

July 30, 2023 17th 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



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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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Apostolates & Organization

Ministry of the Sick Safeguard the Children Bereavement Ministry Legion of Mary Cursillos in Christianity English Bible Study Spanish Bible Study Knights of Columbus Guadalupanos Rosario de Misericordia Our Lord's Mission St. Vincent de Paul Encuentro Matrimonial Amigos de Jesus Filipino Ministry Youth Ministry Catholic Women's Association

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Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

"Becaus	se you have asked for this—
not for	a long life for yourself,
nor for	riches,
nor for	the life of your enemies,
but for	understanding so that you may know what is right—
I do as y	you requested." (1 Kgs 3:11-12)
Psalm:	
Lord, I lov	e your commands. (Ps 119)
Second R	eading:
For those	he foreknew he also predestined
to be co	onformed to the image of his Son,
so that	he might be the firstborn
among	many brothers and sisters. (Rom 8:29)
Gospel:	
•	dom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field,
	person finds and hides again,
	of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Mt
13:44)	©LPi
Sunday:	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a),
	Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46
Monday:	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/
	Mt 13:36-43
Wednesd	ay: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday:	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53
Friday:	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/
	Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

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FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "B" The Kingdom of God is the Highest Good

A young Mouse was running along the bank of a pond, exploring and admiring the beautiful nature. A Frog also lived along the same bank. When the Frog saw the young Mouse loitering around his area, he swam near the Mouse and croaked:

"Do you want to join me to pay a visit to the wonderful world inside the pond? I can promise you a good time full of adventure if you do."

The Mouse did not have anything doing and was eager to see and explore the world around. So, he did not need much coaxing and quickly agreed to join the adventure under the pond. Although the Mouse could swim a little, he did not want to risk going into the pond all on his own without any help.

The Frog offered a plan to tie the Mouse's leg to his own with a reed, so he could quickly rescue the Mouse if necessary. The Mouse agreed to the Frog's plan, and they jumped into the pond.

The Frog jumped into the pond and dragged the Mouse along with him. The Mouse soon realized that being pulled inside the pond was no fun. Finally, he had enough of it and requested to return to shore, but the treacherous Frog did not bother. Instead, he pulled the Mouse deeper into the pond and drowned him.

A Hawk was flying over the pond when he saw the Mouse struggling and drowning in the water. So, the Hawk came sailing over the pond and swooped the Mouse. Along with The Mouse was the Frog dangling from his leg. So, the Hawk got lucky to have both the Mouse and the Frog for his dinner.

While the Mouse had to meet the unfortunate end due to his foolishness, the Frog ended up being the Hawk's dinner merely due to his treacherous intentions (All Time Short Stories).

The moral of this story is that those who seek to harm others often come to harm themselves through their own deceitful actions. This selfish attitude of the frog and the foolishness of the mouse is an example of what Jesus wants us to avoid when He asks us to make the kingdom of God the greatest desire of our heart.

With the parable of the hidden treasure and the pearl of great price Jesus teaches us today that the kingdom of God is valuable and worthy of any sacrifices we could make to attain it. Investing in the kingdom values is investing in God, and the result is guaranteed to become beneficial to the investor.

The value of the kingdom of God is immeasurable and the joy of finding it is so deep that it could make one to sell everything he has to purchase it. This is also what happens whenever we experience God's love and God's grace in our lives; it brings deep and profound joy and peace.

The kingdom of God is so valuable such that it calls for total and complete commitment. Selling everything we have entails a wholehearted and total commitment of our life to the things of God and our willingness to sacrifice

anything that could become an obstacle in our effort to enter the kingdom of God.

In the kingdom of God all are welcome. Unlike human institutions and social clubs which are often exclusive, the kingdom of God is inclusive and all embracing. It is like the net thrown into the sea which catches fish of every kind.

The kingdom of God is not business as usual and should not be taken for granted. We often take our loved ones for granted. We take nature for granted believing that there will always be another day and that the sun will shine tomorrow. Each and every one of us may have a chance to embrace the kingdom of God while we can; however, this opportunity should not be taken for granted because there may not be a second chance.

By separating the good fish from the bad fish, we are reminded that the kingdom value standard cannot be compromised. Each and every one of us must work hard to live up to the kingdom standard in order to be preserved for eternal life with God in heaven.

