

September 21, 2025 Twenty-fifth 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.

OFFICE MANAGER

Ms. Diep Dinh ddinh@allsouls-la.org

FIRST COMMUNION

Mikayla Medina

YOUTH CONFIRMATION COORDINATOR

> Vivian Vasquez Ext. 214

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

Or. Patrick Allison pallison@allsoulsla.org

OFFICE ASSISTANTS

Sofia Rua Merci Arguello Leticia Santisteban

Tel: 626-281-0466

1500 W. Main Street Alhambra, California 91801 Fax: (626) 281-2163 Website: allsouls-la.org

All Souls Catholic Church



PASTOR

Rev. Patrick Mbazuigwe PMbazuigwe@allsouls-la.org

PRIEST IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Anselm Amandikwa

· DEACON ·

Deacon. Eudoro Benalcazar

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

Funeral Services Diep Dinh Ext. 219

Altar Servers Rosario Garay (626)281-0466

Lectors Eng: Esperanza Canale (626)281-0466

Span: Eleana Benalcazar (626)281-0466

Ushers Darin Doerning/Jose Serna (626)281-3042

Sacristan Librado Mercado (626)281-0466

Wedding Eleana Benalcazar (626)281-0466

Quinceañeras Norma Gutierrez (626)281-0466

Assist. Director of Music Jerry Yslas (323) 919-1906

Eucharistic Ministers Lupe Valencia/Humberto G. (626)281-0466

RCIA Dn. Eudoro/Cathy Dorsey (626)281-0466

Aportolates & 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 Carmen Ramirez

Rosario de Misericordia — Angelina Farias

Our Lord's Mission Josephine Espinosa

St. Vincent de Paul Rosemary Gramajo

Amigos de Jesus Estela Murga

Filipino Ministry Rose Pichon

Young Adult Mtry. Leticia Urtecho

Youth Ministry Vivian Vasquez

Catholic Women's Ma Grace N. Tima

Association

Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:

Never will I forget a thing they have done! (Am 8:7)

Psalm

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor. (Ps 113)

Second Reading:

There is also one mediator between God and men,

the man Christ Jesus,

who gave himself as ransom for all. (1 Tm 2:5-6)

Gospel:

"No servant can serve two masters.

He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other.

You cannot serve both God and mammon." (Lk 16:13)

©LPi Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/

Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6 Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

Esperanza Canale Marcella Guerra Sylvia Mae Thomas

Sylvia Mae Thomas Palma Jones

Gloria Moore

Angelica Ruedas

Matthew Perez Gary Meraz

Jary Meraz

David A. Jr. & Family Lucy Tsang

Rosa Martinez

Ramirez Family

Wally & Becky Puente Cynthia Manriquez

William Gonzalez Joel Lopez

Guadalupe Nevarez Evelyn De Guzman Hortencia Palafox

Francis Araiza Rafael Garcia

Sonia Gorope

Annette Lopez Norma Ferriols

Carlos Moreno Gonzalez Victor Ramirez Salazar

Ethelyn Beltran Karen Katsumura Andrea Primicias

Ray Argueta & Family

Jose Crespo Joe Negrete

Cecilia Chow

Bernardina Castañeda

Reyes Family

Mercedes Tarrazona Fernando Torres Gerardo Duran Cidronio Abelar Yessenia Alvarez Juanita Madrigal Mark Venegas

Marco de la Garza

Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu

Elizabeth Pham

FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "C" – "How much do you owe my master?"

I started my company in college. I originally studied Interior Design but realized I hate it, and switched my major to Music. Music runs in the family on my mom's side. I knew though financially it wouldn't necessarily be a good idea to rely on it, so I started working freelance as a designer. Originally I was mostly doing website design, logos, business cards, posters, etc. One day, a client asked if I knew anyone who could do the coding side. I foolishly said "I bet I could figure it out". And so I started off charging \$20/hour, and only billing every 3rd hour because I was basically learning on the job: feverishly googling and hitting my head against the wall trying to figure everything out. But I kept getting better, and with every project I kept upping my rates. \$30, then \$50, \$60, \$70, \$100...

