

March 10, 2024 Fourth 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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# All Souls Catholic Church



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DEACON
Deacon, Eudoro Benalcazar

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)

# Office of Liturgy

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Apostolates & Organization

| Ministry of the Sick            |
|---------------------------------|
| Safeguard the Children          |
| Bereavement Ministry            |
| Legion of Mary                  |
| Cursillos in Christianity       |
| English Bible Study             |
| Spanish Bible Study             |
| Knights of Columbus             |
| Guadalupanos                    |
| Rosario de Misericordia         |
| Our Lord's Mission              |
| St. Vincent de Paul             |
| Encuentro Matrimonial           |
| Amigos de Jesus                 |
| Filipino Ministry               |
| Youth Ministry                  |
| Catholic Women's<br>Association |

Minister of the Side





# Readings & Prayers for the Sick

#### First Reading:

Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David. (1 Sm 16:13) Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23) Second Reading: "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light." (Eph 5:14) Gospel: He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" - which means Sent -So he went and washed, and came back able to see. (Jn 9:6-7)

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Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1) /Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38 Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16 Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30 Wednesday Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47 Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 Friday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53 Saturday:

Esperanza Canale Marcella Guerra Sylvia Mae Thomas Palma Iones Erik Lifrak Gloria Moore Loan Le Angelica Ruedas Matthew Perez Pilar Garza Gary Meraz David A. Jr. & Family Lucy Tsang Rosa Martinez **Ramirez Family** Wally & Becky Puente Cynthia Manriquez William Gonzalez Joel Lopez Guadalupe Nevarez Evelyn De Guzman Hortencia Palafox Francis Araiza **Rafael Garcia** Sonia Gorope

Annette Lopez Norma Ferriols Victor Ramirez Salazar **Ethelyn Beltran** Karen Katsumura Andrea Primicias Cecilia Chow Erik Lifrak Ray Argueta & Family Jose Crespo Joe Negrete Bernardina Castañeda **Reyes Family** Mercedes Tarrazona Fernando Torres Gerardo Duran Cidronio Abelar Yessenia Alvarez Juanita Madrigal Mark Venegas Marco de la Garza Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu **Elizabeth Pham** Rosa Benalcazar

# FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, Year "B"

## "For God so Loved the World ...."

Most of the compelling love stories ever told has a tragic ending. From the story of Romeo and Juliet to the story of Jesus Christ, the message is the same. Sacrificing one's own life so that others may live is a courageous act and a visible sign of selflessness. Such a courageous act is one that not so many people are willing to embrace.

The story of John Fox is one of such heroic stories. During the Second World War, countless Allied soldiers put their lives on the line for the good of their country. Others simply offered themselves up in order to save comrades. But still, even in this time of true heroism, the story of John Robert Fox stands out. The artillery officer added his names to the history books – and earned himself a posthumous Medal of Honor – for the sacrifice he made one December day in 1944, when he was thousands of miles from home.

Fox was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in May 1915. By all accounts, he was a smart, diligent young man and he earned a place at Wilberforce University. Here, he signed up for the Reserve Officer Training Corp, meaning he not only finished college with a graduate degree, but with a rank of Second Lieutenant. When war broke out, then, he took his commission and joined the 92<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division, a segregated division for African-American soldiers that fought with distinction throughout the conflict.

With his unit, Fox was sent to the European theater of war. In 1944, he found himself fighting the Nazis in Italy. It was here where, in December of that year, he was tasked to stay behind in the small village of Sommocolonia, in Tuscany. The village had been overrun by Nazis, and Americans were in retreat. Fox found a house to hide in and, from the second floor, he used his radio to contact his colleagues.

He called for artillery fire to be directed at the village in order to give the US forces time to retreat, regroup and then launch a counterattack. Fox even specifically ordered a barrage of fire on his exact position. The gunner who received the message pointed this out to him, assuming it must be some mistake. Fox, however, simply said: "Fire it. There's more of them than there are us:" famous last words of a true American hero.

