



Borne to become saints

All Saints' Day celebrates all saints, recognized or unknown. Pope Francis, in his apostolic exhortation *Gaudete and exultate* published on April 9, 2018, calls on everyone to fulfill their baptized vocation, to become saints.

The day after All Saints' Day, November 2, the commemoration of all the faithful departed invites us to pray for the dead. This time may be propitious for a little re-reading of life.

When we are young, we often happily let go of the hours and days, hours of health, strength, happiness. It seems to us that they are inexhaustible and that time is running too slowly while waiting for the realization of all our projects.

The life we have received is a wonderful, unique gift that will not be given to us for a second time to repair the mistakes of a first “try”. Every moment is irreplaceable and holy. It is impossible to go back and catch up for what has been lost.

Young or old, we don't know when the thread of our days will be cut. Don't we have to use this given time for the best to grow in Christ Jesus?

The Word of God teaches us to “properly number our days.” (Psalm 89,12) It reminds us that everything is counted somewhere and that, one day, we will be placed again in front of everything we have done, said and thought.

Life is a fight, a fight against ourselves, against the deep and sometimes opposite tendencies which we have inherited. A fight also against the Enemy who wants to separate us from God, discouraging us, whispering to us that it is useless to fight and that we will not achieve the victory.

We are suffering defeats but they may contribute to the final victory because they bring us a lot. We get back up, better equipped for the next assaults, better armed, better aware.

Members of the Rosary Teams, let us learn together, with Mary, to focus on the essential every morning. This essential is Jesus Christ.

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