



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.
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)

March 9, 2025
First Sunday of Lent

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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Guadalupanos	Carmen Ramirez
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St. Vincent de Paul	Rosemary Gramajo
Amigos de Jesus	Estela Murga
Filipino Ministry	Rose Pichon
Young Adult Mtry.	Leticia Urtecho
Youth Ministry	Vivian Vasquez
Catholic Women's Association	Ma Grace N. Tima



Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

'We cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and he heard our cry.' (Dt 26:7)

Psalm:

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble. (Ps 91)

Second Reading:

For, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. (Rom 10:9)

Gospel:

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. (Lk 4:1-2)

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Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

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 Jose Crespo
 Joe Negrete
 Bernardina Castañeda
 Reyes Family
 Mercedes Tarrazona
 Fernando Torres
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 Juanita Madrigal
 Mark Venegas
 Marco de la Garza
 Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu
 Elizabeth Pham
 Rosa Benalcazar

FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

1st Sunday of Lent, Year "C" The Temptation of Jesus

'So what do you think, are you in? The man, blue hair and torn jeans, was looking at me with a cocky smile while waiting for me to answer.

You could tell he was convinced he had sold me. And frankly, the guy was good. He probably closed almost everyone on the spot. I was still confused though and answered: *'I don't know, can you go over that sabotage part again?'*

The guy looked at his girlfriend and nodded. She opened up her laptop and started tapping away. They were about to give me the live demo.

Here's Your Demo - The three of us were sitting outside. We had met at an empty public park close to my place. It was getting colder but the weather was still amazing. For a few moments, I was thinking about my plans for the week-end but then a shrill voice brought me back.

'I'm done. It's going to be crowded in a couple of minutes.'

The girl was laughing when she said this. I still couldn't believe these guys were for real. And at first, it seemed like I was right because nothing happened. But then, three kids came running in, smart-phone in hand, yelling to each other about some kind of gym. And then, whole flocks of people started gathering, hyped like crazy about something on their screens.

And people kept coming in, until hundreds of them were cramped in that tiny public park. The guy and his girlfriend couldn't stop laughing when they saw my incredulous face.

The guy said: *'Here's your demo'*.

Is This Even Legal? - The noise was giving me a headache. I started walking away from the crowd and the two *hacktivists* followed me. They were legit all right, no doubt about that. They just magically summoned a crowd to an empty park.

But I was still confused about the whole thing so I asked them: *'Is this even legal? Whatever you just did?'* The girl answered without blinking: *'Technically it's not illegal because ...'*

She started puking technical terms for two minutes straight until the guy cut her off and said: *'This was just a demo, but yeah, it's totally legal. We wouldn't ask you to join anything illegal now, would we?'* That was the moment I realized why they needed me and I asked: *'So it's all about the money then?'*

A Perfect Fit - They both smiled. The guy said: *'So I guess you figured out why we need you. Yes, we're good at summoning mobs but that's all we can do for now.'*

The girl added: *'But a mob at the right place and the right time could impact whole industries. That's where you would come in. You would help us with timing.'*

The guy winked at me and said: *'We know you're good at spotting strength and weakness. I think you would be a perfect fit to our scheme. We need someone to convert our skill into money.'*

I thought about the offer for a while. It seemed extremely lucrative and fraught with danger. Twenty-five year old me would have loved this. But thirty-five year old me answered: *'I really don't know about this.'* (Mr. Molly Maguire – A story about temptation).

Like thunder and lightning, temptation is real. The stronger you are, the stronger the temptations that you will encounter in life. The truth is, as Maguire puts it, "We are all getting tempted every second. The better you become, the more people will want you for their schemes. *It's hard to stay on the right path.* In the past, I ventured outside the lines a couple of times and the universe always punished me instantly. The right side is always the right side. You won't be called a hero for the times you say no when tempted. But the moment you give in, you *will* lose it all."

