

<mark>October 23, 2022</mark> 30th 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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# All Souls Catholic Church



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### · DEACON ·

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### PASTORAL CENTER HOURS

Monday-Friday 9am-7pm Closed for Lunch: 12:30pm-1:30pm

### PARISH MASS 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)

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# Readings & Prayers for the Sick

### First Reading:

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal.

nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds. (Sir 35:21)

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. (Ps 34)

#### Second Reading:

From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge,

will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance. (2 Tm 4:8)

"For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Lk 18:14)

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Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 [7a]/2 Tm 4:6-8, Sunday:

16-18/Lk 18:9-14

Monday: Eph 4:32—5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 13:10-17 Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 13:22-30

Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35 Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16 Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11

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Joe Negrete

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

## 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "C" \_ "O God, be merciful to me a sinner"

One hot afternoon on a beach, people noticed a young girl drowning. They quickly rescued her. The little girl was unconscious. An old man from a nearby cottage hurriedly reached for the girl laid down on the seashore. As the old man was about to hold the girl, a furious guy warned the people surrounding the girl to step aside, including the old man.

"I was trained to do CPR. Stay out of this! Let me do it!" the guy exclaimed. The old man stood up and stepped behind the guy and watched quietly while the latter was performing CPR for the girl.

After almost a minute, the little girl regained consciousness. The people around them felt relieved and began applauding the guy. The old man, who looks very happy, gratefully congratulated the guy as well.

After two hours, however, the guy who saved the girl suddenly felt too much fatigue, experienced difficulty in breathing and became unconscious. A few minutes later, he woke up in an ambulance rushing him to the nearest hospital. Beside him was the old man he saw earlier at the beach now checking his pulse rate. The old man did the CPR on him while he was unconscious. This time he learned that the old man is a doctor.

"Why didn't you tell me you're a doctor?" he asked.

The doctor just smiled and answered: "It doesn't matter to me whether you call me a doctor or not. A precious life is in danger. I became a doctor, not for fame, but to save lives. We had the same goal, and that was to save the girl. Nothing can surpass the feeling that you have just saved another life. There's a lot of things to be protected other than our ego."

The teary-eyed man humbly said: "Well, you have just saved two more lives today" (story by Bramesh).

The Gospel story for this Sunday is not so much about prayer as it is about cultivating an attitude of humility. Humility is at the heart of Christian life. A humble person is a beauty to behold. It is the panacea to arrogance, pride and self righteousness.

Two men went to the temple to pray. One was a Pharisee and the other was a Tax Collector. During the time of Jesus, the Pharisee and the Tax Collector were at the opposite ends of the spectrum. The Pharisees were considered as holy and law abiding men while the Tax Collectors were considered as corrupt and sinful men.

Ordinarily speaking, a Pharisee is not a bad person. A Pharisee is a Jew who dedicates himself to a perfect observance of the law. The Pharisee makes a conscientious and honest effort to do the will of God at all times. If the law demands that he should walk two miles, the Pharisee will walk four miles. Their love for God and the fear of offending God made them to become very powerful, rigid and ritualistic.

The tax collector is also a Jew. Their busy schedule collecting taxes makes it difficult for them to devote enough time to observe the law like the Pharisees do.

Tax collectors were mainly rich but despised by other Jews because they cooperated with the Romans who occupied Israel and would often use the tax money to support the Roman government. Tax collectors were also considered as corrupt people since they collect more money than they were supposed to and have the freedom to pocket the extra money collected.

Following the belief that God hears the prayer of a good person, the Pharisee expects his prayer to be answered by God. But according to the parable, one man went home happy while the other went home sad. The paradox of the parable is that if anyone should go home happy, it is expected to be the Pharisee but that was not the case.

To a Jew, it is surprising and unbelievable to hear that God did not answer the prayer of a "good man" – the Pharisee, who is considered a law abiding man. It is even more surprising to hear that God answered the prayer of a Tax Collector who is labeled a sinner and corrupt. This is what makes this parable a revolutionary one to Jesus audience, but this parable reveals the true image of God which the Jews have always failed to accept.

