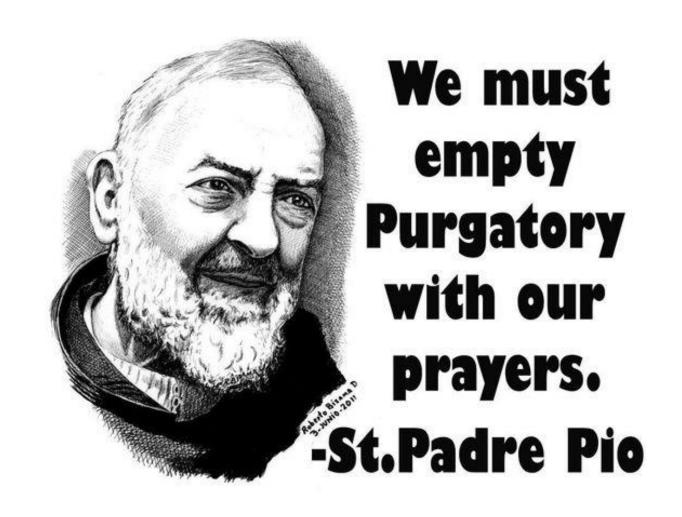
### Reflection: 11/2/16

"I am the vine and you are the branches."
-John 15:5

What do you think this quote means?



# All Souls Day – November 2nd



O Jesus, Thou suffered and died that all mankind might be saved and brought to eternal happiness. Hear our pleas for further mercy on the souls of:

My dear parents and grandparents, My brothers and sisters and other near relatives, My godparents and sponsors of Confirmation, My spiritual and temporal benefactors, My friends and neighbors, All for whom love or duty bids me pray. Those who have suffered disadvantage or harm through me, Those who have offended me, Those whose release is near at hand. Those who desire most to be united to Thee, Those who endure the greatest sufferings, Those whose release is most remote, Those who are least remembered, Those who are most deserving on account of their services to the Church, The rich, who are now the most destitute, The mighty, who are now powerless, The once spiritually blind, who now see their folly, The frivolous, who spent their time in idleness, The poor who did not seek the treasures of heaven, The tepid who devoted little time to prayer, The indolent who neglected to perform good works, Those of little faith, who neglected the frequent reception of the Sacraments, The habitual sinners, who owe their salvation to a miracle of grace, Parents who failed to watch over their children, Superiors who were not solicitous for the salvation of those entrusted to them, Those who strove for worldly riches and pleasures,

The worldly minded, who failed to use their wealth and

talent for the service of God.

My Jesus Mercy!

#### Communion of Saints

This includes both the saints and the souls in Purgatory.

There are three groups in the Communion of Saints

- Church Triumphant
- Church Suffering
- Church Militant

# Church Triumphant

- Includes all the saints in heaven.
  - What do we think about when we say someone is triumphant?



### Church Suffering

- Made up of the poor souls in Purgatory.
  - People who have died in union with God's teachings but not yet holy enough to enter into heaven.
  - They need our prayers to help them become pure to enter heaven.
  - Go to the cemetery or church on November 2<sup>nd</sup> to pray for these souls.



#### Church Militant

- Includes living people here on Earth striving to follow God's will.
  - Pope, bishops, priests, nuns and anyone who is living their lives the way the church teaches.
  - We can all belong to this group



