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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