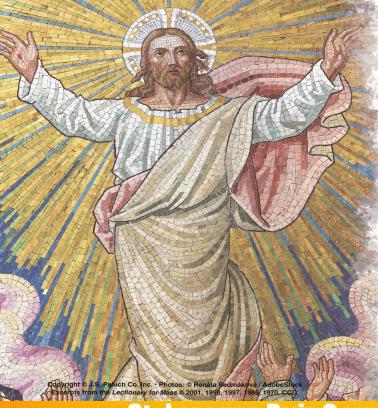


PENTECOST SUNDAY 2022

" LORD, SEND YOUR **HOLY SPIRIT** AND BRING JESUS HOME TO OUR FAMILIES."

June 5th at 9:30 a.m.

St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Church





29 2022

"Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?"

Acts 1:11

THE Ascension
OF THE LORD

St. Lorenzo Ruiz Community invites you, your family and your friends to join us as we celebrate the 'Miracle of Pentecost'



Presided by Most Reverend
Dave O'Connell D.D.

Fellowship & Entertainment to follow



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Reflections from Bob Kondrath

May 28, 2022 - Sat. of 6th Week of Easter

May you continue to be open to the presence of GOD in your life and may you be willing to share that with others.

Many years ago, I sang in a choir called "Lightshine." We saw our music ministry as taking the Light (and Love) of Christ and letting it shine on others through the songs we sang. One of our theme songs was Pass It on. Some of the words of the song stated: "It only takes a spark to get a fire going, and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing. That's how it is with GOD's love, once you've experienced it. You want to pass it on." GOD's love comes to us in many ways, including our reading of the Word of GOD. As we warm up in the glow of the Word of GOD, we want to pass It (the Word), and GOD's love, on.

The mission of the chuch keeps going. It begins with GOD's love, love which has become Incarnate in Jesus, love which reaches out to others through the caring service of those who have experienced GOD's love. It is a virtuous (GOOD – GODly) circle rather than the vicious (evil) cycle, examples of the vicious cycle are so obvious in the world today.

In today's First Reading, St. Paul sets out on his third missionary journey. We also hear how Apollos, a Jewish scripture scholar, proclaims the coming of the Messiah, but did not have a personal experience of Jesus while He walked on the earth. Some of St. Paul's friends (Aquilla and Priscilla) share with Apollos the full GOoD News of Jesus. Apollos easily accepts the Gospel message since it fits with his understanding of Hebrew scriptures. Apollos then goes on to proclaim to the Jews that the Hebrew Scriptures point to the fact that the Messiah (the Christ) is Jesus.

In the Gospel, Jesus continues His last supper discourse, once again reassuring His followers that whatever they ask of the *Abba*-Father will be granted if they ask in His name. He speaks of His intimate connection with His *Abba*. Jesus talks about the positive circle of love that originates in the GODhead.

As I reflect on the readings I was thinking about how different people come into the knowledge and experience of GOD's love. For some, like Apollos and one of the members of our Bible Study, it comes first from a person's intellectual search for meaning in life and in the written Word of GOD.

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THE ROLE OF A MOTHER "I am your mother always."

As we come to the last Saturday of the month of Mary, we reflect on her unspoken words as she sits in sorrow holding the lifeless body of her son, Jesus. The task of a mother is not complete even unto death. When a child loses a parent, he/she is called an orphan; when a wife loses a husband, she's called a widow. But when a mother loses a child, she's still a mother, For when a woman becomes a mother, she will always be a mother! At the tender age of 15, the Virgin Mother was called to be the mother of the Most High. She was troubled but never hesitated. Her "Yes" made a big difference in her life and was proclaimed by the angel Gabriel as, "Hail, favored one!" (Luke 1:28).

When were you called to become a mother? What was your reaction when the doctor said, "Congratulations, you're having a baby". So many mixed emotions occur when a woman is informed that she's pregnant especially for the first time for it entails so many responsibilities. I was told, "Your nightlife will never be the same again". But it's your lifetime!

The greatest joy of being a mother is holding an infant in her arms after the long hours of enduring those labor pains. And so, it is with Mary when she held the newborn baby Jesus in her arms. As mothers, we, too, share in the sorrows of the Blessed Mother. She's the one to turn to when motherhood becomes a challenge. We, too, have our own anxiety just like when she lost the child Jesus in Jerusalem.

