



# All Souls Catholic Church



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• DEACON •

*Deacon. Eudoro Benalcazar*

*January 9, 2022*  
*The Baptism of the Lord*

## MISSION STATEMENT

We, at All Souls Church, are a multicultural Catholic Community called to share our gifts and to grow through worship and spiritual formation. We are brothers and sisters in Christ led by the Holy Spirit to witness the Good News to all.

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Closed for Lunch: 12:30pm-  
1:30pm

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## PARISH SCHEDULE

**Weekdays/Entre Semana**  
Monday-Saturday 7:30am

**Saturday/Vigil:**  
5:30pm

**Sunday/Domingo**  
English: 7:30am, 9:00am, 5:30pm  
Español: 10:30am

Holy Days to be Announced

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4-5pm & by appointment

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the Pastoral Center for a priest.  
Uncion de los Enfermos: favor de llamar al Centro Pastoral para contactar a un sacerdote.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Español: El primer sábado del mes a las 10am  
English: Third Saturday of the month at 10am

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

Book for an appointment at least 6 months in advance  
Llame al Centro Parroquial por lo menos 6 meses antes

## DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour: 1st Friday of the month at 7pm (Bilingual)

# Office of Liturgy

Funeral Services Diep Dinh Ext. 219

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# Apostolates & Organization

Ministry of the Sick	Larry Dumont
Safeguard the Children	Irene Oaxaca
Bereavement Ministry	Diep Dinh
Legion of Mary	Salvador Agudo
Cursillos in Christianity	Aida Gonzalez
English Bible Study	Sheila Henderson-Linan
Spanish Bible Study	Maria de Jesus Martinez
Knights of Columbus	Frank Bodeman
Guadalupanos	Marina Ramirez
Rosario de Misericordia	Angelina Farias
Our Lord's Mission	Josephine Espinosa
St. Vincent de Paul	Pearl Martinez
Encuentro Matrimonial	Victor Pla
Amigos de Jesus	Estela Murga
Filipino Ministry	Rose Pichon
Youth Ministry	Leticia Urtecho
Catholic Women's Association	Ma Grace N. Tima



# Readings & Prayers for the Sick

**First Reading** — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations

(Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.*

**Psalm** — The Lord will bless his people with peace

(Psalm 29) or *Psalm 104.*

**Second Reading** — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good

(Acts 10:34-38) or *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.*

**Gospel** — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased

(Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11;

Jn 2:1-11



Loan Le	Ethelyn Beltran
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Pilar Garza	Cecilia Chow
Gary Meraz	Erik Lifrak
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Lucy Tsang	Jose Crespo
Eleanor Ciechoski	Joe Negrete
Rosa Martinez	Bernardina Castañeda
Ramirez Family	Reyes Family
Wally & Becky Puente	Mercedes Tarrazona
Cynthia Manriquez	Delia Vargas
William Gonzalez	Fernando Torres
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# FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

## **Christmas Season, Year "C" The Baptism of the Lord: You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased"**

The feast of the baptism of the Lord marks the end of the Christmas season. It is okay now to pull down the Christmas decorations but I don't blame you should you decide to keep it longer. From tomorrow the church's liturgy continues with the ordinary season of the year leading to Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of Lent. Today we recall the day when Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist at River Jordan. This event probably marks the high point of John's ministry in the land of Judah.

If you have attended any baptism ceremony you will agree with me that it is on that day that parents give to their children the best and greatest gift they will ever give them in life – the gift of faith.

The baptism ceremony gets more interesting especially when the baby begins to sleep, cry for food or gets scared because of the presence of so many people around it. At such moments I begin to wonder how I behaved when I was being baptized; did I cry, sleep or stay calm in my mother's arms? I begin to imagine the love that filled my parents' hearts as they presented me to the priest to be initiated to the faith and subsequently into the community of the faithful called the church. Although I do not know or remember anything that happened on the day I was baptized, yet, it is this very unique event that transformed my life for good, forever.

As the water is poured on my head, my life was exponentially transformed from something mortal to something immortal, from something material to something spiritual. What a mystery happening before our eyes. It is no longer I who lives but Christ who lives in me. As I begin to respond to the name that was given to me on the day of my baptism, my personality and identity begins to develop. I begin to occupy a dispensable place in human history in a manner that gives me an indispensable place in the history of salvation, because salvation history can no longer be completely told without the mention of my name in it.

