



# All Souls Catholic Church



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**August 14, 2022**  
*20th 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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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 sabado 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

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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:

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (Jer 38:10)

## Psalm:

Lord, come to my aid! (Ps 40)

## Second Reading:

Let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus. (Heb 12:1-2)

## Gospel:

"Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." (Lk 12:51)

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Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53  
Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/  
Lk 1:39-56  
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30  
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16  
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14  
Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40  
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12



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
Eleanore Ciechoski	Joe Negrete
Rosa Martinez	Bernardina Castañeda
Ramirez Family	Reyes Family
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Cynthia Manriquez	Fernando Torres
William Gonzalez	Gerardo Duran
Joel Lopez	Cidronio Abelar
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Evelyn De Guzman	Juanita Madrigal
Hortencia Palafox	Mark Venegas
Francis Araiza	Marco de la Garza
Rafael Garcia	Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu
Sonia Gorope	Elizabeth Pham
	Jesus Ortiz

# FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "C" "I have come cast fire on the earth and I wish it were burning already"

"When I got into University, I felt very happy. I could hang out with friends till late and listen to music and go to restaurants. Meanwhile, one of my friends recommended to me training by Aware Girls. When I went there and saw a young woman with short hair talking about peace and religion, I felt resentment and wanted to quit. But my friend asked me to stay for some time.

Gradually, I got involved in the discussions and spent the whole day there. I came the next day too and kept thinking about the issues discussed even after the session ended. Slowly I began questioning my beliefs about gender, religion and politics.

I was transformed from a rigid, intolerant and a bit aggressive young tribal person into a tolerant, non-violent peace activist. I felt more committed to my community and decided to play a role in peace and progress in my community. I joined several other forums and networks committed to social change and peace.

One day my uncle rang me and told me about a 15 year old boy in our village who had joined a local militant organization. I left for my village the very next day and went straight to the house of that boy. **The boy had been radicalized and prepared to carry out a suicide attack in Afghanistan.**

When he came to say goodbye to his parents, they locked him in the room and informed elders in the community to help. This is how my uncle came to know about him.

The first day, the boy refused to meet me, but the second day, I was somehow able to engage him. I spoke to him for several hours and during discourse with the boy, the knowledge and skills that I had learnt during Aware Girls' trainings helped me a lot.

After two months, the boy had totally abandoned the idea of becoming a suicide bomber and now wants to live a happy normal life. The boy learned car repair and found a job in a workshop. He has also resumed his studies and is planning to write the secondary school examination as a private candidate. My peace journey is continuing and now I work with street children and strive to make them productive peaceful citizens."

Today, Aware Girls continue to stop young people turning to violence and support women to claim their political rights through nonviolent strategies (Badar's story).

The consistent message of Jesus in the Gospels is the message of love and peace through non-violent actions. Hearing Jesus saying in today's gospel "I have come to set the earth on fire and how I wish it were already blazing" shocks anyone who hears it coming from the mouth of Jesus.

It seems that this message is out of tune with the central message of His kingdom movement. But taking a second look at it today, every committed follower of Jesus would instead agree that what Jesus said is the truth and nothing but the truth.

As it was true for Jesus listeners more than 2000 years ago so it is for anyone who is truly committed to the kingdom message. The truth preached by Jesus is nothing but fire on the earth.

Ordinarily we think of fire as the agent of destruction and death, but a second look at fire tells us otherwise. With the discovery of fire, the road to civilization was opened to humanity. Human beings are able to eat varieties of food and are able to keep warm during the winter season. With fire, human beings are able to go into production and automation.

Although the words of Jesus in today's gospel may be shocking, yet, it is nothing but the truth. Jesus message did "set the earth on fire." Jesus preached only one message and that message is an invitation to humanity to "love God above all things and to love their neighbor as God loves them." As this message began to gain ground, some people rejoiced to hear it while some nations and empires were distressed and shaken. The same message that brought peace to lovers of justice, did trouble the hearts of the oppressors of the people of God.

