



# 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)

**September 10, 2023**

*23rd 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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# Apostolates & Organization

Ministry of the Sick	Larry Dumont
Safeguard the Children	Irene Oaxaca
Bereavement Ministry	Diep Dinh
Legion of Mary	Salvador Agudo
Cursillos in Christianity	Aida Gonzalez
English Bible Study	Sheila Henderson-Linan
Spanish Bible Study	Maria de Jesus Martinez
Knights of Columbus	Frank Bodeman
Guadalupanos	Marina Ramirez
Rosario de Misericordia	Angelina Farias
Our Lord's Mission	Josephine Espinosa
St. Vincent de Paul	Pearl Martinez
Encuentro Matrimonial	Victor Pla
Amigos de Jesus	Estela Murga
Filipino Ministry	Rose Pichon
Youth Ministry	Leticia Urtecho
Catholic Women's Association	Ma Grace N. Tima



# Readings & Prayers for the Sick

## First Reading:

If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die," and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. (Ez 33:8)

## Psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

## Second Reading:

Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law. (Rom 13:10)

## Gospel:

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." (Mt 18:15)

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Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/  
Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/  
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-49



Gloria Moore	Ethelyn Beltran
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Angelica Ruedas	Andrea Primicias
Matthew Perez	Cecilia Chow
Pilar Garza	Erik Lifrak
Gary Meraz	Ray Argueta & Family
David A. Jr. & Family	Jose Crespo
Lucy Tsang	Joe Negrete
Rosa Martinez	Bernardina Castañeda
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Wally & Becky Puente	Mercedes Tarrazona
Cynthia Manriquez	Fernando Torres
William Gonzalez	Gerardo Duran
Joel Lopez	Cidronio Abelar
Guadalupe Nevarez	Yessenia Alvarez
Evelyn De Guzman	Juanita Madrigal
Hortencia Palafox	Mark Venegas
Francis Araiza	Marco de la Garza
Rafael Garcia	Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu
Sonia Gorope	Elizabeth Pham

# FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "A" "How often must I forgive?"

**The last-minute pardon** - In Iran, it is standard practice for families of murder victims to oversee the execution of the murderer of their family member. They are also given the choice to pardon the offender. Such was the fate of a young man who had already served seven years for killing 17-year-old Abdollah Alinejad in a street fight, according to the associated press.

**In May 2014**, Samereh Alinejad watched as a noose was slipped around the neck of Bilal Gheisari, her son's killer. This was her chance to have the vengeance she'd waited seven years to have. Instead, she and her husband stepped forward at the last minute and removed the noose from his neck. Gheisari's death sentence was commuted and he will finish serving a 12-year prison sentence instead.

**The push that changed a life** - When Rachelle Friedman's bachelorette party ended, she and her friends decided to go for a swim. Playfully, one of her friends pushed Rachelle in, not thinking about how shallow the water was at that end of the pool. Friedman's head struck the pool's bottom and she broke her neck, instantly paralyzing her from the collarbone down.

Since that fateful push, Friedman's life has changed drastically, but she was able to go ahead with her wedding plans and marry her fiancé a year later. And she forgave the friend who pushed her in. "I love her and have no grudge," The Daily Beast quoted from a Q&A session Rachelle had on Reddit. "I'm not saying it's right, but I've horse-played by a pool and pushed people. I've pushed her. What happened was an accident."

**The Forgiving Mother** - Scarlett Lewis' son, Jesse, was killed in the 2012 Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting, the biggest school shooting in U.S. history. At first, she said, she felt like her anger sapped all her strength and energy. She was angry at the shooter and at the mother for unwittingly arming him. But she made a choice to forgive.

She told The Forgiveness Project, "Forgiveness felt like I was given a big pair of scissors to cut the tie and regain my personal power. It started with a choice and then became a process." She urged mourners at Jesse's funeral to change their angry thoughts into loving ones, that thereby they might change the world.

**The stranger's email** - Christy Jones thought her marriage was perfect until the day she received an email from a woman she had never met. "You don't know me, but I am no longer dating your husband ... I'm sorry for any pain I caused your family," the email read.

