

# 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 8, 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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## PARISH 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.

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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Gary Meraz	Cecilia Chow
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Lucy Tsang	Ray Argueta & Family
Eleanor Ciechoski	Jose Crespo
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** — Wisdom is easily discerned by those who love her (Wisdom 6:12-16).

**Psalm** — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

**Second Reading** — Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 [13-14]).

**Gospel** — Stay awake! You know neither the day nor the hour (Matthew 25:1-13).

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

**Monday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;  
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

**Tuesday:** Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29;  
Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday:** Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday:** Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25

**Friday:** 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18;  
Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday:** 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

**Sunday:** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5;  
1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

### 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "A" The Ten Virgins (Life Time Opportunities)

"A Missed Opportunity" is the title of a story about a brother and sister who arranged to meet at a café after not seeing each other for nineteen years.

She took her seat in the Rose Café and waited patiently. She didn't want to order until he arrived. Going by the clock on the wall she'd only be waiting five more minutes; that was if he was on time, of course.

She watched the people coming and going but there was no sign of him. Ten, fifteen, twenty minutes and he has still not turned up. She couldn't have missed him, not recognized him; there had been no unaccompanied men entering the café at all. The staff were starting to stare at her. She was taking up a seat, a table and had not yet ordered anything.

She went to the counter and bought coffee and a plate of cakes. Her brother had always had a sweet tooth and she doubted that would have changed, although how long was it since she had seen or spoken to him – must be close on twenty years. An awful lot could have changed in that time! She'd still recognize him though, surely.

But as she sat there waiting she realized that she had not even seen a photo for at least fifteen of those years. They'd know each other though; they were brother and sister.... As more time passed, she started to have her doubts.

He was an hour late now. She'd give him ten more minutes, just in case he'd got the hour wrong. It was typical though. He'd never been that reliable with dates, with keeping appointments, anything like that. When he'd phoned her out of the blue she had wondered if it was a joke, a hoax. But who in her life now would have even known about her brother? Nobody. She had never, ever mentioned him; not to her best friend, not even to her partner.

She got up to leave, the plate of cakes untouched on the table. She told herself that it didn't matter, that she didn't care. He must have just changed his mind. She walked out of the café and crossed the road.

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He arrived at the Café Rosa at exactly the right time. Spot on, in fact, which was unusual for him. He didn't know the area but the street was right; this had to be the place. A quick scan of the tables – there were a few lone women drinking tea or coffee, reading or texting. None of them could be his sister. They all looked way too young or far too old. She must have been held up.

She was always busy, his sister. When she was a teenager she always had somewhere to go or someone to see. Not for her the empty diary. When he'd peeked in it, just once, every day seemed to have something written in. She was good at time-keeping, at organizing her life. She wouldn't be long.

The waitress was hovering but he wasn't surprised. He had been sitting at one of their tables for fifteen minutes. He ordered coffee, black, no sugar. He thought about ordering cakes but didn't – he'd been off the sweet stuff for years and his sister had never been a fan. He could always order something else later on.

The time kept passing. He saw several possible candidates but was sure they weren't her. He'd recognize her, even after nineteen years. And anyway, none of them looked as though they were waiting for someone. No, she wasn't here. She hadn't shown up.

Perhaps he'd muddled up the hour. He'd give it a chance; after all he had already been sitting here waiting for forty-five minutes. Another fifteen would not make any difference. The hour passed with still no sign of her. She'd changed her mind, then. She hadn't sounded that eager when he'd phoned her, but still.... An arrangement was an arrangement. She must have changed. He'd never known her to just not bother about something before.

He'd give it ten more minutes. If she hadn't turned up then, fair enough. She'd have made her feelings clear and he would not bother her again. As he stood up he had one final glance around, just in case he'd missed her. But no, she wasn't there. He walked out of the café and crossed the road.

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If they had both looked up at the passers-by, brother and sister might have seen each other. At one stage on the crossing they were just inches apart walking in the opposite directions. If they had looked up, would they have recognized each other? Nineteen years is a long time, but who knows!

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Today's gospel story of the ten virgins is a story of a missed opportunity. To be selected a virgin to serve at a wedding ceremony is a thing of honor and at times it could be an opportunity of a lifetime. It is not only the highlight of a young maiden's life but also an opportunity to be presented to the society as a material for marriage. To miss out on such a rare opportunity is annoying and blameworthy.

In this gospel story, God is the One who invites us to the wedding of His beloved Son Jesus whose presence in the world is a banquet for all to enjoy and celebrate. The first ones invited were the Jewish people, who because of their familiarity with Jesus failed to make the necessary preparations for admission into the wedding banquet (the kingdom of God).

It is dangerous to be a one dimensional thinker like the foolish virgins who presumed to know when the bridegroom will arrive and so did not take extra oil. Their knowledge and observance of the law made the Jewish people to become proud of themselves, hence, did not look up to God for guidance. They were not open to the message of the gospel preached by Jesus and would often cling to their laws and tradition for solace.

We are not called to imitate the foolish virgins but to follow and be guided by the wisdom of the wise virgins who leave some room for mystery (the unknown) in their lives and in the world such that they were able to bring extra oil in case the bridegroom arrives late.

Today's gospel message invites us to embrace true wisdom. True wisdom opens our mind to the unknown and empowers us to love God, serve God in this life as to live with God in the life to come – the resurrection life, when we shall be welcome to dine with God in the heavenly banquet. All who nurse this hope are called to do more than what the law prescribes, to live in love which liberates the human mind from selfishness and one dimensional thinking.

In love there is no regret. There are no boundaries. Opportunities are explored and goodness is shared. It is not enough, therefore, to regret for not achieving certain things in life (foolish virgins). Let us rather be steadfast in celebrating the many good things that abound and by so doing reach out in love to all who need our love, care and compassion (wise virgins).

## FINANCIAL REPORT

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

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### An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

All Souls Parish continues to celebrate Mass every weekend. If you are unable to attend, you can join the Archdiocese's virtual Masses and recite this prayer to receive Communion.

## Did You Know?



We're living in uncertain times, and our anxiety about what is happening today, and will happen in the future, can trickle down to our children, making them anxious, too. This anxiety may manifest in new fears, such that a child becomes reluctant to try new things, or it may exacerbate existing fears, such that a child becomes even more anxious than before. Parents can help their children with anxiety by practicing techniques for deep breathing, ensuring regular exercise and talking honestly about feelings and concerns. For more tips, request a copy of the VIRTUS article "Techniques for Calming Anxiety for Youth" at <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

### CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

NOVEMBER 21

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ "*... to bring glad tidings to the poor ... liberty to captives ... sight to the blind, and let the oppressed go free.*" (Luke 4:18)

The belief that those who are directly affected by unjust systems and structures have the best insight into knowing how to change them is central to CCHD. CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S

### FOOD DISTRIBUTION



The next food distribution will take place on November 19, 2020.

November 8, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2020

5:30PM	Angelito Gan	Dec.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2020

7:30AM	Anni & Ernst Blasi	Dec.
	Noah Buluran	Birthday
9:00AM	Charles Rosario	Dec.
10:30AM	Juan Ramon Duron	Dec.
	Guadalupe Batres	Dec.
5:30PM	Emma Lowenberg	Sp. Int.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2020

7:30AM	All Souls in Purgatory	

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020

7:30AM	Eric Saucedo	Birthday

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2020

7:30AM	All Souls in Purgatory	

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2020

7:30AM	All Souls in Purgatory	

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2020

7:30AM	Genesis Barzallo	Birthday

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2020

7:30AM	All Souls in Purgatory	

LET US KEEP OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS  
IN OUR PRAYERS.

VETERANS DAY



Dear Lord,  
 Today we honor our veterans,  
 worthy men and women  
 who gave their best  
 when they were called upon  
 to serve and protect their country.  
 We pray that you will bless them, Lord,  
 for their unselfish service  
 in the continual struggle  
 to preserve our freedoms, our safety,  
 and our country's heritage, for all of us.

Bless them abundantly  
 for the hardships they faced,  
 for the sacrifices they made  
 for their many different contributions  
 to America's victories  
 over tyranny and oppression.  
 We respect them, we thank them,  
 we honor them, we are proud of them,  
 and we pray that you will watch over  
 these special people  
 and bless them with peace and happiness.  
 In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

VETERANS DAY

Please be advised that the Pastoral Center will be closed this Monday, November 9, 2020, in observance of Veterans Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. We apologize for the inconvenience. Thank you for your understanding.

We wish all of our veterans and those military men and women currently serving our country a blessed week.

We thank you for your service, and we love you all!!!

**ESPERAR LO INESPERADO**

Si alguna vez se te pasó por la mente que a Jesús le faltaba un poco del sentido del humor, el Evangelio de hoy destierra esa noción. La parábola de Jesús sobre las cinco jóvenes precavidas y las cinco jóvenes descuidadas es sumamente chistosa. Las circunstancias de la parábola sin duda resultaban familiares a los que escuchaban a Jesús, como lo son para nosotros. Las bodas nunca, nunca comienzan a la hora. Siempre hay un retraso. Botones que se caen al último minuto. Flores que se marchitan. Vehículos llenos de invitados atascados en el tráfico. Solistas que contraen laringitis. ¡Novias, novios o sacerdotes que llegan tarde! Así que la única manera razonable de encarar una boda es con buen sentido del humor, conscientes de que algo va a salir mal, y, cuando eso suceda, sonreír.

Jesús cuenta esta historia chistosa para alentarnos a que seamos vigilantes, sí; a estar preparados, sí. Pero no nos la cuenta para que nos amarguemos y nos ensombrecamos. Los apesadumbrados tiemblan, titubean, pierden de vista su lugar y propósito, y se quedan dormidos. Los festivos saben que sucederá lo inesperado —más que seguro— así que están despiertos en su puesto y listos para cumplir su propósito en el acto.

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**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** — La sabiduría la encuentran los que la buscan (Sabiduría 6:12-16).

**Salmo** — Mi alma está sedienta de ti, oh Señor, mi Dios (Salmo 63 [62]).

**Segunda lectura** — No se acongojen como los que no tienen esperanza (1 Tesalonicenses 4:13-18 [13-14]).

**Evangelio** — Las vírgenes necias no estaban preparadas para la llegada del novio (Mateo 25:1-13).

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Sal 46 (45):2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Martes:	Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Sal 37 (36):3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lc 17:7-10
Miércoles:	Ti 3:1-7; Sal 23 (22):1b-6; Lc 17:11-19
Jueves:	Fln 7-20; Sal 146 (145):7-10; Lc 17:20-25
Viernes:	2 Jn 4-9; Sal 119 (118):1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lc 17:26-37
Sábado:	3 Jn 5-8; Sal 112 (111):1-6; Lc 18:1-8

**¿SABIA USTED?**



Estamos viviendo en tiempo de incertidumbre, y nuestra ansiedad sobre lo que ocurre hoy y lo que pasará en el futuro, puede ser transmitida a nuestros hijos, poniéndolos ansiosos también. Esta ansiedad puede manifestarse en nuevos miedos, los cuales pueden llevar a que los niños se nieguen a probar cosas nuevas, o puede agravar sus miedos existentes, poniéndolos más ansiosos que antes. Los padres de familia pueden ayudar a sus hijos con la ansiedad, practicando técnicas de respiración profunda, implementando el ejercicio regularmente y hablando honestamente con ellos sobre sus sentimientos y preocupaciones. Para más consejos, solicite una copia del artículo de VIRTUS, “Techniques for Calming Anxiety for Youth” (Técnicas para calmar la ansiedad en los jóvenes) en <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.



**La Oficina de Vida Familiar y el Ministerio Maria Modelo de Vida para viudos-viudas y personas en Duelo les invita a sus reuniones virtuales para personas que han perdido a un ser querido.**

Algunos de los temas que se expondrán son:

- 1) El proceso del duelo.
- 2) La Aceptación de la realidad.
- 3) Los caminos del dolor.
- 4) Encuentra tu camino después de la muerte de tu ser querido.

*Puede participar en una o varias sesiones.*

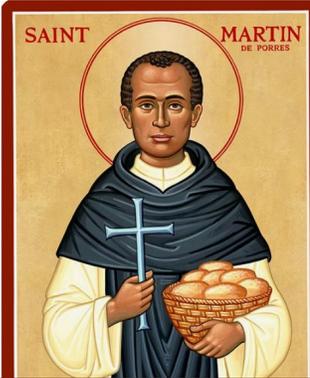
**Reuniones: Martes: a las 6:00 PM.**

Le gustaría participar? comuníquese con:

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St. Martin de Porres was born in Lima, Peru on December 9, 1579. At a young age, Martin's father abandoned him, his mother and his younger sister, leaving Martin to grow up in deep poverty.

As Martin grew older, he experienced a great deal of ridicule for being of mixed-race. In Peru, by law, all descendants of African or Indians were not allowed to become full members of religious orders. Martin, who spent long hours in prayer, found his only way into the community he longed for was to ask the Dominicans of Holy Rosary Priory in Lima to accept him as a volunteer who performed the most menial tasks in the monastery. In return, he would be allowed to wear the habit and live within the religious community. When Martin was 15, he asked for admission into the Dominican Convent of the Rosary in Lima and was received as a servant boy and eventually was moved up to the church officer in charge of distributing money to deserving poor.

During his time in the Convent, Martin took on his old trades of barbering and healing. He also worked in the kitchen, did laundry and cleaned. After eight more years with the Holy Rosary, Martin was granted the privilege to take his vows as a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic by the prior Juan de Lorenzana who decided to disregard the law restricting Martin based on race.

During an epidemic in Lima, many of the friars in the Convent of the Rosary became very ill. Locked away in a distant section of the convent, they were kept away from the professed. However, on more than one occasion, Martin passed through the locked doors to care for the sick. However, he became disciplined for not following the rules of the Convent, but after replying, "Forgive my error, and please instruct me, for I did not know that the precept of obedience took precedence over that of charity," he was given full liberty to follow his heart in mercy.



ELECTIONS

God of power and might, wisdom and justice, through you authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment is decreed. Assist with your spirit of counsel and fortitude the President and other government leaders of the United States.

May they always seek the ways of righteousness, justice and mercy. Grant that they may be enabled by your powerful protection to lead our country with honesty and integrity.

**Our 2020  
Mass Intention Book**  
is available for Mass  
dedications.

**This is a beautiful way  
to pray for our loved  
ones or intercede for a  
special cause.**

*Please visit our Pastoral Center to place your Mass Intention.*