Over and above the use of fire for production is the biblical understanding of fire as a symbol of purification. The message of love preached by Jesus not only brought about human civilization but also empowered human beings to live their lives to the full. Like fire, the message of Jesus destroyed structures of injustice, oppression and human beings inhumanity to their fellow human beings. So many people died in their effort to put Jesus message into practice in their lives and so many lives were also transformed.

Fire is also a symbol of destruction and punishment. As the message of Jesus began to gain some ground among His audience, it became a standard of measurement of their inclusion or exclusion from the kingdom of God. And not just for Jesus audience but also for us today, Jesus message of love remains the basic and ultimate standard of judgment on the world.

As people who live in the "mean time" – (the time between the resurrection and the judgment day), the message of Jesus is an invitation to work for peace in the world. Peace is not the absence of war and non-violence is more than just passively waiting for peace. Peace is an active process that requires everyone's contribution. Jesus has shown us the way and it is by putting the message of Jesus into practice that our world will become a better place for all.

While we may continue to live in fear of violence, sickness, death, the welfare of our children, death, financial insecurity, violence in our streets, criminals in our midst, job insecurity, sins in our lives and in the world, etc, all these fears will continue to bring division in our lives and in our homes. It is the word of God that has what it takes to purify us and to bring us peace.

The struggles we go through in life do not mean that God has abandoned us. If the prophet Jeremiah though a good man who loved his people could still suffer for calling his people to repentance through his preaching, no one is immune to the struggles of life. Keeping silent cannot bring about peace. Violence is not the way of the people of God. However, even when we are being persecuted for keeping the message of Jesus alive in the world, let us be rest assured that at the end of the day, God remains the author and finisher of our faith. It is through obedience to His word that we shall come to know peace in the world and in our lives. Amen



# Finance Report

# Mass Intentions

*Thank you for your continuous support and generosity*

## COLLECTION

## TOTAL

**August 7, 2022**

**\$5857.00**

## Did you know?

As children head back to school, parents should make every effort to meet the people their children will come in contact with — from their classroom teachers to those who teach the special subjects like art, music, or other extracurriculars. Make the effort to have a face-to-face meeting with these people and know the school's policies on abuse prevention and awareness. For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article, "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done," at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

Read the VIRTUS® article, "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done," here.

## CALLED TO RENEW

*"Called to Renew is a bold plan to strengthen every parish and Catholic center in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, vital ministries that serve thousands each year, education and formation for our children, and the support of priests and those discerning the call." We thank you for all your support and encourage you to continue your contributions in support of this pledge. \*Source: calledtorenew.org*

Please find our monthly update below:

**Parish Name: All Souls Parish**

**Parish Goal: \$425,000.00**

**Total Pledged: \$692,786.00**

**Total Paid: \$346,238.21**

SATURDAY	AUGUST	13-2022
5:30pm	Tseng, KeChin & Zi Kit	Dec.
	Lester Licardo	Sp. Intention
SUNDAY	AUGUST	14-2022
7:30am	Meng Chi Lee	Dec.
	Paulino Penas Jr.	Dec.
9:00am	Tomas & Rufina Arguello	Anniversary
	Jose Ma. Villacorta	Dec.
10:30am	Ruben Quintana Delgado	Dec.
	Leonora Aguilar	Thanksgiving
5:30pm	All Souls in Purgatory	Sp. Int.
MONDAY	AUGUST	15-2022
7:30am	Florante Richard Mancao	Dec.
	Cion Lemoncito	Birthday
TUESDAY	AUGUST	16-2022
7:30am	Meng Chi Lee	Dec.
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST	17-2022
7:30am	Dec. Members of the Tran Fam.	Dec.
	Phu Van Qiang	Dec.
Dec.	AUGUST	18-2022
7:30am	Rosa Hernandez	Healing
FRIDAY	AUGUST	19-2022
7:30am	Fam. Arguello	Special Int.
SATURDAY	AUGUST	20-2022
7:30am	Monica Perez	Birthday