Fox's act of sacrifice was not in vain. As he planned, the artillery barrage did indeed give his comrades the chance to regroup and launch a successful counterattack. When the US army entered Sommocolinia, they found Fox's body surrounded by the bodies of around 100 Germans. It wasn't until 1997 that his bravery was truly recognized, however. President Bill Clinton awarded Fox the Medal of Honor, with his widow, Arlene, picking it up The citation noted it was awarded for Fox's "gallant and courageous actions, at the supreme sacrifice of his own life". He was a true American hero who made the ultimate sacrifice (D. G. Hewitt, June 9, 2018).

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." What Fox did to save US soldiers is similar to what Jesus did by dying on the cross for the salvation of the world. What is even more extraordinary is that Jesus died for sinners who did not at that time fully understand and appreciate what Jesus was doing for them.

Love and death may look like opposites but they are so interconnected and intertwined that you cannot talk about love without talking about death. The best picture ever painted about love and death is that of Jesus on the cross at Calvary. At a first glance, the cross may portray wickedness and death, yet, deep within the mystery of the cross is the true meaning of love – For "Greater love hath no man than this: to lay down one's life for his friends."

One may begin to ask, is it not possible for God to save the world through any other means but death on the cross? Since God is omnipotent (all powerful) and omniscient (all knowing), God has power to do whatever He likes, it is within God's reach to save the world with a smile or a love song, yet, God gave His only begotten Son for the expiation of the sins of the world.

In this mystery – the crucifixion, we see the true nature of God and the true meaning of life in the world. When Jesus said "Whoever wishes to follow me must take up his cross and follow me," Jesus meant it. Christian life is the way of the cross. If there is no Good Friday, there will be no Easter Sunday. It is by dying that Jesus destroyed our death – the greatest enemy of man, and it is by rising that Jesus restored our life that we may gain the fullness of life in God.

When we say that Jesus conquered death on the cross, we are not saying that human beings shall no longer die. All we are saying is that death is no longer an end in itself but a means to an end. To those who believe, death becomes a point of transition from temporal life on earth to eternal life in heaven. This is thanks to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

It is this mystery of love and death on the cross that restored eternal life to human beings. Death on the cross renews the original plan of God in creation. Human beings are created to live forever but eternal life is not possible on earth. To those who do not believe, death is the end of their life but to those who believe, by dying on the cross, Jesus destroyed our death - death is not longer the end but a means to an end which is eternal life with God in heaven.

# **Finance Report**

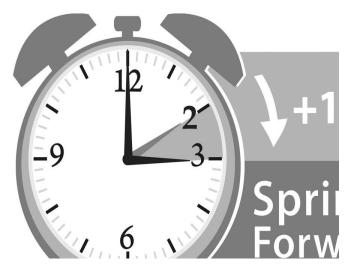
# Mass Intentions

| COLLECTION    | TOTAL       |
|---------------|-------------|
| March 3, 2024 | \$ 6,575.00 |
|               | \$          |
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Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

Did you Know?

Children with disabilities are at higher risk for maltreatment and abuse. In many cases, this is because these children may be more vulnerable to grooming or exploitation by a perpetrator, need extra attention and care, which can lead to caregiver burnout and frustration, isolation from community, and financial strain. To learn more, read the VIRTUS® article "Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



