All Souls Catholic Church



NOVEMBER 8, 2026

32nd 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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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 & Organizations

Ministry of the Sick	Larry Dumont
Safeguard the Children	Irene Oaxaca
Bereavement Ministry	Diep Dinh
Legion of Mary	Salvador Agudo
Cursillos in Christianity	Aida Gonzalez
English Bible Study	Sheila Henderson-Linan
Spanish Bible Study	Maria de Jesus Martinez
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:
Resplendent and unfading is wisdom,
and she is readily perceived by those who love her,
and found by those who seek her. (Wis 6:12)
Psalm:
My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (Ps 63)
Second Reading:
For if we believe that Jesus died and rose,
so too will God, through Jesus,
bring with him those who have fallen asleep. (1 Thes 4:14)
Gospel:
"Therefore, stay awake,
for you know neither the day nor the hour." (Mt 25:13)

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Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/ Mt 25:1-13
Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/ Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8

- Lucy Argueta
- Esperanza Canale
- Marcella Guerra
- Sylvia Mae Thomas
- Palma Jones
- Gloria Moore
- Loan Le
- Angelica Ruedas
- Matthew Perez
- 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
- Elizabeth Pham
- Cathy Freeman
- Evelyn Vasquez
- Rhoda Rubalcaba
- Jim Robinson
- Annette Lopez
- Norma Ferriols
- Tomasa 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

FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A -
"Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him."

This famous Zen story illustrates the uncertainty of life: There was once a farmer whose only horse ran away. That evening, the neighbors gathered to commiserate with him because this seemed like terrible luck.

"Your farm will suffer, and you will not be able to plow," they said. "Surely this is a terrible thing to have happened to you."

He replied, "Maybe yes, maybe no."

The next day, the horse returned, bringing with it six wild horses. The neighbors came to congratulate him and marvel at his good fortune.

"You are richer than before!" they exclaimed. "Surely this has turned out to be a good thing for you after all."

He replied, "Maybe yes, maybe no."

The following day, his son tried to saddle and ride one of the wild horses. He was thrown off and broke his leg, leaving him unable to work on the farm.

Once again, the neighbors came to offer their sympathy.

"There is more work than you can handle alone, and you may be driven into poverty," they said. "Surely this is a terrible misfortune."

The old farmer replied, "Maybe yes, maybe no."

The day after that, conscription officers came to the village to recruit young men for the army. Because of his broken leg, the farmer's son was rejected. When the neighbors returned, they said:

"How fortunate! Things have worked out after all. Most young men never return alive from war. Surely this is the greatest of fortunes for you!"

And the old man replied once again, "Maybe yes, maybe no." (Story told by Awdhesh Singh)

Human life is filled with uncertain moments. Leaving room for doubt is not a sign of weakness. Rather, it creates an open horizon of possibilities that allows for mistakes, questions, greatness, scientific breakthroughs, moral growth, important choices, and deep resilience.

When we become absolutely certain about everything, we shut doors that could lead to new opportunities and possibilities. Leaving room for uncertainty allows us to benefit from the world of possibilities that surrounds us. It helps us remain open to learning, adapt when necessary, and maintain a profound sense of humility.

Marriage in the time of Jesus certainly required leaving room for uncertainty. Since marriage was intended to unite two different families and cultures, many customs and negotiations were involved. There was no fixed timetable for completing these negotiations. The marriage ceremony was usually held at the bride's home in the evening, but the discussions could continue until the early hours of the morning.

Being chosen to serve as a maiden at a wedding ceremony was both an honor and a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. It provided young women with the chance to display their upbringing, character, wisdom, intelligence, and beauty so that they might be noticed and considered for marriage.

Making adequate preparations for such an event could never be taken for granted. Only those who truly understood what was involved were able to prepare properly. In the parable, only five of ten virgins passed the test; the other failed not because they did not try, but because they relied solely on their limited understanding when making decisions. Only the virgins who left room for uncertainty were able to enter the wedding banquet when the bridegroom arrived.

Wisdom is more than academic intelligence. It includes practical knowledge and life experience, but even more importantly, it requires openness to the unknown. Perhaps this is why the five wise virgins did not share their oil with the foolish virgins. The foolish virgins lacked the foresight and openness needed to prepare for unforeseen circumstances.

We can also interpret the oil as representing character. There are some things in life that cannot be shared or borrowed, and character is one of them. Developing good character is a personal decision that each individual must make. Neither parents nor friends can make that choice for us. Therefore, the foolish virgins had to go and buy their own oil. Tragically, by the time they returned, it was too late to enter the wedding banquet.