The season of lent is a 40-day period when we carry our cross to follow Jesus. Our cross includes our blessings and challenges. Temptation is an integral and indispensable part of our daily cross. But the good news is that temptation is not a sin. The temptations we experience in life are nothing but an invitation to a higher self-realization. A temptation is a stepping stone to growth in wisdom and holiness; hence, temptations could make or mar us.

Today, Jesus gives us the recipe to dealing and overcoming temptation. Jesus did not in any way try to stop or annihilate temptation. This is probably because it is through temptations that the authentic self is revealed.

When well handled, temptations provide an authentic pathway to progress. Like Jesus we come out of it stronger and more determined to focus and pursue our divine mandate. And the surest way of overcoming temptation is an unalloyed reliance on the word of God. We need to read, understand and live our life based on the word of God.

This is because authentic and dependable strength comes from God. Even after fasting for 40 days, Jesus did not rely on His own strength but on the grace and power of God. With God, nothing is impossible, and the door of progress becomes unlimited and infinite.

Although God is omnipotent, yet, human effort is necessary for things to be done in the world. Christians should live and work as if everything depends on their power and worship God believing that everything depends on God. Like Jesus, we must put God above all worldly desires and achievements.

Finally, no one should go into reckoning with God. Satan wanted Jesus to test the power of God and the truth of God's word. Jesus rejected such a move. It goes to mean that authentic faith neither comes from nor depends on miracles and signs. The power of the devil is temporal. If we could muster courage to resist his antics and pressure, he will surely flee from us. Only God stays with His children and it is by living our lives based on the word of God that we come to die with Jesus and rise with Him on Easter Sunday.



Finance Report

Mass Intentions

COLLECTION

March 2, 2025

TOTAL

\$ 6,688.00

Thank you for your continuous

Did you know?

A parent’s crisis response may significantly influence how children respond. Books and stories can help provide understanding and comfort to children during times of crisis. “Trinka and Sam: The Big Fire” is available for download in English and Spanish from The National Child Traumatic Stress Network. The book helps young children, and their families talk about feelings and worries they may have after experiencing a large-scale fire. A guide is available in the back of the book that provides ways parents can use the story with their children. This free book is available for download here: <https://www.nctsn.org/resources/trinka-and-sam-big-fire>.



Receiving the Holy Communion

During Communion, 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.

Como Recibir La Sagrada Communion

Para la comunión, una vez que haya recibido la hostia consagrada debe consumirla de inmediato. Si regresa a su asiento sin consumir la hostia, un ujier o ministro eucarístico puede acercarse a usted para decirle que lo haga de inmediato

SATURDAY	MARCH	08-2025
5:30pm	Teodulo Alba, Sr.	Dec.
	Wilhelmina F. Dimson	Dec.
SUNDAY	MARCH	09-2025
7:30am	Jesus & Mercedes Rua	Dec.
	Arcadio B. Pablo	Dec.
9:00am	Carol Ann & James Michael Jones	Dec.
	Juan Ramon Duron	Dec.
10:30am	Jose Arellano	Dec.
	Rosita Maldonado	Dec.
5:30pm	Bernadette Luna	Dec.
MONDAY	MARCH	10-2025
7:30am	Lorenzo Barajas	Dec.
	Chelsea Patricia Ty Lim	Sp. Int.
TUESDAY	MARCH	11-2024
7:30am	George Wells	Birthday
	Dewey Colcol Tong	Dec.
WEDNESDAY	MARCH	12-2025
7:30am	Damian Dacillo	Dec.
	Harvey Alans	Dec.
THURSDAY	MARCH	13-2025
7:30am	Marieta Iris Licardo	Birthday
FRIDAY	MARCH	14-2025
7:30am	Javier Hernandez Romero	Birthday
	Teodulo Alba, Sr.	Dec.
SATURDAY	MARCH	15-2025
7:30am	Teodulo Alba, Sr.	Dec.

