

April 16, 2023 Sunday of Divine Merey

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)

Office of Liturgy

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Our Lord's Mission Josephine Espinosa

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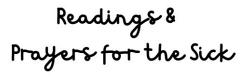
Amigos de Jesus Estela Murga

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Youth Ministry Leticia Urtecho

Catholic Women's

Association



First Reading:

Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. (Acts 2:46)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118) Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Pt 1:3)

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." (Jn 20:19)

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Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/

Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4,13-14/Jn 6:1-15 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

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Erik Lifrak

FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

2nd Sunday of Easter, Year "A" "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed"

Once upon a time, Sister Nielson was teaching the Sunbeam class. She held a picture of Jesus showing His wounds after He had been resurrected.

"You mean He lived again after He was dead?" Heather asked.

Jake exclaimed, "Yes, He did! We will live again too!"

How did three-year-old Jake know that Jesus lived again? How did he know that he too would live again?

Each week Jake listened to Sister Nielson's lessons. She taught about Jesus and bore her testimony. Jake listened to his parents during family home evening devotions and at other times. They taught about Jesus and bore testimony of Him. The feeling in Jake's heart told him to believe the words of his teacher and parents.

After Jesus was resurrected, He showed Himself to His disciples. Thomas was not with them. The other disciples told Thomas they had seen Jesus. But Thomas said, "Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe" (John 20:25).

Eight days later Jesus did show Himself to Thomas. Jesus let Thomas feel the nail prints in His hands and touch His side. Then Jesus said, "Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed" (John 20:29).

Like Jake, we can believe in Jesus even though we do not see Him. Our faith will grow when we know, without seeing, that Jesus is our Savior (By Elizabeth Ricks "He lives").

In Jesus' encounter with the apostles and Thomas, we have a foretaste of the mercy of God. Even after Jesus had risen from the dead, the apostles still remained in the security of the Upper Room for fear of the Jews. Rather than become angry at them, Jesus showed mercy on them and seized the opportunity to teach them something about God. In spite of death on the cross, our God is still a merciful God and He loves us.

Although Thomas first doubted, yet, he came to believe after touching the wounds of Jesus. Of interest to note is that Jesus did not hide His wounds from Thomas. Jesus used His wounds to bring Thomas to profess the faith which is the summary of everything that was said about Jesus. Jesus is both Lord and God.

This prophetic utterance from Thomas "My Lord and my God" could only have been inspired by the Holy Spirit. In Thomas we see an incontestable proof of the resurrection. This is the power to overcome our fears. Something exponential in character must have happened for a people who were living in fear to overcome their fear and began to proclaim the good news of salvation.

Like Jesus who became a wounded healer to the apostles, the spirit of the Easter celebration empowers us to reach out to others in love. Ordinarily we

should expect things to go well for us before we can reach out to others who are in need of our help. That was not the case with Jesus. Jesus used his pains, sufferings and wounds to restore a doubting mind to a true and unalloyed faith in God.

As it was for Jesus, so it is for Christians at every place, time and season. Christian life is the way of the cross. Those who carry the cross daily to follow Jesus should be open to the pains and sufferings that go with it.

Although there may be moments of joy in the process but the true and lasting joy of Christian life comes at the end. No wonder at the end of the Jesus story it is the persecuted and crucified one who had the last laugh. It is not the persecutor but the persecuted that was in a better position to bring freedom and healing to others.

Whenever we celebrate Easter, we know very well that Jesus will never die again. His death was once and for all. His resurrection was final and can never be repeated in history. By celebrating Easter we renew the mandate to continue the work of Jesus Christ in the world today. The mission of Jesus cannot be complete until each and every one of us has contributed their quota to the civilization of love on earth.

As the Easter people, we are called to live in gratitude. We should do everything we do with an attitude of gratitude knowing quite well that no work of our hands could be equal to what Jesus did for us on the cross at Calvary. Our greatest good deed fades in comparison to what God has done for us in Jesus Christ.

