



# All Souls Catholic Church



• PASTOR •

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• DEACON •

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*January 16, 2022*  
*2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## 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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Monday-Friday 9am-7pm  
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** — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen Zion and Jerusalem

(Isaiah 62:1-5).

**Psalm** — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

**Second Reading** — All the varied gifts and talents found in the Christian community are products of the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

**Gospel** — At a wedding festival in Cana, Jesus changes water into wine at his mother's request (John 2:1-11).

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7;

Mk 3:20-21, or any of a number of readings

for the Day of Prayer

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15;

1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Loan Le	Ethelyn Beltran
Angelica Ruedas	Karen Katsumura
Matthew Perez	Andrea Primicias
Pilar Garza	Cecilia Chow
Gary Meraz	Erik Lifrak
David A. Jr. & Family	Ray Argueta & Family
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
Joel Lopez	Gerardo Duran
Guadalupe Nevarez	Cidronio Abelar
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Jerry Lopez	Mark Venegas
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Rafael Garcia	Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu

# FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

## Year C: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel account comes to us from the Gospel of St. John, a Gospel dominated by the theme of God's love. Of the four Gospels, John's is the Gospel of Love, particularly God's commitment to you and to me to care for us, to cherish us, and to belong to us if we give Him our love in return.

In St. John's Gospel the first miracle of Jesus Christ takes place at wedding feast in Cana of Galilee. At that banquet Jesus, performing His first miracle, changes water into wine. St. John closes his Gospel with another wedding feast, the Last Supper. The bible speaks of it as the "Wedding Feast of the Lamb." There Jesus, performing His last and greatest miracle before suffering and dying on His Cross, changes bread and wine into His Body and Blood. In the first wedding feast He changes water into wine, in the last wedding feast He changes wine into His Blood, Blood to be poured out for us in redemptive, self-sacrificing love. The fact that St. John's brackets his Gospel with these two weddings feasts and their miracles is not a coincidence; it is by design.

Every culture in every age recognizes the central importance of marriage in the ordering of human societies, in their social structures. Marriage is the fundamental cell upon which all social bodies, all human societies, are built. Marriage ceremonies universally celebrate our human commitments to belong, to care, to cherish, and to love. Marriage is the matrix in which children are conceived, born, nurtured, and raised. It is in the life of a family that the personalities and characters of children are shaped and developed. It is the primary locus in which children learn to be other-centered and not self-centered. It is there that they learn to relate to others and learn to live in inter-relatedness with others, the fundamental "glue" that holds all societies together in peace and justice.

I bring all of this up here because in today's Gospel account we find Jesus at a wedding. His presence blesses the meaning and purpose of marriage. We should pay particular attention to Christ's response to His mother when He says: "My hour has not yet come." What was that "hour"? It was none other than that "hour" or that time when, at the end of His life, we find Him at the Last Supper followed by His agony in the Garden of Gethsemani and ending by His death on the cross. This is the "hour" in which He says: "This is my body, take it; this is my blood, drink it. This is where I marry you in an unbreakable union that nothing, not even sin or death, can overcome. I will love you, no matter what. I am marrying you in an everlasting covenant, and even if you crucify and put me to death, I will come back from the grave to love you, because nothing can make me not love you." The new and everlasting covenant, you see, is God's marriage to you and me.

Marriage, you see, is central to what God is all about in Christ's incarnation. It is the focal point in which God encounters us and gives Himself to us in love. Marriage is all about commitment and belonging. Secular individualism is not. Marriage is all about the generation and fostering of human life. Secular individualism is not. Marriage is all about understanding about what kind of a God, God is. Secularism seeks to dismiss God.

It fractures us, while marriage is all about living together in a community, a community of committed love and bonded caring forever. Secular individualism is only about caring for our feelings as individuals. Secular individualism tells us: "If it feels good, do it. If it doesn't feel good, dump it or kill it." Marriage is all about self-sacrifice for others because of love. Secularism is not.

In the culture wars going on in the world around us, the secularist argument is dominant in the movies, on television, and in the newspaper media, while the arguments of believers are to be found more in the radio talk shows. Oh, there are some exceptions to be sure. I am just speaking here of what is usually to be found.

