

# August 3, 2025 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 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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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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Knights of Columbus Frank Bodeman

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Young Adult Mtry. Leticia Urtecho

Youth Ministry Vivian Vasquez

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Association

# Readings & Prayers for the Sick

#### First Reading:

For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart

with which he has labored under the sun? (Eccl 2:22)

#### Psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 90) **Second Reading:** 

If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

Gospel:

Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." (Lk 12:21)

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Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/

Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/

Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14 Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/

2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28 Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

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# FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "C" "Take care to guard against all greed."

Once upon a time, there was a man, a very rich man. He was also a very holy man. He trusted God with his life and tried his best to follow what he was taught. The man was now very, very old. As the man grew old and weak, he realized that soon he would die. He trusted that when that happened, he would go to Heaven. But he was worried. He did not like the idea of going empty-handed, of not taking anything with him.

"God," he prayed, "I know that when I die you have promised to accept me in to Heaven. And I know that I am not meant to take anything. But please, could you make an exception in this case? Could you let me take a bag with me?"

Now, God is a kind God, so he considered the man's request very carefully.

He knew that the man had tried his best to follow him during his life that he had been generous and kind, that he had shown mercy and tried to live a good life. He knew that the man was very worried about this and God didn't want him to be anxious. So he agreed, he told the man that he could take one small bag to Heaven.

Soon after this, as expected, the man died. He arrived in Heaven, carrying one small bag.

"Oh," said the angel at the entrance, "you cannot bring that in here. You cannot bring anything to Heaven."

"Yes, I know," replied the man, "but God gave me special permission."

So the angel went to check and sure enough, he discovered that this man was allowed to bring one small bag into Heaven. Now, word quickly spread amongst the angels and saints in Heaven and they all wondered, what had this man brought into Heaven? So they all came, eager to see.

They crowded round the man, peering over each other's shoulders, jostling for position as the man knelt down and slowly unzipped his bag. There, shining brightly, were four solid gold bars.

There was a moment of complete silence.

Then, perplexed, one of the angels asked, "You brought pavement?" (Anne E. Thompson, "The Rich Man").

Someone in the crowd asked Jesus "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me." Jesus replied, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Jesus does not in any way intend to downplay the importance of justice and equity in the sharing of family inheritance and other earthly goods.

Sharing family wealth could be very problematic. Even some families that used to experience and enjoy a relative peace often notice a difference whenever there is a family wealth to share. Greed and envy begin to set in and love begins to dissipate and eventually disappears.

Since Jesus is always good at taking people from where they are to where God wants them to be. Over and above the need for justice and equity in the sharing of family inheritance is the need to seek the kingdom of God and its righteousness.

The brothers' inability to share their family inheritance equitably is not due to lack of the knowledge of what is right and what is wrong. What we have here is a family that is suffering from the effects of greed; hence, Jesus sees the need to go beyond the request to address the root cause of the problem.

Greed is a capital sin. It exists inside the human heart. Nobody can see it. We can only feel the effects of greed whenever it manifests in the life of a person. The effects of greed stretch from the loss of contentment to broken relationship. Greed makes people to manipulate, betray and exploit others. It damages trust, compromises values and leads to spiritual emptiness.

A greedy person has the tendency to prioritize personal gain over good family relationship. It goes to mean that Jesus' reply to the question applies to both brothers. It is an invitation to transition from where they are to where God wants them to be, to embrace higher values like honesty, service, love, peace, unity and truth.

Greed makes us to lose the sense of our mortality and weakens our desire to go to heaven. We are a pilgrim people. Our stay on earth is temporal and every time we have on earth should be used to work for the eternal salvation of our soul.

We have a lot to learn from the message of Jesus in today's gospel. In a capitalist society like ours, hard work is exalted, which is good but hard work does not always translate to a good life. Having worked hard to enjoy a bountiful harvest, a farmer makes plan to store and preserve the fruit of his hard work with hope of having a good life in the future. There is hardly any way we could condemn such a hardworking man who makes a good plan for his future.

However, this man is presented to us today as a good example of what greed could do in the life of a human being. In the entire project and world view of the farmer, he had no place for God in it. Having had a bountiful harvest one would expect him to give thanks and glory to God, but he did not do that. He was only thinking of himself and the good life he would enjoy in the future.

The man's bountiful harvest made him to put his trust not in God but in material things. We should always remember that "All things are vanity." Those who put their trust in wealth are like trees planted on a rocky soil which grow up immediately but soon die with the heat of the sun. But, those who put their trust in God are like trees planted near a flowing river, it stays green at all times.