By celebrating and observing the spirit of the season, we renew the mandate to walk in the light of Christ and through our belief in Jesus as our Lord and God; we may have life in His name.

On this Low Sunday which is also known as the Divine Mercy Sunday, there is a plenary indulgence offered by Holy Mother Church to those who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the tabernacle, recite one Our Father and one Apostles Creed adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus such as "Merciful Jesus, I trust in Thee." In addition to this, one needs also to participate in the sacrament of confession, receive Holy Communion and say a prayer for the Pope.

In the Diary of St. Faustina #699 she wrote this message from the Lord, "I desire that the feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, especially poor sinners. On that day the very depths of my tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy."

As a way of life for the children of God we should practice the A-B-C of Divine Mercy. Ask for mercy from a merciful, loving and compassionate God.

Be merciful to others. As we have received mercy from God we should allow the mercy of God to flow through us to others. We should extend love and forgiveness to others for "Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy."

Confidence in God - God wants us to trust Him, to know Him and truly believe in God as the author and finisher of our lives.

Jesus, I trust in Thee. Amen



Finance Report

Mass Intentions

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

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COLLECTION	TOTAL	
Palm Sunday, 04/02/2023	\$ 7,873.00	
Holy Thursday, 04/06/202	³ \$ 931.00	
Good Friday, 04/07/2023	\$ 1,824.00	
Easter Vigil, 04/08/2023	\$ 1,055.00	
Easter Sunday, 04/09/2023	\$ \$8,592.00	

Did you Know?

This year marks the 21st Anniversary of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. We, as the People of God, continue our commitment to Promise to Protect and Pledge to Heal, we ask you to unite in a special prayer for victims of child sexual abuse.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH



May all who work with children and young people be vigilant in protecting them from harm.



The Cloistered Carmelite Nuns Auxiliary Invites you and your guests to attend the "Shower of Roses," annual benefit luncheon.

The event will feature a lecture by Mr. Randy Shulman, "Behind the Scenes at Huntington Library"

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 beginning at 10:30am

For more information, please call Kathy Cardoza at (626) 570-9012. Ticket Per Person: \$65 Checks payable to: "Cloistered Carmelite Nuns Auxiliary"

Please RSVP by April 17, 2023 to Kathy Cardoza.

San Gabriel Country Club 350 East Hemosa Drive San Gabriel, Califemia 91775

SATURDAY	APRIL	15-2023
5:30pm	Dr. Bonifacio D. Formaran	Dec.
1	Vivian Hui	Birthday
	Jude De Vera	Healing
SUNDAY	APRIL	16-2023
7:30am	Chicta Culberson	Dec.
	Salvador Castellanos	Dec.
9:00am	Simon Fornibe Fobi	Dec.
	Quinta Nche Ngwa	Healing
	Emily & Alfredo Quiblat, Sr.	Dec.
	Martin Rellin	Dec.
	Dr. Bonifacio D. Formaran	Dec.
10:30am	Apolinar Yañez	Dec.
	Victoria Dadikozian	Dec.
	Julio Morales	Dec.
	Petra Ramirez	Dec.
5:30pm	Hideko Oyama	Dec.
MONDAY	APRIL	17-2023
7:30am	Esther Martinez	Dec.
	Meng Chi Lee	Dec.
TUESDAY	APRIL	18-2023
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7:30am	Judith Castro de Quiroz	Dec.
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¿Sabla usted?

Las Puertas que Cerramos

De niña, e incluso durante un tiempo de adolescente, experimentaba una enorme cantidad de ansiedad cada vez que iba a confesarme. Durante muchos años lo temí. Durante muchos años esperé en la fila de la confesión temblando, sintiéndome enferma del estómago.

En el aposento alto después de la Pasión y muerte de Cristo, la ansiedad de los discípulos era tan fuerte que se encerraron. Pero aun así Cristo encontró un camino en medio de ellos. No se le impediría traer misericordia y esperanza a un lugar envuelto en desesperación. Ninguna puerta atrancada en un momento de miedo podría mantenerlo fuera.

