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## MISSION STATEMENT

We, at All Souls Church, are a multicultural Catholic Community called to share our gifts and

January 3, 2021

The Epiphany of the Lord



### Pastoral Center Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

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

(We are currently only receiving calls)

### PASTOR

Rev. Patrick Mbazuigwe

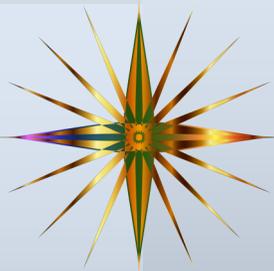
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### DEACON

Dn. Eudoro Benalcazar



### 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)

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<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Pablo Gutierrez	<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Leticia Urtecho

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### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Angelica Ruedas	Ethelyn Beltran
Matthew Perez	Karen Katsumura
Pilar Garza	Andrea Primicias
Gary Meraz	Cecilia Chow
David A. Jr. & Family	Erik Lifrak
Lucy Tsang	Ray Argueta & Family
Eleanor Ciechoski	Jose Crespo
Rosa Martinez	Joe Negrete
Ramirez Family	Bernardina Castañeda
Wally & Becky Puente	Reyes Family
Cynthia Manriquez	Mercedes Tarrazona
Cecille Saguid	Delia Vargas
William Gonzalez	William Cardona
Joel Lopez	Gerardo Duran
Guadalupe Nevarez	Cidronio Abelar
Evelyn De Guzman	Yessenia Alvarez
Hortencia Palafox	Juanita Madrigal
Jerry Lopez	Mark Venegas
Francis Araiza	Marco de la Garza
Rafael Garcia	

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

**Psalm** — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

**Second Reading** — The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

**Gospel** — Magi from the east arrived, looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

<b>Monday:</b>	1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
<b>Tuesday:</b>	1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
<b>Wednesday:</b>	1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
<b>Thursday:</b>	1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72: 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
<b>Friday:</b>	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
<b>Saturday:</b>	1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
<b>Sunday:</b>	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11

Jan. 3, 2021

## From the Pastor's Corner

### Epiphany Sunday, Year "B"

#### We have seen His star and have come to worship Him

"It started innocently. Many years ago I worked in an office with large windows facing a busy overpass. I was standing by one of those windows one day when a woman in a passing car looked up and made eye contact. Naturally, I waved. A chuckle escaped my lips as she turned and tried to identify me. It was the beginning of a year of window antics. When things were slow, I would stand in the window and wave at the passengers who looked up. The strange looks made me laugh and stress was washed away. Co-workers began to take an interest. They would stand from view, watch the reactions I received, and laugh along. Late afternoon was the best time - rush hour traffic filled the overpass with cars and transit buses, and providing lots of waving material for the end-of-day routine.

It didn't take long to attract a following - a group of commuters who passed the window every day and looked up at the strange waving man. There was a man with a construction truck who would turn on his flashing-yellow light and return my wave, the carpool crowd, and the business lady with her children fresh from day care. But my favorite was the transit bus from the docks that passed my window at 4:40pm. It carried the same group every day, and they became my biggest fans.

After a while, waving became boring, so I devised ways to enhance my act. I made signs: "Hi," "Hello," "Be Happy!" and posted them in the window and waved. I stood on the window ledge in various poses, created hats from paper and file-folders, made faces, played peek-a-boo by bouncing up from below the window ledge, stuck out my tongue, tossed paper planes in the air, and once went into the walkway over the street and danced while co-workers pointed to let my fans know I was there.

Christmas approached, and job cuts were announced. Several co-workers would lose their jobs, and everyone was feeling low. Stress in the office reached a high. A miracle was needed to repair the damage caused by the announcements.

While working a night shift, a red lab jacket attracted my attention. I picked it up and turned it in my hands. In a back corner where packing material was kept, I used my imagination and cut thin, white sheets of cloth-like foam into strips and taped them around the cuffs and collar, down the front, and around the hem. A box of foam packing and strips of tape became Santa's beard and when taped to the hat, slipped over my head in one piece.

