

ALL SOULS

CATHOLIC
CHURCH

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, at All Souls Church, are a multicultural Catholic Community called to share our gifts and

SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Pastoral Center Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

Closed for Lunch: 12:30pm-1:30pm

(We are currently only receiving calls)

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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.

Unión 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)

OFFICE OF LITURGY

Funeral Services	Diep Dinh	Ext. 219	Sacristan	Librado Mercado	(626)281-0466
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PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Angelica Ruedas	Ethelyn Beltran
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Pilar Garza	Andrea Primicias
Gary Meraz	Cecilia Chow
David A. Jr. & Family	Mary Anne Aarset
Lucy Tsang	Erik Lifrak
Eleanor Ciechoski	Ray Argueta & Family
Rosa Martinez	Jose Crespo
Ramirez Family	Joe Negrete
Wally & Becky Puente	Bernardina Castañeda
Cynthia Manriquez	Reyes Family
Cecille Saguid	Mercedes Tarrazona
William Gonzalez	Delia Vargas
Joel Lopez	William Cardona
Guadalupe Nevarez	Gerardo Duran
Evelyn De Guzman	Cidronio Abelar
Hortencia Palafox	Yessenia Alvarez
Jerry Lopez	Juanita Madrigal
Francis Araiza	Mark Venegas
Marco de la Garza	

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Turn to the LORD who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).

Psalm — The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).

Gospel — The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday:	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday:	Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday:	Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "A"
The Laborers in the Vineyard**

I am one of those fascinated by the story of Van Gogh who is considered one of the greatest artists of all time. Popular stories have it that during his life-time, the poor guy only sold one painting: "The Red Vineyard at Arles (The Vigne Rouge)," which is now in the Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts in Moscow. Even though Van Gogh did not make much money from painting, yet, he still painted over 900 works of art. His creativity and persistence went unnoticed when he was alive, however, he did prove that we don't always need external validation to be proud of the work we do.

In the world of art, Van Gogh would be considered a late bloomer because he didn't start painting until he was twenty-seven years old, and he died when he was thirty-seven. That could be one of the reasons he did not sell many of his work of art.

Van Gogh's paintings that later became famous were the ones produced after he went to Arles, France in 1888, only two years before he died. No doubt if his contemporaries had recognized and approved his work, he would have sold more or even do more paintings.

However, what is remarkable though is that just a few decades after his death, his art would become well-known worldwide and he would eventually be recognized as one of the most famous artists ever. He probably lived ahead of his time for some ideas need time to be recognized, understood and appreciated.

According to Marder L, "Red Vineyard at Arles," when in 1889, Van Gogh was invited to participate in a group show in Brussels called the XX (or the Vingties), Van Gogh suggested to his brother, Theo, an art dealer and van Gogh's agent, that he send six paintings to be exhibited with the group, one of which was The Red Vineyard.

Van Gogh painted The Red Vineyard from memory in early November 1888 while Paul Gauguin, the artist, was living with him in Arles. It is a dramatic landscape painting in saturated autumnal reds and yellows punctuated by the blue clothing of workers in a vineyard, with a bright yellow sky and sun reflected in the river adjacent to the vineyard. The viewer's eye is drawn through the landscape by the strong diagonal line that leads to the high horizon and the setting sun in the distance.

In one of his many letters to his brother, Theo, Van Gogh tells him he is "Working on a vineyard, all purple and yellow...But if only you'd been with us on Sunday! We saw a red vineyard, completely red like red wine. In the distance it became yellow, and then a green sky with a sun, fields' violet and sparkling yellow here and thereafter the rain in which the setting sun was reflected."

In a subsequent letter to Theo, Vincent says about this painting: "I'm going to set myself to work often from memory, and the canvases done from memory are always less awkward and have a more artistic look than the studies from nature, especially when I'm working in mistral conditions."

Anna Boch, a Belgian artist and art collector, bought the painting in early 1890 for 400 Belgian francs, perhaps because she liked the painting and wanted to show her support for Van Gogh, whose work was being criticized; perhaps to help him financially; and perhaps to please her brother, Eugène, whom she knew was a friend of Vincent's (Culled from an article by Lisa Marder, Nov 17, 2018).

