

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

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

ALL SAINTS DAY



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)

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PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Angelica Ruedas	Ethelyn Beltran
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Lucy Tsang	Ray Argueta & Family
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Rosa Martinez	Joe Negrete
Ramirez Family	Bernardina Castañeda
Wally & Becky Puente	Reyes Family
Cynthia Manriquez	Mercedes Tarrazona
Cecille Saguid	Delia Vargas
William Gonzalez	William Cardona
Joel Lopez	Gerardo Duran
Guadalupe Nevarez	Cidronio Abelar
Evelyn De Guzman	Yessenia Alvarez
Hortencia Palafox	Juanita Madrigal
Jerry Lopez	Mark Venegas
Francis Araiza	Marco de la Garza

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — John's vision of a vast throng from every nation and people, whose robes had been made white in the blood of the Lamb (Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — By God's love, we may be called God's children (1 John 3:1-3).

Gospel — The Beatitudes: your reward will be great in heaven (Matthew 5:1-12a).

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday:	Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Tuesday:	Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-32; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "A" "All Saints Day: Be human and Be Holy"

Last week I read a story on a group WhatsApp chat titled "Whose Father is He?" According to the story, "a beggar came asking for food, I told him to come around to the back door and asked him to sit on the floor while I went in to bring the leftover food.

I brought him food & said, let's pray. Now repeat after me, "Our FATHER, who art in Heaven." He said, "Your Father, who art in Heaven." I said "No, say OUR FATHER, who art in Heaven." He again said, "Your Father, who art in Heaven"!!!

This extremely irritated me! I asked why do you say 'Your' father when I said 'Our' Father?'

He said, "Sir, it's like this. If I say Our FATHER, then we both become brothers. If we are brothers, you would invite me in through the front door and not the back; you would ask me to sit at your dining table not on the floor; you'd also not give me stale food!

Sir, somehow it's not possible that we are sons of the same father!"

He may be YOUR Father, but he can't be OUR father!

Whose FATHER is He?

It took a beggar to teach me the truth!!!

GOD becomes our FATHER when we treat each other as brothers and sisters (Unknown author).

Anyone who truly believes that God is our father and treats others like our sisters and brothers is a saint. It is such a person that we are celebrating today whether formally recognized as a saint by the church or not.

Saints are not people from another planet. They are human beings with flesh and blood and who have experienced the ups and downs of life and yet remained faithful in their service to God and humanity.

Our church is a church of saints and sinners, yet, every member is a saint in the making. At the beginning of the church's history of making saints, only martyrs were found worthy of being canonized saints. This is because their courage and sacrifice approximates the life and sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross for the salvation of the world.

Recognizing others who lived a good life as candidates for sainthood was a later development in the history of the church. Following the emperor Constantine's declaration of Christianity as a licit religion, which brought an end to the killing of Christians, the church began to realize that there are many faithful Christians who have lived an exemplary life worthy of emulation, hence could also be admitted to sainthood.

Yet, at this stage only the priests and religious were formally declared saints in the Catholic Church. However, today, men, women, children both lay and ordained have been made saints. The list of saints in the Catholic Church includes Kings, doctors, teachers, movie stars, housewives, carpenters, cobblers, builders, etc. and it is thanks to our sudden realization that although the truth is one, many roads lead to it.

Today, we celebrate both the saints we know and the ones we do not know - people of goodwill everywhere who have lived lives that are pleasing to God. Since they have run the race to a faithful end, we the church militant celebrate their lives while at the same time call on them to pray for us that we may continue to live lives worthy of emulation.

To become a saint is to live a purpose driven life. This is a life that is meaningful and beautiful. In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells us in the Beatitudes, the simple things we could do to become saints – be poor in spirit, be meek, be merciful, be kind, hunger and thirst for righteousness, etc.

In this we see the beauty of the Christian faith – all the beatitudes are inter-connected and inter-related. The life of a saint is all embracing and this is why once one is declared a saint, the person becomes a citizen of the world. Since goodness has no boundary, the good for which the saints lived is embraced by people of goodwill all over the world.

Interesting to note is that no one can make himself or herself a saint. While they were living in the world, "saints" did not think of themselves as saints but as mere sinners seeking for repentance. It is others who see the good in them that go on to emulate their lifestyle and would go further to begin their process of canonization. This is then recognized and affirmed by the church with the seal of canonization.

