



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)

August 23, 2026

21st 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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St. Vincent de Paul	Rosemary Gramajo
Amigos de Jesus	Estela Murga
Filipino Ministry	Rose Pichon
Young Adult Mtry.	Leticia Urtecho
Youth Ministry	Vivian Vasquez
Catholic Women's Association	Ma Grace N. Tima



Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder;

when he opens, no one shall shut,
when he shuts, no one shall open. (Is 22:22)

Psalm:

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands. (Ps 138)

Second Reading:

For from him and through him and for him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen. (Rom 11:36)

Gospel:

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.
Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven;
and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Mt 16:19)

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Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt

16:21-27

David Blemker
Esperanza Canale
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Sylvia Mae Thomas
Palma Jones
Gloria Moore
Loan Le
Angelica Ruedas
Matthew Perez
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

Rhoda Rubalcaba
Jim Robinson
Annette Lopez
Norma Ferriols
Tomas Montiel Mejia
Victor Ramirez Salazar
Ethelyn Beltran
Karen Katsumura
Andrea Primicias
Cecilia Chow
Ray Argueta & Family
Jose Crespo
Joe Negrete
Bernardina Castañeda
Reyes Family
Mercedes Tarrazona
Fernando Torres
Gerardo Duran
Cidronio Abelar
Yessenia Alvarez
Mark Venegas
Marco de la Garza
Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu
Elizabeth Pham

FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

I've been struggling for quite some time with a condition called tennis elbow. It doesn't mean I've been playing too much tennis; rather, it's a painful inflammation caused when the tendons in the elbow become overloaded—usually from repetitive motions of the wrist and arm.

I've received cortisone shots in my right elbow many times, but the pain always returns. Recently, it became so severe that I bought a battery-operated toothbrush because I couldn't even lift a regular one to my mouth.

One morning, in despair, I prayed and asked God to heal my elbow—to remove the pain however He chose.

“I have so much to do, God,” I complained. “I can't do it with this arm hurting me so much!”

Later that day, I went to the store to buy a case of bottled water that weighed about thirty pounds. As I stood there with my hands on either side of the case, a voice behind me said, “Ma'am, let me get that for you.”

I turned and saw a huge man standing beside me. He reached down, lifted the case, placed it in my cart, and walked away as I called out, “Thank you.”

After checking out, I pushed my cart to the car and braced myself to lift the case into the trunk. Just then, an older man approached and said, “Can I lift that for you?”

He placed the case in my trunk, smiled, and walked away.

When I sat down in my car, I felt overwhelmed with gratitude. My arm still hurt, but those two individuals had not only lifted a heavy case—they had lifted a heavy burden from my heart. Their kindness soothed my troubled mind.

Later, I decided to return to the doctor and explain how severe the pain had become. I even rehearsed what I would ask her to prescribe. Instead, she listened patiently, gave me a prescription, and referred me to physical therapy. And yes—my arm is getting better.

Our expectations often cause us to miss God's blessings because we focus too much on how we think they should appear or the means by which we expect them to come (Deana Landers, *God Knows What We Need*).

Extraordinary manifestations of God's presence appeal more easily to the human mind than ordinary ones. Although Jesus was the incarnation of God, His simple and humble way of carrying out the kingdom mission made it tempting for people to regard Him as merely one of the holy men or miracle-workers of history.

At the time of Jesus' encounter with His apostles, the plan to kill Him was already in motion, and from all appearances, Jesus was doing nothing to stop it. His apparent inaction raised doubts in the minds of the apostles about whether He truly was the Son of God.

At Caesarea Philippi—a center of idol worship in Israel... Jesus stood among statues and shrines and asked His apostles, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” He wanted to know whether they thought He was just another idol or holy figure.

From their answers, it was clear that Jesus' true identity could not be determined by public opinion. While He shared similarities with John the Baptist, who was regarded as a prophet, a holy man extraordinaire, Jesus was greater. John was the forerunner whose message found its fulfillment in Christ.

