

**St. Lorenzo Ruiz  
Catholic Parish Community**

*"Where Earth meets Heaven"*

**FEBRUARY 10, 2019**



**JESUS SAID TO SIMON,  
"PUT OUT INTO  
DEEP WATER AND  
LOWER YOUR NETS  
FOR A CATCH."**

Luke 5:4

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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**TOGETHER IN  
MISSION**  
LOS ANGELES

**Together in Mission  
Commitment Weekend  
Feb 9 & 10**

**committed.  
dedicated.  
faithful.**

**Changed in Faith,  
Formed in  
Community  
Relationships**

**The Suen  
Family in SLR**

*Featured inside—  
see page 2*

## Our Mission Statement

As a welcoming community, we celebrate our life, conscious of our multi-ethnic traditions, vowing unity with Christ in our multi-cultural differences. We usher in our lives (being evangelized) and proclaim (as evangelizers) the reign of God as Priests, Prophets and Kings, and in so doing, we celebrate our discipleship in Christ Jesus. We extol "being Church" through the formation of Small Faith Communities as a way of life in being priests, prophets and kings; thus, we become economically stable and self-reliant as we give special attention and solicitude to our youth and the needy.

*"They were faithful to the teaching of the apostles, the common life of sharing, the breaking of bread and the prayers." (Acts 2:42)*

## 2019 SLRC: Let us go "Home".... "becoming and being Church"!

- ♦ be **Nourished & Sustained** by the **Word**: read/reflect/pray on the Word daily and *liturgically*
- ♦ be a **Eucharist**: "Welcome Home"...greeting/smiling at every one particularly at Church/belong to a small group
- ♦ be a **Missionary Disciple**: "telling the story of Jesus",  
'each one, teach one...each one, take two'



ST. LORENZO RUIZ THE FAMILY MAN,  
PRAY FOR US!

## Commitment Weekend



**Together in Mission 2019**  
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*'Our story is Hope'*

**2019 Goal: \$93,900**



## Changed in Faith, Formed in Community Relationships

We are family of five, **Peter, Nancy, Wei, Angela, and Theresa.** 14 years ago, after moving from another parish church, friends asked if we get used to this multicultural parish community, I told them half-jokingly that everything is just as usual, we clock in and out every Sunday Mass, keep doing the overtime-attending during special Seasons, and repent, reconcile as well so as to save ourselves from sins. But, at the same time, I also tell them that owing to the change of environment, this parish church community indeed causes great impact on our Christian life (family as a whole) in a vital way.



Mass in Chinese here is once a month, which Fr. Tony has at least kept one Mass for Walnut local Chinese parishioners, after great effort to try to make it for all Sundays. Nevertheless, beyond the pros and cons, the good thing is that we then have to participate English Mass for the rest Sundays and therefore have the opportunities to appreciate and receive other cultures, their faithful traditions, devotions, fiesta, songs, program activities; retreats, recollection, reflections/discussions, and so on, which we could hardly get before. In Chinese culture, our years of Christianity is relatively short, tradition few, resources limited. Thus, it is a wonderful cultural impact to us.

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# Worship

WE PRAY & WORSHIP.

WE ARE A PRIESTLY COMMUNITY.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** -- Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the Lord and responds, Send me! (*Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8*)

**Psalms** -- In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (*Psalms 138*).

**Second Reading** -- Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it (*1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]*).

**Gospel** -- Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. (*Luke 5:1-11*).

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
World Marriage Day

**Monday:** Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick

**Tuesday:** Lincoln's Birthday

**Thursday:** Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day

**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary

## SACRAMENTS

### Baptism

**Registration is required.** Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. Instruction classes: every 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. Group Baptisms every 3rd Saturday of the month at 10:00 am.

**Bautismos en Español:** Cada cuarto Domingo del mes a las 3:00pm. Para mas información por favor llame a la oficina parroquial o hable con Gaby Coria, Coordinadora del Ministerio Hispano en la ext. 116.

**Anointing/Visitation of the Sick** Contact the Parish Office 909-595-9545

Unción a enfermos-- Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial.

**Matrimony** Couples wishing to celebrate their wedding must contact a priest at least 6 months in advance prior to setting a date. This time is necessary to fulfill the prerequisites for receiving the sacrament.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** Preparation for Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. For information, call the Parish Office and leave a message for Bob Kondrath.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC)** For more information call the Parish Office and leave a message for Gail Akins.