So when you hear talk about abortion, promiscuity, adultery...realize that they each have some disconnection with the central meaning, value, and purpose of marriage. Is Christ to be invited to the celebration of your life, or do you want Him to stay away? For if He comes to the party, then all that we have watered down and degraded in terms of human values and purposes in life, all those gallons of water in the stone water jars of our cold hearts will be changed. Are you unsatisfied with watered down faith in others? Watered down trust? A watered-down marriage, watered down love, or a watered-down life? If so, invite Christ into your celebration of life and all those gallons of watered-down human living will be changed.

In the scheme of Christ's mission and purpose, the wedding feast of Cana isn't something that was simply "pretty" or "nice." It was the location for His first miracle and it, along with the Last Supper (otherwise called "The Wedding Feast of the Lamb") it brackets all that Jesus Christ gives us in His life among us as reported to us in St. John's Gospel. Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, and the Last Supper, and the Wedding Feast of the Lamb, are at the core of God's marrying us in Jesus Christ. All that they give us, along with the miracle at Cana, are at the core of our religious beliefs and our understandings of what it means to belong to the human family.

Not many days ago we celebrated the birth of Christ. All of the images of Mary, Joseph, and the Christ-child presented to us are still fresh in our memories. Following Christmas, on January 1st, we celebrated Mary's motherhood. The Mass for New Year's Day was celebrated as the Feast of Mary the Mother of God. With Epiphany our eyes were directed to the scene where the wise men, powerful worldly leaders, came as searchers seeking the wisdom of God found in the birth of Jesus Christ. The theme of God's love, of belonging to God's family... the theme of the central importance of family in bringing us God's love is a theme that is inescapable.

To whom, we must ask ourselves, do our hearts belong? What is found in our hearts? To whom and to what do we give our hearts... give ourselves over to? Like the needle of a compass, where do our hearts turn when the distractions, cares, and concerns of our days lose their grip on us and our hearts are free again? Who and what holds our hearts?

God is a God of love. He offers and then He waits for our response of love in return.



# Finance Report

*Thank you for your continuous support and generosity*

<b>COLLECTION</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
01/09/2022	\$ 4,131.00
<b>COLLECTION</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
	\$
<b>COLLECTION</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
	\$
<b>CANDLES</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
	\$ 143.50

## Did you know?

Did you know that windows are one of the leading hidden hazards in your home? Thousands of young children are injured each year from falling out of windows. The Window Safety Task Force recommends keeping windows closed and locked in rooms where children may be, and only opening windows located out of children's reach. Avoid placing furniture or shelves near windows so that children cannot climb up to gain access. For more tips, visit [nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/window-safety](https://nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/window-safety).



**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	15-2022
5:30pm	Gregorio Macalalad	Dec.
SUNDAY	JANUARY	16-2022
7:30am	Sally Lockhart	Dec.
	Yolanda Olivas	Dec.
9:00am	Olivia Duran	Dec.
10:30am	Amparo Hernandez Olguin	Dec.
	George T. Olivas	Dec.
	Familia Chavez	Special Intention
5:30pm	Naomi Muñoz	Healing
MONDAY	JANUARY	17-2022
7:30am	Naomi Muñoz	Healing
TUESDAY	JANUARY	18-2022
7:30am		
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY	19-2022
7:30am		
THURSDAY	JANUARY	20-2022
7:30am	Mike & Lori Abril	Wedding. Anniv.
FRIDAY	JANUARY	21-2022
7:30am	Isabella De la Rosa	Birthday
SATURDAY	JANUARY	22-2022
7:30am	Souls in Purgatory	Special Intention

*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)

## 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.



### REVELACIÓN DE LA PRESENCIA DE DIOS

La primera lectura de hoy de Isaías surge del sufrimiento del pueblo de Jerusalén y de Judea cuando ellos anticiparon el final de los setenta años de exilio en Babilonia. Sus sufrimientos y su opresión terminarán, y se les promete una alegría como la de una boda espléndida al regresar a su patria. Aunque es probable que este pasaje sucedió a principios del siglo VI AC, carece de los detalles históricos. En este sentido, la Iglesia ha entendido sus metáforas de forma universal, ya que proclama la promesa de Dios de curación, esperanza y felicidad para todos los pueblos, en este mundo y en el otro. Cuando se lee este contexto, la historia de Jesús convirtiendo el agua en vino en las bodas de Canaán se convierte en una revelación de la presencia de Dios en la persona de Jesús, haciendo que estas promesas sean verdaderas para nosotros aquí y ahora, en la transformación de nuestras propias vidas.

