



Kindness

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and justice shall look down from heaven.

Psalm 85:11-12



August 9, 2020 • Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Parish Community

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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. 111.

Anointing/Visitation of the Sick Contact the Parish Office 909-595-9545
Unión 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 **Linda Talcott**.

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)

New Mass Schedule* for outdoor celebrations—Pavilion:

(livestreamed on SLR Website saintlorenzo.org Facebook)

updated July 24, 2020

Monday-Friday 7:00am only

Saturday: 8:00am and 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 1:30pm Spanish & 6:30pm

Important notice:

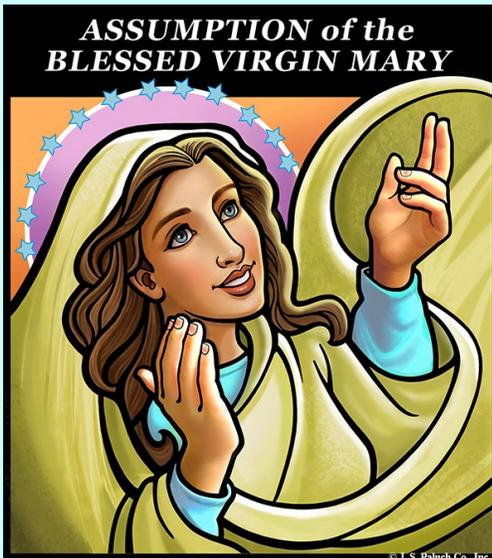
In compliance with the Public Health restrictions on social distancing protocols, only 100 participants (including priest and limited Liturgical ministers) will be allowed in the pavilion per mass.

We encourage all those who cannot physically tolerate the mask, to please stay home and view our live streamed Mass.

- *Ushers/Staff will be available to usher people in (seating procedure to be monitored).*
- *Hand sanitizing stations will be located at each entrance/exit door.*
- *Face masks are required upon entering the church/Pavilion.*

**Schedule subject to change, please check website or call the Parish office for weekly updates/changes/guidelines. Thank you!*

Aug. 15, 2020 - The Assumption of Mary



ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

May you continue to strive to pray and live the response of Mary: "Let it be done to me according to Your will, O GOD."

Today we celebrate the Assumption of Mary into heaven. Mary, as Jesus' mother and the person who is "blessed" among women, shares in the graces Jesus gave us through His ministry, life, death, and resurrection. Mary's key role in the earthly life of her Son, Jesus, demonstrates her desire to do what GOD asks of her. It is fitting that she be the first to experience the fullness of the heavenly Realm where her Son reigns forever.

The personal question/action for today: When I reflect on Mary's position as the mother of Jesus and her saying "**Fiat**" ("Let it be") to GOD's will, what thoughts do I have? How can I more fully respond to GOD's call to work for the furthering of the Gospel by saying my own "**Fiat**" to GOD's will? How do I react to the promise that, if I responded faithfully to GOD's plan, that I will share in the fullness of GOD's Reign in heaven for ever?



The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Peter got out of the boat, and walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But seeing the wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Mt 14:29-30

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"Who we are and what we have are God's blessings to us. What we do with what we have and who we become of who we are now is a way of saying thank you Lord"

-Father Tony

Worship

WE PRAY & WORSHIP.

WE ARE A PRIESTLY COMMUNITY.

THE PRESENCE OF GOD

After the miracle of Jesus walking on water, the disciples exclaimed, "Truly, you are the Son of God" (Matthew 14:33). Most Christians will probably never experience such a dramatic miracle. Like Elijah, we await the manifestation of God in other moments. Perhaps the biggest challenge for the believer is to be constantly attuned to the possible presence of God in the everyday events of life. This is a stance that takes some people years to develop. Others seem to find the Lord easily in the simple things. As the week unfolds, let us look for the presence of God in the little things around us. Perhaps, like Elijah, we will be surprised at what we find. And, like the disciples, we can add our voice to the confession, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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Nuestra Declaración de Misión

Como comunidad acogedora, celebramos nuestra vida, conscientes de nuestras tradiciones multiétnicas, jurando unidad con Cristo en nuestras diferencias multiculturales. Abrimos en nuestra vida (ser evangelizados) y proclamamos (como evangelizadores) el reinado de Dios como *Sacerdotes, Profetas y Reyes*, y al hacerlo, celebramos nuestro discipulado en Cristo Jesús. Ensalzamos "ser Iglesia" a través de la formación de las Pequeñas Comunidades de Fe como una forma de vida al ser *Sacerdotes, Profetas y Reyes*; así, nos volvemos económicamente estables y autosuficientes a medida que prestamos especial atención y solicitud a nuestros jóvenes y a los necesitados.

