

March 26, 2023 5th 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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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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Ma Grace N. Tima

Amigos de Jesus Estela Murga

Filipino Ministry Rose Pichon

Youth Ministry Leticia Urtecho

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Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land;

thus you shall know that I am the LORD. (Ez 37:14)

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

Second Reading:

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Sprit dwelling in you. (Rom 8:11)

Gospel:

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." (Jn 11:25-26)

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Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/

Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a,

3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday:Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

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Ethelyn Beltran Angelica Ruedas Karen Katsumura Matthew Perez Andrea Primicias Pilar Garza Cecilia Chow Gary Meraz Erik Lifrak

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Hortencia Palafox Juanita Madrigal Francis Araiza Mark Venegas Rafael Garcia

Marco de la Garza Sonia Gorope Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu

Elizabeth Pham

FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

5th Sunday of Lent, Year "A" Lazarus is raised from death

I was on my way to meet my boyfriend, who was visiting his family in Durango. He'd invited me to join them for the weekend. I was staying at a friend's house in Red River. The fastest way to Durango from Red River would take me through this mountain road, but I was so excited about the weekend ahead that the route didn't faze me. I left without checking the weather.

Thirty minutes into my drive, the snow had started. Gentle flurries at first. I thought about turning around. But it hardly looked threatening, so I continued.

Now I regretted that decision. But it was too late. The road was too narrow and icy for me to turn around. To my right was a sheer cliff face, and to the left, a sharp drop-off descending hundreds of feet. The snow was bad, getting worse. The only way out was forward, higher and higher into the mountains. The last bit of sunlight disappeared, and I couldn't see anything beyond the few feet illuminated by my headlights. I panicked.

My cell phone had lost service as soon as I'd entered the mountain pass and remained at zero bars. I couldn't call for help. I had some bottled water in the trunk. The clothes in my luggage. Maybe I could find a place to pull over and bundle up until morning. Would that be enough to keep me warm all night? How long would it take for someone to find me? If anyone ever would...

I gripped the wheel tighter. "Please, God, help me," I whispered.

Then I noticed something. A pair of lights seemed to glow dimly through the snowstorm. I blinked hard, then peered ahead. There they were. Taillights! There was a car in front of me! At least someone was here with me. *Focus on the lights*, I told myself, *not your fear*.

I followed my guide for at least another half hour as we continued to ascend the mountain. Finally, I felt the road start to level out and then gradually descend. I lost sight of the taillights ahead of me. But the panic didn't return. I could see the car's tire tracks in my headlights. All I had to do was follow the tracks the rest of the way down the mountain. I drove slowly, keeping my wheels within the tracks every inch of the way. Soon I could see the lights of a town twinkling in the distance. The snow started to cover the tracks I was following. But both of us had made it.

At the base of the mountain, I spotted taillights. I wondered if it was my guide. If so, I wanted to thank him. But as I got closer, I saw it wasn't a car. It was a snowplow. I pulled up beside it and rolled down my window. The driver of the plow did the same.

"Excuse me," I said. "Did you see another car come down this road, ahead of me?"

The driver looked at me as if I was insane. "Lady," he said, "I don't know what you're talking about. I've been working here at the base of the mountain for the past two or three hours. No one has gone up or come down that mountain but you."

I didn't correct him, but I knew differently. I hadn't been alone on that mountain road that night (Story told by Gena Wilimitis).

In their time of trouble and despair, Mary and Martha were not alone. Jesus is the light that guided them through the snowstorm they faced at the death of their beloved brother Lazarus. This is only possible thanks to their faith in Jesus as the Christ and Messiah who has the power to give and take life.

It is important to note that before Martha and Mary could reach this spiritual height in their relationship with Jesus, they had first to struggle but the good news is that in their struggle they did not give up hope because Jesus is their friend. Hence, they sent words to Jesus saying "Master, the one you love is ill."

Their relationship with Jesus did not start when they were in trouble. Mary and Martha had already established a profound relationship with Jesus and this is what made it possible for them to remember that there is someone who could help them. (It is through prayer, listening and reading the word of God and doing good works that we establish a relationship with Jesus).

When the news of the death of Lazarus got to Jesus, Jesus was at the part of the city of Jerusalem where it was only 2 miles away from Bethany but it took 4 days for Jesus to arrive at Bethany where Mary and Martha lived. Is it because Jesus did not care that Lazarus was dead or because Jesus was too busy to go there?

