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History Monthly

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH FOR PAINTED LEAVES. THEIR RICH GLOW NOW FLASHES ROUND THE WORLD. AS FRUITS AND LEAVES AND THE DAY ITSELF ACQUIRE A BRIGHT TINT JUST BEFORE THEY FALL SO THE YEAR NEAR ITS SETTING. OCTOBER IS ITS SUNSET SKY; NOVEMBER THE LATER TWILIGHT.—HENRY DAVID THOREAU "AUTUMNAL TINTS"

**BLACK TUESDAY 1929**

Voices of the Past Notable Events from the month

October 29, 1929

Black Tuesday was the Wall Street Crash of 1929. It was a major stock market crash that dropped stocks down about 12%. The stock market crash was caused by overproduction in a lot of different industries and having oversupply in most markets. Many people blamed Black Tuesday on banks that were putting deposits on the stock market. Americans rushed to the banks to try and get their money out of the bank and hide the money in their house. In 1929, 659 banks failed, this was terrible because people who had deposited their money were not able to get it back. Black Tuesday is considered the beginning of The Great Depression

**NEWARK CATHOLIC HOMECOMING:
HOMECOMING GAME + HOMECOMING DANCE:
OCTOBER 4-5TH**



**NEWARK CATHOLIC BROUGHT BACK THE
TRADITION OF THE HOMECOMING PARADE
FLOAT!**

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

On October 24, 1945 the United Nations was founded in San Francisco, California. The charter entered into force after ratification by the five permanent members of the Security council and majority of other countries.

It had been ratified by China, France, Soviet Union, United Kingdom and The United States. There were 51 founding members and participation was determined by adhering to the goals of the United Nations.

On October 31, 1941, Mount Rushmore Park was completed. Mount Rushmore was a project of colossal achievement. The Memorial consisted of 4 presidents: George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, Abraham Lincoln. These 4 presidents were chosen as they represented the first 150 years of American history. Workers had to endure conditions that varied from blazing hot to bitter cold and windy. 90% of the mountain was carved using dynamite. It took nearly 400 men and women to complete the park; duties varied greatly from drillers to blacksmiths to housekeepers.



Fun Quiz

**IT'S TIME TO FIND OUT IF YOU
GIVE OFF MORE GHOST, VAMPIRE,
WEREWOLF, OR ZOMBIE VIBES**

A blood sucking vampire, a snarling werewolf
of a brain-eating zombie? Find out!

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Catholic Corner

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

To commemorate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7, schools around the Diocese prayed the rosary together. Read this article to learn more about the patron of mothers, sick people and nuns.

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Sheet Ghosts Come from Where???

SHEET GHOSTS ARE INGRAINED INTO OUR CULTURE. FROM BEETLEJUICE TO CARTOONS, WHEN YOU THINK OF A GHOST, YOU THINK OF SOMEONE WEARING A SHEET WITH EYE HOLES POKED OUT OF IT.

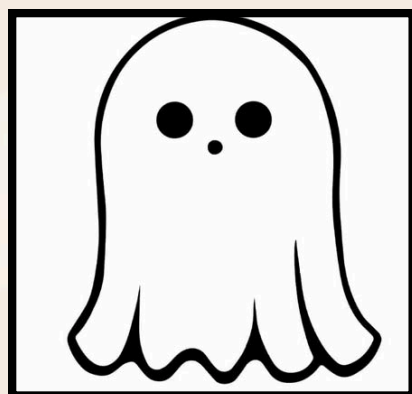
This imagery came from the fact that, from the 19th century and before, the dead were wrapped in burial shrouds instead of being put in coffins. Families that weren't wealthy had their recently deceased wrapped in a sheet from their bed and tied with a knot at either end.

In the 1300s, ghosts were portrayed as skeletons in sheets. This was shown in *The Psalter of Robert de Lisle* (1308-1340) by Lucy Freeman Sandler. In the story, three ghosts warn three noblemen to be virtuous or go to hell.

In London during the 1800s, Thomas Millwood, who was a bricklayer, was mistaken for a ghost and was shot by a man called Francis Smith. Smith had seen Millwood wearing a white apron and uniform and assumed he was a spirit because of it. During the trial, Millwood's wife said that three other people had confused Thomas for a ghost before the shooting.

Later in history, bedsheet ghosts, and ghosts in general, became more comical than scary as cartoons such as *Casper the Friendly Ghost* in 1939, *The Lonesome Ghosts* by Disney in 1937, and especially *Scooby Doo* in 1969 that portrayed ghosts as less creatures of the night and more of comical gags.

Even today, ghosts looking as though they are wearing sheets are now decorations on mantels and costumes for children rather than a terrifying force to be reckoned with. But, who knows? Maybe one day the scarier connotations of these bedsheet ghosts will come back in a full swing.



What do you want to learn about?

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