I got really lucky early on and was getting some high profile clients. Famous musicians, sports stars, rich millionaires and their companies. Then I started getting Universities, major corporations, federal government departments... I was getting some really amazing opportunities that I didn't want to turn down, but I had more work than I could handle by myself. I started a company in my last term of college, and started hiring people to work with me.

I ran that company for 7 years. We built some really crazy things like Minority Report style things, tools for making predictions about crime and health outbreaks. Self Driving car interfaces, next-gen Electronic Health Records and solutions to have them communicate with each other, hardware/software for providing healthcare in remote countries, and then a lot of things for startups, or just corporations as well. I once got a contract to hack ATM machines (for the company that made the ATM machines, nothing illegal was happening). That was fun.

I got really burned out from that though. Now, I have crazy hours, horrible clients, sometimes having to take boring or even bad projects just to stay afloat. I work in upper management at FAANG companies now. I like being able to focus on the people and not the business-y stuff. But I do miss the fulfillment that came from working on all those crazy projects. I really felt like I was doing something to make the world a better place. I guess I kind of still am, but it's different, more managing things that already exist than creating new things (Story shared on Reddit about successful entrepreneurs).

There are some people who are gifted with a knack for transforming their predicaments into a blessing. The steward in today's gospel story is one of them. It is easy to presume that he did not challenge the accusation leveled against him because he was guilty, but if we take into account that he lived and worked for a rich man at a time when a worker had no right to challenge his boss, then, we begin to appreciate the ingenuity of the steward.

Again, when the steward was accused of squandering his master's property, he neither got angry at his master nor at his accusers. All the steward did was to look into his own life. He decided to undergo a process of introspection in order to determine what is he is good at and what he could do to make the best use of his limited opportunities.

The steward did not resort to self-pity. He did not blame God for putting him in a predicament that could no longer serve his purpose. He did not blame his accusers nor did he blame those who come to buy grains from him. He avoided the three greatest enemy of a broken hearted person which are self-pity, anger and the blame game.

He accepted his predicament and refused to sugar-coat the condition he found himself.

Like the steward, we do not live a perfect world. We do find ourselves in situations we never prayed nor hoped for. What we do at such moments could reveal the depth and quality of our faith in God and in ourselves. However, if it is possible for a steward to use money which is mammon to secure a better future for himself, it is also possible for Christians to use the limited opportunities they have on earth to secure eternal life for themselves in heaven.

To be able to succeed in the midst of the challenging situations in life, Christians need to be faithful in the little and small things of life. Fidelity to small things prepares the children of God for the great things which only God offers to those who love Him.

We often put too much trust on earthly or material things, yet, in the hierarchy of values, material things have neutral values. What we do with material things is what makes our actions to become praiseworthy or blameworthy. Good use of material things is intimately connected to how much we could be entrusted with spiritual wealth which endures forever.

From the steward we learn the importance and the value of a good relationship. Building a good relationship with his customers gained for him the opportunities and blessings which he could not have achieved through a personal effort. If we could use material things to gain favors from human beings, how much more the blessings we shall gain by being faithful to the word of God and the promise of eternal life.

From the steward we learn that what matters in life is not what happens to us but how we respond to life's situations. Material wealth and life's problems could make or mar us depending on the use we make of them. Since we do not live in a perfect world, both life's problems and material things are mere tools for advancing the kingdom of God on earth.

In this lies the beauty and mystery of our faith. While the problems we encounter in life may not prevent us from building up the kingdom of God, the materials wealth which we value so much could become a greater obstacle in advancing the kingdom values. It was not until the steward found himself in an awkward situation did he see the need to use his position to build up a good relationship with others.

Therefore, Jesus did not praise the steward for being dishonest but for using what he has to gain what he needs. There is no perfect time to serve God. Like the steward, Christians live in a challenging world. Things may not always work out well for us but with the grace of God we have what we need to transform and use the problems we encounter in the world to build good relationships that promote the reign of peace, love, justice, truth, beauty, compassion, kindness and the integrity of every sentient being.

Finance Report

Mass Intentions

COLLECTION

TOTAL

Sept. 14, 2025

\$4,213.00

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

Did you Know?

