

July 2, 2023 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### 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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## All Souls Catholic Church



### • PASTOR •

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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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### Readings & Prayers for the Sick

#### First Reading:

"I know that Elisha is a holy man of God. Since he visits us often, let us arrange a little room on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp, so that when he comes to us he can stay there." (2 Kgs 4:9-10) Psalm: For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 89) Second Reading: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. (Rom 6:3-4) Gospel: "Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me." (Mt 10:40) ©LPi Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 (2a)/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42 Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29 Tuesday: Gn19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27 Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34 Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8 Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/ Mt 9:9-13 Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17

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# FROM THE FASTOR'S CORNER

#### 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year "A" "Whoever loves father and mother more than me ..."

Being first time parents can be a really happy and exciting time for most people. This is because of the feeling that in a few months, you'll be able to hold a new little baby in your arms and call him your own.

That's exactly what married couple Kate and David Ogg felt. More surprises were heading their way when they found out that they were having twins. It is very exciting to have a baby, let alone having two at the same time. However, their lives were filled with worry when Kate had gone into labor in just 26 weeks.

Although it is pretty normal that twins are rarely conceived up to full term, 26 weeks is also a bit early for some. There was a lot of stress and worry on that day but what they didn't know is that they'll receive news that will shatter their hearts.

After giving birth, they were told that they had a boy and a girl. However, Kate was already confused when they only asked if they have already come up with a name for the baby boy. The couple decided on the name Jamie and were really happy about it but the next news immediately crashed their happiness.

They were told that Jamie didn't survive and handed him over. Without any words, Kate immediately took the baby and held him close to her. She called for her husband to climb up the bed and give the baby as much heat as possible. They embraced him for some time and then suddenly, by some miracle, the baby moved in Kate's arms.

The couple were shocked and looked at the baby who's moving and breathing. They immediately called for the doctors to come quickly. Today, the twins are already 10 years old and are both at the most perfect health as they can be (Hi Beautiful – "Doctor told them that baby was dead but the mom never gave up").

Given the depth of love, care and support we experience from our parents it is very difficult to accept any mandate to hate them. Hearing Jesus saying "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me" makes one to begin to wonder what Jesus means by such a statement.

How could Jesus who lived under the authority of His parents and was obedient to them now come to ask those who aspire to become His disciples to hate both father and mother in order to follow Him?

How is it not possible to love our parents and family members and still become good and faithful followers of Jesus? We love our parents and rightfully so because they deserve our love, care and loyalty. It is from our parents that we learn the values and ethics that sustain us in life.

The 4<sup>th</sup> Commandment is a commandment that comes with a promise of blessing – "Honor your father and your mother if you want to live a long life and if you want God to bless you." Hence it is noble and praiseworthy to love and hold our families in high regard.

Important though our family bond may be, yet, Jesus calls our attention to something greater than our families, and this is the kingdom of God and its righteousness. Our commitment to the things of God should be uppermost in life. Not even the love we have for our parents and family members should become an obstacle to our solemn realization of our God-given mission on earth.

Living for God is a radical option which every child of God must embrace; hence Jesus invites us today to put God at the center of our lives, above our own desires and people's expectations. We bother so much about what people think of us yet at the end of the day what counts is not what people think of you but what God thinks of you. Living our lives for God becomes the most reasonable option to embrace.

Jesus is not telling us to hate anyone but to love them less and love God and the things of God more. The question for us today is – what is it that motivates my actions? Why do I do the things that I do? Is it for the love of money, fame and honor or that God may be glorified through my actions and choices?

Living for God is by no means an easy option to embrace especially in the world today. Living for God entails surrendering our will to God's own will for us. It demands that we love others as God loves them, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, defend justice and work for peace.

Difficult though it may be, however, we do know that living for God remains the best choice any one can embrace in a fast changing world like ours. The widow's mite (Lk 21:1-4, Mk 12:41-44) and the Shunemite woman in today's first reading testify to this truth. Their good deeds were rewarded by God beyond measure and beyond their wildest imagination.

We are therefore reminded today that in spite of the importance of our families, the greatest desire of the human heart can only be found in God. All the good things we enjoy in our families should enable and empower us to do good things for God in the world. We should not exploit the world to please our families; rather, we should use and sacrifice family expectations for the greater glory of God and the sanctification of our souls.

We are people on a journey to the kingdom of God. While on this journey, we should not allow the momentary happiness we derive from earthly things to prevent us from realizing our ultimate goal which is heaven – the kingdom of God.

We need to make effort every day to align our priorities with kingdom values. We ought to love what God loves and detest what God detests. As we begin to do so, we begin to realize that it is no longer we who live but Christ that lives in us. And the love of God which surpasses all human understanding and knowledge will transform and bring us into a deeper and more intimate union with God in the Holy Spirit, and to the glory of God the Father, Amen.