The next working day I hid from my co-workers, slipped into the costume, walked bravely to my desk, sat down, held my belly, and mocked Santa's chuckle, as they gathered around me laughing. It was the first time I had seen them smile in weeks.

Later my supervisor walked through the door. He took three steps, looked up, saw me, paused, shook his head, turned and left. I feared trouble. The phone on the desk rung a few moments later, "Mike, can you come to my office please?" I shuffled down the hall, the foam beard swishing across my chest with each step.

"Come in!" the muffled voice replied to my knock.

I entered, and sat down. The foam on the beard creaked, and he looked away from me. A bead of sweat rolled down my forehead, the only sound was the hammering of my heart.

"Mike..." This was all he managed before he lost his composure, leaned back in his chair, and bellowed with laughter. He held his stomach, and tears formed in his eyes, as I sat silent and confused. When he regained control he said, "Mike, thanks! With the job cuts it has been hard to enjoy the Christmas season. Thanks for the laugh, I needed it."

That evening, and every evening of the Christmas season, I stood proudly in the window and waved to my fans. The bus crowd waved wildly, and the little children smiled at the strange Santa. My heart was full of the season, and for a few minutes each day we could forget the loss of jobs ...." (Copyright © 1998 Michael T. Smith)

On Christmas day we celebrated the humanity of divinity (GOD). Today, the feast of Epiphany, we are celebrating the revelation of the incarnate God to the world. If the mere waving of hands and signs like "Hello" could brighten people's lives, how much more did the revelation of a messiah transform the lives of those who awaited His coming?

The visit of the Magi, otherwise called the Three Wise men or Shepherds from the East tells the story of how the new born king of the world (Jesus) was revealed to the world. These shepherds have a good knowledge of the stars. They have watched the millions of stars in the sky and have sought to make sense of it. However, on this day, something unique happened to them - there is a star like no other star they have seen, and it immediately occurred to them that something unique is happening in the world, hence their journey to Bethlehem in search of meaning and purpose.

Thinking that the king could be born at the palace of a king, hence they went to the house of King Herod. Although troubled by the news, Herod consulted the Scripture and it was revealed to them that the king will be born in Bethlehem in Judea. Filled with wisdom and faith, they were able to discover the new born king of the world, Jesus Christ and His parents Mary and Joseph.

After sharing the message of the angels, the Magi offered Jesus the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. With these gifts they revealed to the world that Jesus is king (gold), that Jesus is divine (frankincense) and that Jesus was born to die for the salvation of the world (myrrh). Having fulfilled their mission and having set their eyes on the savior of the world, they returned home through another route for no one who sets his eyes on the messiah would return to their former way of life, thus leaving King Herod and his cohort in suspense.

Today, the world rejoices that God's promise of a messiah has come to pass. God is faithful to His promise. People who lived in darkness have seen a great light. Our world has become an incarnated world. The hope of eternal life is real and our faith is not in vain. All who walk by the light of faith shall be vindicated. Let us open our hearts to Jesus to guide and direct our lives in this New Year. Amen

## All Souls Catholic Church

### FINANCIAL REPORT

*Thank you for your generosity and support .*

December 27, 2020

COLLECTION \$8,519.50

CHRISTMAS

COLLECTION \$3,769.00

## THE JOY OF *Life*

Join the 2021 OneLife LA Virtual program on January 23, 2021 at 12pm to connect together in prayer and celebration.

OneLife LA speakers, community partners, and musicians will bring the Joy of Life into your home during the one-hour program, presented by OneLife hosts Marcella and JC.

[Register](#) for OneLife LA 2021, and you will receive information on joining our virtual event.

