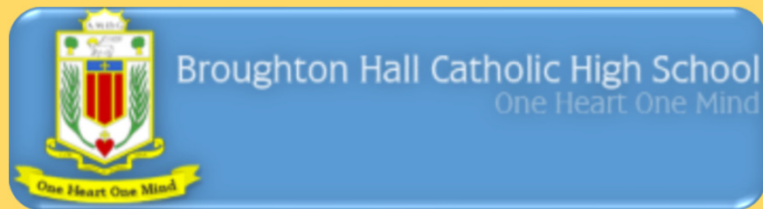


We Begin Our Prayer With The Sign Of The Cross

Leader: Let us remember that we are in the presence of God

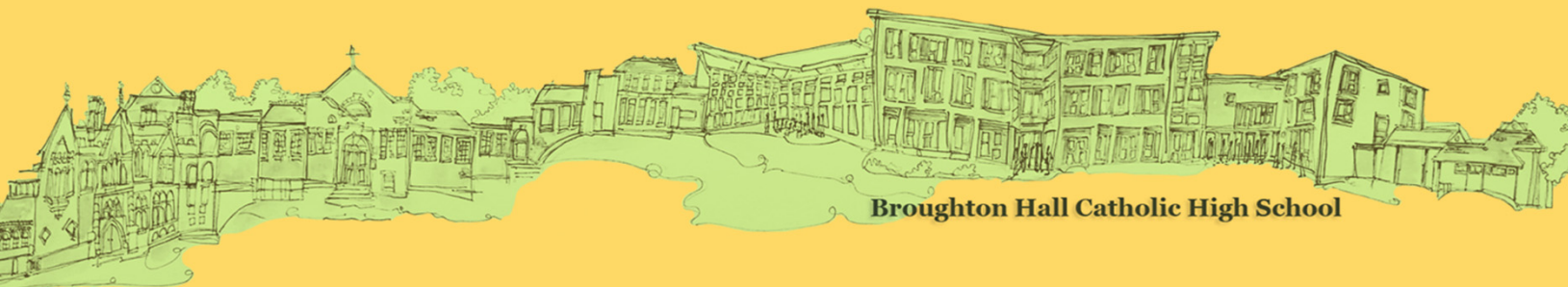
ALL: Let us adore him.



Prayer & Liturgy

St. Oscar Romero

Wk. Beg. 14th October 2024





As we gather

Let us Pray



Dear God,

May our hearts be filled with Peace and Love, Each day, help us to learn.
Remind us, 'Mercy is your way', compassion for the world.
You have shown us how to live, one heart, one mind, together.
For Christ, His hands and feet we'll be. Your servants Lord Forever.

Amen.



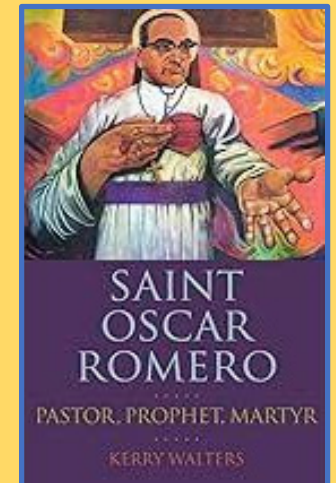
St. Oscar Romero



What did St. Oscar Romero say?

"Peace is not the product of terror or fear. Peace is not the silence of cemeteries. Peace is not the silent result of violent repression. Peace is the generous, tranquil contribution of all to the good of all."

Canonized: October 14, 2018
Beatified: May 23, 2015
Venerated: February 3, 2015



Óscar Arnulfo Romero y Galdámez was born in the small town of El Salvador known as Ciudad Barrios in 1917. His father trained him to be a carpenter, but from a very early age Óscar knew he wanted to be a priest. He left home at the age of 14, traveling by horse to the large city where he could study

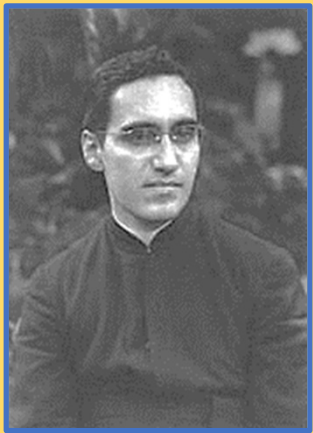
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He was ordained a priest for the Diocese of San Salvador in 1942 and quickly became a popular, well-known parish priest and editor of his diocesan newspaper. In 1967, he went to work for the bishops of El Salvador and soon became Bishop of Santiago de Maria.



One day in 1975, soldiers raided a village in his diocese and killed many innocent people, claiming they were looking for hidden weapons. Bishop Romero was horrified. At the funerals of these villagers, he spoke about people's human rights and how the military was wrong in the things they did. He even wrote to the country's president.





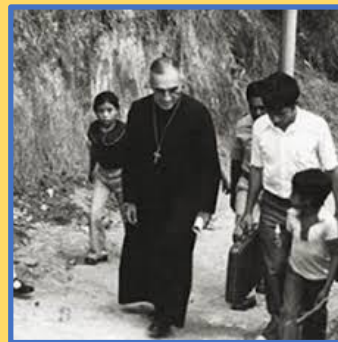
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When he became Archbishop of San Salvador, the nation's capital, the government began to turn on the Church, arresting priests and sending them to other countries, and killing people who protested against the leadership.

The government killed a priest, friend of the archbishop as a warning that he should keep quiet. Archbishop Romero excommunicated the murderers, announcing they could not receive Sacraments in the Church.

The government closed Catholic schools, and more priests were tortured and killed, as were teachers of religion. Even possessing a Bible or a hymnbook became illegal.





St. Oscar Romero



On March 24, 1980, he was gunned down by an unknown assassin while celebrating Mass in a small hospital chapel.

The day before, he had asked Salvadoran soldiers to obey God and not the government.

More than 250,000 Salvadorans attended his funeral, during which a bomb exploded and more people were killed.

Many Salvadorans in the following years “disappeared,” never to be seen or heard from again—most likely killed.

In 2010, the government of El Salvador formally apologized for the assassination of Archbishop Óscar Romero.





St. Oscar Romero



*Open your ears
to hear God's
Word.*

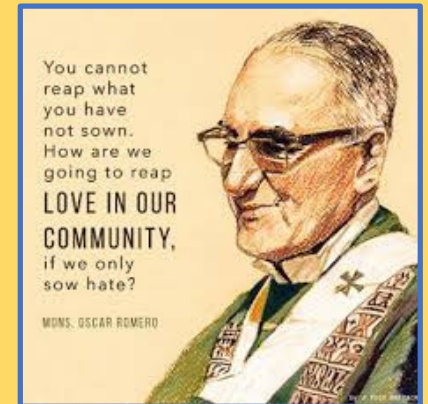
What can we learn from St. Oscar Romero?

What can we do to follow his message of peace?

Servant of God



Discuss as a form and record your ideas on the mind cloud provided



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Resilience
**To have the strength to carry on
& the resilience
to try again**

Sister Catherine McAuley's Intercessions

May the God of Mercy bless and protect us all

All: Amen

May the God of Peace comfort us in times of trial

All: Amen

May the God of Love shine forth in our lives

All: Amen



We finish our prayer with the sign of the cross



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