



All Souls Catholic Church



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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 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)

February 22, 2026
First Sunday of Lent

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.

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Young Adult Mtry.	Leticia Urtecho
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Catholic Women's Association	Ma Grace N. Tima



Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life. (Gn 2:7)

Psalm:

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. (Ps 51)

Second Reading:

For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so, through the obedience of the one, the many will be made righteous. (Rom 5:19)

Gospel:

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights. (Mt 4:1-2)

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FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

"The Temptations of Jesus"

Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7, Rom 5:12-19, Matt 4:1-11

Toad baked some cookies. "These cookies smell very good," said Toad. He ate one. "And they taste even better," he said. Toad ran to Frog's house. "Frog, Frog," cried Toad, "taste these cookies that I have made."

Frog ate one of the cookies, "These are the best cookies I have ever eaten!" said Frog.

Frog and Toad ate many cookies, one after another. "You know, Toad," said Frog, with his mouth full, "I think we should stop eating. We will soon be sick."

"You are right," said Toad. "Let us eat one last cookie, and then we will stop."

Frog and Toad ate one last cookie. There were many cookies left in the bowl.

"Frog," said Toad, "let us eat one very last cookie, and then we will stop." Frog and Toad ate one very last cookie. "We must stop eating!" cried Toad as he ate another.

"Yes," said Frog, reaching for a cookie, "we need will power." "What is will power?" asked Toad. "Will power is trying hard not to do something you really want to do," said Frog.

"You mean like trying hard not to eat all these cookies?" asked Toad. "Right," said Frog. Frog put the cookies in a box. "There," he said. "Now we will not eat any more cookies."

"But we can open the box," said Toad. "That is true," said Frog. Frog tied some string around the box. "There," he said. "Now we will not eat any more cookies."

"But we can cut the string and open the box," said Toad. "That is true," said Frog. Frog got a ladder. He put the box up on a high shelf.

"There," said Frog. "Now we will not eat any more cookies." "But we can climb the ladder and take the box down from the shelf and cut the string and open the box," said Toad.

"That is true," said Frog. Frog climbed the ladder and took the box down from the shelf. He cut the string and opened the box. Frog took the box outside. He shouted in a loud voice. "Hey, birds, here are cookies!" Birds came from everywhere. They picked up all the cookies in their beaks and flew away.

"Now we have no more cookies to eat," said Toad sadly.

"Not even one." "Yes," said Frog, "but we have lots and lots of will power." "You may keep it all," Frog, said Toad. "I am going home now to bake a cake." (Ray & Anne Ortlund, *Renewal*, Navpress, 1989, p. 73-74).

Writing about temptation, Fairbairn said that temptation is a "seduction to evil, solicitation to wrong. It stands distinguished from trial thus: trial tests, seeks to discover the man's moral qualities or character; but temptation persuades to evil, deludes, that it may ruin. The one means to undeceive, the other to

deceive. The one aims at the man's good, making him conscious of his true moral self; but the other at his evil, leading him more or less unconsciously into sin. God tries; Satan tempts."

It is no coincidence that the gospel reading for the first Sunday of Lent is always on the temptations of Jesus. Temptation is real. It is an inevitable aspect of life. Faced with temptation or looking at someone who is tempted or has fallen into temptation, we may lose sight of the effort one has made before falling into temptation. A victim of abortion once told me, "Father, even while lying on the abortion table I was hoping someone could shout 'don't do it'"

The temptations of Jesus provide us the recipe for dealing with the temptations we encounter in life – **Jesus was a prayerful person**. Prayer does not keep us immune to temptation but it empowers us to deal with it. Just like the paper bag we use to carry things from the grocery store, if the bag is empty, wherever the wind blows it goes with it. However, if the bag is full of stuff from the grocery store, when the wind blows, it will only shake its handle but will not blow the bag away. Such is the person who prays; temptations will come but will not blow him away.

Jesus anchored himself to God – the source of true and reliable strength. Just like the cruise or cargo ship, big or humungous though it may be, when the ship is in the high seas it could be tossed around by the ocean waves but the ship is able to dock because it is anchored. No matter the strength of the wave, an anchored ship remains safe. Such is the person who is anchored to God. The problems of life may challenge us but when we are anchored to God, there is always a way to handle these problems and challenges.