| SATURDAY  | MARCH                         | 09-2024                       |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 5:30pm    | Holy Souls in Purgatory       |                               |
|           | Benedicto de Luna             | Dec.                          |
| SUNDAY    | MARCH                         | 10-2024                       |
| 7:30am    | Jesus & Mercedes Rua          | Dec.                          |
|           | Javier Saucedo                | Dec.                          |
| 9:00am    | Sick Mem. of CWA MMPC Br.     | Healing                       |
|           | Founding Mem. of CWA Cameroon | Special Int.                  |
| 10:30am   | Maria Ines Amaya              | Dec.                          |
|           | Samuel & Raul Elias           | Dec.                          |
|           | Manuel Abea                   | Dec.                          |
|           | Benjamin & Javier Ramirez     | Dec.                          |
|           | Natalia Vela                  | Dec.                          |
| 5:30pm    | Irene Cembrano                | Birthday                      |
| MONDAY    | MARCH                         | 11-2024                       |
| 7:30am    | Annette Lopez                 | Healing                       |
|           | Don Rodriguez                 | Dec.                          |
|           | Jesus & Maria Estrada         | Dec.                          |
| TUESDAY   | MARCH                         | 12-2024                       |
| 7:30am    | Founding Mother of CWA        | Special Int.                  |
|           | North America                 |                               |
|           | Willy Wong                    | Special Int.                  |
|           | Hugh Wong                     | Special Int.                  |
| WEDNESDAY | MARCH                         | 13-2024                       |
| 7:30am    | Pa Nchindas'/Tambis Families  | God's Protection/<br>Guidance |
| THURSDAY  | MARCH                         | 14-2024                       |
| 7:30am    | Javier Hernandez Romero       | Birthday                      |
|           | Michael Ngantes' Family       | God's Protection/<br>Guidance |
| FRIDAY    | MARCH                         | 15-2024                       |
| 7:30am    | All Souls in Purgatory        | Special Int.                  |
|           | Pa Michael Ngates' Family     | God's Protection/<br>Guidance |
| SATURDAY  | MARCH                         | 16-2024                       |
| 7:30am    | Pa Peter Ngwa Fobi's Family   | God's Protection/<br>Guidance |
|           | Alita Mangilog                | Dec.                          |

# All Souls Catholic Church

## PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

### Primera Lectura:

Para gran sorpresa de Samuel, el Señor le ordenó que ungiera al menor de los hijos de Jesé, David, para ser el próximo rey de Israel. ¿Cuándo has sido sorprendido por Dios?

### Segunda Lectura:

Pablo insta a los efesios: "Busquen lo que es agradable al Señor." ¿Qué crees que agrada al Señor? **Evangelio:** 

La curación del ciego por parte de Jesús creó confusión, ira y miedo entre algunas de las personas que presenciaron este evento. En un sentido real, la curación de Jesús expuso la ceguera de otros. ¿Cómo evitamos ser ciegos a la presencia de Dios en este tiempo de Cuaresma?

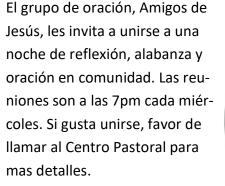
¿Sabla usted?

Los niños con discapacidad corren un mayor riesgo de sufrir malos tratos y abusos. En muchos casos, esto se debe a que estos niños pueden ser más vulnerables al acoso o a la explotación por parte de un perpetrador, y necesitan atención y cuidados adicionales, lo que puede llevar al agotamiento y a la frustración de los cuidadores, al aislamiento de la comunidad y a las tensiones financieras. Para obtener más información, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® "Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization" (Niños que viven con discapacidades y riesgo de maltrato y victimización infantil) en lacatholics.org/did-youknow/.

# **AMIGOS DE JESUS**

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# LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA





## 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

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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.

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS

| 3/15 | 7PM | ENGLISH<br>Lectors/ em <sup>*</sup> s | ENGLISH<br>Lectors/em's | ENGLISH<br>LECTORS/EM'S |
|------|-----|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 3/22 | 7PM | SVDP                                  | SVDP                    | KNIGHTS OF<br>Columbus  |

# TRIDUUM

**Please note:** No cofessions during the Triduum <u>Please see our</u> Lenten Service Schedule prior to Holy Week.

PALM SUNDAY: March 24, 2024 (Palms will be blessed before Mass)

#### **TRIDUUM SCHEDULE**

#### HOLY THURSDAY, March 28, 2024

| 7:30 am | Liturgy of the Hours                  |
|---------|---------------------------------------|
| 7:00 pm | Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual) |
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#### GOOD FRIDAY, March 29, 2024

| (English)  |   |
|------------|---|
| 7:30 am    | Liturgy of the Hours                    |
| 12:00 noon | Stations of the Cross                   |
| 1:15 pm    | Seven Last Words                        |
| 2:15 pm    | The Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Bilingual) |
| 3:00 pm    | Liturgy of the Passion                  |
|            |   |
| (Español)  |   |

5:00 pm Siete Palabras 6:00 pm Vía Crucis 7:00 pm Liturgia de la Pasión

HOLY SATURDAY, March 30, 2024

| 7:30 am | Liturgy of the Hours         |
|---------|------------------------------|
| 8:00 pm | Easter Vigil Mass (Bilingual |

#### EASTER SUNDAY, March 31, 2024

| Mass (English) |
|----------------|
| Mass (English) |
| Mass (Español  |
|                |

NO EVENING MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY

(Please note that this schedule may be subject to change.)

