

February 25, 2024 Second 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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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)

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Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

"I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." (Gn 22:12)

Psalm:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116) **Second Reading:**

He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all,

how will he not also give us everything else along with him?

Gospel:

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them;

from the cloud came a voice,

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." (Mk 9:7)

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Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17,

18-19 (116:9)/ Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19,

20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Esperanza Canale Annette Lopez Marcella Guerra Norma Ferriols Sylvia Mae Thomas Victor Ramirez Salazar Palma Jones Ethelyn Beltran Erik Lifrak Karen Katsumura Gloria Moore Andrea Primicias Loan Le Cecilia Chow Angelica Ruedas Erik Lifrak

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Marco de la Garza

Elizabeth Pham Francis Araiza Rafael Garcia Rosa Benalcazar

Sonia Gorope

Evelyn De Guzman

Lucy Tsang

FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Rom 8:31b-34, Mk 9:2-10

It was on April 3, 1968, that one of the greatest preachers of our time - Martin Luther King Jr. while in Memphis Tennessee delivered his prophetic Mountaintop Message to the world. In this message, MLK said "Well, I don't know what will happen now. We've got some difficult days ahead. But it doesn't matter to me now. Because I've been to the mountaintop. And I don't mind."

He goes on to say, "Like anybody, I would like to live a long life. Longevity has its place. But I'm not concerned about that now. I just want to do God's will. And He's allowed me to go up to the mountain. And I've looked over. And I've seen the Promised Land...."

On April 4, 1968, just a few hours after this prophetic message, the assassin's bullet struck and MLK breathed his last and died. Little did we know that it will not be the end of the liberation movement for which he died. His victory is marching on

The mountain as a place of encounter with God has a very strong biblical foundation. The Ten Commandments were given to Moses on Mount Sinai and many other encounters between God and the prophets took place on such mountains as Horeb and Nebo. In his time of distress, Elijah went to the mountain hoping to hear the voice of God. Today on the Mountain we hear the story of the transfiguration – the divine encounter between Jesus and God the Father during which His glory was revealed to the world.

Last Sunday, Jesus, after fasting and praying in the desert for 40 days and 40 nights on the Mountain (The Mountain of Temptation) encountered Satan in the wilderness. On that mountain, Jesus declares to the world that only God is worthy of our praise and worship.

Today Abraham is challenged to sacrifice his only son Isaac on the mountain at Moriah "There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you." It was on that mountain that the faith of Abraham shined forth.

Again on the mountain, Jesus was transfigured. His glory was revealed to the world and the voice of the Father was heard from heaven saying "This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him."

Being surrounded by mountains here in the Valley we know how difficult the journey to the mountaintop could be. We know how dry and how quite removed from civilization is the mountaintop. It takes a lot of courage to get to the mountaintop. Though void of luxury, getting to the mountaintop could be an enriching and empowering experience.

The mountaintop experience becomes for both the followers of Martin Luther and the disciples of Jesus a place of encounter with God to prepare them for the martyrdom of Luther and the scandal of the Cross (the Crucifixion).

The sudden and shameful death of Jesus on the cross, Moses on Mount Nebo, Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac, the assassination of MLK in Memphis Tennessee, etc. becomes not the end of the fight for human liberation but an integral part of God's plan for the salvation of the world. Goodness does not die hence suffering for a good cause is something noble and praiseworthy.

The mountaintop becomes a place of empowerment for the courage to fight for the emancipation and liberation of human beings from the bondage of sin and ignorance.

During the Lenten season, the church invites us to go to the mountaintop – to leave the comfort of our homes and go to a place of nothingness.

It is in this state of nothingness that Moses and Elijah appeared to Jesus. Moses brought the Ten Commandments but Jesus brings it to completion with the commandment to love God and neighbor. Elijah was the greatest prophet in Israel but Jesus is the fulfillment of all prophecies.

Jesus is neither Moses nor Elijah but as the voice from heaven declares, Jesus is the beloved Son of God and all God's children must listen to Him.

As Peter beholds the glory of God, he could not but desire to remain on the mountain but Jesus brings the apostles back to the world because the battle for human liberation is not to be fought on the mountaintop but in the world.

In a short while, as bread and wine are transformed into the body and blood of Jesus Christ, you and I will behold the glory of God. We will be transfigured into true and living images of God hence our call to go into the world with love and courage to renew the face of the earth.