"Fueron fieles a la enseñanza de los apóstoles, a la vida común de compartir, al partimiento del pan y a las oraciones."

~ Hechos 2:42

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Nagasaki Memorial Day

Monday: St. Lawrence

Tuesday: St. Clare

Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Thursday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus

Friday: St. Maximilian Kolbe

Saturday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD said to Elijah: "Stand on the mountain; the LORD will be passing by" (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading — To the Israelites belong the covenants, the law, and the patriarchs; and from them comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

Gospel — As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-33).

SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN) (1891-1942)

August 9

"Come," Edith gently whispered, taking her sister Rosa's hand, "let us go for our people!" These were Edith Stein's last words as the Nazis, enraged at the Dutch bishops' condemnation of their genocide, took into custody all Catholic converts from Judaism. Born Jewish, but non-practicing from her teens, Edith's search for truth led to a doctorate in philosophy, a brilliant career as professor and author and, finally, to the Autobiography of Saint Teresa of Ávila, which she read in one sitting, then declared, "That is the Truth!" Baptized on January 1, 1922, observed then as the feast of Jesus' initiation into the covenant of Abraham, confirmed on February 2, the feast of Jesus' Presentation in the Temple, Edith entered the cloistered Carmelites in Cologne, transferring to a convent in Holland when she realized that, because of the Nazi persecution of the Jews, her presence could imperil the safety of the other nuns. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz as a daughter of Israel and of the Church.

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WE LEARN AND EDUCATE.
WE ARE A PROPHETIC PEOPLE

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FREE TO CHOOSE

Our readings today drench us in God's kindness. The Old Testament reading, Paul's letter, and the Gospel demonstrate God's creative and personalized outreach to us. In each case, we see a different reaction to God's gestures. Elijah drinks in his consolation, recognizing God in gentle silence and going out to meet God. The Israelites, according to Saint Paul, though encountering God in a variety of ways through the centuries, ultimately reject the Messiah whom God sends to them. Peter thinks he recognizes the Lord coming to him on the water, but demands proof and grows frightened. At all times and in all places, God longs for us to believe and goes to great lengths to strengthen our faith. Ultimately, God never compels belief, but leaves us free to choose. Today's scriptures challenge us to consider our own response to God's constant work in our lives.

EMBRACING DIVERSITY

Today's readings console and challenge us, reminding us just how hard God works for us so we might have faith. God's labors are infinitely diverse, too, always tailored to fit our particular situations, personalities, and needs. In Elijah's case, he is hiding in a cave on the very same mountain where Moses once encountered God in the burning bush. Hunted by the pagan Queen Jezebel, Elijah is running for his life. While Moses experienced God in fire on this mountain, Elijah requires a gentler touch. God comes to him not in awesome displays of power, but in a "tiny whispering sound." God provides exactly the tranquility Elijah needs before sending him off on a new mission.

God's creative care for us does not always lead to faith, however. In a strikingly tender passage, Saint Paul shares his heartbreak that God's chosen people could reject Jesus, even after all God has done to prepare them for the Messiah. God has accompanied the chosen people through adoption, miracles, covenants, commandments, prophets, and kings. Despite ages of dedicated and inventive caregiving, God's people do not unite in worship of the true Messiah. The proper response to this lack of faith is sorrow, and Saint Paul pours out the "constant anguish" in his heart.

In yet another astonishingly creative gesture, God visits people in need of faith by defying the laws of nature. Matthew's Gospel describes Jesus actually walking on water to comfort his disciples during a storm at sea. After their terror subsides and the winds grow calm, faith floods the disciples' hearts. They worship Jesus, proclaiming, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

TO THE LIMIT

Sometimes God's creative overtures are almost too much to handle. In a daring effort to trust, Peter challenges Jesus to share miraculous power with him. Jesus obliges, and Peter walks on water. Peter enjoys his miracle until his natural limitations spoil his faith. Just imagine what barriers we can shatter if only we believe.

TODAY'S READINGS

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a
Psalm 85:9-14
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:22-33

Service

WE SERVE & WE SHARE.

WE ARE A KINGLY PEOPLE.

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

Please contact **Marilyn Estona** at the parish office or email **mestona@hotmail.com** if you know of any parishioner who is sick, hospitalized, or homebound so that we may include them in our prayers / arrange for Ministers of the Sick to bring the Holy Eucharist to them at home.