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 10, 2019

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,  
Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?

Here I am, I said, send me!

-- *Isaiah 6:8*

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**Rev. Tony P. Astudillo**

Pastor

**Rev. Elmer S. Empinado**

Associate Pastor

### OFFICE HOURS

M - F 8:30am to 7:00pm

Sat 9:00am-2:00pm

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **Saturday Masses**

8:00am

5:00pm (vigil)

#### **Sunday Masses**

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,  
12:00pm, 1:30pm (Esp), 6:30pm

#### **Weekday Masses**

7:00am and 7:00pm

#### **Holy Days of Obligation**

7:00pm

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

#### **Weekdays**

15 min before daily mass

#### **Friday**

7:30pm to 8:30pm

#### **Saturday**

3:30pm to 4:30pm



# Educa**tion**

WE LEARN AND EDUCATE.

WE ARE A PROPHETIC PEOPLE



**Catechists' Planning Meeting** held last Friday, Feb 1st.

**Fr. Tony** met with some of our most dedicated Catechists to plan for the upcoming Rel Ed Congress & the Children's Faith Formation Program.



## Los Angeles Religious Education Congress

Not just for Religious Educators

**March 21, 2019 (Youth Day)**  
**March 22-24 (Adult Days)**



Anaheim Convention Center

*All are welcome to attend! If you have never attended RECongress, it promises to be a wonderful experience. The RECongress, sponsored by the Office of Religious Education of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, offers a variety of opportunities for personal faith enrichment.*

- **Youth Day**—workshops & prayer
- **Adult Days**—over 300 workshops from spirituality & personal development to biblical studies, theology & catechesis
- **Liturgies & Sacred Space**
- **Film Showcase & noontime and evening concerts**

For Registration Guidebook, please contact (213) 637-7348 or visit their website at [RECongress.org](http://RECongress.org)



## Word Among Us

Groups that meet weekly

**Monday Bible Group**— 7:30pm St. Luke

**Tuesday Word Among Us**— 9:30am St. Mark

**Wednesday Word Among Us**— 9:00am St. Luke

**Thursday Word Among Us** (Spanish) - 7:00pm St John

**Lectors Reflection & Word Among Us**— 7:30pm  
Thurs-Holy Spirit Rm (behind Vellucci Hall)

**Family Prayer Group**— 7:00pm, Fridays St. Mark



## Congreso de Educacion Religiosa de Los Angeles 2019

*No solo para educadores religiosos*

El Congreso de Educacion Religiosa esta proximo para renovarnos y nutrirnos una vez mas.

El 21 de Marzo (Dida de los Jovenes)  
y 22 al 24 de Marzo

¡Todos son bienvenidos! *Para inscribirse hoy, visite la pagina [www.RECongress.org](http://www.RECongress.org) O llama a la linea de informacion del Congreso al (213) 637-7348*

# Service

WE SERVE & WE SHARE.

WE ARE A KINGLY PEOPLE.

## Sunday Hospitality

Ministries, families and zone members are invited to host a Sunday at the Pavilion for Fellowship.

Get to know more parishioners and promote your ministry too!

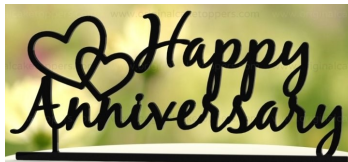
*Details to follow.*

For more info, please contact the Parish Office  
909-595-9545

Our Congratulations and prayers!

February 9

Jose Valdivias & Terri Valdivias (18 years)



Come and join!  
**CANA Marriage Weekend Retreat**  
February 22 - 24, 2019  
Holiday Inn and Suites

Do you want to enhance your married life?

Do you want to make it better?

We invite you to join the  
CANA Marriage Renewal  
Retreat weekend.



For inquiries and registration, contact:  
**Alain and Cecille Graziani**  
(818) 421-6505 or  
**St. Lorenzo Ruiz Parish Office**  
(909) 595-9545

## Do you know what Restorative Justice is?

"I was in prison and you came to visit me...I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." *Matthew 25:36,40*

On any given day in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles (including Los Angeles, Santa Barbara & Ventura counties), there are 22,000 individuals incarcerated in the detention system. These numbers pale in comparison when you consider not only these individuals but their victims, families and communities affected by crime and the criminal justice system.

