

Sons of Saint Joseph ...

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SOSJ –4 – The Last Things I: Purgatory Saturday, December 9, 2023

Revelation 21:23-27

"The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and to it the kings of the earth will bring their treasure. During the day its gates will never be shut, and there will be no night there. The treasure and wealth of the nations will be brought there, but nothing unclean will enter it, nor any[one] who does abominable things or tells lies. Only those will enter whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life."

Questions

- 1. Why do we profess the existence of purgatory? What is its purpose? When will that cease to be?
- 2. Where is Purgatory leading to? Could anyone drop from purgatory to hell? How long can one stay in purgatory?
- 3. What are indulgences and how many kinds? Who can receive them and under what conditions?
- 4. How can we help the souls in purgatory? How do we know if someone is in purgatory or not? Are our efforts in coming to their aid useless if they are not there?