Hay una "gran nube de testigos" que se encuentra en los santos oficiales de la iglesia y en la gente común que conocemos todos los días. Son inspiraciones llenas de fe que, con su ejemplo, nos ayudan a perseverar en nuestra fe. Viviendo en un mar de conflicto, cambio, desafío y confusión, es fácil cansarse y agotarse. Con tantas cosas compitiendo por nuestra atención, es un desafío mantener nuestros ojos fijos en Jesús y el Reino de Dios. Tenemos que seguir corriendo la carrera y seguir proclamando la Buena Nueva. Este mensaje no siempre es bienvenido. Puede causar división, desafiar las mentalidades aceptadas, molestar a la gente y hacer que algunas personas se pongan a la defensiva. Los caminos de Dios no siempre son nuestros caminos. Aunque muchas veces rechazado por el mundo, el mensaje de Dios en Jesucristo debe continuar siendo predicado. Podemos confiar en los ejemplos de fe que tenemos ante nosotros y a nuestro alrededor y no desanimarnos. Así como Jesús soportó las voces de la oposición, nosotros también podemos.

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A medida que los niños regresan a la escuela, los padres de familia deben hacer todo lo posible por conocer a las personas con las que sus hijos entrarán en contacto, desde los maestros de su salón de clases hasta aquellos que enseñan materias especiales como arte, música u otras actividades extracurriculares. Haga el esfuerzo de tener una reunión cara a cara con estas personas y conozca las políticas de la escuela sobre prevención y concientización sobre el abuso. Para obtener más información, solicite una copia del artículo de VIRTUS® en inglés, "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done" (Tres cosas que simplemente se deben hacer), en [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

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## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Jr 38, 4-6. 8-10/Sal 39, 2. 3. 4. 18 [14]/Heb 12, 1-4/Lc 12, 49-53  
 Lunes: Ap 11, 19; 12, 1-6. 10/Sal 44, 10. 11. 12. 16/1 Co 15, 20-27/Lc 1, 39-56  
 Martes: Ez 28, 1-10/Dt 32, 26-27. 27-28. 30. 35-36/Mt 19, 23-30  
 Miércoles: Ez 34, 1-11/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6/Mt 20, 1-16  
 Jueves: Ez 36, 23-28/Sal 50, 12-13. 14-15. 18-19/Mt 22, 1-14  
 Viernes: Ez 37, 1-14/Sal 106, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/Mt 22, 34-40  
 Sábado: Ez 43, 1-7/Sal 84, 9 y 10. 11-12. 13-14/Mt 23, 1-12



Venta de Patio en favor de Vivian Ogu

Este domingo 14 de agosto, de 8 am al mediodía, Brunie realizará una venta de garaje para recaudar fondos para la causa de beatificación de Vivian Ogu.

Vivian era una joven que vivió en Nigeria entre 1995 y 2009. Ella era una estudiante de primer nivel, sobresaliendo en matemáticas, pero, lo que es más importante, su fe y espiritualidad estaban muy avanzadas más allá de sus tiernos años. Incluso ayudó en la catequesis de niños menores que ella cuando no atendía a su propia formación espiritual.

Trágicamente, mientras disfrutaba de una noche tranquila en casa, Vivian fue secuestrada por ladrones que asaltaban su casa. La llevaron al bosque, intentando violarla. Siguiendo los pasos de Santa María Goretti, en lugar de ser profanada, Vivian Ogu resistió a sus atacantes y fue ejecutada. Se convirtió en mártir a los 14 años cuando aún se preparaba para recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación.

La Arquidiócesis de la ciudad de Benin en Nigeria, donde nació y creció Vivian, está defendiendo la causa de su beatificación. Oramos para que su continua generosidad se extienda al apoyo de las actividades de Brunie para promover esta noble causa. Que Dios os bendiga por vuestra generosidad y amor a la Iglesia, Cuerpo de Cristo.

## AMIGOS DE JESUS

El grupo de oración, Amigos de Jesús, les invita a unirse a una noche de reflexión, alabanza y oración en comunidad. Las reuniones son a las 7pm cada miércoles. Si gusta unirse, favor de llamar al Centro Pastoral para mas detalles.