Elijah was the greatest prophet in Israel, but Jesus was not Elijah. Every prophecy—including those of Elijah and Jeremiah—pointed toward the revelation of Jesus as the Christ, the Anointed One of God.

It took an individual—Peter, who had a personal relationship with Jesus—to proclaim His true identity: “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” This proclamation is the “Messianic Secret,” the truth people of every age have sought to understand. Only through the power of the Holy Spirit can anyone come to know and profess this foundational truth. It is the truth that liberates us from sin and ignorance.

Proclaiming Jesus as the Christ is not an academic exercise. It is a profession of faith that liberates, empowers, and transforms believers in extraordinary ways. It calls us to know, love, and serve God daily. To profess Jesus as the Christ is to accept a mission—to serve and even be willing to die for what we believe.

“Who do people say that I am?” remains a fundamental question every baptized child of God must answer. Today, Peter stands as our model. Like him, we must proclaim Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God—the One anointed to bring glad tidings to the poor, healing to the sick, hope to the downhearted, and liberation to the oppressed.

With this profession of faith, Peter received the keys—a symbol of authority—to build and govern the Church that would continue Christ's work on earth. The mission of Jesus remains the mission of every baptized believer today.

Through the power to bind and loose, given to Peter—the first pope—the teaching authority of the Church was established. The Church is empowered to pronounce dogmas in matters of faith and morals, revealing hidden truths in Scripture. Every Catholic is called to accept these teachings as divine revelation.

With this same authority, the Church established the sacraments—visible signs of invisible grace imparted to those who receive them with faith. Through the sacrament of confession, the Church absolves sins and frees God's children from the bondage of Satan and idolatry.

A personal relationship with Jesus is the key to truly understanding and appreciating the mystery of salvation. May the Holy Spirit, whose wisdom surpasses all human knowledge, continue to empower the faithful to carry out the priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission of Jesus on earth. **Amen.**



Finance Report

Mass Intentions

COLLECTION

August 16, 2026

TOTAL

\$ 4,411.00

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

Did you know?

When it comes to schools and programs that serve children, it is critical to have a culture of safety that protects children from sexual abuse. Examine your child's school or programs for evidence of this culture — look for values that emphasize child safety and decisions that put children at the center while allocating resources for safety. This can look like compliance with federal and state laws, professional ethics and standards, and a culture that encourages youth and families to get involved. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "High Stakes: A Culture of Safety for Every Child" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know. Information about the Archdiocese of Los Angeles' efforts and protocols to protect children and vulnerable adults in our churches, schools and ministries is available at <https://lacatholics.org/protect/>.



2026 BOOK OF INTENTIONS

Our Book of Intentions is 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.



SATURDAY	AUGUST	22-2026
5:30pm	Vilma Sandoval Reyes	Dec.
	Francisco Reyes	Dec.
SUNDAY	AUGUST	23-2026
7:30am	Ted Alvarez	Dec.
	Our Lady of Good Success	Thanksgiving
9:00am		
10:30am	Natalia Vela	Dec.
	Manuel Murillo	Dec.
5:30pm	Mayra Reyes	Dec.
	Elvira Sandoval	Dec.
MONDAY	AUGUST	24-2026
7:30am	Ileana Martinez	Dec.
	Father Arnulfo Gonzalez	Dec.
TUESDAY	AUGUST	25-2026
7:30am	Gregorio Dee	Dec.
	Father Manuel Moreno	Dec.
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST	26-2026
7:30am	Conchita Bondad Lorenzana	Dec.
THURSDAY	AUGUST	27-2026
7:30am	Sister Collin	Dec.
	Petronila Largaespada	Dec.
FRIDAY	AUGUST	28-2026
7:30am	Maria Ugarte	Dec.
	Jorge Sandoval	Dec.
	AUGUST	29-2026
7:30am	Jose Sanchez	Dec. (17 yrs.)

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Pregunta de la 1ª lectura

Por desobedecer al Señor, Sebná el mayordomo del palacio del rey Ezequías, es despojado de su autoridad y honor, y se entrega a Eleacín. ¿Hay personas en tu vida o familia a las que honras y veneras?