"I felt paralyzed," Christy told RealSimple.com, recalling the exact moment she read those words. Battling her denial, she called her husband at work, and he eventually admitted it was true. Adrian had had a four-month relationship with a woman he'd met at his job as a car salesman.

"Forgiving him was the hardest thing I've ever had to do," said Christy. "But his honesty made it easier." The two later went on to renew their wedding vows, and Christy said that today, "Our marriage is stronger for it. I have no regrets." (Stories told by Katie Nielsen "8 Incredible stories of Forgiveness that will touch your heart").

The gospel reading for today talks about forgiveness - the need to forgive, forget and move on. It is often said that "to err is human but to forgive is divine." None of us is perfect and we do not live among perfect beings. We have either been offended or have offended others at one time or the other. We all know that we should forgive but that doesn't mean that it is easy to forgive or to ask for forgiveness especially when we have been offended in the worst possible way.

This is the situation that prompted Peter to approach Jesus to ask "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?"

The rabbinic literature Mishnah (Yoma 8) says "One who says, 'I will sin, and then repent, I will sin and then repent,' — does not have what it takes to repent. One who says: 'I will sin, and Yom Kippur will erase it,' — Yom Kippur will not erase it. Yom Kippur erases transgression a person commits against God, but transgression against another person, Yom Kippur cannot erase, until (the transgressor) makes things right with (the victim)."

Given the right circumstances, forgiveness can create a path to peace and happiness but under wrong circumstances, forgiveness could strengthen the hand of those who abuse and oppress others. This is why Jesus seizes the opportunity of Peter's question to lay a strong foundation for the children of God in their dealings with others.

Christians should always be just. They should be bold enough to call out oppression, injustice and name abuse as abuse. Tolerating injustice or abuse in the pretext of forgiveness makes it easy for evildoers to get away with their evil deeds.

The way we understand the concept of forgiveness could make a lot of things possible, and not all of those things may be good enough. While we need to forgive, we also need to avoid using forgiveness as a tool to manipulate a system and harm others with impunity.

Authentic fight for liberation demands that we should know when to forgive and when people should be allowed to face the consequences of their actions. This is better understood in the context of reparation and restitution.

True strength is expressed by overcoming the instinct to revenge and to be able to forgive. Hence in today's parable, Jesus teaches us the importance of forgiveness. When we forgive others we are not helping them but helping to liberate ourselves from the bondage of our own making. This is why the Master had to call the unforgiving servant to face the consequences of his actions (because he refused to forgive his fellow servant).

The forgiveness he received from his Master should have empowered him to forgive his fellow servant but he failed to do that. By failing to forgive his fellow servant who owes a small amount he proves ipso facto that he does not deserve the forgiveness he received from his Master.

Therefore, when Jesus asked Peter to forgive "seventy seven times" Jesus is saying that God's mercy is boundless and as such should be ours. On the cross, Jesus paid the prize of our sins to the full. Children of God must learn to forgive others and be open to accept forgiveness from others. We need to learn to forgive, forget and move on because what Jesus did for us on the cross far outweigh whatever we could do for others.



# Finance Report

# Mass Intentions

COLLECTION	TOTAL
September 3, 2023	\$6,260.00
<i>Thank you for YOUR continuous support and generosity.</i>	

Did you know?

Parents and caregivers need to be aware of the many ways predators can develop online relationships with their victims. Predators often seek out children or teens who share a lot of information about themselves online and use that information to build “friendships” that they can then use to their advantage. They may pretend to share the same interests or insecurities, offer excessive compliments, or claim to have access to desired items, usually drugs or alcohol. To learn more about what to watch out for when your children are online, read the VIR-TUS® article “Online Child Sexual Exploitation” at [lacatholic.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholic.org/did-you-know/).