Jesus also emphasizes the importance of reading the Bible when Jesus asked us to emulate the good works of a Scribe who has been well instructed in the things of the kingdom of heaven. Such a Scribe is able to bring out both the new and the old treasures from the Scripture. Finally Jesus asked, "Do you understand all these things?" By asking His disciples if they understand His teachings, Jesus points to the need for a disciple to have an open and receptive mind. A mind that is open to give and receive without sacrificing the values of the kingdom on the altar of modernism is what God likes.

Hence, given the abundance of information and options available in the world today, strong faith and humility are important recipes for a genuine understanding and application of the teachings about the kingdom of God in our lives.

And make no mistake about it, the kingdom of God is meant to grow and produce fruit. The message of the kingdom bears fruit whenever it is shared with others. Like the Scribe who is able to bring out treasures both old and new, children of God should be bold enough to share the good news of salvation with others.

Given our limited knowledge of God and the kingdom, there is the temptation to do little or nothing until we have known all there needs to be known. Our inability to know everything there needs to be known should not discourage us. It should make us to be humble and be ever ready and willing to worship God whose divine nature is beyond human comprehension.

Therefore, we need to pray for wisdom and courage to put into practice the little we do know about the love of God. Applying these lessons about commitment, preparing for the judgment day, making a conscientious effort to understand and apply Jesus teachings about the kingdom of God in our lives leads to a deeper and more meaningful relationship with God and empowers us to contribute our quota for the civilization of love in the world.

Finance Report

Mass Intentions

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

COLLECTION

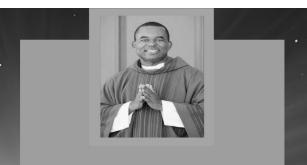
TOTAL

July 23, 2023

\$ 4,515.00

Did you Know?

A screening process for hiring new staff members or volunteers is critical to protecting children, because this process makes it harder for abusers to gain access to potential victims. When organizations are careful about screening, it sends a message that they are committed to preventing child abuse. Screening practices can include requiring standard application information, or thorough references and criminal background checks. For more information on screening processes, read the VIRTUS[®] article "The Importance of Screening and Selecting Employees and Volunteers" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



Join Father Patrick and fellow parishioners every Tuesday at 7 pm in the parish hall. Together, you'll be fellow parishioners in exploring the Holy Scriptures in depth. If you've always wanted to gain new insight into the inspired Word of God, this is one way to answer that Call. Don't forget to bring your Bible!

SATURDAY	JULY	29-2023
5:30pm	Wally Puente	Healing
	Alicia Marin	Dec.
SUNDAY	JULY	30-2023
7:30am	Prospero & Alita Mangilog	Dec.
	All Souls in Purgatory	Special Int.
9:00am	Benjamin Gan	Dec.
	Don R. Rodriguez	Dec.
	Benny Ng	Dec.
10:30am	Cuca Lopez	Dec.
	Aurelio Conde	Dec.
	Jose Angel Conde	Dec.
5:30pm	Teena Fogenay	Birthday
	Fabiola Cortez	Healing
MONDAY	JULY	31-2023
7:30am	Rene de la Rosa	Birthday
	Gustavo Adolfo Berganza	Dec.
TUESDAY	AUGUST	01-2023
7:30am	Susan de Jesus	Special Int.
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST	02-2023
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	Mayra Reyes	Healing
7:30am	Mayra Reyes Mirna Figueroa	Healing Healing
7:30am THURSDAY	Mayra Reyes Mirna Figueroa AUGUST	Healing Healing 03-2023
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PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Primera Lectura:

El joven rey Salomón pidió al Señor en oración un corazón sabio y perceptivo, y se lo concedió. ¿Qué regalo le pedirías al Señor?

Segunda Lectura:

Pablo enseña a los creyentes en Roma que Dios nos llama "según su propósito." ¿Tienes un sentido de tu propósito en la vida? Si es así, ¿qué es?