When we turn to her, a miracle happens when we least expect it just like the miracle at the wedding in Cana when we follow what she told the servants to "Do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5). Mary's greatest sorrow was when she held the lifeless body of Jesus at the foot of the cross on Calvary. She was filled with sadness no human heart has known. It is represented in the Pieta which is one of the statuaries in the SLR church grounds. It is also represented in the 13th Station of the Way of the Cross. The theme for the month of Mary is, "To Jesus Through Mary". To get to Jesus is not an easy task for all of us. Mary is our Mother to whom we go through when life becomes miserable and hopeless. The answer is both spoken and unspoken.

"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." (Luke 1: 45)

Sheila Sobretodo

SLR Coordinator, Come Down Zacchaeus Program

Worship

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Devotion group will be moving their novena schedule from Thursdays back to their original Mondays. Join Tere Vargas and OLG as they start their new time on Monday, May 30th at 6pm.





Our Confimation Celebration starts on Tuesday, June 7th at 7pm. Come celebrate with our Confirmation students as they take their next steps into their Eucharistic Journey.

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Faith Formation enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year coming soon. Stay Tuned!







St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Church

MARIAN MAY DEVOTION "To Jesus Through Mary" FEAST OF THE VISITATION

May 31st, Tuesday, 7:00 pm Mass



Come join us after the mass for Procession, floral offering, red bags with canned goods offering, and Crowning of the Blessed Mother at the statuary of the Visitation inside the church. BRING IMAGES OF THE BLESSED MOTHER FOR A BLESSING.

Fellowship sponsored by SLR Devotion Groups,

- **Our Lady of Perpetual Help**
 - **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
- **Immaculate Conception**

ST. LORENZO RUIZ COMMUNITY PRAYER SOJOURN

Los Angeles Archdiocese Jubilee, St. Lorenzo Ruiz Church Quest for Shrinehood and Discipleship Prayers

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your servant, St. Junipero Serra, and for all the missionaries, native peoples, and immigrants who established Mission San Gabriel Arcangel, that your Kingdom might extend to the ends of the earth. Help us to walk in their footsteps as missionary disciples.

"Through your intercession, St. Lorenzo Ruiz, may God favor us in our quest to further our dream ... this house of God, to be declared a Diocesan Shrine," where heaven kisses earth in mercy and piety.

Like Zacchaeus coming down from the tree, we at St. Lorenzo Ruiz Parish Community may bring the name of Jesus Christ in every home in our parish and to the ends of the earth.

Amen.

Do you want to join the SLR Tech-Team? (know:

livestream /website/social media /graphics) call the office or email contact@saintlorenzo.org or James Rondolos at jamesrondolos@saintlorenzo.org



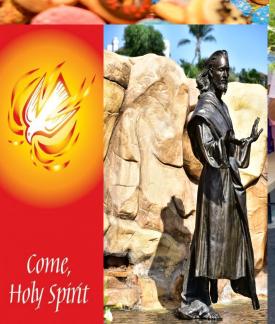


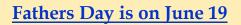
"Hospitality is not about What you do . . . it's about Why you do it."

Milo Family served at the 10:30AM SLR Hospitality supplemented with Milo energy drink & Milo sweet tea.



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Father's Day
Spiritual Bouquet
available in the
church vestibule
and the Parish
Office.

Bring the Spiritual Bouquet envelope to the Parish Office, and bring your card home for your loved ones.







Pentecost Sunday is one of the most special and significant celebration here at St. Lorenzo. This year, our special Pentecost mass is on June 5th at 9:30am. The 7:30am and 6:30pm masses will take place at their regular scheduled times. Once again, there will only be three masses on Pentecost Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30, and 6:30am. Thank you!

Our Confimation Celebration

starts on Tuesday, June 7th at pm. Our parish is blessed with 35 students and 6 adults is marked with the "Rite of Confirmation" Ceremony on June 7, 2022 at 7pm. Please pray for our Confirmation students as they take their next steps into their Eucharistic Journey.









For other it comes as a result of people sharing their personal experience of a loving Abba and caring Brother, both of Whom happen to be the one GOD, in unity with the Holy Spirit.

What is the implication of all this for my life? I sense that I must be both a person of the Word and a person who is willing to care for others so that they may experience the love of GOD through me.