It is by virtue of my baptism that God has come to know me by name. In baptism I become an individual person, inseparable in myself but separable from others. The greatness of my baptized nature is that even if there is no other person in the world, Jesus would still have died to save me.

This tells me how special I have become through baptism. I begin to appreciate the immense value and dignity I share as a baptized child of God. Thanks to my parents who initially said Yes to God on my behalf on the day of baptism and helped to make that initial Yes mine on the day of my confirmation and at every mass when I am privileged to renew my baptism.

As a baptized person, therefore, I share in the divine nature of God who humbled Himself to share in my humanity. I share in the prophecy of Isaiah when he says "... my sins are expiated; indeed I have received from the hand of the Lord, double for all my sins.

Whether one is baptized as an infant or an adult, baptism should not be perceived as a passive event but as an active incorporation of one's nature and being into the mission of Christ the beloved Son in whom "God is well pleased."

Being a baptized person is not simply a fulfillment of the mandate given by Jesus when He commanded His disciples to go out into the whole world to proclaim the Good News; those who believe should be baptized in the Name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Baptism is fundamentally an in-corporation into Christ; hence no one can claim to be a Christian unless one has received the sacrament of baptism.

Although the feast of the baptism of the Lord marks the end of the Christmas season, it also marks the beginning of our lives as God's people. As baptized women and men, we begin to share in the grace of God and are entrusted with the mission of Jesus who has come to bring justice to all the nations; to become a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement and from dungeon those who live in darkness.

As baptized persons everything we do matters. What comes out of our mouth, the works we do, everything we produce, the mouths we feed, the sick for whom we care, the environments we clean up, the children we nurture, the spouse we love, the friends with whom we laugh, weep and rejoice, the kindness we offer to strangers, the naked we clothe, the prayers we make, etc. all matters, and not just now, but for all eternity because it is done for and with God.

It is incompatible therefore, for a baptized person to not care for the earth created by God. A baptized person is not just a product of evolution but someone created in God's image and likeness. In baptism we become both human and divine, making it possible for us to share in the communion of saints who call God "Abba" – Father.

All baptized persons share a dual citizenship. Christians are citizens of their native countries and citizens of heaven. Christians by virtue of their baptism, have a higher calling rooted in faith. They are morally bound to fulfill the laws of their earthly nation, but much more are they obligated to obey God's commandments and do His will.

As baptized people, we see God's kingdom as a future reality lived here and now. We do this when we show mercy to others, forgive others their trespasses, stand and fight against injustice and all forms of discrimination, become not just peace-lovers but peace-makers, stand strong in defense of life, work against a culture of death, violence and oppression, and contribute our quota to make the world a better place for all.

Living out our baptismal promises is not something we do overnight, like anything important it takes a lifetime of work. It is by learning every day to love and trust more, and to be more honest with our God that we shall receive that greatest accolade from God who will say to us on that Day of days "You are my beloved child, in whom I am well pleased."



# Finance Report

*Thank you for your continuous support and generosity*

COLLECTION	TOTAL
12/25/2021	
<b>COLLECTION</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
12/26/2021	\$ 5,129.50
<b>COLLECTION</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
01/02/2022	\$ 6,495.00
<b>CANDLES</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
	\$

## Did you know?

As you and your children prepare for their return to school after Christmas break, make sure they are not carrying too much around in their backpacks. Backpacks that are too heavy can cause problems like neck or back pain, or poor posture. The American Chiropractic Association (ACA) recommends that a child's backpack weigh no more than 5-10% of the child's body weight. Help your children by ensuring that they wear their backpacks correctly, with both straps over the shoulders, and that they are only carrying what they need. If you have concerns about the load your child is carrying, reach out to a teacher or school staff to discuss what should and should not be coming home every day. For more information, visit [nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/backpack-safety-for-kids](http://nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/backpack-safety-for-kids).



**Our next food distribution will take place on January 20, 2022.**

**12:00pm-1:30pm**

### HOLY WATER

Holy Water is always available at our Pastoral Center

### Evangelization Experience Opportunity



The Archdiocese of Los Angeles invites you to explore the cost and abundance of the life Jesus offers by his invitation, "Follow me."