Easter Lilies



ONCE MORE, WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR YOUR HELP IN DECORATING FOR EASTER. WE ARE REQUESTING DONATIONS OF EASTER LILIES, COLORFUL HYDRANGEAS, TULIPS, AND OTHER COLORFUL ASSORTED FLOWERS TO WELCOME OUR LORD ON HIS RESURRECTION ON EASTER SUNDAY. PLEASE BRING YOUR FLOWER DONATIONS TO THE PASTORAL CENTER BY 7 PM ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27TH. WE THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS SUPPORTING OUR PARISH. MAY GOD GREATLY REWARD YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY.



All Souls will host a Lenten Penance Service on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 7PM. We will have priests hearing confessions in various languages.

#### Lenten Penance Service Schedule 2024



|   |                |                                 |         | •                               |
|---|----------------|---------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|
| Parish                                      | Phone Number   | Date                            | Time    | Language                        |
| All Souls                                   | 626-281-0466   | Wednesday,<br>March 20th        | 7:00 PM | English and<br>Spanish          |
| Assumption of<br>the Blessed<br>Virgin Mary | (626) 792-1343 | In conjunction<br>with St. Rita | 7:00 PM | English and<br>Spanish          |
| Our Lady of the<br>Miraculous<br>Medal      | (323) 725-7578 | Monday,<br>March 18th           | 7:00 PM | English and<br>Spanish          |
| Holy Family                                 | 626-799-8909   | Tuesday,<br>March 12th          | 7:00 PM | English                         |
| St. Andrew                                  | (626) 792-4183 | Tuesday,<br>March 26th          | 7:15 PM | English and<br>Spanish          |
| St. Anthony                                 | (626) 288-8912 | Thursday,<br>March 21st         | 7:00 PM | English, Spanish,<br>Vietnamese |
| St. Elizabeth of<br>Hungary                 | (626) 797-1167 | Tuesday,<br>March 19th          | 6:30 PM | English and<br>Spanish          |
| St. Luke                                    | (626) 291-5900 | Monday,<br>March 11th           | 7:00 PM | English and<br>Spanish          |
| St. Rita of<br>Cascia                       | (626) 355-1292 | Tuesday,<br>March 26th          | 7:00 PM | English and<br>Spanish          |
| St. Stephen<br>Martyr                       | (626) 573-0427 | Thursday,<br>March 21st         | 7:00 PM | English, Spanish,<br>Indonesian |
| St. Thomas<br>Aquinas                       | (323) 264-4447 | Wednesday,<br>March 13th        | 7:00 PM | English, Spanish,<br>Chinese    |
| St. Thomas<br>More                          | (626) 284-8333 | Tuesday,<br>March 5th           | 7:00 PM | English and<br>Spanish          |



## **Mid-Point Rally**

Please join us for our Mid-point Rally as we come together and peacefully pray for an end to abortion.

| WHERE: | IN FRONT OF PPP        |
|--------|------------------------|
|        | 1045 N LAKE AVENUE     |
|        | PASADENA               |
| DATE:  | SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024 |
| TIME:  | 3 PM                   |

#### Any questions, please contact: INDIGOROSE40DAYSFORLIFE@GMAIL.COM

Moving forward, please save these dates and changes to the calendar:

March 23rd @ St. Therese Parish Hall, Alhambra / Prolife movie: Bella TBD

March 24th ~ Final Blessings and prayers in front of Planned Parenthood 3PM

\*\*\* Pease see our calendar online for further info:

www.40daysforlife.com/pasadena