Human beings judge by appearances and labels – the son of a good man is a good son while the son of a sinner is also a sinner. The son of a rich man is rich while the son of a poor man is poor. Not so with God. God sees the heart and gives each person whatever they deserve. This is why our God is good, just and true. God does not find pleasure in the death of a wicked man, God wants us to change from our evil ways and live.

True change demands that we humble ourselves, acknowledge our mistakes, make amends and begin to live. This is what we see in the prayer of the Tax Collector – "The tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, O God, be merciful to me a sinner." God always exalts those who humble themselves before Him.

Jesus does not reject the prayer life of the Pharisee but condemns his arrogance and self-righteousness. Jesus does not condone the corrupt practices of Tax Collectors but affirms his humility and honesty as the right attitude worthy of emulation.

It is important for us to note that the Pharisee and the Tax Collector in this parable are not two different persons but the two sides of each and every one of us. There is this aspect of us that keeps making comparisons with others and bragging about our spiritual maturity and our exalted position in life. There is also another aspect of our lives that sometimes is overwhelmed by our own brokenness; hence the sincere need for repentance and God's mercy.

Authentic religion should unite and keep us humble. Whenever our faith or love for God makes us to look down on others, we miss the point. To become the friends of God, we need to drop the Pharisee in us (arrogance, pride, bias, self-righteousness, etc.) and to embrace the spirit of the Tax Collector (humility, honesty, and a sincere desire for repentance, etc.).

We need to always take a critical and honest look at the arrogance, pride and the tendency to make comparisons that put us at advantage over others whom we consider less fortunate. The Pharisee in us sets in whenever we ignore our own flaws while focusing on the other person's weakness and we do not see the need for repentance. For all have sinned and have fallen short of the glory of God. People who have come to experience God in their lives, like the Tax Collector, will always see their own wretchedness; fall down on their knees to ask for God's mercy and forgiveness.

## Finance Report

## Mass Intentions

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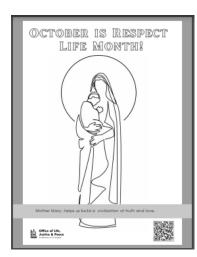
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## Did you Know?

With Halloween coming up, here are some safety tips for parents taking little ones trick or treating. Parents should check costumes for safety — be sure that they fit well and will not cause children to trip. Consider adding reflective tape to costumes, shoes, or trick or treat bags to make your children easier to see in the dark. Avoid sharp, long, or otherwise dangerous costume accessories like swords and canes. Also, check candy before children consume it. For more information, read "Halloween Health & Safety Tips" at https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-



Every October the Catholic Church celebrates Respect Life Month! This month let's deepen our understanding of why, as Catholics we must cherish and defend every human life from conception till natural death. You can find resources for Respect Life Month by visiting the Office of Life, Justice and Peace's website.

This October let's celebrate Respect Life Month by asking our Blessed Mother for her intercession! As Missionary Disciples we can look to our Blessed Mother's Life as example of love and service. Let's ask for Mary's courage and strength as we work to build a culture that protects and cherishes every human life.



SATURDAY	OCTOBER	22-2022
5:30pm	Tseng, Ke Chin & Zi Kit	Dec.
SUNDAY	OCTOBER	23-2022
7:30am	Franklin & Francisca Genkuong	Dec.
	Terry Ramirez	Special Int.
9:00am	The Fobi Family	Special Int.
10:30am	Myriam Gomez Hernandez	Dec.
	Ramon & Maritza Gomez	Dec.
	Coralia Mojica	Birthday
	Balvina Rosales	Dec.
	Mauricio Murga	Birthday
5:30pm	Confirmation Class	
MONDAY	OCTOBER	24-2022
7:30am	Jose Luis Plascencia	Dec.
	Lucina Romano	Sp. Int.
TUESDAY	OCTOBER	25-2022
7:30am	Cruz Ramirez-Cano	Dec.
	Guadalupe Salazar-Pichardo	Dec.
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER	26-2022
7.30am	Lynn Rodriguez	Dec.
	Lucas Moreno-Plata	Dec.
THURSDAY	OCTOBER	27-2022
730am	Victor Jose Peña	Dec.
	Randolph Francis Sedlacek	Dec.
FRIDAY	OCTOBER	28-2022
7:30am	Victor Ramirez-Salazar	Dec.
	Liv Belen Fan	Thanksgiving
SATURDAY	OCTOBER	29-2022
7.30am	Carol Robinson	Dec.

