



All Souls Catholic Church



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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.

Unión 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)

December 4, 2022

2nd Sunday of Advent

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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Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

Not by appearance shall he judge,
nor by hearsay shall he decide,
but he shall judge the poor with justice,
and decide aright for the land's afflicted. (Is 11:3-4)

Psalm:

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever. (Ps 72)

Second Reading:

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you,
for the glory of God. (Rom 15:7)

Gospel:

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea
and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" (Mt 3:1-2)

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Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

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FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

2nd Sunday of Advent, Year "A"

"Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand"

After hearing the voice of John the Baptist in today's Gospel, I remembered a story about a young man who approached the foreman of a logging crew and asked for a job. "That depends," replied the foreman. "Let's see you fell this tree."

The young man stepped forward, and skillfully felled a great tree. Impressed, the foreman exclaimed, "You can start Monday."

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday rolled by — and Thursday afternoon the foreman approached the young man and said, "You can pick up your pay check on the way out today."

Startled, the young man replied, "I thought you paid on Friday."

"Normally we do," said the foreman. "But we're letting you go today because you've fallen behind. Our daily felling charts show that you've dropped from first place on Monday to last place today."

"But I'm a hard worker," the young man objected. "I arrive first, leave last, and even have worked through my coffee breaks!"

The foreman, sensing the young man's integrity, thought for a minute and then asked, "Have you been sharpening your axe?"

The young man replied, "No sir, I've been working too hard to take time for that!"

Our lives are like that. We sometimes get so busy that we don't take time to "sharpen the axe." In today's world, it seems that everyone is busier than ever, but less happy than ever. Why is that? Could it be that we have forgotten how to stay sharp? (Source: Unknown)

Today John the Baptist calls on us to sharpen not the axe for cutting down trees but our hearts so that God could find a fitting dwelling place in it. John's is like the voice of a mother who is calling on her wayward son to change for good. The wayward son would always refuse but only to regret it after his mother is already dead.

"A voice of one crying out in the desert, prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths ..." John was a very austere man, not because he did not want to spend money but because he operated on a divine economy so that nothing would distract him from fulfilling his mission as the forerunner of Jesus. He lived on locust and honey and for his clothing he used the skin of animals. Such simplicity of life was a clear message to the people of his time.

People who listened to John the Baptist took him on his words and changed from their evil ways. This is probably because John the Baptist talked the talk and walked the walk. His life was very authentic.

He lived what he preached. We can endlessly preach repentance to our fellow human beings but if we do not walk the walk, our word will be powerless and ineffective. We need like John the Baptist to become worthy heralds of the Goodnews in a world that is clamoring for authenticity.

As John the Baptist preached the right time to repent is now, and like the young man of our story, even our good intentions are no longer good enough. We need to look into our lives to critically examine which areas of our lives that needs to be sharpened so that our daily charts would not show that we have fallen from first place to the last.

Advent season is a time of transformation. It is pro-active in character. It is a time to sharpen our axe if we are to remain competitive. Hence, John demands that we participate actively in the building of a new world governed by grace. It does not matter whether you are a preacher or a listener; our preparation for Christmas should not be all about avoiding evil. We are very good at doing that. The holiness that John the Baptist is inviting us to embrace calls for doing good. Like John said to the Pharisees and Sadducees, "produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance."

Repentance is an important aspect of the Advent journey. It could be either by way of being sorry for our sins and going to confession or by way of making a radical u-turn to change from our selfish ways to become more caring, more loving and more compassionate. As a good tree produces good fruits so are we expected to have a change of lifestyle and a change of heart to become peace-makers in a world that idolizes conflict and oppression.

Every Advent season is unique. It is not a repetition of the past. It is a graceful and opportune time of change. We are able to hear the voice of John the Baptist again because thanks to Jesus death on the cross we are given a second chance to embrace the change that brings about freedom and redemption. It is sad to wait till our mother is dead before we see the need to change. Tomorrow may be too late. The right time is now.

A change of heart implies bringing a positive attitude to life. We are good at saying I don't hate my neighbor, knowing fully well that I don't love my neighbor. That we do not hate our neighbor does not mean that we love them. We are so lukewarm in our relationships making our hearts colder than the cold weather we are in.