Since the bridegroom in this Gospel represents God, we are reminded today that a day of reckoning is coming when each of us will be called to give an account of our lives. Familiarity with religion or Scripture alone is not enough to guarantee entry into the Kingdom of Heaven. The choices we make today matter. They are what will speak for us on that certain and inevitable day of the Lord.

God is kind and merciful, but we should never take His goodness and mercy for granted. God is not the one who locks people out of the banquet. Rather, it is our poor choices that disqualify us from enjoying His beauty and glory. When that happens, we have only ourselves to blame.

There is enough oil in the world to keep our lamps burning brightly. Our lack of oil is not due to scarcity but to poor choices. God's timing is always best. We must allow ourselves to be guided by His Word and surrender to His will. By consistently performing good deeds, we remain prepared to enter the wedding banquet that God has prepared for us.

Gospel messages such as this are not meant to frighten us. Rather, they remind us of the need to live our lives with genuine purpose and meaning. Authentic faith requires constant attentiveness to what the Lord asks of us. Just as a lamp needs oil to keep burning, we need to grow daily in prayer, charity, and good works.

We have work to do, and we cannot excuse ourselves from our responsibilities or transfer them to others. The sense of urgency with which Jesus preached the Kingdom of God should inspire us all. We cannot afford to be lukewarm in our mission of proclaiming the Gospel and building God's Kingdom on earth. More than ever before, the world urgently needs faithful witnesses. By doing so, we keep our lamps burning until the Day of the Lord comes in glory. Amen.

Finance Report

COLLECTION	TOTAL
Sunday, Nov. 1, 2026	$7,433.00

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity

Did You Know?

Online exploitation is the use of the internet or digital technology to sexually exploit children or vulnerable adults. While this can happen in many ways, the most common examples include grooming, coercing a victim into sharing explicit images, or building up to meeting in person. Predators use social media, gaming platforms, livestreams, and even online communities to identify and isolate victims. Online exploitation against a minor is always a form of child abuse, even if nothing physical occurs. For more information, read the VIRTUS®article "Online Exploitation: What is it and what can we do?" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.



Visit our Chapel

Every minute that we spend in adoration of our Lord deepens our relationship with Him.

Take a break from the worries of the world and come spend some time with Jesus in silent meditation. Our Adoration Chapel is open the same hours as our Pastoral Center. Do not miss out on this especial opportunity to receive His blessings.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY,	NOV. 07	INT.
5:30pm	Angelito Gan	Dec.
	Carlos Moreno Gonzalez	Dec.

SUNDAY,	NOV. 08	INT.
7:30am	All Souls	Sp. Int.
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9:00am	Carlos Moreno Gonzalez	Dec.
	Charles Rosario	Dec.
10:30am	Victoria & Levon Dadikozian	Dec.
	Manuel Murillo Nath	Dec.
5:30pm	Cervantes Family	Thanksgiving
	Edward Jae Hyung Kim	Dec.

MONDAY,	NOV. 09	INT.
7:30am	Christina Jones	Birthday
	Carlos Moreno Gonzalez	Dec.

TUESDAY,	NOV. 10	INT.
7:30am	Jose Dee	Dec.
	Surjani Lajanto	Dec.

WEDNESDAY,	NOV. 11	INT.
7:30am	Eric Saucedo	Sp. Int.
	All Souls in Purgatory	

THURSDAY,	NOV. 12	INT.
7:30am	Chin Pin Cheng	Dec.
	Grace Lowenberg	Sp. Int.

FRIDAY,	NOV. 13	INT.
7:30am	Grace Lowenberg	Sp. Int.
	Mayra Reyes	Dec.

SATURDAY,	NOV. 14	INT.
7:30am	Shi Wenying	Dec.
	Vilma Reyes	Dec.

Bendición Para Los Veteranos

Oh, Dios,

Bendice los hombres y mujeres que han dado un paso adelante al servicio de nuestro país. Protégelos en tu misericordia, cuida de sus necesidades: física, mental, emocional y espiritual. Dales valor, fuerza, perseverancia y apoyo.

Amén.

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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!



2026 THANKSGIVING

PARISH COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2026 | 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Help us welcome our community to a Thanksgiving feast and fellowship!

We are gratefully accepting the following donations to make this celebration possible.

Our Confirmation students and young adults will, once again, be preparing the Thanksgiving meal!