As children get older, they begin to form more peer relationships, and today this growth also coincides with having more opportunities for private communication through technology, especially with mobile phones. Young people are often uncomfortable talking to adults about their relationships, particularly when it involves technology, because they fear raising concerns will lead to caregivers restricting access to their devices. However, positive relationships with adults help and empower youth to make safe and healthy choices, both on and offline. Netsmartz (https://www.missingkids.org/netsmartz) offers resources for keeping children and teens safe online, please visit https://www.missingkids.org/theissues/sextortion.



Receiving the Holy Communion

During Communion, once you have received the host, you must consume it immediately. If you return to your seat without consuming the host, an usher or Eucharistic minister may reach out to you to do so right away.

Como Recibir La Sagrada Communion

Para la comunión, una vez que haya recibido la hostia consagrada debe consumirla de inmediato. Si regresa a su asiento sin consumir la hostia, un ujier o ministro eucarístico puede acercarse a usted para decirle que lo haga de inmediato

| SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER | 20-2025 |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------------|
| 5:30pm | Hanna Caraway | Healing |
| | | |
| SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER | 21-2025 |
| 7:30am | Ying Kang Hua | Dec. |
| | Remy Ramirez | Healing |
| | | |
| 9:00am | Argüello Family | Thanksgiving |
| | Miryam Rosa Gomez | Dec. |
| 10:30am | Dominga Hernandez | Dec. |
| | Bernardo & Angelina Muñoz | Anniversary |
| 5:30pm | Rosa Ema Martinez | Dec. |
| 2.20pm | Dzung Ton | Healing |
| MONDAY | SEPTEMBER | 22-2025 |
| | | |
| 7:30am | Dzung Ton | Healing |
| | For the Souls in Purgatory | |
| TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER | 23-2025 |
| 7:30am | Dzung Ton | Healing |
| | Felipe Estrada | Birthday |
| WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER | 24-2025 |
| 7:30am | Juan Ramon Duron | Special Int. |
| | Josue & Jasmin Luna | Anniversary |
| THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER | 25-2025 |
| 7:30am | Dzung Ton | Healing |
| | Maria Rosa Cortes | Dec. |
| FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER | 26-2025 |
| 7:30am | | |
| | | |
| SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER | 27-2025 |
| 7:30am | William Howard Roach | Dec. |
| | | |

All Souls Catholic Church

¿Sabla usted?

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Pregunta de la 1ª Lectura:

Amós advierte a aquellos que explotan a los pobres y desfavorecidos que Dios recordará su codicia y corrupción. ¿Cómo podrías echar una mano esta semana a otras personas necesitadas?

Pregunta de la 2ª Lectura:

Pablo instruye a Timoteo sobre la necesidad de apertura y generosidad en la oración. ¿Qué crees que hace que una vida de oración sea fuerte?

Pregunta del Evangelio:

En la parábola del administrador deshonesto, los discípulos aprenden la importancia de la honestidad y la prudencia en la vida diaria. ¿Qué otras virtudes agregarías para la vida de un cristiano hoy en día?

©LPi

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Am 8, 4-7/Sal 112, 1-2. 4-6. 7-8 (ver 1. 7)/

1 Tim 2, 1-8/Lc 16, 1-13 o 16, 10-13

Lunes: Esd 1, 1-6/Sal 125, 1-2. 2-3. 4-5. 6/Lc 8, 16-18

Martes: Esd 6, 7-8. 12. 14-20/Sal 121, 1-2. 3-4. 4-5/Lc 8, 19-21 Miércoles: Esd 9, 5-9/Tob 13, 2. 3-4. 4. 7-8/Lc 9, 1-6

Jueves: Ag 1, 1-8/Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 y 9/Lc 9, 7-9 Viernes: Ag 1, 15—2, 9/Sal 42, 1. 2. 3. 4/Lc 9, 18-22 Sábado: Zac 2, 5-9. 14-15/Jr 31, 10. 11-12. 13/Lc 9, 43-45

Oración Para la Confianza

Jesús,

Con tu gentil misericordia, construye mi confianza. Ayúdame a creerte cuando dices que quieres el bien para mí. En cada temporada, dame gracia. En cada necesidad, sé mi respuesta.

Amén.

