

# GUARD OF HONOR NOVEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

Dear All,

We are all faced with the ordeal of grief at one time or another. This reminds us of the fragility of our lives and that we are only passing through. When the uncertain world seems to be ablaze, and our bearings are dislocated, it is beneficial to learn to put things into perspective, because many fear wars, social crises, the end of the world... Yet, all those who die every day, whatever the circumstances, individual or collective, are solely accountable for their actions before the Lord. It is essential not to forget this... and it is up to each of us to prepare for this personal encounter, for "no one knows the hour"!

This is what our foundress, whose 200<sup>th</sup> birthday we are celebrating today (October 28), reminded the honor guards!

**We pass by**

In communion with everyone!  
We pass by, it is good to meditate on this truth, to be enlightened by this light! A passer-by remains a stranger to his surroundings; he is not overly passionate or deeply affected by what he encounters on his way; he only thinks of the end of his journey. Everything is transitory for him, shifting, without real substance, and he knows it.

So we pass by, so why put down such strong roots in this poor earth, why fix all our hopes there, so stubbornly seek our rest and our happiness there? On earth, it is the time of sowing, we must pass by sowing. As the seed will be, so will the harvest. Sowers of time, reapers of eternity, this is how our story is summed up. Every day, let us be imbued with this thought: we are sowing for eternity. If I pass by, sowing good seed, faithfully serving God, and fulfilling all my duties of state, it is good seed that I will reap, and the Lord will lodge it with me in His eternal granaries. St. Francis de Sales said: "All things pass away, and nothing passes away; all things pass away for time, and nothing for eternity."

During this month, may the memory of our dearly departed be a salutary lesson and an encouragement to us. They passed away, carrying with them the sheaf of merit sown... we will also pass away; let us strive to pass away in a holy way so that one day we may pass into the eternal dwellings.

(from the writings of Sr. Marie du Sacré Cœur Bernaud, our foundress)

**\*SAVE THE DATES:** \*Guard of Honor Coordinators Meeting - Tuesday, November 4, 2025  
\*First Friday Celebrations – November 7, 2025  
\*\*Zoom Prayer Meeting/Bible Study – Book of Baruch: Thursday Nov. 6, 2025  
\*\*\*HALF-DAY RECOLLECTON – Saturday, August 15, 2026 @ Our Lady of the Assumption Parish

## **MAIN FEASTS OF THE MONTH: NOVEMBER:**

1: Solemnity of All Saints  
2: Commemoration of the Faithful Departed  
7: First Friday of the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart  
9: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica  
11: St. Martin of Tours  
18: Blessed Mother Maria Gabriela and her companions (martyr Honor Guards) and dedication of the

Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul;  
21: Presentation of the Virgin Mary  
23: Solemnity of Christ the King (Plenary Indulgence)  
27: Feast of the Miraculous Medal)  
28: St. Catherine labourer  
30: St. Andrew and First Sunday of Advent

**Guard of Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus – Vancouver**