## **Finance Report**

## Mass Intentions

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

COLLECTION

June 25, 2023

TOTAL \$ 4,698.00

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**PETER'S PENCE SPECIAL COLLECTION** This weekend, "the faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See." We thank you for your support and unwavering generosity. "A little mercy makes the world less cold and more

"A little mercy makes the world less cold and more just."–Pope Francis, Angelus, March 17, 2013

SATURDAY	JULY	01-2023
5:30pm	Julio Obong Acuesta	Dec.
SUNDAY	JULY	02-2023
7:30am	Prospero & Alita Mangilog	Dec.
	Antonio & Carlos Yrastorza	Dec.
9:00am	Jesus & Maria Estrada	Dec.
	Dario Diaz	Thanksgiving
10:30am	Ricardo Torrez	Dec.
	Yamara Fernandez	Dec.
	Juana Morales Jimenez	Dec.
	Margarita Muñoz	Dec.
	Hector & Alicia Pacheco	Dec.
5:30pm	Anabella Noguera Argüello	Sp. Int.
	Maria Tuyen Thi Dinh	Dec.
MONDAY	JULY	03-2023
7:30am	Fr. Patrick Mbazuigwe	30th Anniversary of Ordination
	Marilyn Arpon Miller	Healing
	Mayra Reyes	Healing
	Hugo & Ana Muñoz	30th Wedd. Anniv.
TUESDAY	JULY	04-2023
9:00am		
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WEDNESDAY	JULY	05-2023
7:30am	Maria Esperanza Gomez	Dec.
	Victor Roque	Dec.
THURSDAY	JULY	06-2023
7:30am	Cruz Antonio Argüello	Dec.
	Levon & Victoria Dadikozian	Dec.
FRIDAY	JULY	07-2023
7:30am	Maria Salinas	Dec.
	Francisco E. Reyes	Healing
SATURDAY	JULY	08-2023
7:30am	Lolita Perez	Birthday

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#### PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

#### **Primera Lectura:**

La mujer sunamita es recompensada con la promesa de un hijo recién nacido por su generosa hospitalidad con el profeta Eliseo. ¿A quién podrías mostrar una buena medida de caridad esta semana?

#### Segunda Lectura:

Desde el punto de vista de Pablo, dado que Jesús derrotó a la muerte en su resurrección, desafió a los creyentes en Roma a pensar en sí mismos como "muertos al pecado y vivos para Dios." ¿Con qué frecuencia piensas en maneras de poner tu fe en acción?

#### **Evangelio:**

Jesús enseña a sus discípulos sobre los desafíos y las recompensas de seguirlo. ¿Qué encuentras personalmente más desafiante o gratificante en seguir a Jesús?

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### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: 2 Re 4, 8-11. 14-16/Sal 88, 2-3. 16-17. 18-19 (2)/ Rom 6, 3-4. 8-11/Mt 10, 37-42 Ef 2, 19-22/Sal 116, 1. 2/Jn 20, 24-29 Lunes: Martes: Gn19, 15-29/Sal 25, 2-3. 9-10. 11-12/Mt 8, 23-27 Miércoles: Gn 21, 5. 8-20/Sal 33, 7-8. 10-11. 12-13/Mt 8, 28-34 Jueves: Gn 22, 1-19/Sal 113, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9/Mt 9, 1-8 Viernes: Gn 23, 1-4. 19; 24, 1-8. 62-67/Sal 105, 1-2. 3-4. 4-5/Mt 9, 9-13 Sábado: Gn 27, 1-5. 15-29/Sal 134, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Mt 9, 14-17



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## Retiro de Bautismo en el Espíritu

"Llámame y te responderé; te mostraré cosas grandes y secretas que tú ignoras."

Jeremías 33:3

Iulio 29-30 2023 Sábado 8am-6pm Domingo 8am-2pm

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#### PARISH NEWS



### FIREWORKS SALE

#### Please Support our Youth Ministry!!!

Our fireworks stand provides funding for several teen conferences, outings, meetings, and teen leadership training. Please help support our Youth Program by purchasing your favorite fireworks from our stand. Our hours of operation will be as follows:

Wednesday, June 28th – 12:00pm – 9:00pm Thursday, June 29th - 9:00am – 9:00pm Friday, June 30th – 9:00am – 9:00pm Saturday, July 1st – 9:00am – 10:00pm Sunday, July 2nd – 9:00am – 10:00pm Monday, July 3rd – 8:30am – 10:00pm Tuesday, July 4th – 8:30am – 10:00pm or until sold out





Join us for an hour of meditation in the presence of Jesus. Everyone is invited. The service is bilingual and will be held inside the church.

Friday, July 7, 2023 @ 7 PM

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## **PLEASE NOTE**



#### Dear Parishioners,

This coming Tuesday, July 4th, we will have a Mass at 9 am to thank God for blessing our United States and to pray for the needs of our nation. Please note that we will not be having our regular 7:30 am Mass on July 4th.

Our Pastoral Center will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th, in observance of our nation's Independence Day.

May our Lord continue to bless our country with peace and grace us with the values to continue His mission. We will be happy to resume our service hours on Wednesday.



Please come support Brunie's yard sale next Sunday, July 9th, in the patio area. The sale begins at 8:30 am and will conclude at 12 noon.

You don't know what you may find at Brunie's yard sale, but you are guaranteed to be pleasantly surprised at the phenomenal prices and exceptional quality of her goods.