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¿Sabla usted?

Ser humilde significa vernos como somos. Viene con el reconocimiento de que nunca somos perfectos, mejores que otros o libres de pecado. La persona humilde conoce sus faltas y fracasos, así como sus éxitos y triunfos. También se dan cuenta de que no son nada sin Dios, especialmente la misericordia de Dios. El humilde sabe quiénes son, quiénes pueden ser y cómo se han guedado cortos. Estando desesperadamente enamorados de Dios, saben cómo a veces han cedido a sus deseos en lugar de la voluntad de Dios, casi con un sentimiento de vergüenza. Ser justificados en nuestra relación con Dios no se trata de una lista de las cosas buenas que hacemos y las cosas malas que no hacemos. Somos reivindicados cuando nos damos cuenta de cuán totalmente dependientes somos del amor gratuito, abundante e incondicional de Dios. Es un regalo que a menudo damos por hecho y a menudo no lo apreciamos. ©LPi

Con Halloween acercándose, aquí hay algunos consejos de seguridad para los padres que llevan a los más pequeños a pedir dulces. Los padres deben revisar la seguridad de los disfraces: asegúrese de que se ajusten bien y no causen que los niños tropiecen. Considere agregar cinta reflectora a los disfraces, zapatos o bolsas para recoger dulces para que sus hijos sean más fáciles de ver en la oscuridad. Evite los accesorios de vestuario afilados, largos o peligrosos como espadas y bastones. Además, revise los dulces antes de que los niños los consuman. Para obtener más información, lea "Halloween Health & Safety Tips" (Consejos de salud y seguridad en Halloween) en https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/all-around/Pages/Halloween-Safety-Tips.aspx.

### **MES PARA DEFENDER LA VIDA**

¡Cada octubre, la Iglesia Católica celebra el mes para defender la vida! Este mes profundicemos en nuestro compromiso por valorar y defender la vida humana desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural. Pude encontrar recursos para el este mes en la pagina de la oficina for la vida, justicia y paz.

Este octubre celebremos el mes para defender la vida pidiéndole a Nuestra Madre Santísima su intercesión. Como discípulos misioneros en María podemos ver un ejemplo de amor y servicio. Pidamos el valor y la fuerza de María mientras trabajamos para promover una cultura de vida que proteja y

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ef 4, 32—5, 8/Sal 1, 1-2. 3. 4 y 6/Lc 13, 10-17 Martes: Ef 5, 21-33/Sal 127, 1-2. 3. 4-5/Lc 13, 18-21 Miércoles: Ef 6, 1-9/Sal 144, 10-11. 12-13. 13-14/Lc 13, 22-30

Jueves: Ef 6, 10-20/Sal 143, 1. 2. 9-10/Lc 13, 31-35 Viernes: Ef 2, 19-22/Sal 18, 2-3. 4-5/Lc 6, 12-19 Sábado: Flp 1, 18-26/Sal 41, 2. 3. 5/Lc 14, 1. 7-11

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### **LOS INVITAMOS**

valore cada vida humana.