**Come and find out or learn more...**

**Saturday, Feb 23**  
**1:00PM-3:00PM**

SLR—Evangelization Center  
(Venue: Saints Luke, John, Mark & Matthew)



With **Deacon Brian Clements**

Refreshments will be served

**Coordinated by: Brian Miller**  
**Email: [bmillerslr@yahoo.com](mailto:bmillerslr@yahoo.com)**  
**Parish Office: 909-595-9545**

## Bethesda Ministry

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please continue praying and caring for our sick family members, friends, neighbors and parishioners.

Please contact Marilyn Estona at the parish office or email [mestona@hotmail.com](mailto:mestona@hotmail.com) if you know of any parishioner who is sick, hospitalized, or homebound so that we may include them in our prayers. We continue to pray for the sick brothers and sisters in this list. Please let us know the health status of the person/s you have requested prayers for.

### Mass Offering White Envelopes Notice

To request Mass offerings, please fill out the white envelope located in the Parish Office and **DROP IT OFF** two (2) weeks prior to the requested date.

This will ensure that your Mass offerings will appear in the bulletin on a timely basis.

**Thank you.**

### Welcome home

### Upcoming February Baptisms

Gavin Trey Aguado Rosal  
Santiago Samuel Rodriguez

### Quinceañera

Feb 23—Nicole Maldonado

### Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend for Healing after Abortion

Rachel's Vineyard retreat is for men and women struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. The retreat is designed to help participants work through repressed grief and anger in a safe, nonjudgmental setting and come to acceptance, healing, and hope for the future. Developed in the Roman Catholic Tradition, it utilizes spiritual exercises and rituals to help grieve the loss of unborn children and to accept God's forgiveness. **All inquiries and registrations are confidential.** [www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard](http://www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard) March 1-3, 2019 Duarte, CA Cost: \$300. per person For registration or more information please call and leave message: 323-577-5693 [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Week of Feb 9-16			
Date	Mass	Rest In Peace	Intentions
Sat 9-Feb	5:00pm		Lisa Altavas (HB)
Sun 10-Feb	7:30am	Nellie Acosta (PG)	Lisa Altavas (HB)
	9:00am	Danilo Lucchesi Resty Esteron Leonides Reyes Vinculado Violeta C. Esguerra Shirley Bautista	
	10:30am	Mila Tamayo Siong Yap	Raymond & Kathryn Tamayo (25th Wedd. Ann.) Maryanne Rodrick (HB) Jay-Steven Kho (HB)
	12:00pm	Duane Gloe Angeles De Jesus Corazon & Deogracias Culas	Religious Ed. Families (PG) Nora Cartagena (HB)
	1:30pm	Blanca Valenzuela Dr. Mark Ezequiel	
	6:30pm	Teresita Ventura Cabrera Leonora Flores Sallie Ponce Danilo Awa	Chauncey Snyder
Mon 11-Feb	7:00am		Isabel Yu
	7:00pm	Fred Lising Leonor Maddela (Ann.)	
Tue 12-Feb	7:00am		Evelyn Lim (HB)
	7:00pm	Fred Lising	Evelyn Lim (HB)
Wed 13-Feb	7:00am		Hazel Dimalanta (HB) Sam Realica (HB) Gloria Gadbois
	7:00pm	Fred Lising Solomon & Della Huerta	Maria Lourdes Agustin (HB) TG
Thurs 14-Feb	7:00am		Ivan Carrillo
	7:00pm		Iscolina & Hector Gonzalez
Fri 15-Feb	7:00am		Isabel Yu Scott Zins
Sat 16-Feb	8:00am		Isabel Yu Jason Rivera (HB) Matt Magallanez (HB)



# TTemporalities

WE BECOME ECONOMICALLY STABLE  
AND SELF-RELIANT...

## Thank you to our February Liturgical Sponsors



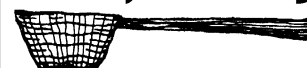
### Sponsors of Light, Altar Bread & Eucharistic Wine

*Helen Vigilia*

*In loving memory of husband Greg Vigilia  
and parents Eugenio & Fe Felix*

*Grant unto them O Lord eternal rest. Let perpetual light shine  
upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

## Weekly Offering



Week Ending Feb 3

Plate	\$ 5,084
Envelopes	\$ 9,343
Faith Direct	\$ 3,003

**TOTAL \$ 17,430**

**THANK YOU for your GENEROSITY**

**God Bless You!!**

## GRACE

*(Generous Response According to Christ's Embrace)*

### Sunday Giving & Offering

Why emphasize financial giving when there are other important areas in the church where I can help? That's true, but financial giving encourages you to grow in these other areas. Giving sacrificially (i.e. tithing) will stretch your faith, forcing you to trust in the Lord. It will push you toward a more godly life as you set priorities.