While it is true that hard work pays, it is also true that some people have worked hard with nothing to show for it. Economic success in life does not depend solely on what we know or how strong we are. Who we know goes a long way to enable us succeed in the world. This is probably why Van Gogh, in spite of his ingenuity, vision and talent, was not successful during his life time.

In the labor market, good and talented workers are hired first before the less talented ones are considered. Hence, if you need the professionals, you need to go early to get them.

In the parable to the laborers in the vineyard, the master of the vineyard is God. The vineyard is the world. The first laborers to be hired are the Jewish people chosen through their father Abraham. When the world was messed up by sin, God found in Abraham someone with whom God could start afresh – to build up the people of God (Gen 12).

The last hour workers are the Gentiles who were technically excluded from the commonwealth of Israel. The foremen are the angels of God.

As the descendants of Abraham, the common belief of the Jewish people is that God's salvation is fundamentally for them and that other nations could be saved only after the 12 tribes of Israel have been saved.

Since the Jewish people had no concept of heaven and hell, they believed that God rewards the faithful ones in this life, and this reward was conceived in terms of material wealth, good health, family and leadership (political power).

With the story of the parable of the laborers in the vineyard, Jesus destroys this common belief in the commonwealth of Israel and lays a new foundation for the commonwealth of God (heaven). In the new dispensation, one does not need to become a child of Abraham by birth but by faith (saying Yes to God) in order to become a child of God.

The Jewish people who were the first to be called to work in the vineyard of God expected that their reward will be greater than those of the Gentiles. However, during the payment time, not only that the Master (God) started payment with the laborers who were hired last, God also paid them the full day's wage.

From this gesture, we appreciate the value of faith – unlike earthly reward that is always based on time and connection, heavenly reward is based solely on saying YES to God (faith). Someone who believes in God today is capable of receiving the same reward as someone who has been a believer for 80 years.

Unlike earthly reward that is quantifiable, heavenly reward is un-quantifiable. It is peace, joy and happiness. It is a state of bliss given to all who have come to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. There is no need to become a Jew in order to receive it. All we need to do is to have faith in God and like Van Gogh to keep working hard now, knowing that the God who is generous and merciful, who see all that is done in secret, will surely reward every good deed.

Human nature appreciates human approval and material success. However, it is important that we do not measure God's love for us on the basis of worldly acceptance or material success. Whenever we bother about what the world thinks of us; let us remember that at the end of the day, what counts is not what people think of us but what God thinks of us. It is therefore, important that all our actions be grounded in love and love alone, and it shall be well with us. Amen

FINANCIAL REPORT

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of the Offertory Collection.

AUGUST 30, 2020

COLLECTION \$4,482.00

SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

COLLECTION \$2,667.00

VOCATIONS

ANSWERING THE CALL

Every life is a calling, a vocation. Trying times, teach us of the need for leadership in our faith.

“I ask parish communities, associations and the many prayer groups present in the Church, not to yield to discouragement but to continue praying that the Lord will send workers to his harvest. May he give us priests enamored of the Gospel, close to all their brothers and sisters, living signs of God’s merciful love. Dear brothers and sisters, today too, we can regain fervor in preaching the Gospel and we can encourage young people in particular to take up the path of Christian discipleship. Despite a widespread sense that the faith is listless or reduced to mere “duties to discharge”, our young people desire to discover the perennial attraction of Jesus, to be challenged by his words and actions, and to cherish the ideal that he holds out of a life that is fully human, happy to spend itself in love. Mary Most Holy, the Mother of our Savior, had the courage to embrace this ideal, placing her youth and her enthusiasm in God’s hands. Through her intercession, may we be granted that same openness of heart, that same readiness to respond, “Here I am”, to the Lord’s call ...” ~Pope Francis

Did You Know?



Did you know? September 19-20 || Consider setting up a “classroom” for safe internet use

If your child’s school distributed iPads or tablets to help with distance learning this fall, consider setting up a designated place in your home for your child to use these devices. Knowing what your child is doing online is made significantly easier if he or she is using a device in the kitchen, or family room, where you can periodically check in. While the school may have installed basic content filtering software and limited access protections, parents should review the device protections before letting children use them. For more information, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

“MY SECRET IS VERY SIMPLE: I PRAY. THROUGH PRAYER I BECOME ONE IN LOVE WITH CHRIST. I REALIZE THAT PRAYING TO HIM IS LOVING HIM.”