(C)LPi

A medida que los niños crecen, comienzan a establecer más relaciones con sus iguales, y hoy en día este crecimiento también coincide con el aumento de las oportunidades de comunicación privada a través de la tecnología, especialmente los teléfonos móviles. Los jóvenes a menudo se sienten incómodos hablando con adultos sobre sus relaciones especialmente cuando se trata de tecnología porque temen que el hecho de expresar sus preocupaciones resultará en la restricción del acceso a sus dispositivos. Sin embargo, las relaciones positivas con los adultos ayudan y empoderan a los jóvenes para que tomen decisiones seguras y saludables. Netsmartz (https://www.missingkids.org/netsmartz) ofrece recursos para mantener seguros a los niños y adolescentes en Internet. Visite https://www.missingkids.org/es/theissues/sextortion para más información.

Confesiones: Un llamado a la reconciliación



El Sacramento de la Reconciliación es una hermosa oportunidad para encontrarse con la infinita misericordia de Dios, recibir sanación y renovar nuestra relación con Él.

Las confesiones en nuestra parroquia de All Souls son: Todos los sábados a las 4:00 PM

Antes de la confesión, tomen un momento para reflexionar en silencio:

¿He puesto a Dios en primer lugar en mi vida? ¿He rezado diariamente y asistido fielmente a la Misa?

¿He hablado con dureza o herido a otros con mis palabras o acciones?

¿He mentido, chismeado o guardado rencor? ¿He actuado con egoísmo o ignorado a alguien que necesita ayuda?

Acto de Contrición

Dios mío, me arrepiento de todo corazón de haberte ofendido. Detesto todos mis pecados porque temo la pérdida del cielo y los tormentos del infierno, pero sobre todo porque te ofenden a Ti, mi Dios, que eres todo bueno y digno de todo mi amor. Propongo firmemente, con la ayuda de tu gracia, confesar mis pecados, hacer penitencia y enmendar mi vida. Amén.

GRUPO DE ORACION

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. Acompañenos!

FEAST DAY FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATE

Make plans to attend our Feast Day Festival on Sunday, November 2nd, from 8:30am to 3:00pm. This will be our parish's largest fundraising event of the year, along with the parish raffle.

Come to enjoy our ministries' various delicious cultural foods and thrilling entertainment.

Boutique vendors will have a variety of items for sale, from jewelry to holiday handmade items

You may support us by donating your time and/or funds to purchase supplies. We ask that these items be brought to the Pastoral Center

The raffle will feature a \$1,000 grand prize, a second prize of \$300, a third prize of \$200, and a fourth prize of \$100. Additionally, anyone who buys or sells five books of raffle tickets will earn one free entry into our bonus raffle of \$150. Each additional set of five books of raffle tickets bought or sold will earn you an additional entry into the bonus drawing.

You may turn in your raffle ticket stubs along with your cash/check in the envelope provided to the table outside, in the collection baskets, or to the Pastoral Center. Please do not turn in your money without the ticket stubs or ticket stubs without money attached.

We are also looking for volunteers to aid in the set up as well as cleaning during and after the event. We sincerely appreciate all your help.

We look forward to seeing all of you in the patio area at our Feast Day Festival for entire family fun. Thank you for your support!



SPECIAL COLLECTION

Gaza is in solemn need of our prayers and support as they face such devastating loss and tragedy within their country.

In solidarity with our suffering brothers and sisters, Archbishop Gomez has invited the faithful to join in support via a special collection. We thank you for your generosity and your prayers. [September 27 - 28]



EUCHARIS1 Minister

The LORD is calling YOU to serve His Body and Blood to the Congregation of All Souls. Be part of the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Ministry. YOU can begin training to serve the Lord's Body and Blood on Thursday, October 2, at 7 pm. If you would like to get information or sign up for this ministry, please visit the table outside the church or call Esperanza (Suqui) Canale at 626-289-2817.



The voice of the LORD is full of power! He is calling YOU to be HIS voice to the Congregation of All Souls. Be part of the Lector Ministry. You can begin training to be the Lord's voice on Wednesday, October 8. If you would like to get information or sign up for the Lector Ministry, please visit the table outside the church or call Esperanza (Suqui) Canale at 626-289-2817.