Jesus kept things simple. The devil complicates things. In the end the simple person always wins. How beautiful our world would become if we decide to keep life simple. We spend so much time and energy building structures and organigrams that complicate life. In the end we lose sense of what really matters in life. As we lose sense of what matters in life, we lose the sense of value, hence, right becomes wrong and wrong is mistaken for what is right. In the midst of the complexities of life, we need to keep life simple in order to remain focus on the true goal of life. For, although many roads exist, not all roads lead to our desired destination, which is heaven.

Jesus is not prone to taking the easy way out. Get-rich-quick and die-quick mentality or success at all cost could make us to fall prey to temptation. Ordinarily, there is nothing wrong with making stones become bread. We have often longed for a world where we may not need to work or labor again; a world full of bread and honey for all to eat and be satisfied. Wouldn't it be awesome to have a world where there will be no hungry person in the land? We often worry about the food to eat, but Jesus wants us to be more concerned with the salvation of our souls. An abundance of food does not translate into a good life. At the end of the day what counts is not the quality or quantity of food we eat but how much we have endeavored to do the will of God.

Just like the frog and the toad, we live in a world where there are cookies to eat and share. Cookies are not meant to tempt us but still could lead to temptation. Some temptations may be subtle like changing stone into bread, some are dramatic like falling from the parapet since nothing will harm us, while some are challenging like bowing down to worship the devil. No matter the kind of temptation we may face in life, heaven knows about the daily choices we make. It is only those who are willing to sacrifice all for the greater glory of God that shall rise with Jesus on Easter Sunday.



Finance Report

Mass Intentions

COLLECTION

February 15, 2026

TOTAL

\$ 4,772.00

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

Did you know?

Domestic violence has many forms, including emotional, financial, physical, and sexual abuse. Research on children who live in homes with domestic violence shows that there can be long-standing consequences to a child's health. Twenty-six states have passed laws protecting children who witness domestic violence. Children who grow up seeing violence between parents often struggle in their own relationships later in life. The single greatest predictor of whether children will grow up to be perpetrators of domestic violence is whether they witness it themselves as children. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Domestic Violence, Part 1" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.



All are invited to spend quiet time in prayer and adoration in our parish Adoration Chapel. Whether you come for five minutes or an hour, this is a beautiful opportunity to rest in the presence of our Lord, offer your intentions, and deepen your relationship with Him.

Experience the peace and grace that come from simply being with Jesus.

"Couldn't you men keep watch with me for one hour?"

SATURDAY	FEBRUARY	21-2026
5:30pm	Dy, Tek Pin, & Pilar	Dec.
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY	22-2026
7:30am	All Souls in Purgatory	
	Rosauro Lalo Vasquez	Dec.
9:00am	Rufina Argüello	Birthday
10:30am	Carlos Moreno Gonzalez	Dec.
	Tomasa Montiel Mejia	Healing
5:30pm	Angel D. Shwe	Dec.
	Sara Dillon	Dec.
MONDAY	FEBRUARY	23-2026
7:30am	Jazelle Sarmiento	Birthday
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY	24-2026
7:30am	Angela Katigbak	Dec.
	Maria Rodriguez	Sp. Int.
	Sergio Sarmiento	Birthday
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY	25-2026
7:30am	Pel Bacani	Dec.
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY	26-2026
7:30am	All Souls	Sp. Int.
	Julio Obong Acuesta, Sr.	Dec.
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY	27-2026
7:30am	Rogelia Limcolioc	Dec.
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY	28-2026
7:30am	Fr. Paul Lee	Dec.
	Alfredo Llanillo	Dec.

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Pregunta de la 1ª Lectura

El Génesis revela que desde el principio la serpiente (el diablo) desea atraernos y atraparnos para que desobedezcamos a Dios. ¿Puedes pensar en algunas mentiras que la serpiente le está diciendo a la gente hoy?