The number 4 is symbolic because the Jews believe that when a person dies, his spirit hovers around for 3 days after which the body begins to decompose, hence there is no longer any hope of coming back to life. By waiting to arrive on the 4th day Jesus wanted the case of Lazarus to become a hopeless one in human eyes.

When Martha said that Lazarus had been dead for 4 days, she was saying that his case is now a hopeless one – beyond redemption. However, what is hopeless and impossible to human beings is still hopeful and possible for God.

The Jews believe that only God has the power to give life. In the raising of Lazarus from death Jesus wants us to understand that it is the power of God at work. In God impossibility is nothing – nothing is impossible for God. The raising of Lazarus from death becomes a foretaste of Jesus resurrection from death.

In Jesus, death assumes an exponential dimension. Death is no longer an end in itself but a transition from temporal life to eternal life in the kingdom of God. Although Lazarus will eventually die a natural death, he will now share in the new life that Jesus brings. Like Lazarus, all who die believing in Jesus shall die to live forever with God in heaven. This is thanks to the death and resurrection of Jesus.



Finance Report

Mass Intentions

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

COLLECTION March 19, 2023

TOTAL

\$4,615.00

Did you Know?

All coaches who serve in archdiocesan Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are required to undergo a multi-hour VIRTUS® "Protecting God's Children for Adults Training." They are also required to participate in the Play Like a Champion Today program, a national program that works with sports organizations at the youth and high school level to educate ethically responsible coaches. For more information about coaching requirements in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, visit playlikeachampion.org and https://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/chapter-9/section-9-4/topic-9-4-3.

2000 Hail Marys

Our Filipino Ministry is continuing the powerful intercessory devotion of the 2000 Hail Mary's. Everyone is invited to join and ask for Mother Mary's graces as special intentions are presented to her Son, Jesus Christ.

We will meet at the Parish Hall on Saturday, April 1st, 2022 at 8:00 am. See you soon.



SATURDAY	MARCH	25-2023
5:30pm	Beatrice Ambahe	Thanksgiving
SUNDAY	MARCH	26-2023
7:30am	Salvador Castellanos	Dec.
	Maria & Jose Castellanos	Thanksgiving
9:00am	Florencia Boniel	Dec.
	Antonio & Angela Moreno	Anniversary
10:30am	Maria De Jesus & Juan Rosales	Dec.
	Fermin Guadalupe	Dec.
	Julio Morales	Dec.
	Pepita Dominguez	Sp. Intention
5:30pm	Nina Halley	Healing
	Kathleen Messina	Dec.
MONDAY	MARCH	27-2023
7:30am	Antonio & Angela Moreno	Anniversary
	Glorioso Roldan	Dec.
TUESDAY	MARCH	28-2023
7:30am	Holy Souls in Purgatory	Dec.
	Soledad & Luciano Monjaras	Dec.
WEDNESDAY	MARCH	29-2023
7:30am	Holy Souls in Purgatory	Dec.
THURSDAY	MARCH	30-2023
7:30am	Benjamin Gan	Dec.
FRIDAY	MARCH	31-2023
7:30am	Familia Castellanos	Thanksgiving
SATURDAY	APRIL	01-2023
7:30am	Del Sabado	Dec.

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PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Primera Lectura:

Dios reveló al profeta Ezequiel su plan divino para la resurrección de los muertos: "Pueblo mío, yo mismo abriré sus sepulcros, los haré salir de ellos." Como persona de fe, ¿cómo te da esperanza esta promesa?

Segunda Lectura:

Pablo insiste en que, para los creyentes, el Espíritu que mora en nosotros da vida a nuestros cuerpos mortales, resucitándonos de entre los muertos como Cristo resucitó de entre los muertos. ¿Cómo impacta esto tus pensamientos sobre la muerte misma?

