

Read the text and think of the word which best fits each gap.

ALL SAINTS' DAY



(1) _____ May 13th, A.D. 609, Pope Boniface IV dedicated the Pantheon in Rome (2) _____ honour of all Christian martyrs, and the Catholic feast (3) _____ All Martyrs Day (4) _____ established in the Western church. Pope Gregory III later expanded the festival (5) _____ include all saints as (6) _____ as all martyrs, and moved the observance (7) _____ May 13th to November 1st.

By the 9th century, (8) _____ influence of Christianity (9) _____ spread into Celtic lands, (10) _____ it gradually blended with (11) _____ supplanted older Celtic rites. (12) _____ A.D. 1000, the church made November 2nd All Souls' Day, a day (13) _____ honour the dead. It (14) _____ widely believed today (15) _____ the church (16) _____ attempting (17) _____ replace the Celtic festival of the dead (18) _____ a related, church-sanctioned holiday.

All Souls' Day (19) _____ celebrated similarly (20) _____ Samhain, (21) _____ big bonfires, parades and dressing (22) _____ in costumes (23) _____ saints, angels and devils. The All Saints' Day celebration was (24) _____ called All-hallows (25) _____ All-hallowmas (from Middle English *Alholowmesse* meaning All Saints' Day) and the night before (26) _____, the traditional night (27) _____ Samhain in (28) _____ Celtic religion, began to (29) _____ called All-Hallows Eve (30) _____, eventually, Halloween.

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