Día De Los Muertos

We pray for the repose of the souls of victims of violence and natural disasters

International Day to end impunity for crime against journalists (UN): We pray for the safety and wellbeing of journalists

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3 **Election Day (USA):** We pray that informed American Citizens exercise their right to vote in a safe and nonthreatening environment, for officials who seek the common good for all.

Feast of St. Martin de Porres: We pray for the end of racism

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4 We pray with gratitude for the contributions of Native Americans to the USA Life and Culture

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5 **World Tsunami Day (UN):** We pray for those recovering from Tsunamis and all

are prepared

We pray for Jeffrey Weisheit in Indiana and Jesse Guardado in Florida scheduled for execution their victims and their families

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6 **International Day for the Prevention of the Exploitation in War and Conflict (UN):** We pray for peace in Iran and Ukraine

First Friday: Pray and Act against the death penalty

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7 **In 1967 the UN declares the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women**

Eleanor Roosevelt Dies in 1962

We pray for an increase of women in leadership roles in Church and Society

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8 **Diwali: Hindu Feast of Lights begins**: We pray for our Hindu neighbors

Dorothy Day born in 1897: We pray for the canonization of Dorothy Day, founder of Catholic Worker Movement

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9 **Night of the Broken Glass in Germany - the Holocaust begins in 1938**: We pray for the end of antisemitism

Berlin Wall falls in 1989: We pray for the end of walls that divide peoples

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9 - 15 **International Week of Science for Peace and Development**

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10 **Feast of St. Leo the Great:** We pray that Pope Leo XIV continues to mirror his predecessor as peacemaker

World Science Day for Peace and Development (UN)

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11 **Venerable Catherine McAuley RSM dies in 1841**

USA Veterans Day

Feast of St. Martin de Tours

We pray with gratitude for those who carry on Catherine's Charism, Veterans, and we pray for the end of racism

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12 We pray for those on death row, especially John Rubio in Texas and James Pavatt in Oklahoma, scheduled for execution, the victims and their families

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13 **Feast of St. Francis Xavier Cabrini**

We pray for immigrants, migrants and refugees

40th Anniversary of Economic Justice for all (USCCB)

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14 **10th World Day of the Poor (VA) - Theme**: The Lord is the refugee of the Poor (cf. Ps 14,6). We must reaffirm the importance of the poor to the life of the Church - Pope Leo. We pray for those in need and the will to help them in every way

World Diabetes Day (WHO)

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15 **America Recycles Day:** We pray for the will to conserve the Earth's Resources

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16 - 22 **National Week of Awareness of Hunger and Homelessness**

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16 **Six Jesuits and Housekeeper & daughter murdered in San Salvador in 1989:** We pray for the people of Central America and the end of the persecution of the Church in Nicaragua

International Day of Tolerance (UN): We pray for the grace to be tolerant no matter the race, creed, sex, beliefs, age, disability of the other

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16 - 19 **USCCB Conference in Baltimore:** We pray for Spirit's Guidance on Elections & Business

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16 - 19 We pray for the safety & wellbeing of Pope Leo on his visit to Uruguay, Peru, Argentina

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17 **Feast of St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Patron of Catholic Charities**: We pray for the staff, clients and donors of Catholic Charities

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18 **Feast of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (Religious of the Sacred Heart), Minister to Native Americans**

Sojourner Truth (abolitionist) is born in 1797

International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day: We pray for the loved ones of those lost by suicide

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19 **Feast of Our Lady of Divine Providence (Puerto Rico Patron)**: We pray for the people of Puerto Rico

World Toilet Day (WHO)

World Philosophers Day (UN)

We pray for Reinaldo Dinnes, scheduled for execution in Texas, the victims and their families

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20 **World's Children's Day (UN)**

African Industrialization Day (UN)

We pray for the children of the world and for the peoples of Africa

Transgender Day of Remembrance: We pray for those who have died because of their sexuality

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21 **Feast of the Presentation**

World Television Day (UN)

We pray for peace in the world

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22 **Feast of Christ the King & St. Cecilia**

JFK murdered in 1963: we pray for musicians and for the safety of persons in political offices

Abigail Adams born in 1744 (First Lady and Feminist): we pray for women leaders in Church and society

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23 We pray for the repose of the souls of James Reburies, Jeffrey Lee, La James Norman, Curtis Crosby, Jamadar Howard, executed in the USA last month.

We pray for the well-being of Christa Pike, unsuccessfully executed in Tennessee and suffering

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24 **Feast of Andrew Dung-Lac and companions (Vietnamese Martyrs)**: we pray for the Vietnamese people and all those persecuted because of their beliefs in China, Nigeria, Myanmar, Sudan

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25 **Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria**

International Day for the Violence Against Women (UN): we pray for the end of Violence Against Women

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26 **Happy Thanksgiving Day!** We pray in gratitude for all the Blessings of the year especially family, friends and creation and we remember those who feel they have none.

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27 **BUY Nothing Day**

Native American Heritage Day: we pray for Native Americans

International Day of the Awareness of Early and Forced Child Marriage (UN)

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28 Let us pray for the proper use of wealth that, not succeeding to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity with those who have less. - **Pope Leo Monthly Intention**

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29 **First Sunday of Advent**

International Day in Solidarity with the Palestine People (UN): We pray for Peace in Israel and Palestine

We pray with gratitude for the more than 3 million Black Catholics

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30 **Feast of St. Andrew**

International Day of Remembrance of Victims of Chemical Warfare (UN): we pray for the end of chemical weapons and for the recovery of its victims.

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