We show so much indifference and nonchalant attitude in the way we treat others. Our lukewarm attitude is crying out to the heavens for redress. Same goes to when we say we do not lie, the point is, are we speaking the truth? Being politically correct is the order of the day such that our words are as empty as they are confusing. Truth and authentic goodness is today sacrificed on the altar of modernism and our conscience is not bothered.

Advent is a time to become real. This is not a time to presume the goodness of the Lord. Saying to ourselves that we have Abraham as our father will not work this time around "for God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones." In the world wealth and political position of power and authority could be inherited or transferred from parents to their children but not so with the salvation of our souls. Salvation does not depend on the holiness of one's parents or family lineage. It is only those who are willing to walk the walk that are the true children of God.



Finance Report

Mass Intentions

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity

COLLECTION

Nov. 27, 2022

TOTAL

\$5,275.00

Did you know?

The California Age-Appropriate Design Code Act, which was signed into law in September, requires companies to assess potential harm in how they use data from children (defined as any user under 18) in new services or features, and to enact plans to reduce risk. Companies are also banned from using minors' information in "materially detrimental" ways, such as routing searches for weight loss to photos of super-models, and from collecting, sharing, or selling a minor's personal information by default. For more information about this new law, read "California takes child protection seriously with new online law" on AngelusNews.com.



Our 2024 Book of Intentions is now available. Please stop by our Pastoral Center to make a request for a love one. Let us elevate our intentions together and pray as a community of brothers and sisters to our Lord.



SATURDAY	DECEMBER	03-2022
5:30pm	Tseng, Kechin & Zikit	Dec.
	Joel Francis Tiu	Dec.
SUNDAY	DECEMBER	04-2022
7:30am	Rita Almaguer	Dec.
9:00am	Peter Nicolas Licardo	Dec.
10:30am	Trinidad Gomez	Dec.
	Jorge Mendiola	Dec.
	Walter Fletcher	Dec.
	Victor Ramirez Salazar	Healing
5:30pm	Dinh Thi Tuyen	Sp. Int.
MONDAY	DECEMBER	05-2022
7:30am	Armando Stephen Cano	Dec.
TUESDAY	DECEMBER	06-2022
7:30am	The Sedlacek Family	Sp. Int.
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER	07-2022
7:30am	Sebastian De La Rosa	Birthday
THURSDAY	DECEMBER	08-2022
7:30am	Immaculate Conception	
FRIDAY	DECEMBER	09-2022
7:30am	Azucena Sanchez-Scott	Birthday
	Ernesto Anastacio Cruz	Dec.
SATURDAY	DECEMBER	10-2022
7:30am	Barbara Schmidt	Birthday

El Dios en quien creemos es "el Dios de paciencia y de consolación." ¿Alguna vez has pensado en Dios en esos términos? Nuestra vista puede verse limitada por las preocupaciones del mundo y de nuestra vida individual. Podemos mirar al pasado y ver lo que está sucediendo en el presente, pero el futuro se deja principalmente a nuestra imaginación. Dios tiene una visión clara para el futuro. Es uno donde "habitará el lobo con el cordero y la pantera se echará con el cabrito." Es una visión de armonía y amabilidad donde todos vivirán como uno. Podemos ver la imagen completa de la vida en Dios. Vemos lo que podemos ser, lo que puede venir y en quiénes podemos convertirnos. Preparar el camino para el Señor significa ir más allá de las limitaciones de la ideología, el tiempo, el espacio, la preferencia y la preocupación egoísta para que podamos ver como Dios ve. Dios nos dará lo que necesitamos para soportar lo que venga, y el aliento que necesitamos para llegar a donde podamos estar.

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La Ley del Código de Diseño Apropriado para la Edad de California, que se convirtió en ley en septiembre, requiere que las empresas evalúen el daño potencial en la forma en que utilizan los datos de los niños (definidos como cualquier usuario menor de 18 años) en nuevos servicios o funciones, y promulgar planes para reducir el riesgo. Las empresas también tienen prohibido usar la información de menores de manera "materialmente perjudicial", como enrutar búsquedas de pérdida de peso a fotos de supermodelos, y recopilar, compartir o vender la información personal de un menor de forma predeterminada. Para obtener más información sobre esta nueva ley, lea el artículo en inglés, "California takes child protection seriously with new online law" (California se toma en serio la protección de los niños con la nueva ley en línea) en AngelusNews.com.