As a person of the Word, I must reflect regularly on GOD's Word. As I have been doing this over the last few decades, rereading passages that I have read many times, I realize I have a new understanding of the Word. The more I reflect on the Word, the more insights I get into the GOD Who has been revealed through the Word. I sometimes amaze myself as I see connections between the scripture I read and other aspect of my faith and of my life and the lives of others. I feel like slapping my palm against my forehead and saying: "Duh! So that's what that means!" I am also excited that I can share my insights with others through modern technology, reaching friends and acquaintances some of whom I haven't been able to physically spend time with for a while or at all. I praise GOD for allowing us to share the Word and the reflections on the Word via the Internet (through emails and the website http://www.reflectionsbybob.weebly.com). I give thanks to people throughout the world whom I touch with my sharing on the Word. I thank the Lord Jesus for allowing me to be an instrument in the proclamation of GOoD News.

The other implication of today's reading for me is the challenge to care for others and provide an environment in which they and I can come into a closer relationship with the loving and caring GOD. I have found that I am enriched as I minister and serve others at home, at work, and in the community (even as I did during the pandemic through virtual connections). I have been strengthened in my living out GOD's call to allow them to know GOD through my loving care. I am blessed as I pray for others, even those whom I haven't seen in years or never met personally, but for whom GOD brings to my mind to pray. I feel united with others who are journeying along the path to the house of our loving Abba Who happens to be GOD. I may not be able to physically walk along with them, but we are united in the Word, in thought, in prayer, and in the Spirit - in the Love of GOD.

GOD truly blesses us as we live out the gift of faith which GOD has given to us. We are empowered to live in a way that shows we are accepting the gift of salus (salvation, healing, wholeness, holiness) that GOD has given us. Again, we don't earn our salus (salvation) - that is pure gift. We live lives of doing GOoD in response to the salus we have received from a loving, caring, and saving GOD. We want others to experience the gifts we have received. Our faith and GOD's love are not something to be kept to ourselves, but items we want to pass on. And in passing it on, we are given even more faith and love. That's the virtuous cycle of GOD's love. That's the process in which we have been invited to participate. Praise GOD!

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Sponsors of Altar Bread

Joey & May Mallari

In thanksgiving

Sponsors of the Word

Ernesto, Amelia & Elissa Salceda

In thanksgiving for wedding anniversary
& birthdays







Still using envelopes for your Sunday offertory? Lent is

a time to consider a new approach. Switching to **eGiving** instead of cash or checks is a more efficient, convenient way to give.

Faith Direct – our parish's online giving platform – is a tool you can use to deepen your commitment to the

- Enroll in our online giving program by visiting saintlorenzo.org Click on ONLINE GIVING & enter Church code: CA839
- Or Fill out a form
- Or Call/Visit Parish Office 909-595-9545

church and the ministries you care about most. Your recurring gifts will sustain our mission month after month, and it will also help our parish by cutting the costs of envelopes (and using less paper!), and reducing the time we spend processing cash and checks.







Together in Mission

As of April 19, 2022

Goal: \$71,983

Pledge: \$25,865 (35.9%)

Paid: \$17,577 (24%)



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to

help our Church grow with the Word of God?

Be a Word Among Us (Daily Reading Book)

sponsor! Please visit or contact the Parish Office (909) 595-9545.

"When we give freely to God, we receive freely from God."





Mass Schedule* In Person, inside church

Mon to Fri: 7:00am and 7:00pm

Sat: 8:00am

5:00pm-<u>livestreamed</u>

Sunday: 7:30am Church , 9:00am Church

10:30am Church — livestreamed 12:00pm Church — livestreamed

1:30pm (Spanish) Church livestreamed

6:30pm Church

Confession: Monday-Friday: 6:45am & 6:45pm, First Friday: 7:30-8:30pm; Saturday: 3:30pm-

4:30pm

Parish Office 909-595-9545

*subject to change—call for special masses

Attend <u>selected</u> livestreamed masses: Saturday, 5:00pm, Sunday 10:30am, 12:00pm & 1:30pm-Spanish

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YouTube channel: Lorenzo Ruiz (Walnut)

*Schedule subject to change.
Please call the Parish Office 909-595-9545
Email: contact@saintlorenzo.org

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.

<u>Bautismos en Español</u>: Cada cuarto Domingo del mes a las 3:00pm. Para mas información por favor llame a la oficina parroquial.

<u>Anointing/Visitation of the Sick</u> Contact the Parish Office 909-595-9545 Unción a enfermos— Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial.

<u>Matrimony</u> 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.

SLR Gift Shop Hours:

Sundays 8:00am-1:00pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Weekdays

15 min before daily 7:00am & 7:00pm mass **Fridays** 7:30-8:30pm

Saturday

3:30pm to 4:30pm



Our Parish office will be closed on Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day. Business operations will resume on Tuesday, May 31st.

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