**I am in debt and can't make ends meet.** You are not alone. Many parishioners are in the same boat. First, repent before the Lord if you are guilty of poor stewardship. Get practical help. Plan a budget.

## Together in Mission 2019

**Feb 9 and 10**

*'Our story is Hope'*



SLR welcomes the Together in Mission Committee 2019

**Lead Coordinators: Prescy & Nap Cruz**

**Members:** Prit & Josie Singh  
Danny & Mell Bañez  
Hermie & Ching Sese  
Gil & Grace Adajar  
Manding & Mars Alberto  
Nol & Connie Tabangay  
Ralph & Mary Lopez  
Chito & Edelle Canonizado  
Adam & Lily Lota  
Danny & Pat Morales

### 2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

The contribution statements for 2018 available in the main office by request. **Please call in advance** if you would like a print out or an email copy of your statement..

SLR Parish office (909) 595-9545.

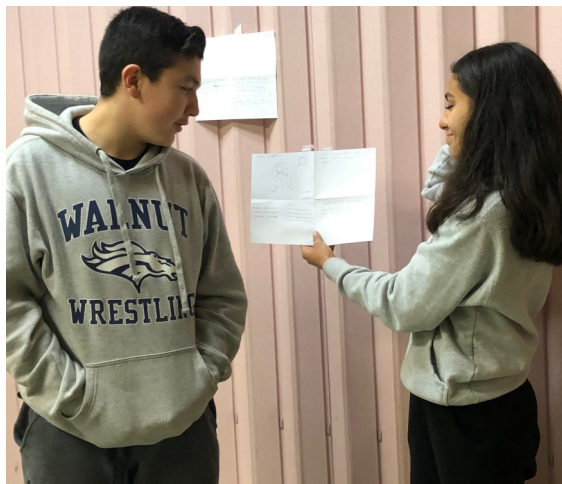
**Thank you for your generosity!**



# Youth

WE GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION AND  
SOLICITUDE TO OUR YOUTH

Each one, teach one...



Confirmation One Students teach one another about the importance of Sacraments.



Share your blessings...

Thank you to the **Alorro Family** who shared lemons with parishioners. Pictured on left is **Ethan Alorro** with a basket full of lemons!

## ROSARY MAKERS Needed!

*Learn to make a rosary*

**Free Rosary Making Classes**  
St. Lorenzo Rosary Makers

**Make rosaries for:**

- The Military
- Hospitals
- Missions
- First Communion, Confirmation & more



For information call:  
Donna Bauman (909) 594-5335

## CONFIRMATION 2 RETREAT

Our prayers for our 114 Youth & Staff this weekend at their Retreat in Yucaipa.



**"Keep your sight on what is ahead and your eyes directed straight in front of you."** (Proverbs 4:25)

## 2019 YEAR OF THE YOUTH....

YOUTH IN MISSION.  
BELOVED. GIFTED. EMPOWERED.



**Xavier Magallanez** at his first Youth Ministry Convocation held at the Cathedral of Angels, Los Angeles Tuesday, Jan 29th. On left: **Fr. Elmer** (Associate Pastor) and **Cara Bermejo** (Confirmation & Youth Directress)



## Changed in Faith....(The Suen Family continued from page 2)

To me, our parish church, is very much an inviting community, it invites us to be involved to form a group, an environment, to enable people to be interrelated, interacted, and changed. If our faith is going to change us, it is going to have to realign our social relationships, mainly.

**Relationship, Welcome Home, The Word Among Us, Zone Groups**, ..., are now common languages in this parish community, and I am very much for these "Slogans", they make great sense to me. In narrow sense, I believe I am in a social setting by my family, friends, groups, organizations, my community... those of my surroundings. This means we are formed to a great degree by our environment, and therefore we need to live in a Christian environment, the surroundings.