## Rest In Peace



**We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of Warren Kunkle, beloved husband of Elga Kunkle and former staff member of All Souls Parish. Please keep Warren, Elga, and their family in your prayers.**

**May the soul of Warren Kunkle and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.**

## Did You Know?



When the Vatican released the McCarrick Report late last year, many victim-survivors of sexual abuse may have been triggered by the revelations in the report and the repeated mention of it in the news and on social media. In the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, the Office of Victims Assistance Ministry was created to provide a safe and compassionate environment for victim-survivors who need to report abuse to be able to do so, and to receive assistance for healing.

## ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

We ask for your patience as we work to compile your annual contribution statements. You should expect to receive your statements beginning the third week of January. Thank you for keeping our parish alive during the past year.



"We don't know what the future holds, but it's all God's work," says Sister Theresa McGrath (center), 86, a member of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, for nearly 70 years.

## Retirement Fund for Religious

**Please give to those who have given a lifetime.**

In good times and bad, Sister Theresa and the senior religious shown here have devoted themselves to God's work. Together with nearly 30,000 elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests, they educated the young, tended the sick, and ministered to the needy. Today, they pray for a hurting world. Yet many US religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members. Covid-19 has only increased these challenges. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous.

**JANUARY 3, 2021**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 2021**

<b>5:30pm</b>	Vivian Mary Rull	Dec.
	Tseng, Kechin & Zikit	Dec.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2021**

<b>7:30am</b>	Melody Lou	Healing
<b>9:00am</b>	Warren Kunkle	Dec.
<b>10:30am</b>	Familia Barzallo	Sp. Int.
	Alicia Valdez	Dec.
	Omar Cobarruvias	Birthday
	Coralla Mojica	Dec.
	Maria Esperanza Gomez	Dec.
	Dani Fernando Alonzo Ortiz	Dec.
<b>5:30pm</b>	Canamaque Legaspino Fam.	Sp. Int.
	Yap-Estrada Family	Sp. Int.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2021**

<b>7:30am</b>	De la Vega Family	Sp. Int.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021**

<b>7:30am</b>	All Souls in Purgatory	
	Ricardo Chavez-Vargas Jr. & Sr.	Dec.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2021**

<b>7:30am</b>	Carlos Gutierrez	Dec.
	Mireya Serna	Birthday

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2021**

<b>7:30am</b>	The Holy Father's Intentions	
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**FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 2021**

<b>7:30am</b>	Those Suffering from COVID-19	
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**SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 2021**

<b>7:30am</b>	Nanay Willie Rivera	Dec.
	Santo Niño	

**LET US KEEP OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS  
IN OUR PRAYERS.**



**THE FORGOTTEN STEPS TO ACHIEVING  
YOUR DREAMS**

Welcome the New Year with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Separated, Divorced and Widowed Ministry Free Zoom Presentation:

Many saints achieved great things, beyond what they imagined they ever could. They accomplished them, not with natural abilities, but by faith, trust, and a willingness to dare and act.

This interactive Zoom presentation will explore the psychological and spiritual principles that will enable you to live boldly and achieve your dreams!

**Saturday, January 30, 2021 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

Registrations are on first come basis so please register immediately via Zoom:

[https://la-archdiocese.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_ZTAekQ1sRYWgD4VY1V2EBw](https://la-archdiocese.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ZTAekQ1sRYWgD4VY1V2EBw)

For any questions email Julie Monell-Auzenne at:  
jmonell@la-archdiocese.org  
Office of Marriage and Family Life

**PROMESA CUMPLIDA**

Isaías le recuerda al pueblo de Dios que la tierra será devuelta a su posesión, se alegrarán de ver a su gente regresar de la esclavitud del exilio y serán una luz para las naciones. En otras palabras, el pueblo de Israel será la vía para que el Salvador venga a todos aquellos que buscan a Dios con un corazón sincero. Esto trae consigo la alegría y el resplandor de la gloria de Dios a todo el mundo y para todas las personas en todas partes. A causa de la fidelidad del pueblo de Dios, y de la fidelidad de Dios para ellos, todos los pueblos serán hijos de Dios y se regocijarán en el cumplimiento de la promesa de Dios a Israel.