**MASS IN RECOGNITION OF ALL IMMIGRANTS**

**The Archdiocese of Los Angeles Office of Immigration Affairs invites our community of faith to the annual Mass in Recognition of All Immigrants on Sunday, September 17, 2023, at 3:30 p.m., at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels.**

SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER	09-2023
5:30pm	For Our Homebound Parishioners	Special Int.
SUNDAY	SEPTEMBER	10-2023
7:30am	Tomas Wong	Healing
9:00am	Don R. Rodriguez	Dec.
	Tom & Maria Jones	Wedd. Anniv.
	Members of the CWA MMOC Branch	Special Int.
	Ruth Hall	Dec.
	Sergio Bautista	Birthday
10:30am	Ma Elena Torrez	Birthday
	Anselmo Morales	Dec.
	Jose Pablo Hernandez	Dec.
5:30pm	Joseph & Bei Wong	Dec.
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER	11-2023
7:30am	Jason Wong	Healing
	Inocencio Chua	Dec.
	Jesus Gutierrez	Special Int.
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER	12-2023
7:30am	Carol Robinson	Dec.
	Ollie Wong	Healing
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER	13-2023
7:30am	Ana Maria Vargas	Dec.
	Meng Chi Lee	Dec.
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER	14-2023
7:30am	Beatrice Frease	Dec.
	Chuk Bue	Dec.
	Juan & Maria Gandara	Anniversary
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER	15-2023
7:30am	Holy Souls in Purgatory	
	Charles Montuis	Dec.
SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER	16-2023
7:30am	Sylvia Lozano	Dec.



## PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

### Primera Lectura:

El Señor le enseña a Ezequiel que él es personalmente responsable de ser fiel a las palabras proféticas que le fueron dadas. ¿Cómo podrías mostrarles a los demás que te tomas en serio tu fe?

### Segunda Lectura:

Pablo enseñó que el amor (amar al prójimo) es el cumplimiento de la ley que Dios le dio a Israel. ¿Qué crees que es más desafiante para este mandato aparentemente simple de amarse unos a otros?

### Evangelio:

Jesús enseñó a sus discípulos a hacer todo el esfuerzo posible para reconciliarse con alguien que te ha hecho daño. ¿Es la reconciliación una alta prioridad para ti?

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Los padres de familia y cuidadores deben ser conscientes de las muchas formas en que los depredadores pueden desarrollar relaciones en línea con sus víctimas. Los depredadores a menudo buscan niños o adolescentes que comparten mucha información sobre sí mismos en línea y usan esa información para hacer "amistades" que luego pueden usar para su propio beneficio. Pueden pretender compartir los mismos intereses o inseguridades, dar cumplidos excesivos o afirmar tener acceso a artículos deseados, generalmente drogas o alcohol. Para obtener más información sobre lo que debe tener en cuenta cuando sus hijos están en línea, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® "Online Child Sexual Exploitation" (Explotación sexual infantil en línea) en [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).



QUERIDOS FELIGRESES,

NUESTRO FESTIVAL DEL DÍA DE FIESTA ESTÁ A LA VUELTA DE LA ESQUINA. RESERVEN LA FECHA PARA EL DOMINGO 5 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 8:30 A 15:00 HORAS. HABRÁ COMIDA DELICIOSA Y UNA RIFA EMOCIONANTE. ESTE DÍA SEGURAMENTE TRAERÁ ALEGRÍA A NUESTRA COMUNIDAD. COMUNÍQUESE CON NOSOTROS SI ESTÁ INTERESADO EN CONTRIBUIR A LA PLANIFICACIÓN, HACER UNA DONACIÓN O SERVIR DURANTE LAS FESTIVIDADES.

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## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Ez 33, 7-9/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9 (8)/Rom 13, 8-10/  
Mt 18, 15-20

Lunes: Col 1, 24—2, 3/Sal 61, 6-7. 9/Lc 6, 6-11

Martes: Col 2, 6-15/Sal 144, 1-2. 8-9. 10-11/Lc 6, 12-19

Miércoles: Col 3, 1-11/Sal 144, 2-3. 10-11. 12-13/Lc 6, 20-26

Jueves: Nm 21, 4-9/Sal 77, 1-2. 34-35. 36-37. 38/Flp 2, 6-11/  
Jn 3, 13-17

Viernes: 1 Tim 1, 1-2. 12-14/Sal 15, 1-2 y 5. 7-8. 11/  
Jn 19, 25-27 o Lc 2, 33-35