DONATION DROP-OFF: November 6-21, 2026-Pastoral Center

- **Turkeys**
- **Boxes of stuffing**
- **Bags of russet potatoes**
- **Bags of yams**
- **Marshmallows**
- **Large cans of corn**
- **Large cans of turkey gravy (Smart & Final)**
- **Large aluminum pans (Costco)**
- **Medium aluminum pans (Costco)**
- **Large cans of chicken broth (Smart & Final)**
- **Cans of cranberry sauce**
- **Aluminum foil**
- **Cans of soda**
- **Large latex free gloves**
- **Tubs of butter**
- **Heavy whipping cream**
- **Celery**
- **Onions**
- **Carrots**
- **Napkins**
- **Paper plates**
  - **Large, sturdy plates**
  - **Small dessert plates**
- **Utensils**
- **Coffee cups**
- **Cups**
- **Water bottles**

MONDAY DROP-OFF: NOVEMBER 22, 2026 – Pastoral Center 9:00am – 3:00pm

- **Bags of shredded mozzarella cheese**
- **Pumpkin pies (Costco)**
- **Pre-packaged salad bags and bottled salad dressing**
- **Whipped cream**
- **Dinner rolls**



THANK YOU FOR SHARING THE SPIRIT OF THANKSGIVING!

Your generosity helps bring our parish and community together.

– GIVE THANKS • SHARE JOY • BUILD COMMUNITY –

LECTURAS

Domingo: Wis 6, 12-16/Sal 62, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8/1 Tes 4, 13-18 o 4, 13-14/Mt 25, 1-13
Lunes: Ez 47, 1-2. 8-9. 12/Sal 45, 2-3. 5-6. 8-9/1 Co 3, 9-11. 16-17/Jn 2, 13-22
Martes: Ti 2, 1-8. 11-14/Sal 36, 3-4. 18 y 23. 27 y 29/ Lc 17, 7-10
Miércoles: Ti 3, 1-7/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6/Lc 17, 11-19
Jueves: Flm 7-20/Sal 145, 7. 8-9. 9-10/Lc 17, 20-25
Viernes: 2 Jn 4-9/Sal 118, 1. 2. 10. 11. 17. 18/Lc 17, 26-37
Sábado: 3 Jn 5-8/Sal 111, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 18, 1-8

¿Sabía usted?

Reporteros obligatorios o "mandated reporters" son personas con obligación legal de denunciar los casos sospechosos de maltrato o aquellas situaciones en las que un menor haya revelado haber sufrido maltrato o abuso. Estas denuncias se deben presentar ante los servicios de protección de la infancia o ante las autoridades policiales. La mayoría de las profesiones que obligan a una persona a informar de los casos de maltrato involucran una interacción estrecha con los niños, como la de maestro, administrador escolar o enfermero. Pero, independientemente de lo que diga la ley, todos tenemos la obligación ética de denunciar los casos de maltrato infantil, ya sean sospechosos o confirmados, con el fin de garantizar la seguridad de los niños. Para más información lea el artículo de VIRTUS® "Datos sobre los reporteros y notificación obligatoria y ética" (The Facts about Mandated and Ethical Reporting) at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

PARISH NEWS





All Souls Catholic Church extends its gratitude to our parishioners, neighbors, and friends for joining us at our Feast Day Festival this past weekend. Your presence made the event a truly vibrant celebration of fellowship and unity. We are incredibly grateful for your overwhelming generosity, whether you dedicated your valuable time as a volunteer, contributed funds, or donated essential supplies to make this event possible.

We hope you thoroughly enjoyed the diverse cultural foods, lively entertainment, and the wonderful selection of unique items from our arts and crafts boutique vendors. It was a joy to see our community come together to share in good food, great company, and lasting memories. Thank you for your continuous support, dedication, and spirit, which continue to make our parish a blessed community.





Raffle Winners

1st PRIZE:
Andrew Silva

2nd PRIZE:
Gilberto Mejia

3rd PRIZE:
Pearl Martinez

4th PRIZE:
L. Ninette A. Guzman

BONUS:
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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!



A Healing Mass will be celebrated at All Souls on Saturday, November 14th, at 7:30 am. Please bring your loved ones who may need the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to attend this special Mass.

VETERANS DAY
HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Please not that our Pastoral Center will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th, in observance of Veteran's Day. We will resume our regular hours the following day.



Heavenly Father,

Bless our veterans for their courage, service, and sacrifice. Grant them with peace, strength, and continued protection. Amen.