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This festival may be observed on the Sunday following 1 November, in addition to its observance on the fixed date.

Sentence

They are before the throne of God, and he who sits upon the throne will shelter them with his presence. *Revelation 7.15*

Collect

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.

Readings

Wisdom of Solomon 3.1–9 Psalm 24 Revelation 21.1–6a John 11.32–44

Prayer over the Gifts

Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Preface of All Saints*

Prayer after Communion

Lord of hosts, we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever.