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## 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.

November 28, 2021

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### Pastoral Center Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-7pm

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

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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.

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)

# OFFICE OF LITURGY

<b>Funeral Services</b>	Diep Dinh	Ext. 219	<b>Sacristan</b>	Librado Mercado	(626)281-0466
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<b>Ministry of the Sick</b>	Larry Dumont	<b>Guadalupanos</b>	Marina Ramirez
<b>Safeguard the Children</b>	Irene Oaxaca	<b>Rosario de Misericordia</b>	Angelina Farias
<b>Bereavement Ministry</b>	Diep Dinh	<b>Our Lord's Mission</b>	Josephine Espinosa
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Salvador Agudo	<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	Pearl Martinez
<b>Cursillos in Christianity</b>	Aida Gonzalez	<b>Encuentro Matrimonial</b>	Victor Pla
<b>English Bible Study</b>	Sheila Henderson-Linan	<b>Amigos de Jesus</b>	Estela Murga
<b>Spanish Bible Study</b>	Maria de Jesus Martinez	<b>Filipino Ministry</b>	Rose Pichon
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Frank Bodeman	<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Leticia Urtecho

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## TODAY'S READINGS

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Loan Le	Ethelyn Beltran
Angelica Ruedas	Karen Katsumura
Matthew Perez	Andrea Primicias
Pilar Garza	Cecilia Chow
Gary Meraz	Erik Lifrak
David A. Jr. & Family	Ray Argueta & Family
Lucy Tsang	Jose Crespo
Eleanor Ciechoski	Joe Negrete
Rosa Martinez	Bernardina Castañeda
Ramirez Family	Reyes Family
Wally & Becky Puente	Mercedes Tarrazona
Cynthia Manriquez	Delia Vargas
William Gonzalez	Fernando Torres
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
Rafael Garcia	Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu

**First Reading** — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).

**Psalm** — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — May the Lord make you increase and abound in love that you may be blameless in holiness; conduct yourselves so as to please God

(1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

**Gospel** — There will be signs and you will see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. Be vigilant (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;

Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6;

Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11;

Lk 3:1-6

**First Sunday of Advent, Year "C"**

**"Stand Erect and Raise Your Heads"**

Human life on earth is full of expectations and surprises, some are pleasant and others are not. There have been times when we are not happy with the way things are and wish that things may change for good, something exciting to happen – something out of the ordinary and we do not know how to go about it. Writing on "Unexpected Surprises" Hamilton Spectator says "The real surprise is when the wish unexpectedly comes true. I never believed that something like this could ever happen to me; such a thing that would make me stop and look back at the events in awe. I think you would agree that something as simple as being lost in the forest for less than ten minutes should have no influence on my life. If you do agree, that makes both of us wrong."

The Advent story is a story of an unexpected but pleasant surprise. It is a story of an incredible event in which God takes the initiative to reach out to transform a broken world and a fallen humanity. This is the story of the incarnation of God – God assumes flesh to live among us.

The Advent season is four weeks of preparation for the celebration of this incredible event – the incarnation of God on Christmas Day and the Second Coming of the Lord to render justice and establish the reign of peace in the world. The right attitude for this holy season is to live in joyful hope and not to live in fear. We live in hope because the assurance that God is still in charge and has not abandoned the world to its own fate is renewed during this season.

This holy season of grace provides the faithful a rare opportunity to relive the experience of people of faith in history who longed for the renewal of the face of the earth. These are men and women who are not satisfied with the status quo but rather long for a better world where justice and peace shall reign supreme. This is an honest desire for a world where love is not lived as mere tolerance but where love is exercised in acts of pure selfless sacrifice.

The Advent season is both the beginning of a new liturgical season and the beginning of a new life of grace – lived in joyful hope. This season is informed by our hope and belief that a better world is possible. During this season, therefore, people of faith are invited to embark on a journey of sacrifice and self discovery to enable us to live to the full our potentialities which still lies hidden, dormant and unexplored.

During this holy season of Advent, believers are called to make real the prophetic promise of Jeremiah in today's first reading – "The days are coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel." This promise is made to the people of God (Isra-el) and not only to Israel as a nation. Hence, in any generation, place or nation where people live and honor God with their whole heart and mind, God endows them with the grace and power to do what is "right and just in the land."

More than at any time in human history is the clamor for the reign of justice in our world. Ours is a world that spends time, energy and talent to build the Rover to explore the possibility of life in Mars, while, we are busy destroying the life we have on earth. Today, the probability of human beings destroying the world is truer than the possibility of having a torrential rainfall in Los Angeles before the end of the year.

The Gospel message makes it clear to us that God knows the truth about our world and still wants us to live in joyful hope. When Jesus says in today's Gospel, "Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap," Jesus is not asking us to live in fear of the end of the world or the Judgment Day. Jesus is rather giving us the recipe of a successful life in this world and in the world to come.

The life of vigilance, which Jesus calls for today is a daily walking with Jesus in both good and bad times. We always hope and pray for good times because it is easier to praise God when things are going well for us. It is not easy to praise God when we are sick, poor and hopeless, yet, in all these we are called to become an Advent people – a people of courage, hope and love.

We are truly an Advent people when our will and desire is aligned with God's will for us. At this level of existence "ends" and "beginnings" disappear, and God will be all in all.

The Advent season, thus challenges us to live for higher values. During this season, Christians may go shopping for gifts like every other people but the purpose for which we do these things are not earthly but heavenly. We may be victims of mass shooting and fire disaster, yet, we do not lose sight of God's power to save us. By sharing God's love with friends and family especially during this holy season, we lift up our minds and hearts to God who is the giver of all that is good.

Advent is a season of prayer – "to pray that we have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man." We do not pray to change the mind of God, but as we engage in conversation with God, we lift up our broken world, family and life to the God who has what it takes to renew the face of the earth. We do this because salvation history has time and time again proven that God is worthy of trust.

It is our hope and expectation that as Christians all over the world embark on Advent journey, our parish family may cease the opportunity of this season of grace to join men and women of goodwill to open up our hearts and minds to the beauty and truth revealed in the incarnation of God in Jesus – that God did not abandon the world to its fate. This is the cause of our joy and it is for this reason that we are called to prepare for the coming of the messiah.

Maranatha – Come Lord Jesus. Amen

## All Souls Catholic Church

### FINANCIAL REPORT

*Thank you for your generosity and support .*

#### 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

COLLECTION 11-14-2021

TOTAL: \$5,572.50

## Support Our Youth

This is a call to all of our parishioners. If you have items in good/usable condition that you would like to donate, we would love for you to consider bringing them to our parish. These donations are of great help to our Youth Ministry.

All donations can be placed by the back of the Parish Center. Please look for the sign pointing to the designated area.

Thank you, in advance, for your support and donations!!!



## TUNE IN

**THE SACREDHEART RETREAT HOUSE  
PODCAST OFFERS PRAYERFUL  
REFLECTIONS FROM RETREAT MASTERS,  
JOIN THEM VIA PODBEAN**

<https://shrh.podbean.com/>

## Did You Know?



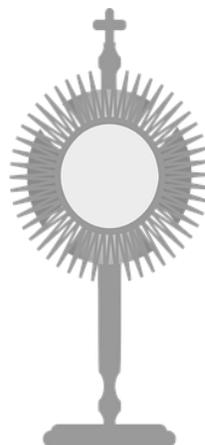
Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that is often undetected. More than 400 people in the U.S. die every year from unintentional carbon monoxide poisoning, and thousands more are hospitalized. When gas builds up in enclosed spaces, people or animals who breathe it in can be poisoned. Consider installing a battery-operated carbon monoxide detector, and have your furnace, water heater, and other gas or coal-burning appliances serviced regularly, along with your chimney. For more information, visit <https://www.nsc.org/home-safety/safety-topics/other-poisons/carbon-monoxide>.

## MASS INTENTIONS



**Our Book of Mass Intentions is available. If you would like to dedicate a Mass to a loved one or a special cause, please call our Pastoral Center.**

### Visit our Adoration Chapel



Every minute that we spend in adoration of our Lord deepens your relationship with Him. Take a break from the worries of the world and come spend some time with Him in silent meditation. Our Adoration Chapel is open the same hours as our Pastoral Center. Visit us.