Pregunta de la 2ª Lectura

Pablo argumenta que la obediencia de Jesús a Dios nos trajo el don de vida y libertad. ¿Cómo te ves obedeciendo a Dios?

Pregunta del Evangelio

La temporada de Cuaresma comienza cada año con la historia del diablo tentando a Jesús en el desierto. Al comenzar los 40 días de Cuaresma, ¿qué tentaciones estas dispuesto a confrontar?

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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Bendición Cuaresmal

Bendícenos en Tu misericordia, Señor, al entrar en estos 40 Días de Cuaresma.

Usa este tiempo para llamarnos, ungrinos, unirnos, fortalecernos e inspirarnos de nuevo.

Como un buen pastor, enséñanos Tu voz y danos la fuerza para seguirla.

Amén.

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La violencia doméstica puede ser de muchas formas, como abuso emocional, económico, físico y sexual. Los estudios sobre los niños que viven en hogares con violencia doméstica han demostrado que crecer en este entorno puede tener consecuencias a largo plazo para la salud del niño. Veintiséis estados han aprobado leyes que protegen a los niños que son testigos de violencia doméstica. Los niños que crecen viendo violencia entre sus padres suelen tener dificultades en sus propias relaciones más adelante en la vida. El principal factor que permite predecir si un niño se convertirá en perpetrador de violencia doméstica es si ha sido testigo de la misma violencia durante su infancia. Para mayores informes lea el artículo de VIRTUS® "Domestic Violence, Part 1" (Violencia doméstica, parte 1) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

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!

LIBRO DE INTENCIONES 2026



Nuestro nuevo Libro de Intenciones ya está disponible en el Centro Pastoral. Ofrecer una Misa por un ser querido—ya sea en acción de gracias, por su salud o en memoria de quien ha partido—es una de las tradiciones más hermosas de nuestra fe. Una dedicación de Misa une nuestras oraciones con toda la Iglesia y lleva consuelo y gracia tanto a los vivos como a los difuntos.



Stations of the Cross

DATE	ENGLISH	SPANISH	SOUP
Feb. 20th	RICA/SP. LECTORS	RICA/SP. LECTORS	RICA/SP. LECTORS
Feb. 27th	AMIGOS DE JESUS	AMIGOS DE JESUS	AMIGOS DE JESUS
March 6th	EL SHADDAI	CURSILLO	EL SHADDAI
March 13th	CONFIRMATION	CONFIRMATION	CONFIRMATION
March 20th	FIRST COMMUNION	FIRST COMMUNION	FIRST COMMUNION
March 27th	GUADALUPANOS	GUADALUPANOS	GUADALUPANOS

The Stations of the Cross will be bilingual and begin at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to join us afterward for a Lenten soup in the Parish Hall.

ALL SOULS
Guadalupanas
Monthly rosary intentions
Intenciones para el rosario mensual

Please fill in the form with your prayer intentions
Por favor llenue el formulario con sus peticiones

We will include them in our next rosary.
Los incluiremos en nuestro proximo rosario.

<https://bit.ly/AllSoulsGuadalupanasPetitions>

All Souls – Montligeon Prayer Group



We are pleased to announce the formation of a new prayer group at All Souls Parish dedicated to the souls in purgatory. The group is recognized by the Sanctuary of Notre Dame de Montligeon in France, in communion with over 1270 prayer groups worldwide. If interested in joining, please email allsouls.montligeon@gmail.com to receive more information.

2026 BOOK OF INTENTIONS



Our new Book of Intentions is now available in the Pastoral Center. Offering a Mass for a loved one—whether in thanksgiving, for healing, or in remembrance of someone who has passed—is one of the most beautiful traditions of our faith. A Mass dedication unites our prayers with the whole Church and brings grace and comfort to both the living and the departed.



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & MORTUARIES

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Dear Parishioners: Representatives from Catholic Cemeteries and Mortuaries will be

here this coming weekend, February 28th and March 1st, to register anyone interested in upcoming workshops held here at All Souls during the month of March. These workshops are intended to help those in need of assistance making final plans. Please don't hesitate to sign up for these workshops, as they are rich sources of information for you and your family.