As we behold the glory of God, like Peter, James and John, we know and believe that God is faithful to His promise, hence the courage to face the daily problems of life. Death is no longer the ultimate story of our lives for even death on Calvary will be transformed into life and Jesus will be all in all. And that is our story.

Our deliverance from bondage may still be incomplete and imperfect but it has already begun. In the sacraments, we have a sure basis for hope that even here and now God is at work in our lives and in the world transforming us from glory to glory.

The children of God may be tested like Abraham, disappointed like Moses, suffer death like Jesus and MLK, yet, is our hope that the God who began the good work in us will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Every season of lent becomes not a repetition of past events but a recreation of a salvific event. Lent is no longer a time of suffering but an opportune time when through prayer, fasting, and works of charity we allow God to use us to recreate and renew the face of the earth. And the good news is that even while we struggle now "His glory, (truth and beauty) is marching on ..." in us and through us.

We are blessed to be part of a story that will ultimately have a happy ending when Jesus will rise again from the tomb on Easter Sunday. God will take us into the arms of Jesus and perfectly transfigure our wretched and sinful bodies into copies of His own in glory. Death will no longer be the end; eternal life will become our glorious portion. Amen



Finance Report

Mass Intentions

COLLECTION

TOTAL

February 18, 2024

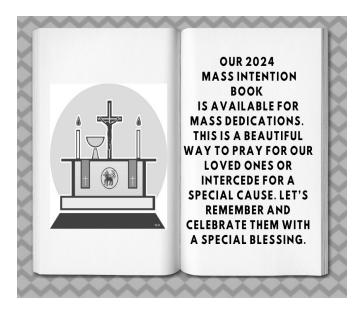
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We will have the collection information available in next week's bulletin. We apologize for the delay.

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

Did you Know?

"Sexting" is the sending of sexually explicit messages or images via text. Sexting commonly happens in conversations between teens and tweens, and usually involves nude "selfies." When these images are shared or distributed on social media platforms like Tik-Tok, Instagram, and Snapchat, the problem is made worse. Some states have laws against sexting that could have criminal ramifications for teens. To learn more, read the VIR-TUS article "Responding to the Crime of Child Sexual Abuse Materials" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



SATURDAY	FEBRUARY	24-2024	
5:30pm	Angela Katigbak	Dec.	
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY	25-2024	
7:30am	Jorge Rodriguez	Dec.	
	Elena Quezada-Rodriguez	Sp. Int.	
9:00am	Rufina Argüello	Birthday	
	Pel Bacani	Dec.	
	Giovanni Raguseo	Dec.	
10:30am	Rosalba Gutierrez	Dec.	
	Natalia Bela	Dec.	
	Aida Yarifa Ali	Dec.	
	Alberto Aldaba	Dec.	
	Marcos Castro	Dec.	
	Mercedes Nath	Dec.	
	Maria Veliz-Cortez	Dec.	
	Pilar Mercado	Healing	
5:30pm	Our Confirmation Students	Sp. Int.	
MONDAY	FEBRUARY	26-2024	
7:30am	Christine Valenti	Healing	
	Annette Lopez	Healing	
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY	27-2024	
7:30am	Hsiao Family	Healing	
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY	28-2024	
7:30am	Elga Kunkle	Birthday	
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY	29-2024	
7:30am	Fr. Paul Lee	Dec.	
FRIDAY	MARCH	01-2024	
7:30am	All Souls in Purgatory		
	Nicholas & Maria Fuentes	Dec.	
SATURDAY	MARCH	02-2024	
7:30am	All Souls Parishioners	Sp. Int.	
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PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Primera Lectura:

Abraham pasó la prueba de Dios al ofrecer a su amado hijo, Isaac, como sacrificio. ¿Alguna vez te has sentido probado por Dios?

Segunda Lectura:

Pablo habla del generoso amor y afecto de Dios por nosotros, siempre dispuesto a defendernos y protegernos. Mientras continuamos el viaje de Cuaresma, ¿a quién podrías ofrecer algo de consuelo y cuidado esta semana? **Evangelio:**

Después de presenciar la transfiguración de Jesús, escuchar la voz de Dios y recibir la orden de guardar silencio, Pedro, Santiago y Juan debieron haber quedado espiritual y emocionalmente agotados. ¿Qué te ayuda a energizarte espiritualmente?