Finally, whether rich or poor, no one can escape the devastating effects of greed in human life. In our quest for the good life, we need to be careful not to prioritize wealth over spiritual things. Wealth is good but we need to use our material wealth to work for the salvation of our soul because at the end of the day what matters is to seek the kingdom of God and its righteousness and every other shall be added unto you.





# **Finance Report**

# Mass Intentions

**COLLECTION** 

July 27, 2025

**TOTAL** 

\$ 6,149.00

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

Did you Know?

There are several factors that contribute to whether a child is comfortable disclosing abuse to an adult. Children are more likely to talk about problems when they: have access to an adult they can trust; are able to understand that what is happening to them is not normal or safe; and trust that they will be believed. Another factor that may help a child disclose abuse is when a safe adult is intentional and asks direct questions about a child's life as it communicates caring and attention to the child's life circumstances. For more information, read the VIRTUS article "Superpowers: Safe Adults Have Them" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



Receiving the Holy Communion

During Communion, once you have received the host, you must consume it immediately. If you return to your seat without consuming the host, an usher or Eucharistic minister may reach out to you to do so right away.

Como Recibir La Sagrada Communion

Para la comunión, una vez que haya recibido la hostia consagrada debe consumirla de inmediato. Si regresa a su asiento sin consumir la hostia, un ujier o ministro eucarístico puede acercarse a usted para decirle que lo haga de inmediato

SATURDAY	AUGUST	02-2025
5:30pm	Inocencio Chua	Dec.
	Julian Jose Magalong	Dec.
SUNDAY	AUGUST	03-2025
7:30am	Peter Lee	Dec.
	Esteban Pelayo	Dec.
9:00am	Agostina & Consuelo Rizada	Dec.
	John Lucero	Dec.
10:30am	Adilio Hernandez	Dec.
	Josefa Hernandez	Dec.
5:30pm	Carlos Moreno Gonzalez	Healing
	Alberto Rodriguez Gutierrez	Dec.
MONDAY	AUGUST	04-2025
7:30am	Linda De La Peña	Thanksgiving
	Sandra Martinez	Thanksgiving
TUESDAY	AUGUST	05-2025
7:30am	Rosendo Macias-Padilla	Dec.
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST	06-2025
7:30am	Rosendo Macias-Padilla	Dec.
THURSDAY	AUGUST	07-2025
7:30am	Isidro Cabaccang, Jr.	Birthday
	Rosendo Macias-Padilla	Dec.
FRIDAY	AUGUST	08-2025
7:30am	Esther Bagunes	Birthday
	Rosendo Macias-Padilla	Dec.
SATURDAY	AUGUST	09-2025
7:30am	Bryman Wang Valle	Healing
	Rosendo Macias-Padilla	Dec.

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# ¿Sabla usted?

## PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

#### Pregunta de la 1ª Lectura:

El autor de Eclesiastés habla de la futilidad de un corazón ansioso y una mente inquieta. ¿Qué te ayuda a centrarte en tu vida cotidiana?

### Pregunta de la 2ª Lectura:

Pablo anima a los colosenses a dar muerte al "viejo hombre" (mal comportamiento) y a vivir en el "nuevo hombre" (vida en Cristo). ¿Qué podrías hacer esta semana para practicar este "nuevo yo"?

## Pregunta del Evangelio:

Jesús cuenta a las multitudes la parábola del rico insensato, advirtiendo contra el exceso de riqueza material. ¿Cómo equilibras tus necesidades materiales con "lo que le importa a Dios"?

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# LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Ecl 1, 2; 2, 21-23/Sal 89, 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14. 17 (1)/

Col 3, 1-5. 9-11/Lc 12, 13-21

Lunes: Nm 11, 4-15/Sal 80, 12-13. 14-15. 16-17/Mt 14, 13-21

Martes: Nm 12, 1-13/Sal 50, 3-4. 5-6. 6-7. 12-13/

Mt 14, 22-36 o Mt 15, 1-2. 10-14

Miércoles: Dn 7, 9-10. 13-14/Sal 96, 1-2. 5-6. 9/2 Pe 1, 16-19/

Lc 9, 28-36

Jueves: Nm 20, 1-13/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9/Mt 16, 13-23 Viernes: Dt 4, 32-40/Sal 76, 12-13. 14-15. 16 y 21/Mt 16, 24-28 Sábado: Dt 6, 4-13/Sal 17, 2-3. 3-4. 47 y 51/Mt 17, 14-20

# Oración Para las Manos Abiertas

Señor, no sé lo que me depara cada día,

No puedo dar por hecho ninguno de los dones que me has dado.