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 más detalles.



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Is 11, 1-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17/Rom 15, 4-9/Mt 3, 1-12
Lunes: Is 35, 1-10/Sal 84, 9 y 10. 11-12. 13-14/Lc 5, 17-26
Martes: Is 40, 1-11/Sal 95, 1-2. 3 y 10. 11-12. 13/Mt 18, 12-14
Miércoles: Is 40, 25-31/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8 y 10/Mt 11, 28-30
Jueves: Gn 3, 9-15. 20/Sal 97, 1. 2-3. 3-4/Ef 1, 3-6. 11-12/Lc 1, 26-38
Viernes: Is 48, 17-19/Sal 1, 1-2. 3. 4 y 6/Mt 11, 16-19
Sábado: Ecl 48, 1-4. 9-11/Sal 79, 2 y 3. 15-16. 18-19/Mt 17, 9. 10-13

Sacramento de Reconciliación

Queridos feligres,

Les comunicamos que las confesiones de adviento serán el **dia 14 de diciembre a las 7:00pm** en la parroquia. Favor de apartar la fecha. Tendremos varios sacerdotes listos para impartir este importante sacramento.

GRACIAS

Queremos agradecer a todos nuestros feligreses que están viviendo nuestro Retiro de Adviento. Esperamos en Dios que las pláticas les llenen de esperanza. Seguimos orando por ustedes en comunidad para que toda el aprendizaje de frutos buenos para sus vidas, el mundo y sobre todo Nuestro Señor. Amen.

PARISH RETREAT

Please come join us for our Advent retreats to prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of Our Savior.

English Retreat

December 9th, 10th, 11th
from 7 pm to 8:30 pm

General Theme: Come to Bethlehem!

Friday night:

We ask for Healing and New Life (Includes a prayer for healing and anointing of the sick)

Saturday night:

We Live in the Light of Faith with Mary and Joseph (includes reflection and recitation on the joyful mysteries of the Rosary)

Sunday Night:

In the Manger we find the Bread of Life (includes Adoration and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament)



Immaculate MARY



Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, December 8th, is a Holy Day of Obligation.

All Souls Church will be celebrating Mass during the following times:
7:30am (English)
12:05pm (English)
7:00pm (Bilingual)

We look forward to seeing you.



All Souls is inviting you to an Advent Penance Service on Wednesday, December 14th, at 7 pm in the church. A number of priests will be available to hear individual confessions in various languages.

THE GIVING TREE

In the spirit of Christmas, give a toy to a boy or girl!

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry

- Choose a gingerbread tag from our Christmas Tree at the entrance of the church.
- On the sheet provided, write your name and phone number.
- Keep the gingerbread tag and adhere it to your gift.
- Drop off the gift at our Pastoral Center by December 12.

Thank you!!!!



SIGN UP FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL TRADITION

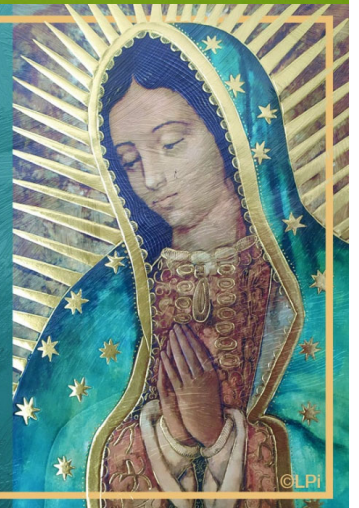
Every year our Parish invites families to help us light the advent candles at the beginning of Mass. If you would like to partake in this beautiful tradition, please call our Pastoral Center to, both, express your interest and provide us

OUR LADY

OF Guadalupe

PATRONESS OF THE AMERICAS

PRAY FOR US
DECEMBER 12



Acompáñenos a celebrar Las Mañanitas el día 12 de diciembre a las 5:00am, seguida por la Misa del Alba a las 5:30 am. También tendremos misa a las 7:30 am en Ingles, y una misa bilingüe a las 7:00 pm.

Join us to celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe. We will come together for Las Mañanitas at 5:00 am and celebrate Mass at 5:30 am. If you are unable to attend these times, we will also have Mass at 7:30 am (English) & a bilingual Mass at 7:00 pm.