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA



Our Book of Masses is available for you to dedicate our Eucharistic Celebration to a loved one or a special cause. Let’s continue to remain a strong community in prayer.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

5:30PM	Vivian Rull	Sp. Int.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

7:30AM	Ernet & Adela Duran	Dec.
	All Souls in Purgatory	
9:00AM	Irene Oaxaca	Sp. Int.
10:30AM	Amelia Cobian	Dec.
	Aquileo Hernandez	Dec.
5:30PM	Our Youth	

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

7:30AM	Ruben Bueno	Sp. Int.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

7:30AM	Jean Lao	Dec.
	All Souls in Purgatory	

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

7:30AM	Roldan & Edwin Rodriguez	Dec.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

7:30AM	The Holy Father's Intentions	

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2020

7:30AM	Elba Figueroa	Birthday

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2020

7:30AM	Tran Bao La	Dec.

LET US KEEP OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

IN OUR PRAYERS.

REPENTANCE

In Trying Times

Jesus instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a gift for the remission of sins and to unite the faithful with the loving mercy of God. This sacrament is not simply an enumeration of various sins, but the genuine acknowledgement that we are in need of His grace and seek a closer relationship with God.

Confession brings us Peace

All Souls Church is taking all the necessary



precautions to ensure that you are safe during Confession Time. You can take part on this important Sacrament every Saturday from 4:00pm to 5:00pm at the patio. Please remember to wear a mask.

The White Mass

has been a tradition in the United States since the late 1800s. We invite you to this year's Mass to celebrate the work done by doctors, nurses, and other health care professionals. Join us to recognize them for all their dedication and service at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels on October 11.

<https://lacatholics.org/event/white-mass/>



ALL SOULS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIRECCIÓN

Isaías nos dice algo que ya sabemos, pero que parecemos olvidar de tanto en tanto. Nos dice, en esencia, que Dios es Dios y nosotros no lo somos. Cuando estamos confundidos, llenos de problemas y no podemos solucionarlo todo, tal vez sea sabio recordar a Isaías (alguien que está más en la sintonía divina que nosotros) hablando en nombre del Señor y explicando que Dios se mueve de maneras que ni siquiera podemos imaginar.

En comparación, san Pablo lo ha resuelto todo. Casi todo. Cuando menos entiende su llamado en esta vida: dar gloria a Cristo en todo lo que hace. Esto debería marcar el rumbo para nosotros. Jesús también nos marca el camino, explicándonos una vez más en la parábola de los viñadores que los últimos serán los primeros, y que los primeros serán los últimos.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Así como el cielo está muy alto por encima de la tierra, así son los caminos y los pensamientos de Dios sobre los nuestros (Isaías 55:6-9).

Salmo — El Señor está cerca de todos los que lo llaman (Salmo 145 [144]).

Segunda lectura — Cristo se magnificará a través de mí, sea que yo viva o que muera (Filipenses 1:20c-24, 27a).

Evangelio — Los últimos serán los primeros y los primeros serán los últimos (Mateo 20:1-16a).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Ef 4:1-7, 11-13; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Martes:	Prov 21:1-6, 10-13; Sal 119 (118):1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lc 8:19-21
Miércoles:	Prov 30:5-9; Sal 119 (118):29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lc 9:1-6
Jueves:	Ecl 1:2-11; Sal 90 (89):3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lc 9:7-9
Viernes:	Ecl 3:1-11; Sal 144 (143):1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lc 9:18-22
Sábado:	Ecl 11:9 — 12:8; Sal 90 (89):3-6, 12-14, 17; Lc 9:43b-45
Domingo:	Ez 18:25-28; Sal 25 (24):4-9; Fil 2:1-11

20 de septiembre del 2020

¿SABIA USTED?



