



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 30, 2026

22nd 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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Knights of Columbus	Frank Bodeman
Guadalupanos	Carmen Ramirez
Rosario de Misericordia	Angelina Farias
Our Lord's Mission	Josephine Espinosa
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 say to myself, I will not mention him,
I will speak in his name no more.
But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones. (Jer 20:9)

Psalm:

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (Ps 63)

Second Reading:

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God,
to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice,
holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.
(Rom 12:1)

Gospel:

"For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." (Mt 16:25)

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Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/
Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/ Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk 6:1-5

Maria Gutierrez	Rhoda Rubalcaba
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William Gonzalez	Gerardo Duran
Joel Lopez	Cidronio Abelar
Guadalupe Nevarez	Yessenia Alvarez
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FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year "A"

The Son of Man Must Go to Jerusalem and Be Killed

A young woman went to her mother and shared how difficult her life had become. She felt overwhelmed, exhausted, and ready to give up. Every time one problem was resolved, another seemed to arise.

Her mother took her to the kitchen, filled three pots with water, and placed them on high heat. When the water began to boil, she placed carrots in the first pot, eggs in the second, and ground coffee beans in the third. She let them boil without saying a word.

After about twenty minutes, she turned off the burners. She removed the carrots and placed them in a bowl, did the same with the eggs, and then poured the coffee into another bowl.

Turning to her daughter, she asked, "Tell me, what do you see?" "Carrots, eggs, and coffee," the daughter replied.

Her mother asked her to feel the carrots; she found them soft. She then asked her to break an egg; beneath the shell was a hard-boiled interior. Finally, she asked her to sip the coffee; the daughter smiled at its rich aroma.

"What does it mean, Mother?" she asked.

Her mother explained that each item had faced the same adversity—boiling water—but each responded differently. The carrot went in strong, hard, and unyielding, but after boiling, it became soft and weak. The egg had been fragile, its thin shell protecting a liquid interior, but after boiling, its inside became hardened. The ground coffee beans were unique: they changed the water itself.

"Which are you?" she asked her daughter. "When adversity knocks on your door, how do you respond? Are you a carrot, an egg, or a coffee bean?" (Story adapted from the University of Texas at Austin, College of Education).

At this point in Jesus' life, the Sanhedrin had made their intention to kill Him known to all. The apostles, who had come to love Jesus and fully invest themselves in His kingdom movement, were deeply troubled. They feared what might happen to them if the Jewish authorities succeeded in killing Jesus.

Their anxiety was intensified by their mistaken notion of the Messiah. They expected Jesus to establish an earthly kingdom and wanted Him to take radical action to prevent His death. Yet Jesus appeared calm, unshaken, and unwilling to resist what was coming.

Instead of fighting back, Jesus taught His apostles the true meaning of Christian discipleship. He acknowledged that His death was imminent, but He also revealed that God's plan for the salvation of the world was greater than the threat posed by human authorities. He told them He *"must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised."*

The Jesus movement was a peaceful movement rooted in nonviolence. Jesus understood the reality of living in a world steeped in violence. Obstacles and suffering are inevitable, but violence is never the solution. Violence breeds more violence and imposes the will of the unjust upon the innocent.

Impulsive Peter was the first to reject the idea of violence, but Jesus, knowing what must come to pass, guided the apostles from where they were to where God wanted them to be. Violence may be inevitable in the world, but it can also become a stepping stone to growth and deeper self-realization. Through His death on the cross, Jesus destroys our death; through His resurrection, He restores our life to the glory of God.

The life of the prophet Jeremiah models the experience of a child of God on earth. In his effort to bring Israel back to the right path, Jeremiah received only violence and plots against his life. His love for God brought him derision and reproach, yet he did not give up because the word of God was *"like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it"* (Jer 20:9).

Like Jeremiah, faith is the tool that empowers us to endure and overcome the threats of evil and violence. From the beginning until now, *"the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force"* (Mt 11:12). We may not be able to eliminate violence entirely, but we must boldly reject and condemn violence in all its forms—violent words, actions such as abortion, capital punishment, oppression, and all that diminishes human dignity.

Christian life is the way of the cross: *"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."* Authentic Christian living must stand in contrast to the ways of the world. God's way is the way of service and sacrifice, and all who follow this path, like Jesus, will experience their own form of the cross.

Stopping violence is a universal responsibility. Yet in today's sensitive world, many choose silence to avoid offending others, especially when the violence does not affect them personally. To those who remain silent, Jesus asks, *"What does it profit one to gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his soul?"* Evil triumphs when good people remain silent. Silence in the face of violence enables violence and makes one complicit.

It is the moral duty of the strong to defend and protect the weak. Christians have an obligation to reject violence and work together for the reign of peace. When confronting violence, we must think globally and act locally. When one child of God suffers persecution, the entire Body of Christ suffers.

Violence is evil and must be rejected. It is contrary to humanity and opposed to everything that makes us truly human. It is to God's honor and glory that we promote the values that make the world a better place for all. Our efforts to confront, reject, and overcome violence can transform suffering into a stepping stone toward deeper self-realization, spiritual growth, freedom, and the reign of peace and justice.



Finance Report

Mass Intentions

COLLECTION

August 23, 2026

TOTAL

\$ 4,859.00

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity.

Did you know?

