



"Our mission is to bring the good news of Jesus Christ's love to our entire community through traditional Anglo-Catholic worship, fellowship, outreach, and Christian formation."

Our Vision: *"We strive to be a haven of healing, reconciliation, joy and peace in service to our wider community and beyond, so that our example in prayer and practice may reflect Christ's love for us all."*

THIS SUNDAY – OCTOBER 19TH, 2025

PROCLAIMING THE MESSAGE WITH UTMOST PATIENCE

The Urge to Proclaim

There is no greater blessing in our lives than the faith that has been handed down to us either by our ancestors or by someone who, at some point in our lives crossed our path, and marked the beginning of our pilgrimage on our spiritual path towards maturity as followers of Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

As we learn and mature on this path our lives are transformed in ways we had not even foreseen, changing our perspectives for the better, and freeing us from useless attachments that used to enslave us. We begin to experience the true joy of a purposeful life, of getting to know the true meaning of the love which is experienced in self-giving, in the selfless sharing of goods, time, and talents, and in a life shared in a community guided by God's Very Word made flesh: Jesus Christ.

But the very essence of this joyful new and abundant life that we have already begun to experience, and whose total fulfillment we await when God and Christ are all in all, must prompt in us the urgency to share this message with as many people as possible in our lifetime.

It would be really selfish on our part, and quite contrary to the very essence of what we experience as Christ's followers, to keep this wonderful freeing and renewed way of living as God's true children to ourselves, or only share it with those who are already part of a Christian community of faith.



It is certainly not a gracious attitude to think and say, "let those who want to learn about this new life in Christ join our community or one of the communities where this true faith is proclaimed." This may happen or not. But just as in the times of Jesus and His first followers, in today's world also there are too many distractions, and many have the tendency, as St. Paul states in his Second Letter to Timothy, "not to put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, to accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths."

Will all who hear the message turn away from this falsity and embrace the true life in Christ? Not necessarily, but at least there is a chance that some of them will.

The New Testament is full with testimonies of thousands of people being converted after hearing the proclamation of Christ's truth. What makes us believe that the people at that time were not tempted by false doctrines and the deceits of the world just as people are nowadays?

The conditions have changed, and perhaps nowadays with the great use of social media through electronic means there is a greater bombardment of distractions for everyone. However, these same technologies can also be used to spread the Good News of Salvation at a much more global scope than ever before.

The world we live in is highly secularized, and we have to acknowledge this fact. However, this should not prevent us from proclaiming true and abundant life based on Jesus' radical Way of selfless and unconditional love, in a broken and suffering world that so badly needs this love and this life!

St. Paul's urgent words are as relevant today as when he wrote them: "In the presence of God and of Jesus Christ, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of His appearing and His kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message, be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching."

Fr. Carlos Expósito, Rector

READINGS FOR THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Genesis 32:22-31 + Psalm 119:97-104 + 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 + Luke 18:1-8

CALENDAR

Note: We worship in our historic church. The service will also be on Zoom. The service time is 10:00 AM. Tuesday Noon Mass is held in All Saints' St. Mary Chapel.

SUNDAY October 19th, 2025 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 AM Mass in All Saints' Church
Join Zoom Meeting from our web site at www.allsaintschurch.org
Recording of Mass available before noon at www.allsaintschurch.org

Christian Formation and First Communion Instruction for Children
Ages 5 - 12 in the Parish Hall from 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM

Christian Formation for Adults (the 2nd and 4th Sundays)
Youth and adults around Noon after the Mass in the Library
Recording of Mass available before noon at www.allsaintschurch.org

OUR CORE VALUES:

- Welcoming strangers like old friends
- Embracing the Anglo-Catholic tradition
- Being dependable members of a caring community
- Respecting each other's differences
- Being faithful stewards of God's gift
- Remembering that God loves everyone unconditionally