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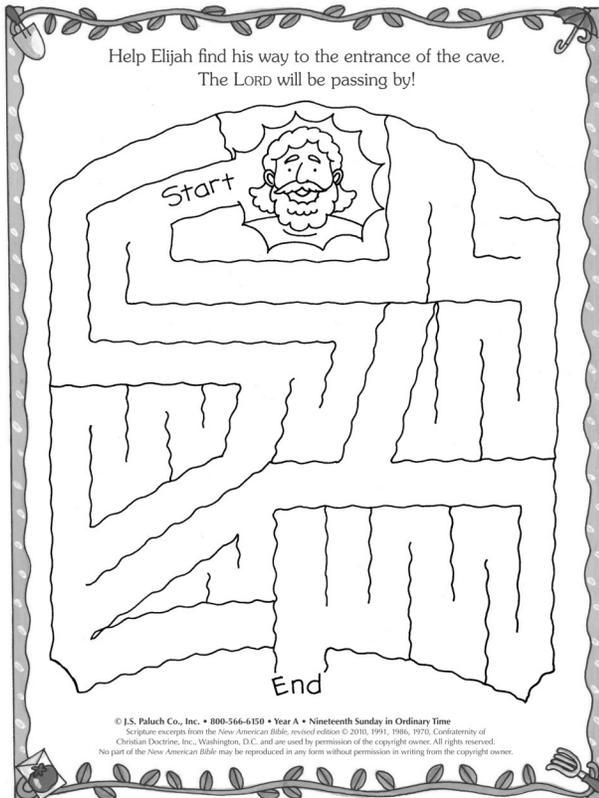
*Eternal rest grant to them,
O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen.*

KIDS CORNER



God's Word for Children

Help Elijah find his way to the entrance of the cave.
The LORD will be passing by!



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The disciples were caught in a storm at sea.

Peter saw Jesus walking toward them on the water.

Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water, too.

But then he got scared and started to sink. He called, "Lord, save me!"

Jesus caught Peter and they returned to the boat.

Finish this picture to illustrate the story.

You can read it in your Bible at Matthew 14:22-33.

Draw ... Jesus' feet on the water.

Draw ... a frightened look
on Peter's face.

Draw ... a sail on the boat.



Temporalities

WE BECOME ECONOMICALLY STABLE

AND SELF-RELIANT...

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GRACE

- ◇ *Is our Sunday Giving a
Generous Response
to Christ's Embrace?*
- ◇ *Does it change my way of life
if I give a bit more?*

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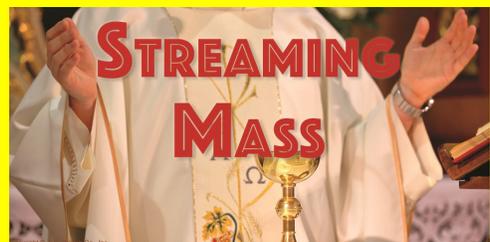
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Amount Paid: \$47,976.44 or 53.7%



St. Lorenzo Ruiz
Catholic Parish
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Our path to
*“Where Earth
Meets Heaven”*

*Take a “Food Bank Bag” every
3rd Sunday – Bring them
back on the 4th Sunday.*

**Special thanks to our volunteers who
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Masses.**



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Please COME & JOIN our SLRC **Word Made Flesh**

as a ‘way of life’ on the road to **(and through)** Emmaus

This Lent, let us **‘read’, ‘reflect’ ‘share’ &
‘pray’** on the Word of God on our own or with
our family at home.

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Read the Word of God daily & liturgically!

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2. Fill out paper enrollment form in the parish office, or
3. Text "ENROLL" to (909) 324-5514 and follow the link to sign up or
4. Scan the QR code with your mobile's phone camera and set up your E-Giving



Generous Response According to Christ's Embrace

Recognizing how God is generously blessing our lives day by day, G.R.A.C.E. calls upon us to share such blessings by being more committed, and more open-hearted, in how much we desire to give back to God - to and through His church.

Fr. Tony P. Astudillo



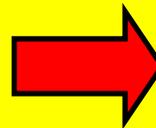
Thank you to all parishioners who continue to support our parish community. If you need assistance in registering for online or e-giving, please contact the Parish Office 909-595-9545.

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Upcoming Schedule:

Confirmation Ceremonies: Youth Confirmation –

- Thursday Aug 13 (7:00pm)
- Friday Aug 14 (7:00pm)
- Thursday Aug 20 (7:00pm)
- Friday, Aug 21 (7:00pm)

For info, pls. contact Confirmation Office 909-595-9545

Adult Confirmation Celebration

Friday, July 31 7:00pm

"Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit!"