It is important to distinguish normal, age-appropriate curiosity from concerning sexual behaviors that may be inappropriate or potentially abusive. In general, developmentally appropriate behaviors will be playful, curious, and will be enacted among similar age groups. While these behaviors are not ideal in play, and should be discussed with children, they are typically not causes for concern. These moments can also serve as opportunities to talk about boundaries, appropriate behaviors and safe adults. For more information, read the VIR-TUS® article "Differentiating age-appropriate curiosity from harmful sexual behavior and abuse in elementary aged children" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.



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	29-2026
5:30pm	Melesio Reyes	Dec.
	Leonor Dora Sandoval	Dec.
SUNDAY	AUGUST	30-2026
7:30am	Fr. Paul Lee	Dec.
	Ted Alvarez	Dec.
9:00am	Ramona and Moises Arevalo	Dec.
	Severino & Remedios Tecson	Dec.
10:30am	Rosita Maldonado	Dec.
	Carlos Moreno Gonzalez	Dec.
5:30pm	Angela D. Shwe	Dec.
	Israel Badillo	Thanksgiving
MONDAY	AUGUST	31-2026
7:30am	Christopher Villalobos	Sp. Int.
	Gene Louise Sanga	Sp. Int.
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER	01-2026
7:30am	Christopher Villalobos	Sp. Int.
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER	02-2026
7:30am	Angela Moreno	Birthday
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER	03-2026
7:30am	Emiliano & Jorge Jr. Sandoval	Dec.
	Alejandro Marquez	Dec.
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER	04-2026
7:30am	Rose Llanora	Birthday
	Luz Dicioco	Dec.
	SEPTEMBER	05-2026
7:30am		

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Pregunta de la 1ª lectura

Jeremías contiene con una lucha interna para proclamar la palabra del Señor que le llega. ¿Quién te ayuda a superar la angustia o la ansiedad?

Pregunta de la 2ª lectura

Pablo desafía a los creyentes a no conformarse con la época presente, sino a transformarse con la renovación de sus mentes. ¿Qué hay que evitar en nuestra "época actual"?

Pregunta del Evangelio

Pedro no quiere aceptar el destino de Jesús como el Mesías que sufre mucho y muere. ¿Cómo procesas noticias o información difícil?

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Jr 20, 7-9/Sal 62, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9/Rom 12, 1-2/
Mt 16, 21-27

Lunes: 1 Co 2, 1-5/Sal 118, 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102/
Lc 4, 16-30

Martes: 1 Co 2, 10-16/Sal 144, 8-9. 10-11. 12-13. 13-14/
Lc 4, 31-37

Miércoles: 1 Co 3, 1-9/Sal 32, 12-13. 14-15. 20-21/Lc 4, 38-44

Jueves: 1 Co 3, 18-23/ Sal 23, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 5, 1-11

Viernes: 1 Co 4, 1-5/Sal 36, 3-4. 5-6. 27-28. 39-40/Lc 5, 33-39

Sábado: 1 Co 4, 6-15/Sal 144, 17-18. 19-20. 21/Lc 6, 1-5

Oración por las Vocaciones

Querido mío,

¡Danos el valor y la fuerza para responder cuando Tú llames! Danos claridad y confianza para escuchar tus suaves invitaciones. Danos el amor para responder y el valor para dar los pasos que nos acerquen cada vez más a Ti.

Amén.

Los niños pueden sufrir consecuencias a corto y largo plazo por crecer en un hogar donde se encuentra violencia doméstica. El Estado de California cuenta con leyes para proteger a los niños frente a la violencia física, verbal y emocional que se produzca en cualquier hogar. Un adulto que tenga motivos razonables para creer que un niño está presenciando violencia doméstica o sufriendo maltrato en su hogar puede denunciarlo ante los Servicios de Protección Infantil (CPS) o las autoridades correspondientes para que se investigue la situación en beneficio de la seguridad del niño. Para más consejos e información lea el artículo de VIR-TUS® "Violencia doméstica: parte 1" (Domestic Violence: part 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 más 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. Será un espacio especial para pausar la rutina, orar, y sanar el corazón.

Fecha: sábado y domingo 29 y 30 de agosto 2026; 8am a 7pm sábado y 8am a 4pm el domingo. Todos los alimentos están incluidos en tu donación 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 más información llama a Estela Murga (323) 395-1939.



Holy Hour

Join us for an our of meditation in the presence of Jesus. Everyone is invited. The service is bilingual and will be held inside the church.
Friday, September 4, 2026 @ 7PM

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.

Saturday, September 5, 2026 @ 8:00am—Parish Hall



Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is the first step in a lifelong journey of commitment and discipleship. All Souls is happy to celebrate the baptism of children in our community. Please consider the following when preparing your child for this sacrament of initiation:

- Your child must be six years old or younger
- Parents must submit an application a month prior to the desired date
- Parents and godparents must attend a pre-baptismal meeting in accordance with the baptism calendar.
- A donation of \$50 is requested when filling out application
- One godparent is sufficient
- The godparents should be practicing Catholics
- The godparents must be at least 16 & have received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and First Communion
- If not single, the godparents must be married through the Catholic Church.

If you have any questions, please call our Pastoral Center.
God bless!

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.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & MORTUARIES

CAREER FAIRS

EAST REGION	WEST REGION
Wednesday, August 26, 2026	Wednesday, September 3, 2026
Calvary Cemetery 4201 Whittier Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90023	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.

CURRENT OPENINGS:

Cemetery Arrangements

Funeral Services Assistant

Heavy Equipment Operators

Embalmers