Evangelio:

En su dolor y tristeza por la muerte de su hermano Lázaro, Marta profesa su creencia en Jesús como el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios. A medida que la temporada de Cuaresma llega a su fin, ¿de qué manera los últimos 40 días han fortalecido su fe en Jesús como nuestro Señor y Salvador? **©LPi**

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Ez 37, 12-14/Sal 129, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8 (7)/

> Rom 8, 8-11/Jn 11, 1-45 o 11, 3-7. 17. 20-27. 33-45

Dn 13, 1-9. 15-17. 19-30. 33-62 o 13, 41-62/ Lunes:

Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6/Jn 8, 1-11

Martes: Nm 21, 4-9/Sal 101, 2-3. 16-18. 19-21/Jn 8, 21-30 Miércoles:

Dn 3, 14-20. 91-92. 95/Dn 3, 52. 53. 54. 55. 56/

Jn 8. 31-42

Gn 17, 3-9/Sal 104, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/Jn 8, 51-59 Jueves: Viernes: Jr 20, 10-13/Sal 17, 2-3. 3-4. 5-6. 7/Jn 10, 31-42 Sábado: Ez 37, 21-28/Jr 31, 10. 11-12. 13/Jn 11, 45-56



Tenemos agua bendita disponible en nuestro Centro Pastoral.

Bendice tu hogar, familia, vehículo, y lugar de trabajo.

El agua bendita es una herramienta espiritual.

Nuestro libro de dedicaciones ya esta disponible para el año 2023. Si gusta ofrecer alguna misa en honor a un ser querido, favor de visitarnos en el Centro Pastoral.

¿Sabla usted?

Todos los entrenadores que prestan servicio en las escuelas católicas arquidiocesanas de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles deben someterse al entrenamiento multihoras de VIRTUS®, "Entrenamiento de adultos para la protección de los niños de Dios". Además, los entrenadores están obligados a participar en el programa "Play Like a Champion Today" (Juega como un campeón hoy), un programa nacional que trabaja con organizaciones deportivas a nivel de jóvenes y escuelas secundarias para enseñar a entrenadores a tener responsabilidad ética. Para obtener más información sobre los requisitos para los entrenadores deportivos de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles, visite playlikeachampion.org y https://handbook.laarchdiocese.org/chapter-9/section-9-4/topic-9-4-3.

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.

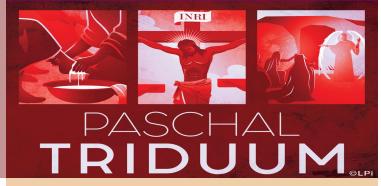


PARISH NEWS

Stations of the Cross

Join us for Stations of the Cross on March 31, 2023, at 7 pm in the church.

This week we will be guided by our First Communion Program.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2023

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Easter Flowers

In preparation for Easter Sunday, the Liturgical Environment Committee is in need of flower donations: Easter lilies, calla lilies, tulips, azaleas, daisies, and colorful hydrangeas. Flowers may be brought to the Pastoral Center by Wednesday, April 5th. Thank you for joining us in the creation of a joyful environment in honor of the Resurrection of Our Lord.

Regular Confession Times:

♦ Saturdays, from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE:

♦ Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 7 pm

NO CONFESSIONS DURING THE TRIDUUM

(Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday)

PALM SUNDAY: April 2, 2023

(Palms will be blessed on the patio before Mass.)

TRIDUUM SCHEDULE



Marian Sanctuaries 2023

A PILGRIMAGE INTO THE HEART OF MARY, OUR MOTHER
WITH FR. PATRICK MBAZUIGWE

Join us for a sacred journey to places where Our Mother Mary's apparitions and miracles took place. Our pilgrimage will take us to beloved and revered Marian destinations including: Our Lady of Fátima, Our Lady of Lourdes, The Sanctuary of Black Virgin of

Montserrat, and The Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar, in

Zaragoza Spain.

This pilgrimage will take us to three countries: Portugal, France and Spain. We will travel to locales where Mary's presence will once more lead us to increase our faith, guide us in our own faith journey and bring us closer to her Son, Jesus). If interested, flyers are available and can be emailed to you prior to March 12. For inquiries, please reach out to Phlor Torrejos via email:

We look forward to seeing you.

HOLY THURSDAY: April 6, 2023

7:30 am Liturgy of the Hours

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual)

GOOD FRIDAY: April 7, 2023

(English)

7:30 am Liturgy of the Hours
12:00 noon Stations of the Cross
1:15 pm Seven Last Words

2:00 pm The Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Bilingual)

3:00 pm Liturgy of the Passion

(Español)

5:00 pm Siete Palabras 6:00 pm Vía Crucis

7:00 pm Liturgia de la Pasión

HOLY SATURDAY (EASTER VIGIL): April 8, 2023

7:30 am Liturgy of the Hours

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass (Bilingual)

EASTER SUNDAY: April 9, 2023

7:30 am Mass (English)
9:00 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Español)

Please note that there will be no evening Mass on Easter Sunday.