Pregunta de la 2ª lectura

Reflexionando sobre la inimaginable profundidad de la sabiduría y el conocimiento de Dios, Pablo pregunta: "¿Quién ha conocido la mente del Señor o quién ha sido su consejero?" ¿Qué pregunta tienes para el Señor?

Pregunta del Evangelio

Jesús establece a Pedro como la roca sobre la que edificará su iglesia. ¿De qué manera ayudas a construir tu comunidad eclesial?

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Oración por el Papa

Querido Dios,

Estate con Nuestro Santo Padre en su ministerio. Bendice, unge y protégelo en sus idas y venidas. Inspira sus palabras, dirige sus interacciones, guía su oración.

Amén.

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Cuando se trata de las escuelas y programas para niños, es fundamental contar con una cultura de seguridad que proteja a los niños del abuso sexual. Analiza la escuela o programa para encontrar indicios de esta cultura — busca los valores y decisiones que priorizan la seguridad y el bienestar de los niños y a la misma vez dedican recursos para la seguridad. Puede ser el cumplimiento de las leyes federales y estatales, la ética y las normas profesionales, y una cultura que fomenta la participación de los niños y las familias. Para mayores informes lea el artículo de VIR-TUS® "High Stakes: A Culture of Safety for Every Child" (Una cultura de seguridad para todos los niños) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know. Información sobre las medidas y los protocolos de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles para proteger a los niños y adultos vulnerables en nuestras iglesias, escuelas y ministerios está disponible en <https://lacatholics.org/protect/>.

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!

R E T I R O

El Grupo de Oración de All Souls- Amigos de Jesús, te invita de todo corazón al próximo retiro. Sera un espacio especial para pausar la rutina, orar, y sanar el corazón.

Fecha: sabado y domingo 29 y 30 de agosto 2026; 8am a 7pm sabado y 8am a 4pm el domingo. Todos los alimentos están incluidos en tu donacion de \$20.

Lugar: En el salón parroquial de All Souls.

Ven date ese gran regalo de recibir a Dios por medio de este retiro.

Para mas información llama a Estela Murga (323) 395-1939.

Our Lady is Here!

With heartfelt gratitude, our Parish would like to thank the All Souls–Montigeon Prayer Group, parishioners who purchased a raffle ticket, those who accompanied us this past Saturday morning, and everyone who so generously donated toward the statue of Our Lady of All Souls.

The statue has now been successfully installed, together with the beautiful Laudato Si microforest, a project led by Professor Demian Willete. What began as a vision has now become a peaceful prayer space for all.

Truly, we are deeply grateful to each person who has shared in this dream.

We warmly invite everyone to visit this Our Lady of All Souls, spend a quiet moment and offer a prayer. May it be a place of hope and thanksgiving.



Sacraments of Initiation

If your teen is currently enrolled in high school, registrations for the Sacrament of Confirmation are now open. Please stop by our Pastoral Center to pick up a form.

Similarly, registrations are now open for the Sacrament of First Communion, first through seventh grade. Forms are also available at our office.

Finally, our OCIA program (for adults) is also accepting registrations of persons who would like to be baptized in our Church, become Catholic, need the Sacrament of Confirmation, Communion or long to deepen their knowledge of our faith.

Rummage Sale

SALE

Next Sunday, August 30, the St. Vincent de Paul Society chapter at All Souls will hold a rummage sale in the patio area from 8 am to 12 pm. Please come by for a bargain. All proceeds will go toward assisting our community.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & MORTUARIES

CAREER FAIRS

EAST REGION

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

Calvary Cemetery
4201 Whittier Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90023

WEST REGION

Wednesday, September 2, 2026

Holy Cross Cemetery
5635 W. Slauson Ave.
Culver City, CA 90230

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Sign-On & Referral Bonus!

Applicants are encouraged to bring their resume for on-the-spot interviews.

Cemetery Arrangements

Funeral Services Assistant

Heavy Equipment Operators

Embalmers