If interested, you would be part of a four week virtual small-group process beginning the week of January 17, 2022. Cost is free. Please follow this link for more details: <https://lacatholics.org/limitless/>

#### WEEKLY THEMES AND SMALL GROUP FORMAT

The themes for each week:

#### Week One - Follow Me:

- In Week One participants will have a chance to hear who is Jesus? What is his mission? And what he means when he invites you to follow Him?

#### Week Two - Limitless Desire:

- In Week Two participants will grow in understanding that the decision to follow Jesus is to turn away from what limits our desires.

#### Week Three - A Limitless Heart:

- In Week Three participants will be challenged through the telling of a modern-day parable to explore three different degrees of intimacy with Jesus.

#### Week Four - Living a Limitless Life:

- In Week Four participants will hear about the life of discipleship and will be invited to make a fundamental decision to entrust their life over to Jesus through a ritual of commitment tied to Baptism.

# Mass Intentions

## SATURDAY JANUARY 08-2022

5:30pm Rogelio Gutierrez Dec.

## SUNDAY JANUARY 09-2022

7:30am Carlos Gutierrez Dec.

Fr. Paul Lee Dec.

9:00am All Souls in Purgatory

10:30am All Souls in Purgatory

5:30pm Alba Maria Narvaez Dec.

Oscar Danilo Morales Dec.

## MONDAY JANUARY 10-2022

7:30am All Souls in Purgatory

## TUESDAY JANUARY 11-2022

7:30am Esperanza Abril Dec.

## WEDNESDAY JANUARY 12-2022

7:30am All Souls in Purgatory

## THURSDAY JANUARY 13-2022

7:30am All Souls in Purgatory

## FRIDAY JANUARY 14-2022

7:30am All Souls in Purgatory

## SATURDAY JANUARY 15-2022

7:30am Meng Chi Cheng Lee Dec.

*OneLife LA is back in person!*

We invite you to join us for OneLife LA 2022 on Saturday, January 22 as we go Forward in Hope.

OneLife LA 2022 invites people to join us for a procession through the streets of downtown LA.

We will also offer an online event for those who choose not to join in person.

EVERYONE, whether you attend in person or watch online, will be called to share and bear hope to people you encounter in big and small ways. Register today!

[onelifela.org/register](https://onelifela.org/register)

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CELEBRATING THE BEAUTY AND DIGNITY OF EVERY HUMAN LIFE



## MUERTE Y RESURRECCIÓN BAPTISMAL

A medida que celebramos el Bautismo del Señor, también honramos nuestro propio bautismo como nuestra iniciación en la vida y comunidad cristiana. En el Evangelio, el bautismo de Jesús, con su inmersión y posterior salida del agua, indica su posterior entrega a Dios en su muerte, y su salida del sepulcro en su resurrección. Como seguidores de Jesús, esta forma de muerte y resurrección también es nuestro camino. A lo largo de la vida, y a menudo de manera limitada, aprendemos a renunciar a nuestros planes egoístas y limitados. Esta renuncia a menudo se siente como la muerte. El Sacramento del Bautismo ritualmente representa este camino para recordarnos la muerte y resurrección de Jesús, para que nosotros también podamos aceptar las muertes y resurrecciones de nuestras propias vidas. Cuando Jesús salió del agua, se encontró con su Padre y el Espíritu Santo. Como Jesús, podemos saber que somos los amados de Dios, fortalecidos por el Espíritu. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Mientras usted y sus hijos se preparan para regresar a la escuela después de las vacaciones de Navidad, asegúrese de que no carguen demasiado en sus mochilas. Las mochilas demasiado pesadas pueden causar problemas como dolor de cuello o espalda, o mala postura. La Asociación Americana de Quiropráctica (ACA) recomienda que la mochila de un niño no pese más del 5-10 por ciento del peso corporal del niño. Ayude a sus hijos asegurándose de que usen correctamente sus mochilas, con ambas correas sobre los hombros, y de que solo carguen lo que necesitan. Si tiene inquietudes sobre la carga que lleva su hijo, comuníquese con un maestro o personal de la escuela para hablar sobre lo que debe y no debe llevar a casa todos los días. Para obtener más información, visite [nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/backpack-safety-for-kids](http://nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/backpack-safety-for-kids).

## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Miren a mi siervo, en quien tengo mis complacencias (Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7) o *Isaías 40:1-5, 9-11*.

**Salmo** — El Señor bendice a su pueblo con la paz (Salmo 29 [28]) o *Salmo 104 (103)*.

**Segunda lectura** — Dios ungió con el Espíritu Santo a Jesús de Nazaret (Hch 10:34-38) o *Tito 2:11-14; 3:4-7*.

**Evangelio** — Después del bautismo de Jesús, el cielo se abrió (Lucas 3:15-16, 21-22).

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Sal 116 (115):12-19; Mc 1:14-20  
Martes: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mc 1:21-28  
Miércoles: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Sal 40 (39):2, 5, 7-10;  
Mc 1:29-39  
Jueves: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Sal 44 (43):10-11, 14-15, 24-25;  
Mc 1:40-45  
Viernes: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Sal 89 (88):16-19; Mc 2:1-12  
Sábado: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Sal 21 (20):2-7; Mc 2:13-17  
Domingo: Is 62:1-5; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11;  
Jn 2:1-11

Queridos feligreses,

Les queremos avisar que las cartas con el reporte de sus contribuciones anuales se empezara a enviar por correo al rededor del 23 de enero.

## BOLETIN DIGITAL

Queridos feligreses,

Para recibir una copia digital de nuestro boletín, recuerde llenar el pequeño formulario con su nombre y correo electrónico. Los formularios se encuentran en la mesa justo a la entrada de la iglesia. En la ausencia de un boletín impreso, esta será nuestra manera de mantenerle al tanto de los anuncios y sucesos en nuestra parroquia de All Souls. Muchas Gracias!







# SANTO NIÑO CELEBRATION



The Filipino Ministry cordially welcomes all to join in celebrating the Feast of Santo Niño de Cebu this coming Saturday, January 15, 2022, at the 5:30 pm Mass. The virtual novena began on January 6th and is ongoing.

The Santo Niño celebration began as the veneration of a small image of the Christ Child made of wood. This image was a gift from the explorer Magellan to Raja Humbon. In the attack on the town of Cebu, Philippines, in 1565, this same statue was found in perfect condition in a box filled with ashes. It was at this location that a chapel was built. This image of Our Lord is credited with the conversion of many Filipinos to the Catholic faith. Please join our Filipino brothers and sisters in this mean-



## SAINT HILARY January 13

Born in Poitiers, France, whose populace would later elect him bishop, Hilary, married and a father, was converted from paganism to Christianity through his reading of scripture. The focus of his prayerful study was the Prologue to the Gospel according to John, which portrays Jesus as the divine Logos, eternally begotten of the Father. As a result, Hilary became in the words of the biblical scholar Jerome, “the Latin Trumpet against the Arians,” heretics who believed Jesus to be merely human, not divine. In defense of Christ’s divinity, Hilary was not only eloquent in debate but utterly fearless in the face of relentless persecution and even exile. Thus by the witness of his own discipleship, Hilary taught that faith in Jesus as the divine Son of God has consequences. Reflecting on Jesus’ challenge to his disciples, “You are the salt of the earth” (Matthew 5:13), Hilary notes that, as salt both preserves from corruption and adds savor to food, so must the faithful disciple bear a witness that, by word and example, leads others to immortality and virtuous living.

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## DIGITAL BULLETINS

Stay connected with parish news and important announcements.

To access a digital version of our All Souls Bulletin, we are asking for your name and email.

Forms can be found on the table near the entrance of the church before and after every Mass.

Thank you!



## ATTENTION

Dear Parishioners,  
Annual Contribution letters will be sent to you around the weekend of January 23rd. Thank you for all your support.

## 2022 Mass Intentions

Our Book of Mass Intentions for next year is ready. Be sure to stop by our Pastoral Center to see which times are available. Dedicating a Mass to our loved ones is a beautiful gesture of support, remembrance and even celebration.

Let our prayers lift those in need and sing with those who wish to express their gratitude.