Sábado: 1 Tim 1, 15-17/Sal 112, 1-2. 3-4. 5 y 6-7/Lc 6, 43-49

## REGISTRACIONES

## ABIERTAS

Estimados miembros de nuestra parroquia,

Les informamos que los formularios para registrarse a los cursos para los sacramentos de Comunión, Confirmación, así como RICA, ya están disponibles. Si usted o su hijo/a necesita alguno de estos sacramentos, favor de visitar nuestro Centro Pastoral.

## VISITA NUESTRA CAPILLA



Cada minuto que dedicamos a la adoración de nuestro Señor profundiza nuestra relación con Él. Tómate un descanso de las preocupaciones del mundo y ven a pasar un tiempo con Él en meditación silenciosa.

Nuestra Capilla de Adoración está abierta en el mismo horario que nuestro Centro Pastoral.

REGISTER FOR  
RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION

INSCRÍBANSE  
PARA LA  
EDUCACIÓN  
RELIGIOSA

**First Communion, Confirmation,  
and RCIA Registration Day**

We will be having an open registration day this Sunday, September 10, 2023, in the parish hall. Registrations will be taken for First Communion, Confirmation, and RCIA/RICA programs from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm.

**Start Dates:**

**First Communion: Saturday, Sept. 23rd, 9 am — 10:30 am**

**RICA: Wednesday, September 13th, 7:15 pm — 8:30 pm**

**RCIA: Thursday, September 14th, at 6:30 — 7:30 pm**

**Confirmation: Sunday, October 1st, 3:30 pm — 5 pm**

Registration forms will be available.

Please bring the following:

- A copy of the following certificates: Birth, Baptism, First Communion (where applicable)
- Exact cash or check made payable to All Souls Church

If you have any questions, please call the Pastoral Center at (626) 281-0466.

# FEAST DAY FESTIVAL

**Make plans to attend our Festival on Sunday, November 5 from 8:30am until 3:00pm. This will be our Parish's largest fundraising event of the year.**

**The Festival will be combined with the drawing of the winning tickets for our Parish Raffle.**

**This year's Festival will showcase our ministries' cultural foods. We will have entertainment and games.**

**Raffle tickets will be distributed beginning the weekend of September 9 and 10.**

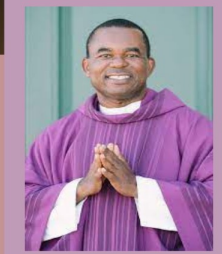
**Please tell your family and friends and make plans to attend. Don't hesitate to contact our Pastoral Center if you would like to participate in planning or donating for this event.**



*Happy Grandparents Day!*

LET US BLESS OUR GRANDPARENTS ON THIS DAY. FOR WITHOUT THEM THERE WOULD BE LESS JOY IN THE HEARTS OF CHILDREN:

GOOD AND GRACIOUS GOD,  
YOU HAVE GIVEN US THE GIFT OF CHILDREN,  
WHO IN TURN GIVE US THE GIFT OF GRANDCHILDREN.  
BLESS OUR CHILDREN  
AND HELP THEM TO BE GOOD PARENTS TO OUR GRANDCHILDREN.  
LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO US WITH ARMS WIDE OPEN.  
HELP US TO OPEN OUR HEARTS  
AS WIDE AS THOSE LITTLE ARMS THAT WRAP AROUND OUR NECKS.  
PROTECT THEM AND THEIR PARENTS FROM WORRY AND STRESS.  
AND GIVE US AS MANY DAYS OF LIFE AS POSSIBLE TO HEAR THOSE LITTLE VOICES CRY, "SABA!"  
WE ASK ALL THIS IN JESUS' NAME WHO IS YOUR SON  
AND LIVES AND REIGNS WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT,  
ONE GOD FOR EVER AND EVER.  
AMEN.



Join Father Patrick and fellow parishioners every Tuesday at 7 pm in the parish hall. Together, you'll be fellow parishioners 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!