Considere instalar un “salón de clases” para el uso seguro de internet

Si la escuela de su hijo/a distribuyó iPads o tabletas para ayudar en su educación a distancia este otoño, considere crear un lugar asignado en su casa donde su hijo/a use sus aparatos. Saber lo que su hijo/a está haciendo en línea se vuelve significativamente más fácil si él o ella está usando el aparato en la cocina, o en el salón familiar, un lugar abierto donde usted lo/la pueda supervisar frecuentemente. Aunque la escuela pueda haber instalado software para filtrar contenido básico y protecciones de acceso limitadas, los padres de familia deben revisar las protecciones del aparato antes de dejar que los niños lo usen. *Para obtener más información, visite <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.*

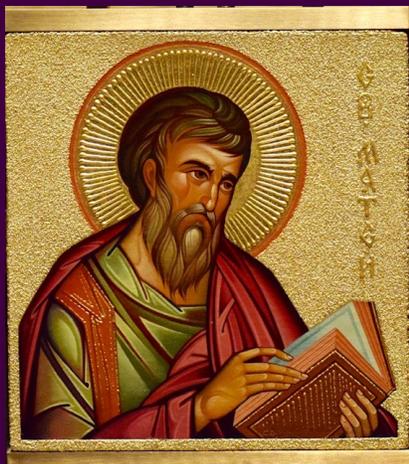
DIOS TUVO EN LA TIERRA
UN HIJO SIN PECADO
PERO NUNCA UNO
SIN SUFRIMIENTO

(SAN AGUSTÍN)

FRASES SOBRE LA CRUZ

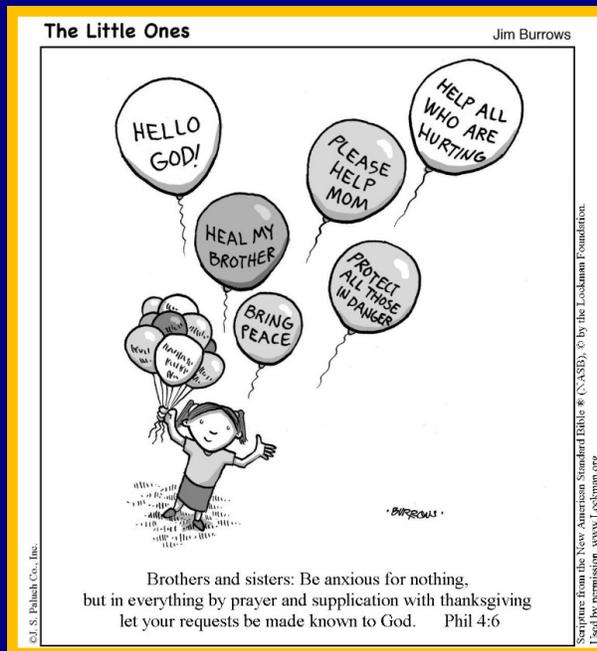


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Matthew was a Jew who worked for the occupying Roman forces, collecting taxes from other Jews. The Romans were not scrupulous about what the “tax farmers” got for themselves. Hence the latter, known as “publicans,” were generally hated as traitors by their fellow Jews. The Pharisees lumped them with “sinners” (see Matthew 9:11-13). So it was shocking to them to hear Jesus call such a man to be one of his intimate followers.

Matthew got Jesus in further trouble by having a sort of going-away party at his house. The Gospel tells us that many tax collectors and “those known as sinners” came to the dinner. The Pharisees were still more badly shocked. What business did the supposedly great teacher have associating with such immoral people? Jesus’ answer was, “Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. Go and learn the meaning of the words, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ I did not come to call the righteous but sinners” (Matthew 9:12b-13). Jesus is not setting aside ritual and worship; he is saying that loving others is even more important.



Tomorrow, Sunday, September 20, the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels will host the “Day in Recognition of All Immigrants” with two virtual Masses to raise awareness on immigration and to support the immigrant community. A Mass in Spanish will be held at 7:00 a.m. and a Mass in English will start at 10:00 a.m. Both will be livestreamed via [Facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com)

Este domingo 20 de septiembre, la Catedral de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles será el anfitrión de dos Misas virtuales con ocasión del “Día en Reconocimiento de todos los inmigrantes” cuyo objetivo es elevar la conciencia sobre inmigración y apoyar a nuestra comunidad inmigrante. Una Misa en español iniciará a las 7:00 a.m. y una Misa en inglés a las 10:00 a.m. Ambas serán transmitidas en vivo vía [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com)