Este es el genio del sacramento de la Reconciliación, y de todos los sacramentos, en realidad. Aquí estamos, restringidos de muchas maneras por una existencia lamentablemente física. Sentimos miedo y nuestro cuerpo reacciona, al igual que sentimos ira y nuestro cuerpo reacciona.

¿Cómo puede Dios darnos misericordia en este estado carnal? A través de esa misma carne que puede sentirse tan confinada. A través de la confesión, que requiere una acción física, y la participación física no sólo del penitente sino del sacerdote.

No sé cómo o por qué mi ansiedad en torno al sacramento ha disminuido con los años. A veces, todavía siento que regresa rugiendo inesperadamente, y tal vez algún día regrese para quedarse. No me sorprende: después de todo, estoy en la carne y, como dice Pedro hoy, "sufriré diversas pruebas." Pero en todas ellas Cristo me encontrará. Él no se mantendrá alejado.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Hch 2, 42-47/Sal 117, 2-4. 13-15. 22-24 (1)/1

Pe 1, 3-9/Jn 20, 19-31

Lunes: Hch 4, 23-31/Sal 2, 1-3. 4-7. 7-9/Jn 3, 1-8
Martes: Hch 4, 32-37/Sal 92, 1. 1-2. 5/Jn 3, 7-15
Miércoles: Hch 5, 17-26/Sal 33, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/

Jn 3, 16-21

Jueves: Hch 5, 27-33/Sal 33, 2 y 9. 17-18. 19-20/

Jn 3, 31-36

Viernes: Hch 5, 34-42/Sal 26, 1. 4. 13-14/Jn 6, 1-15 Sábado: Hch 6, 1-7/Sal 32, 1-2. 4-5. 18-19/Jn 6, 16-21

MES DE LA PREVENCION DE ABUSO INFANTIL

Oremos para que todas las comunidades parroquiales afectadas por el abuso encuentren sanacion y reconciliacion a traves de la Santisima Virgen Maria, oremos al Señor.

"Unidos en Oración"

Este año marca el 21 aniversario de la Carta de la USCCB para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes. Nosotros, como Pueblo de Dios, continuamos con nuestro compromiso de Prometer Proteger y Compromiso de Sanar, les pedimos que se unan en una oración especial por las víctimas de abuso sexual infantil.

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.



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.

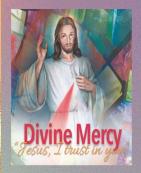
This pilgrimage will take us to three countries: Portugal, France and Spain. We will travel to locales where Mary's presence will once more lead us to increase our faith, guide us in our own faith journey and bring us closer to her Son, Jesus). If interested, flyers are available and can be emailed to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

We look forward to seeing you.



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

(Bilingual)



ALL SOULS CATHOLIC CHURCH 1500 MAIN ST. ALHAMBRA CA 91801 APRIL 7th. to APRIL 16th, 2023

Friday, April 7th

2:00pm - Church

Sunday, April 16th

11:30am - Church
It ends with:

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Exposition & Blessing with the Blessed Sacrament

-Testimoniais Potluck at 1:00pr

Congratulations!

Isaiah Dominguez*
Jayden Cervera Quiroz
Cassidy Tellez-Aguirre
Nicholas Teodocio
Milena Brown
Amor Orighoye

All Souls congratulates all of our newly baptized. As members of the same Church, we will continue to pray for you that your path may be filled with light, discovery and service. May you find joy in nurturing a loving relationship with our Lord, Jesus.



Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori

In honor of our beloved Bishop David O'Connell, the Knights of Columbus will be having a special C—U—F Exemplification in our All Souls Church on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at 7:00 pm. With one light taken, we are rallying good Catholic men to our cause: to offer glory and praise to Our Lord; to protect and defend the innocent; and to serve our parishes and communities. Come join us and be one of the "1000 points of light" ignited by this tragedy, throughout California; and missions around the world that continue to follow Jesus' example as we serve others with "faith and action." Please contact David Bond (626) 340-9538 or Frank Bodeman with any questions or concerns.

Vivat Jesus!