In 2011, the Parish office promoted the study of a 4-series-book, "**Why Catholic?**", and encouraged the parishioners to form groups to refresh our faith and realign relationships within. I then decided to translate the books into Chinese versions in order to relieve some barriers of the group because of language. After 5 years, all versions were done and the group is much interrelated, and then we decided to proceed the track continually by introducing separately the Scriptures and Prayer, Taize Prayer, Bible Study, and study group for books of "A Celebration of Life" by Anthony T. Padovano, and "Clowning in Rome" by Henri Nouwen. Regarding translation, English is not my strength, not my talent, but I learned that we are a part of many in one Body, sometimes when needed, the right hand is to do the job of the left hand, and the blessings of the Lord comes to fulfill the shortcomings.

We are a family of five, and members of the Parish's Chinese Community. This is a Christian Living group, we witness our faith in living, the most touching experiences are of the care-giving and quite often, it is the less capable who help the more capable ones, the weaker assists the stronger, the poor support the richer. We are still small in number, though we observe the increasing numbers of Chinese in our Parish Community, but they are not related in groups. So, **let's pray that we can be a better tool to witness our Lord.**

## Saint John Vianney relic to visit the Archdiocese of L.A. Feb. 21-25

The "Heart of a Priest" relic tour of the incorrupt heart of St. John Vianney, the patron of priests, will be visiting the Archdiocese of Los Angeles as part of a national tour sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The relic will be available for public veneration by the faithful at various parishes around the Archdiocese from February 21-25, including St. John Chrysostom Parish and School in Inglewood (Feb. 21), St. Elisabeth Parish in Van Nuys (Feb. 22), Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels (Feb. 24-25) and St. John Vianney Parish in Hacienda Heights (Feb. 25). For more information on dates and locations, visit <https://angelusnews.com/news/angelus-staff/heart-of-a-priest-coming-to-la>

Reliquia de San Juan Vianney visitará la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles del 21-25 de febrero La gira "Corazón de un sacerdote" del corazón incorruptible de San Juan Vianney, patrón de los sacerdotes, estará visitando la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles, como parte de una gira nacional de la reliquia patrocinada por los Caballeros de Colón. La reliquia estará disponible para veneración por los fieles del 21 al 25 de febrero en varias parroquias de la Arquidiócesis, incluida la Parroquia y la Escuela San Juan Crisóstomo en Inglewood (21 de febrero), Parroquia Santa Isabel en Van Nuys (22 de febrero), Catedral de Nuestra Señora de Los Ángeles (24-25 de febrero), y Parroquia San Juan Vianney en Hacienda Heights (25 de febrero). Para obtener más información de las fechas e iglesias, visite <https://angelusnews.com/news/angelus-staff/heart-of-a-priest-coming-to-la>



### WELCOME HOME

*Suen Family*

Wei, Nancy, Angela, Peter & Theresa

Follow St. Lorenzo Ruiz is on Social Media!



Find us on  
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CATHOLIC CHURCH

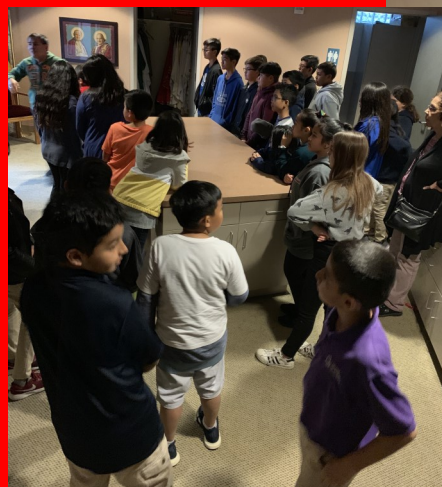


## 'Welcome Home' .....



### Children's Sacristy Tour with Fr. Elmer

Our **SLR Children** from the Faith Formation Program learned about our **Sacristy** (a room in the church where the priest prepares for service, also where vestments & sacred vessels are kept) last Wednesday, Jan 30th.



**DINNER DANCE PARTY**

**FEBRUARY 16 2019**  
**6:00 PM - 11:00 PM**

Contact Francisco Vargas (626) 222 4522  
or James Rondolos (626) 825 4393  
as Event Coordinators

Attire:  
Semi-Formal

Prepaid \$35 per person  
or \$40 at the door

**VELLUCCI HALL**