Ayúdame a usarlos, entonces, como Tú quieres que vo lo haga.

Ayúdame a vivir de acuerdo con Tus invitaciones. Amén.

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Hay varios factores que contribuyen a que un niño se sienta cómodo revelando un abuso a un adulto. Es más probable que los niños hablen de sus problemas cuando: tienen acceso a un adulto en quien pueden confiar; son capaces de entender que lo que les ocurre no es normal ni seguro; y confían que serán creídos. Otro factor que puede ayudar a un niño a revelar un abuso es cuando un adulto seguro actúa con intención y hace preguntas directas sobre la vida de un niño, transmite cariño y atención a las circunstancias de la vida del niño. Para saber más lee el artículo de VIR-TUS® "Superpoderes: los adultos de confianza los tienen" (Superpowers: Safe Adults Have Them) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

# Confesiones:

## Un llamado a la reconciliación



El Sacramento de la Reconciliación es una hermosa oportunidad para encontrarse con la infinita misericordia de Dios, recibir sanación y renovar nuestra relación con Él.

Las confesiones en nuestra parroquia de All Souls son: Todos los sábados a las 4:00 PM

Antes de la confesión, tomen un momento para reflexionar en silencio:

¿He puesto a Dios en primer lugar en mi vida? ¿He rezado diariamente y asistido fielmente a la Misa? ¿He hablado con dureza o herido a otros con mis palabras o acciones?

¿He mentido, chismeado o guardado rencor? ¿He actuado con egoísmo o ignorado a alguien que necesita ayuda?

#### Acto de Contrición

Dios mío, me arrepiento de todo corazón de haberte ofendido. Detesto todos mis pecados porque temo la pérdida del cielo y los tormentos del infierno, pero sobre todo porque te ofenden a Ti, mi Dios, que eres todo bueno y digno de todo mi amor. Propongo firmemente, con la ayuda de tu gracia, confesar mis pecados, hacer penitencia y enmendar mi vida. Amén.

GRUPO DE ORACION

# AMIGOS DE JESUS

para mas detalles. Acompañenos!

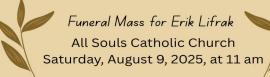
El grupo de oración, Amigos de Jesús, les invita a unirse a una noche de reflexión, alabanza y oración en comunidad. Las reuniones son a las 7pm cada miércoles. Si gusta unirse, favor de llamar al Centro Pastoral

# Rest in Pegce



"Those we have held in our arms for a little while, we hold in our hearts forever"

We unite in prayer for our brother, Erik Lifrak, and our sister, Madeleine Doerning. Please see below the schedule of funeral Masses to pray for the eternal repose of their souls.



Funeral Mass for Madeleine Doerning All Souls Catholic Church Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 11 am



# SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION



Dear Parishioners,

It's that time of year again! Registration forms for all Sacraments of Initiation are now available at the Pastoral Center.

#### Who is Eligible?

First Communion

Children currently enrolled in grades 1 through 7.

#### Confirmation

Teens who are presently attending high school.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Adults who wish to:

- Be baptized in the Catholic Church
- Become Catholic
- Deepen their understanding of the faith
- Receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Holy
   Communion

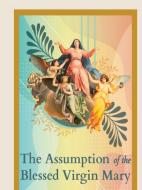
All Souls Church invites all those who are eligible to begin this meaningful journey of faith. Our office is open Monday - Friday from 9:00am to 7:00pm

# The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(holy Day of Obligation)

Dear Parishioners,

Please mark your calendars. On Friday, August 15th, we will commemorate our Blessed Mother's Assumption into heaven with a special Mass schedule. Save the date!



7:30 am English
12:05 pm (noon) English
7:00 pm Bilingual

"Taken up into heaven, Mary shows us the way to God..."

- Pope Emeritus Benedict XV



Archbishop Gomez has announced an opportunity, starting this weekend, for all parishes in the archdiocese to come together in support of immigrants families in need. As a community of faith, we are called to extend compassion and care to the most vulnerable among us.

If you would like to contribute to this important cause, monetary donations may be dropped off at the Pastoral Center or placed in the collection basket. If you choose the latter, please label your envelopes: "Immigrant Needs" or "Immigration Donation."