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Gn 22, 1-2. 9-13. 15-18/Sal 115, 10. 15. 16-17. 18-19 (115, 9)/

Rom 8, 31-34/Mc 9, 2-10

Lunes: Dn 9, 4-10/Sal 78, 8. 9. 11 y 13/Lc 6, 36-38

Martes: Is 1, 10. 16-20/Sal 49, 8-9. 16-17. 21 y 23/Mt 23, 1-12 Miércoles: Jr 18, 18-20/Sal 30, 5-6. 14. 15-16/Mt 20, 17-28 Jueves: Jr 17, 5-10/Sal 1, 1-2. 3. 4 y 6/Lc 16, 19-31

Viernes: Gn 37, 3-4. 12-13. 17-28/Sal 104, 16-17. 18-19. 20-21/

Mt 21, 33-43. 45-46

Sábado: Miq 7, 14-15. 18-20/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 9-10. 11-12/Lc 15, 1-3. 11-32



¿Sabla usted?

El sexteo es el envío de mensajes o imágenes sexualmente explícitos a través de texto. El sexteo ocurre comúnmente en conversaciones entre adolescentes y preadolescentes, y generalmente incluye "selfies" desnudos. Cuando estas imágenes se comparten o se distribuyen en plataformas de redes sociales como TikTok, Instagram y Snapchat, el problema empeora. Algunos estados tienen leyes contra el sexteo que podría tener ramificaciones criminales para los adolescentes. Para obtener más información, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS "Responding to the Crime of Child Sexual Abuse Materials" (Respondiendo al delito de materiales de abuso sexual infantil) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

AMIGOS DE JESUS

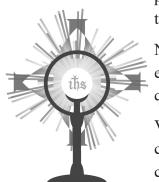
El grupo de oración, Amigos de Jesús, les invita a unirse a una noche de reflexión, alabanza y oración en comunidad. Las reuniones son a las 7pm cada miércoles. Si gusta unirse, favor de llamar al Centro Pastoral para mas detalles.



VISITA NUESTRA CAPILLA

Cada minuto que dedicamos a la adoración de nuestro Señor profundiza nuestra relación con Él. Tómate un descanso de las preocupaciones del mundo y ven a

pasar un tiempo con Él en meditación silenciosa.



Nuestra Capilla de Adoración está abierta en el mismo horario que nuestro Centro Pastoral.

Ven a visitar a nuestro Señor y continua este año con sus bendiciones.

PARISH NEWS

The Carlo Acutis Encharistic miracles exhibit comes to our Parish

The International Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit is a traveling display designed by blessed Carlo Acutis. It contains an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions of Eucharistic miracles recognized by the Catholic Church that have taken place throughout history.

The exhibit allows viewers to learn more about blessed Carlo Acutis, deepen their understanding of Eucharistic miracles, and connect in a special way.



Time and Place:

All Souls Parish Hall

Saturday, March 2, 2024: 10:30 am—5:30 pm

Sunday, March 3, 2024: 8:30 am—7:00 pm

Exposición Internacional Diseñada y Creada V por el sierro de Dios, Carlo Acutis

Le invitamos a presenciar la exhibicion internacional de milagros Eucaristicos creada por Carlo Acutis. Este año, la exhibicion llegar a nuestra parroquia. Con una amplia variedad de fotografías y descripciones históricas, la exposición presenta parte de los Milagros Eucarísticos principales (cerca de 163 paneles) que ocurrieron a lo largo de los siglos en varios países del mundo y que han sido reconocidos por la Iglesia.

Fecha & Lugar:

Salon Parroquial de All Souls

Sabado, Marzo 2, 2024: 10:30 am—5:30 pm

Domingo, Marzo 3, 2024: 8:30 am—7:00 pm



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.

When: Saturday, March 2, 2024 @ 8:00 am



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

2/16	7P M	PARISH STAFF	PARISH STAFF	PARISH STAFF
2/23	7PM	SPANISH LECTORS/EM'S	SPANISH LECTORS/EM'S	SPANISH LECTORS/EM'S
3/01	7PM	FILIPINO MINISTRY	GUADALUPANOS MINISTRY	FILIPINO MINISTRY
3/08	7PM	EL SHADDAI	AMIGOS DE Jesus	AMIGOS DE Jesus
3/15	7PM	ENGLISH Lectors/ em's	ENGLISH LECTORS/EM'S	TEA
3/22	7PM	SVDP	SVDP	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

A HEALING RETREAT FOR ADULTS FROM DIVORCED OR SEPARATED * * * *



Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center

MARCH

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2024

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* Register at https://rcbo.org/acod

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