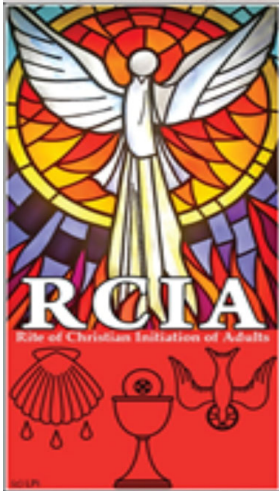


Las solicitudes para los Sacramentos de Primera Comunión y Confirmación están disponibles en el Centro Pastoral. Si su hijo/a no ha recibido estos Sacramentos, puede visitar el Centro Pastoral o venir al Salón Parroquial el sábado 13 de agosto de 9 am a 12 del mediodía para una sesión de inscripción abierta.

¡Esperamos verte!



## Is RCIA for YOU?



Do you or someone you know want to be baptized into the Catholic Church? Are you missing your sacraments of Confirmation or First Communion? Did you receive all your sacraments when you were an infant and feel the need to learn more about your faith as an adult? If you answered "YES" to any of these questions, RCIA is for you. Call the Pastoral Center at (626) 282-0466 to set a time to pick up a registration form. Classes begin mid-September, so please have registration forms in by early September so that interviews may be held and supplies purchased.

CALL TO REGISTER



## FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

This coming Monday,

August 15, 2022, is the solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the day that our Blessed Mother was assumed body and soul into heaven. Although this year, the Assumption is not a holy day of obligation, we still strongly encourage you to attend our regular 7:30 am Mass to honor our Blessed Mother.

## - SACRAMENTS -



Applications for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation are available. If you couldn't make it to our Saturday Open Registration session, you may pick up a registration form from our Pastoral Center.

## Patio Yard Sale for Vivian Ogu



This Sunday, August 14th, from 8 am to noon, Brunie will be having a yard sale to raise funds for the cause of beatification for Vivian Ogu.

Vivian was a young lady who lived in Nigeria from 1995-2009. She was a top-notch student, excelling in mathematics, but, more importantly, her faith and spirituality were far advanced beyond her tender years. She even helped in the catechesis of children younger than her when not attending to her own spiritual formation.

Tragically, while enjoying a quiet evening at home, Vivian was kidnapped by thieves robbing her house. They took her to the woods, attempting to rape her. Following in the footsteps of St. Maria Goretti, rather than be defiled, Vivian Ogu resisted her attackers and was executed. She became a martyr at 14 years of age while still in preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The Archdiocese of Benin City in Nigeria where Vivian was born and raised is championing the cause for her beatification. We pray that your continuing generosity will extend to supporting Brunie's activities to promote this noble cause. May God bless you for your generosity and love for the Church, the Body of Christ.

## Important Reminders

Dear Parishioners:

In an ongoing effort to keep all our parishioners and visitors safe and healthy while ensuring that our liturgies maintain their reverential nature, we would like to remind everyone of the following precautions we have undertaken for the good of us all:

- ◆ The virus that causes COVID-19 is still very present in our community. We ask all to be mindful about the spacing between us and others around us. Please try to make use of the open spaces often found toward the middle and front sections of the church instead of forming clusters toward the back section of pews.
- ◆ As usual, if you are feeling any cold- or flu-like symptoms, please stay at home, rest, and self-monitor. We would be more than happy to pray for your speedy recovery and rapid return to worship with us once again.
- ◆ Communion is to be taken in the hand. Once you have received the host, you must consume it immediately. If you return to your seat without consuming the host, an usher or Eucharistic minister may reach out to you to do so right away.
- ◆ To ensure the safety of our young ones, please make sure you accompany your children to and from the inside and outside restrooms.
- ◆ After the Blessed Sacrament has been reposed in the tabernacle following Communion, all may be seated while Father purifies the sacred vessels.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in protecting all members of our community, especially those most vulnerable among us, as well as the reverence of our church and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.