**NOVEMBER 28, 2021**  
**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

5:30pm	Pedro & Eric Gan	Dec.
	Tseng, Ke Chin & Zi Kit	Dec.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

7:30am	Ubaldo Lopez	Dec.
	Joyce Chen	Healing
	Margie Mena	Dec.
9:00am	Monsignor William O'Toole	Dec.
	Peace and Love for the Fobi Fam.	Sp. Int.
	Aurora Salonga	Dec.
	Livio Pizzinat	Dec.
10:30am	Nicolas Caracciolo	Dec.
	Maria Dorotea Carcamo	Dec.
	Consuelo Ramirez	Dec.
5:30pm	Joseph Elijah Pablico	Dec.
	Vicente & Mary Valencia	Dec.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

7:30am	Fobi Disan & Family	Sp. Int.
	Souls in Purgatory	

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

7:30am	All Souls in Purgatory	
	Angelita Quan	Dec.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**

7:30am	Andy De La Rosa	Birthday
	Dante & Dionesia Rodriguez	Dec.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2**

7:30am	Lucio Muñoz	Dec.
	YuYu Paul Hei	Dec.
	Jonathan & Omar Ojeda	Birthday

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3**

7:30am	Joel Francis Tiu	Dec.
	Lynn & Edwin Rodriguez	Dec.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4**

7:30am	Departed Members of Sanchez Family	Dec.
	Carmen Ng	Dec.
	Peter Nicolas Licardo	Dec.



**HOLY HOUR**

Join us for an our of meditation in the presence of Jesus.  
 Everyone is invited. The service is bilingual.

**December 3, 2021**

We will meet in the church from 7:00pm to 8:00pm.



*Two Thousand  
 Hail Mary  
 Devotion*

Our Filipino Ministry is continuing the powerful intercessory devotion of the 2000 Hail Mary's. Everyone is invited to join and ask for Mother Mary's graces as special intentions are presented to her Son, Jesus Christ.

We will meet at the Parish Hall on Saturday, December 4, 2021 at 8:00 am.

See you soon.

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR  
 HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than thirty-eight million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd).

**CONFIANZA VIGILANTE**

Nosotros, la Iglesia, entramos al Adviento y al Año Nuevo litúrgico con una llamada a la confianza vigilante. En su origen, nuestras lecturas estaban destinadas para comunidades que sufrían de grandes pérdidas y confusión. Jeremías habla con la confianza de que Dios cumplirá las promesas antiguas a Israel, incluso en tiempos de invasión extranjera. Pablo habla de cómo Dios guía a la Iglesia hacia la santidad, mientras que la comunidad anhela la venida de Jesús. En el pasaje del Evangelio de Lucas, Jesús habla de señales poderosas y de una gran confusión que se avecinan, pero enfatiza que podemos ver hacia delante sabiendo que Dios no trae motivos para la desesperación, sino para la esperanza. Celebramos el Adviento para recordarnos de la fidelidad de Dios. Debemos de estar atentos para ver cómo Dios despierta a nuestro mundo. Dios agita tanto nuestro orgullo como nuestro exceso de confianza, y nos trae sanación y justicia. Nos preparamos para dar la bienvenida a Jesús, seguros de que Dios cumple todas sus promesas divinas.

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**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** — Se acercan los días cuando el Señor cumplirá su promesa que hizo a Israel y a Judá

(Jeremías 33:14-16).

**Salmo** — A ti, Señor, levanto mi alma (Salmo 25 [24]).

**Segunda lectura** — Que el Señor los llene y los haga rebosar de amor para que sean irreprochables en santidad; pórtense de tal manera que complazcan a Dios (1 Tesalonicenses 3:12 — 4:2).