Venga a celebrar nuestro Día de Fiesta Parroquial el domingo, 6 de noviembre, de 8:30 am a 1:00 pm

Los grupos de All Souls organizarán una Feria de Ministerios. Le invitamos a platicar con otros feligreses sobre las diferentes maneras de participar dentro de nuestra parroquia y nutrir nuestra fe. Nuestro anhelo es que al escuchar a nuestros diferentes ministerios, usted descubra cuel es su llamado. Además, el sorteo de la rifa anual también se llevará a cabo ese día. Hagamos que la rifa de este año sea un éxito vendiendo o comprando al menos dos libros de boletos. Los boletos están disponibles después de cada misa los fines de semana y entre semana en el Centro Pastoral.

¡Esperemos disfrute de la convivencia con feligreses, amigos, la deliciosa selección de alimentos, bebidas, y entretenimiento en vivo!



### **HOSTED BY:**

All Souls Church Ministries

Sunday, Nov. 6th,

from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

All Souls ministries will host a Ministry Fair. Come talk to fellow parishioners about the different ministries and find out what's your calling.

### The annual raffle drawing will also take place that day.

Help make this year's raffle a success by selling or buying at least two books of raffle tickets. Tickets are available after every Mass on weekends and weekdays at the Pastoral Center. **Our first prize will be \$1000; 2nd \$300; and 3rd prize \$200. Plan** to enjoy visiting with friends, select food items, beverages, live entertainment, and find out if you are this year's All Souls raffle winner!

Please also remember to visit Brunie at the picnic tables and support her yard sale. All proceeds go to All Souls!



### REGIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESSES

MUSIC • PRAYER REFLECTION • MASS

San Gabriel Pastoral Region Saturday, November 5, 2022 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sacred Heart Church, Covina

San Pedro Pastoral Region Saturday, November 19, 2022 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. St. Gertrude the Great Church, Bell Gardens

For more information and to register for FREE go to lacatholics.org/eucharist



## You (Are Cordially Invited

Many blessings to each and every one of you.

We wanted to invite all parishioner as our family comes together to remember the life of my mother, MaryAnne Aarset. The community of All Souls Church has been a blessing to us for over 60 years. Thus, it would be very special if you could join us in this remembrance celebration.

Mom served in the Mother's Club, loved the Harvest Festival, participated in St. Joseph's Table, the environment caretakes of the sanctuary and especially Irene! She served on the many committees that our members created offering her sage advice with love and the wisdom of age.

Mom was a devoted Catholic Daughter for over 40 years. Her mother, my Grandma Becker, was also a Catholic Daughter. Together, they shepherded the care of Teresita Pines Camp for Girls and Madonna Manor as well as many other charities and causes. Yet, one thing that was very important to mom was her home parish and that was, and still is, All Souls Catholic Church & Community. This was and is her spiritual bedrock, even though she traveled all over the world and these domestic states. She loved this church. She loved her Lector duties, the readings and attending 5:30pm Vigil Mass.

Mom passed from her body into God's care at 3:07am on September 8, 2020. She left this Earth in peace, in her sleep with God, the Blessed Mother, Jesus the Christ, the Holy Spirit and her Angels showing her the way. Now she can rest and heal from a life that was full of activity, change, love and challenge. I love you Mom!

Sincerely,

Catherine Louise Aarset, Her Daughter

### Come and celebrate mom with me:

Vigil Rosary - Friday October 28, 2022 starting at 7 pm

Memorial Mass - Saturday October 29, 2022 at 1 pm

Both will be held at her beloved All Souls Catholic Church.

### Remembering the faithful Departed

In preparation for All Souls Day, November 2nd, the Parish Environment Committee invites you to write the names of those loved ones that make up our **faithful departed** to be used as part of our Parish Liturgical Environment. A basket containing colorful paper cut in the shape of **FALL LEAVES** will be located at the entrance of the church. You are invited to take leaves to write *multiple names* of loved ones on *one side* of each leaf. A second basket will be available at the entrance of the church from Sept. 24 - Oct. 23, 2022 for filled-in leaves. Feel free to decorate! Every leaf will allow our parish to recall and pray for those who have gone before us and renew our faith in the promise of eternal life that is made ours by the death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Also, remember to submit your parish envelope for "All Souls Day" as a novena will be prayed at daily Mass for the faithful departed.