Evangelio:

Jesús ofrece varias parábolas del reino de los cielos a los discípulos: el tesoro escondido y las perlas finas (un descubrimiento invaluable) y la gran captura de peces (una invitación para todos). Con estas parábolas, ¿qué crees que nos está enseñando Jesús sobre el reino de los cielos? ©LPi

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo:1 Re 3, 5-13/Sal 118, 57. 72. 76-77. 127-128. 129-130 (97)/ Rom 8, 28-30/Mt 13, 44-52 o 13, 44-46

Lunes: Ex 32, 15-24. 30-34/Sal 105, 19-20. 21-22. 23/Mt 13, 31-35 Martes: Ex 33, 7-11; 34, 5-9. 28/Sal 102, 6-7. 8-9. 10-11. 12-13/ Mt 13, 36-43

Miércoles: Ex 34, 29-35/Sal 98, 5. 6. 7. 9/Mt 13, 44-46

- Jueves: Ex 40, 16-21. 34-38/Sal 83, 3. 4. 5-6 y 8. 11/Mt 13, 47-53
- Viernes: Lv 23, 1. 4-11. 15-16. 27. 34-37/Sal 80, 3-4. 5-6. 10-11/ Mt 13, 54-58
- Sábado: Lv 25, 1. 8-17/Sal 66, 2-3. 5. 7-8/Mt 14, 1-12

REGISTRACIONES ABIERTAS

Estimados miembros de nuestra parroquia,

Les informamos que los formularios para registrarse a los cursos para los sacramentos de Comunion, Confirmacion, asi como RICA, ya estan disponibles. Si usted o su hijo/a necesita alguno de estos sacramentos, favor de visitar nuestro Centro Pastoral.

¿Sabía usted?

¿Por qué es importante evaluar a los voluntarios y al personal?

Un processo de selección y evaluación para contratar a nuevos migmbros del personal o voluntarios es fundamental para proteger a los niños porque este processo dificulta que los abusadores tengan accesso a las víctimas potenciales. Cuando las organizaciones tienen cuidado con la selección, envían un mensaje de que están comprometidas con la prevención del abuso infantil. Las practicas de selección pueden incluir solicitar información en una aplicación estándar, o referencias exhaustivas y verificacción de antecedentes penales. Para obtener más información sobre los processos de selección y evaluación, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS[®]"The Importance of Sergening and Selecting Employees and Volunteers."

Retiro de Bautismo en el

Espiritu Santo

Este fin de semana, a traves de nuestro Ministerio "Amigos de Jesus", un grupo de hermanos/as en Cristo esta viviendo un retiro para llenarse del Espiritu Santo. Unamonos en oracion por ellos para que esta experiencia les renueve, sane y les ayude a descubrir sus dones y el gran regalo que es conectar con Dios Espiritu.

Yo amo, Señor, tus mandamientos

PARISH NEWS



Applications for the Sacrament of Confirmation are now available at the Pastoral Center. If your teen is currently in, or will be enrolled in, high school please pick up a registration form.



First Communion Registrations

It's that time of the year! Registrations are now open for the Sacrament of First Communion, first through seventh grade. If your child is ready to prepare for this Sacrament, please stop by to pick up a form at our Pastoral Center.



2000 Hail M

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. When: Saturday, August 5, 2023 @ 8:00am



Holy Hour

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

Friday, August 4, 2023 @ 7PM

DO YOU...

- want to be baptized in the Catholic Church?
- know of someone interested in becoming Catholic?
- need the sacrament of Confirmation?
- need to make your First Eucharist (Communion)?
- want to refresh/increase your knowledge of your faith?

If you answered "yes" to any of the above, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is for you.

Please stop by the Pastoral Center and fill out a registration form and return it. Weekly classes begin mid-September and culminate in late May.





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JOIN OUR COUNTING TEAML

Dear parishioners, we are excited to reach out to our dedicated community members with a unique volunteering opportunity. We are currently looking for volunteers to help us count our offertory money once a week. Your involvement will play a pivotal role in ensuring timely accountability.

If interested, please visit or give us a call at the Pastoral Center, and ask to speak to our office manager. Thank you!

ARE YOU BEING CALLED???

Have you been hearing a certain voice calling out to you to serve your church in a more visible way, for example, as a lector, a Eucharistic minister, an usher, an altar server, or a sacristan? If this is the case, the voice you hear may be the voice of God, and He would like for you to take a more active role in serving His people as a liturgical minister!

If you would like your answer to God to be: "Lord, I am here to do Your will," then we would love for you to please call the Pastoral Center and leave your name and contact information so we may reach out to you with details about an information session scheduled for Saturday, August 19th. Thank you in advance for saying "yes" to that important call!