**Evangelio** — Habrá señales y verán al Hijo del hombre venir con gran poder y majestad. Estén alerta

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: Is 2:1-5; Sal 122 (121):1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Martes: Rom 10:9-18; Sal 19 (18):8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Miércoles: Is 25:6-10a; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Jueves: Is 26:1-6; Sal 118 (117):1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

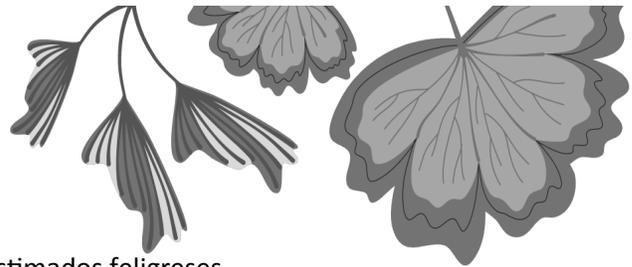
Viernes: Is 29:17-24; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Sábado: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Sal 147 (146):1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Domingo: Bar 5:1-9; Sal 126:1-6; Fil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lc 3:1-6

**¿SABIA USTED?**

El monóxido de carbono es un gas inodoro e incoloro que a menudo no se detecta. Más de 400 personas en los Estados Unidos mueren cada año por envenenamiento involuntario por monóxido de carbono y miles más son hospitalizadas. Cuando el gas se acumula en espacios cerrados, las personas o los animales que lo respiran pueden envenenarse. Considere la instalación de un detector de monóxido de carbono que funcione con baterías y haga revisar su horno, calentador de agua y otros aparatos que funcionen con gas o carbón con regularidad, junto con su chimenea.



Estimados feligreses,

Agradecemos sus generosas donaciones a la iglesia. Cada una de sus aportaciones nos ayuda a llevar a cabo nuestra labor pastoral. Estamos realmente bendecidos con su apoyo. Hoy, nos gustaría informar amablemente a nuestra comunidad que a medida que se hacen las donaciones, es importante que nuestro Pastor se mantenga completamente informado. Si bien algunos donantes pueden desear permanecer en el anonimato para los feligreses, cada donación recibida en nombre de All Souls Parish debe ser conocida por el párroco. No se le debe ocultar ninguna donación. Ninguna persona o grupo de la iglesia puede aceptar una donación para la parroquia si el donante desea permanecer en el anonimato para el pastor. Gracias por su comprensión en este importante asunto.

**PROXIMAMENTE**

Retiro en Español aquí en nuestra parroquia los días 17, 18, 19 de diciembre. Los horarios por día serán de 7—8:30pm. Favor de ir apartando la fecha. Nos encantaría su asistencia.

Una buena liturgia siempre tiene en cuenta el contexto de la comunidad creyente y su entorno. A la luz de lo que ha estado sucediendo en nuestras caóticas vidas, ¿cómo podríamos prepararnos mejor para la venida del Señor este año? En este retiro, exploraremos algunas ideas que pueden ayudarnos en este esfuerzo



ADVENT REATREAT AT ALL SOULS

December 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

We cordially invite you to join us and take part in this enriching experience for the spirit.

Good liturgy always takes into consideration the context of the believing community and its environs. In light of what has been happening in our chaotic lives, how might we best prepare for the coming of the Lord this year? In this retreat, we will explore some ideas that can assist us in this endeavor. Our presenter will be Fr. Jim Clarke. Call our Pastoral Center to register! Admission Cover: FREE

COMING SOON

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE



December 15

7:00PM

It is a tradition of All Souls Church to have families from our community light the candles during the Advent season. If you would like your family to be part of this beautiful tradition, please visit our Pastoral Center to choose a Mass and leave your information.



A Word On Donations

Dear Parishioners,

We appreciate your generous donations to the church. Every single one of your contributions helps us carry out our pastoral work. We are truly blessed by your support. Today, we would like to kindly inform our community that as donations are made, it's important that our pastor is fully informed. While some donors may wish to remain anonymous to the parishioners, every donation received on behalf of All Souls Parish must be made known to the pastor. No donations should be kept from him. No person/church group may accept a donation on behalf of the church if the donor's wishes are to remain anonymous to the pastor. Thank you for your understanding on this important matter.

RETIRO DE ADVIENTO

Acompáñenos en nuestro Retiro de Adviento el 17, 18, 19 de diciembre. Los horarios por día serán de 7—8:30pm. El presentador será el P. Jim Clarke y es totalmente gratis.

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Llame a nuestro Centro Pastoral para apartar su lugar.