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¿SABIA USTED?



Cuando el Vaticano publicó el Informe McCarrick a fines del año pasado, muchas víctimas-sobrevivientes de abuso sexual pudieron haber sido nuevamente afectadas por las revelaciones en el informe y la mención repetida de este en las noticias y en las redes sociales. En la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles, se creó la Oficina del Ministerio de Asistencia a las Víctimas para proporcionar un entorno seguro y compasivo para que las víctimas-sobrevivientes que necesitan denunciar el abuso puedan hacerlo, y para recibir asistencia para su sanación. Para obtener más información sobre estos recursos, visite <https://lacatholics.org/departments-ministries/protecting-children/>.

**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** — ¡Levántate y brilla, Jerusalén! La gloria del Señor amaneció sobre ti (Isaías 60:1-6).

**Salmo** — Que te adoren, Señor, todos los pueblos (Salmo 72 [71]).

**Segunda lectura** — El misterio de que los gentiles son coherederos, socios en la promesa en Jesucristo, se ha dado a conocer a los hombres (Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6).

**Evangelio** — Magos del oriente llegaron, diciendo: “¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que ha nacido?” (Mateo 2:1-12).

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

- Lunes: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Sal 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Martes: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4, 7-8; Mc 6:34-44
- Miércoles: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 10, 12-13; Mc 6:45-52
- Jueves: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Sal 72 (71): 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lc 4:14-22a
- Viernes: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Sal 147:12-15, 19-20; Lc 5:12-16
- Sábado: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
- Domingo: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Is 55:1-11; Sal 29 (28):1-4, 3, 9-10

**Un Regalo de Intercesión**



**El libro de intenciones del 2021 ya esta disponible.**

**Dedicar una misa es una forma de agradecer y orar en comunidad por nuestros hermanos en Cristo y seres queridos. Favor de llamar al Centro Pastoral para acordar la fecha deseada.**

Cuando un alma generosa responde “sí” a Dios, él baja al mundo, se hace Epifanía.

—Anónimo





**'THREE KINGS' SEEK, FIND, AND WORSHIP THE LORD**

All kings shall pay him homage,  
all nations shall serve him.

— Psalm 72:11

The Feast of the Epiphany is celebrated on January 6. This feast commemorates the visit of the wise men to worship the baby Jesus. Epiphany ("the appearance") not only celebrates the visit of the three wise men, but generally the Revelation of God to Man in the person of Jesus.

If we do as the Three Kings and humble ourselves before Our Lord, putting Him first, then it means loving Our Lord is our key priority. When we make ourselves, another person, possessions or money the center of our attention, we are paying homage to someone or something that will never love us the way Christ does. No one can love us more than Christ.

~From Catholic.net



All Souls Church wishes everyone a blessed New Year. We are deeply grateful for your unwavering support and affection and look forward to continuing our mission together. Today, more than ever, we are convinced that faith is a unifying force that keeps us on our feet and accompanied in times of tribulation. We sincerely hope that the new year will bring new blessings to each of our homes so they may shine and be wonderful manifestations of God's love and mercy on us.

thank  
you

Every year we are blessed to have an amazing team of parishioners and ministries to help us prepare for our Christmas liturgies. This year was no exception. In spite of the circumstances, we were blessed to have a spiritual family

who is always willing to support with their time and God-given gifts. Our parish stands because of you.

We want to express our deepest gratitude to everyone who coordinated behind the scenes and at the forefront. A special thank you to Jesus Gutierrez, the Lipsun Family, Vince & Lupe Valencia, Marleny Gutierrez & Alejandra Jaimes, Irene Oaxaca, our musicians, the Filipino Ministry, liturgical ministers, our Deacon and his wife, Mrs. Eleana Benalcazar, office staff, and the Isenhardt Family for donating the beautiful Christmas trees that embellished our prayer space. Thank you to all of our amazing parishioners who also contributed to our liturgical environment by donating poinsettias. May our Lord multiply your blessings.