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Pregunta del Evangelio:

Escuchamos cómo Jesús fue tentado por el diablo mientras se preparaba para comenzar su ministerio público. ¿A qué tentación puedes confrontarte en esta Cuaresma?

Pregunta de la 1ª lectura:

Moisés enseñó a los israelitas la importancia de recordar la historia de su liberación de la esclavitud egipcia. Este acontecimiento los definió como pueblo amado por Dios. ¿Cuál es una historia de tu familia que ha ayudado a definirte a ti?

Pregunta de la 2ª lectura:

Pablo animó a los cristianos de Roma a tener una fe genuina en Jesús tanto en el corazón como en la mente. Al comenzar la temporada de Cuaresma, ¿cómo podrías mostrar a los demás la sinceridad de tu fe?

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Dt 26, 4-10/Sal 90, 1-2. 10-11. 12-13. 14-15 (ver 5)/
Rom 10, 8-13/Lc 4, 1-13

Lunes: Lv 19, 1-2. 11-18/Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 15/Mt 25, 31-46

Martes: Is 55, 10-11/Sal 33, 4-5. 6-7. 16-17. 18-19/Mt 6, 7-15

Miércoles: Jon 3, 1-10/Sal 50, 3-4. 12-13. 18-19/Lc 11, 29-32

Jueves: Est C, 12. 14-16. 23-25/Sal 137, 1-2. 2-3. 7-8/Mt 7, 7-12

Viernes: Ez 18, 21-28/Sal 129, 1-2. 3-4. 5-7. 7-8/Mt 5, 20-26

Sábado: Dt 26, 16-19/Sal 118, 1-2. 4-5. 7-8/Mt 5, 43-48

Domingo siguiente: Gn 15, 5-12. 17-18/Sal 26, 1. 7-8. 8-9. 13-14/

La respuesta de los padres ante una crisis puede influir significativamente en la reacción de los hijos. Leer libros y cuentos puede ayudar a los padres a ofrecer entendimiento y consuelo a sus hijos durante momentos difíciles. El libro "Trinka y Juan: el gran fuego" se puede descargar en línea en [inglés](#) y [español](#) de parte de la Red Nacional para el Estrés Traumático Infantil (The National Child Traumatic Stress Network). El libro ayuda a los niños pequeños y a sus familias hablar sobre los sentimientos y las preocupaciones que pueden tener después de un gran incendio. En la parte final del libro hay una guía que ofrece a los padres diferentes maneras de usar el cuento con sus hijos. Este libro gratis se puede descargar en <https://www.nctsn.org/>

Unidos en la Misión 2025:

Campaña anual "Dones del Corazón"

Este año, mientras celebramos el Año Jubilar de la Iglesia Católica, te invitamos a hacer una donación especial a Unidos en Misión para marcar este tiempo sagrado de renovación y esperanza. La Campaña Anual "Dones del Corazón" de Unidos en la Misión 2025 se lanza con el fin de semana de anuncio el 1 y 2 de febrero, el fin de semana de compromiso el 8 y 9 de febrero y el fin de semana de seguimiento el 15 y 16 de febrero de 2025. Como una comunidad católica de fe, arraigada en la oración, reflexionemos sobre cómo podemos apoyar a nuestras parroquias y escuelas de escasos recursos en la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles. ¿Sabía que una de cada cinco parroquias y una de cada cuatro escuelas católicas dependen de la asistencia financiera para continuar con sus ministerios vitales? Su generosidad impacta directamente a estas comunidades, brindándoles los recursos que necesitan para prosperar. La meta global de Unidos en Misión de este año es de \$16,9 millones, lo que representa los esfuerzos colectivos de nuestra familia católica en las cinco regiones. La meta y el progreso de su parroquia a lo largo del año se pueden seguir en la tabla de clasificación de Unidos en Misión en togetherinmission.org. Unámonos para marcar la diferencia y llevar el amor de Cristo a los necesitados. ¡Considere hacer una donación especial del Año Jubilar a Unidos en Misión hoy!