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¿Sabía que las ventanas son uno de los principales peligros ocultos en su hogar? Miles de niños pequeños se lesionan cada año por caerse de las ventanas. El Grupo de Trabajo de Seguridad de Ventanas recomienda mantener las ventanas cerradas y con llave en las habitaciones donde pueden estar los niños, y solo abrir las ventanas que estén fuera del alcance de los niños. Evite colocar muebles o estantes cerca de las ventanas para que los niños no puedan subirse para tener acceso. Para obtener más consejos, visite [nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/window-safety](http://nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/window-safety).

**Primera lectura** — Como el esposo goza con su esposa, así Dios se regocija con su elegida (Isaías 62:1-5).

**Salmo** — Cuenten a todas las naciones las maravillas del Señor (Salmo 96 [95]).

**Segunda lectura** — Todos los diferentes dones y talentos que se encuentran en la comunidad cristiana son obra del mismo Espíritu (1 Corintios 12:4-11).

**Evangelio** — Compartiendo el gozo de una boda en Caná, Jesús rellena la provisión de vino (Juan 2:1-11).

Lunes: 1 Sm 15:16-23;  
Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mc 2:18-22

Martes: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Sal 89 (88):20-22, 27-28; Mc 2:23-28

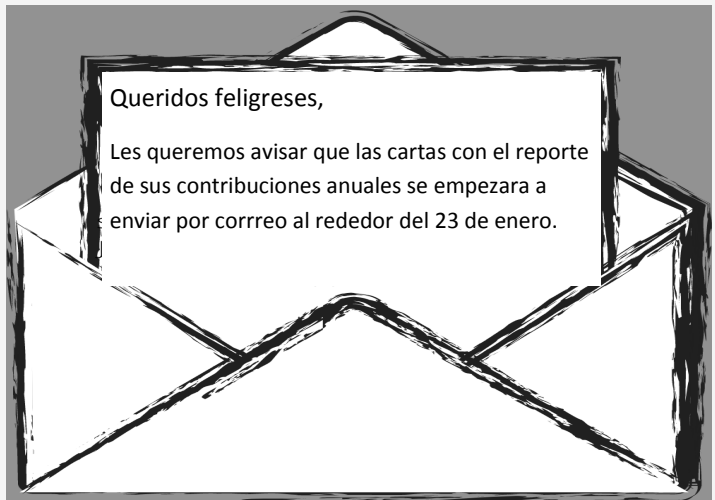
Miércoles: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51;  
Sal 144 (143):1b, 2, 9-10; Mc 3:1-6

Jueves: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Sal 56 (55):2-3, 9-13; Mc 3:7-12

Viernes: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Sal 57 (56):2-4, 6, 11; Mc 3:13-19

Sábado: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Sal 80 (79):2-3, 5-7;  
Mc 3:20-21, o cualquiera de lecturas para el Día de Oración

Domingo: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15;  
1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lc 1:1-4; 4:14-21



### 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!





# PARISH NEWS



## SAINT AGNES

January 21

Writing about Saint Agnes in the year 377, Saint Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, declared: "This is a virgin's birthday into heaven: let us imitate her chastity! And a martyr's heavenly birthday: let us offer ourselves in

sacrifice!" Chastity: mastery of oneself in order to give of oneself whether in the priestly, religious, married, or single state. Sacrifice: "to make holy," to set someone or something apart for service. Ambrose knew these virtues indispensable for discipleship, but challenging to practice in his world—or our own. Barely a teenager, Agnes faced gruesome tortures bravely and, when ordered to worship pagan gods, boldly made the Sign of the Cross instead. Thus, her youthful courage strengthened adult believers who wavered under persecution or grew indifferent when persecutions passed. To bestow on Agnes its highest honor and keep her witness fresh in believers' hearts, the Church inscribed her name at the heart of the Eucharistic liturgy, in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I), until Vatican II the Roman Church's only Eucharistic Prayer.

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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.

## LET'S KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE

As Covid-19 variants spread faster, it is important that we continue to practice safe measures to keep each other safe. Please remember to wear your mask properly and keep the recommended distance as much as possible.



## Office Hours

Dear Parishioners,

Please note that our Pastoral Center will be closed this Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Our regular hours will resume the following day. Thank you.