The good news today is that the door of holiness is never closed. We are all called to become saints. Hence, in every generation the church is still inviting people of goodwill everywhere to embrace the path of holiness. Pope Francis once expressed it in a very dramatic way when he said,

"We need saints without cassocks, without veils – we need saints with jeans and tennis shoes. We need saints that go to the movies, that listen to music, that hang out with their friends. We need saints that place God in first place ahead of succeeding in any career. We need saints that look for time to pray every day and who know how to be in love with purity, chastity and all good things. We need saints – saints for the 21st century with spirituality appropriate to our new time. We need saints that have a commitment to helping the poor and to make the needed social change.

We need saints to live in the world, to sanctify the world and to not be afraid of living in the world by their presence in it. We need saints that drink Coca-Cola, that eat hot dogs, that surf the internet and that listen to their iPods. We need saints that love the Eucharist, that are not afraid or embarrassed to eat a pizza or drink a beer with their friends. We need saints who love the movies, dance, sports, theater. We need saints that are open, sociable, normal, happy companions. We need saints who are in this world and who know how to enjoy the best in this world without being callous or mundane. We need saints."

Finally, the saints are the wealth of the Catholic Church. Their prayers, wisdom, teachings and lifestyle have enriched and continue to enrich the church in every age. They were able to do the needful because of the strength they derived from their belief that God is our father and hence treated others as their sisters and brothers. True holiness is not lived in a vacuum but lived within the committee of human beings. How beautiful our world will become should you and I resolve today to become saints by calling God our Father and living like brothers and sisters in the world. Amen

All Souls Catholic Church

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Thanks for your participation! Thank you for answering your baptismal call to witness for mission on World Mission Sunday! Please continue to pray for missionaries, and for the people to whom they bring the "Good News" of Jesus. May God bless you for your generous missionary spirit!

¡Gracias por su participación! ¡Gracias por responder a su llamada bautismal para dar testimonio de una misión en el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones! Por favor, continúe orando por los misioneros y por las personas a quienes traen la "Buena Nueva" de Jesús. ¡Que Dios le bendiga por su generoso espíritu misionero!

Did You Know?



Families have been cooped up for months now during the COVID-19 pandemic, and studies have shown that many Americans are buying more beer and alcohol than usual to cope with related anxiety and stress. These same stresses may tempt teens and young adults to experiment with alcohol, especially if it is readily available. Talk to your children about the dangers of underage drinking, even if they plan to stay home. Model good behavior for your children, too; if you do drink alcohol, practice moderation and safe judgement. Consider locking your bar, or moving alcohol somewhere out of reach from your children. For more information, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

COUNTING CATHOLICS

Every October, every parish is asked by the Archdiocese to give a head count of Mass attendees.

We had counted our Mass attendees at last weekend's Masses, the 24th and 25th of October.

To get a more accurate count, we will also take a count at the Masses this weekend October 31st and November 1st.

The average of these two weekends will be the number we will send to the Archdiocese.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.



November 1, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31 2020

5:30PM	Gamal Tadros	Dec.
	Florante Richard Mancao	Dec.
	Vivian Rull	Dec.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2020

7:30AM	Joel, Antonio & Valentina Tiu	Dec.
	Dioscoro & Caridad Mancao	Dec.
9:00AM	Simeona Rosal	Dec.
	Julio Lopez	Dec.
	Bernard Sen Bin Yu Go	Dec.
10:30AM	All Holy Souls	
5:30PM	Exuperto & Praxedes Tejera	Dec.
	Torres Family	Dec.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2020

7:30AM	ALL SOULS DAY	
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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020

7:30AM	All Souls in Purgatory	
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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2020

7:30AM	Francisco Q. Gallardo	Dec.
	All Souls in Purgatory	
	Sheila Henderson	Birthday

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2020

7:30AM	Estefania Gomez	Dec.
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2020

7:30AM	Souls in Purgatory	

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2020

7:30AM	Souls in Purgatory	

LET US KEEP OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS
IN OUR PRAYERS.

BLESSING OF OUR MONUMENT

Today, Sunday, November 1, 2020, we will have a blessing of the monument that has been erected in front of our church. The blessing will occur immediately after the 9:00 am Mass.

One side features the Ten Commandments while the other side is inscribed with the Beatitudes. We hope that all who come upon this monument will try to model their lives upon the statutes that God Himself has given us as well as on the teachings and actions of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER FOR OUR NATION



Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city/state/country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.

We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, Men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.

We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.

We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit.