Queridos feligreses,

Les invitamos a unirse a nosotros en un tiempo de reflexión y renovación. Nuestra Parroquia organizará un Retiro de Cuaresma, que esperamos nos brinde a todos la oportunidad de profundizar en nuestra fe, conectarnos y prepararnos para la temporada. Embarquémonos juntos en un viaje de oración, meditación y guía espiritual por parte del P. Austin Doran y el P. Salvador Rojas. Favor de reservar la fecha. No se pierdan de esta oportunidad de abrirnos a recibir la Gracia de Dios.

◆ Español: sábado 15 de marzo de 2025

1:00pm—4:00pm con el P. Salvador Rojas.



Parish Lenten Retreat

Dear Parishioners,

We invite you to join us for a time of reflection and renewal. Our parish will be hosting a Lenten Retreat, which we hope will give us all the opportunity to deepen our faith, connect, and prepare for the season.

English: Saturday, March 22, 2025

9:00 am - 12 noon with Fr. Austin Doran
(in the parish hall)

Save the Date

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On Saturday, April 5, 2025, the Archdiocese is sponsoring a 7-mile Pilgrimage of Hope beginning here in our All Souls Church to the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. The pilgrimage begins at 8:00 a.m. and concludes with Mass at the Cathedral at 11:30 a.m. Archbishop Gomez will be at All Souls for a prayer service to start the Pilgrimage. Relics, including that of Blessed Carlo Acutis, will be here before the Pilgrimage for veneration and for the Pilgrimage. Please sign up to participate in the Pilgrimage on the Archdiocesan website, or give us your contact information to help with events here at All Souls, including donations.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE



DATE	TIME	ENGLISH	SPANISH
March 7th	7PM	SVDP	SP. LECTORS
March 14th	7PM	1st Communion & Confirmation	1st Communion & Confirmation
March 21st	7PM	Guadalupanas & English Lectors	Guadalupanas & English Lectors
March 28th	7PM	Amigos de Jesus	Amigos de Jesus
April 4th	7PM	Young Adults	Cursillos
April 11th	7PM	Filipino Ministry	Our Lord's Mission

After prayer, please join us for a Lenten soup supper hosted by our various ministries. Don't miss out on this opportunity to come together as a community in Christ.

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH



March is the month of St. Joseph, and his feast day has been set as March 19th by the Church. We honor St. Joseph as the protector of the Holy Church, just as he was the protector of the Holy Family.

In honor of St. Joseph, the Filipino Ministry is sponsoring a novena beginning on **March 11th and ending on March 19th**. The novena consists of the recitation of a short novena prayer during the 7:30 am morning Mass each day of the novena. Our brothers and sisters in the Filipino Ministry will provide a simple breakfast following the Mass on March 19th. The Novena prayer that will be recited is printed below:

O glorious Saint Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, to you do we raise our hearts and hands to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the benign Heart of Jesus all the helps and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special favor we now seek.

O Guardian of the Word Incarnate, we have confidence that your prayers on our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

O glorious St. Joseph, through your love for Jesus Christ and for the glory of His name, hear our prayers and obtain our petitions. Amen.



LENTEN JOURNEY

1. Reflect on Your Intentions

Spend some time in prayer or quiet reflection. Think about what areas of your life you want to focus on. How might you deepen your relationship with God. Consider setting goals that will help you grow spiritually, such as increasing your prayer life or acts of charity.

2. Commit to a Lenten Practice

Traditionally, Lent involves fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Fasting: This can involve giving up a specific food, drink, or habit to practice self-control. Prayer: Increase your prayer time with daily devotions, reading Scripture, or attending Mass. Almsgiving: Set aside time or resources for acts of charity, such as helping those in need or donating to causes you care about.

3. Confession and Reconciliation

Seek spiritual reconciliation. Consider going to confession. Focus on healing and renewal in your relationship with God.