NUESTRA ESPERANZA Y LA PROMESA DE DIOS

La Iglesia usa estos días que se acortan y los cielos oscuros como el tiempo para recordarnos las postrimerías de la vida. La fiesta de hoy, la Solemnidad de Todos los Santos, es el centro de tres días que nos presentan las doctrinas que proclamamos cada vez que rezamos el Credo de los Apóstoles: “Creemos en la Iglesia católica, la comunión de los santos, el perdón de los pecados, la resurrección de los muertos y la vida perdurable”. Y mientras que los días y nuestro corazón parezcan oscuros, las lecturas de hoy están llenas de la luz de la fe. La visión de Juan en el libro del Apocalipsis revela ángeles resplandecientes y santos con túnicas blancas reunidos triunfantemente alrededor del trono de Dios. En el salmo responsorial cantamos sobre nuestro anhelo de ver el rostro de Dios, y en la segunda lectura, Juan escribe que somos hijos de Dios y que veremos a Dios “tal como es”. Esa es nuestra esperanza. Esa es la promesa de Dios. Hoy celebramos el triunfo de aquellos que ya contemplan el rostro de Dios. Mañana clamamos para que Dios tenga misericordia de los que están en el purgatorio, quienes, al igual que los que estamos todavía en la tierra, anhelan contemplar el rostro de Dios.

¿SABIA USTED?



Las familias han estado encerradas por meses durante la pandemia de COVID-19, y los estudios han demostrado que muchos estadounidenses están comprando más cerveza y alcohol de lo habitual para hacer frente a la ansiedad y el estrés relacionados con el encierro. Estas mismas tensiones pueden tentar a los adolescentes y adultos jóvenes a experimentar con el alcohol, especialmente si está fácilmente disponible. Hable con sus hijos sobre los peligros del consumo de alcohol por menores de edad, aunque ellos tengan planes de quedarse en casa. Modele también el buen comportamiento de sus hijos; si bebe alcohol, practique la moderación y el juicio prudente. Considere cerrar el bar con llave o colocar el alcohol en algún lugar fuera del alcance de sus hijos. Para obtener más información, visite <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Visión de Juan de una muchedumbre de todos los pueblos cuyas vestiduras habían sido blanqueadas con la sangre del Cordero (Apocalipsis 7:2-4, 9-14).

Salmo — Señor, este es el pueblo que espera ver tu rostro (Salmo 24 [23]).

Segunda lectura — Por el amor de Dios podemos ser llamados hijos suyos (1 Juan 3:1-3).

Evangelio — Las Bienaventuranzas: Su recompensa será grande en el cielo (Mateo 5:1-12a).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

- Lunes: Sab 3:1-9; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Rom 5:5-11 o 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, o lecturas de entre las Misas para los difuntos
- Martes: Fil 2:5-11; Sal 22 (21):26b-32; Lc 14:15-24
- Miércoles: Fil 2:12-18; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 13-14; Lc 14:25-33
- Jueves: Fil 3:3-8a; Sal 105 (104):2-7; Lc 15:1-10
- Viernes: Fil 3:17 — 4:1; Sal 122 (121):1-5; Lc 16:1-8

4 santos a quienes acudir en tiempos de soledad

Santa Rita de Casia
Santa patrona de las causas imposibles y de quienes atraviesan situaciones difíciles.

San Juan el Bautista
Vivió en el desierto en soledad y oración, preparándose para la venida del Señor.

Santa Catalina de Siena
Desde pequeña mostró un interés por la soledad y la oración como medios para estar cerca de Dios.

San Fustaquio de Antioquia
Fue exiliado debido a las herejías en Antioquia, viéndose obligado a abandonar a su pueblo.

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Nuestro libro de Misas esta disponible. Hoy mas que nunca, es bueno orar unos por otros y en comunidad. Para reservar una Misa, favor de llamar al Centro Pastoral.

The Church sets aside the month of November to remember in a special way the souls of all those who have gone before us. We especially pray for our loved ones, for our friends, for co-workers and for the most abandoned souls and for those souls closest to heaven.

We remember that our God is always with us as we are part of the Communion of Saints: the faithful on earth, the blessed in heaven, and the souls of the faithful departed. We bless You, O Lord. We praise You, and we give You glory.



La Iglesia reserva el mes de noviembre para recordar de manera especial las almas de todos los que nos han precedido. Oramos especialmente por nuestros seres queridos, por nuestros amigos, por los colaboradores y por las almas más abandonadas y por las más cercanas al cielo.

Recordamos que nuestro Dios está siempre con nosotros porque somos parte de la Comunion de los Santos: los fieles en la tierra, los bienaventurados en el cielo y las almas de los fieles difuntos. Te bendicimos, Señor. Te alabamos y te damos gloria.

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