

November 27, 2022

FIRST SUNDAY of *Advent*

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You must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.

Matthew 24:44

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



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Let us go rejoicing to the
house of the Lord.

Psalm 122

Mass in Filipino every first Sunday
Dec 4 at 3:00pm

中文彌撒每月第二主日
Chinese Mass:
Dec 11, at 3:30 pm.



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Advent Season 2022



Let us help Zacchaeus Welcome Home, Jesus—our bread of life!

"Yes, I am coming soon". Amen! Come, Lord Jesus. (Rev. 22: 20)

A blessed new year to all...a new liturgical year with the Advent season!

Advent simply means 'coming'. Someone is coming. A natural and logical response when someone is coming is to prepare. The more important to us the person who is coming the more important detailed and significant the preparation.

Advent means someone is coming. For us, people of faith – or in our faith life – it is our Lord Jesus. We are vigilant and pray: Come, Lord Jesus come! *'Maranatha'!*

Who is Jesus to us will define and dictate our preparation. One time Jesus with his disciples asks, *"who do people say I am?"* And the disciples gave many answers...He turns around and asks: *"But who do you say I am?"*

Advent is a sacred and significant time to answer that question of Jesus: Who do you say I am. Our answer will dictate of our own preparation.

Advent means Jesus is coming. He came in humility as a baby, in history. He will come again in glory at the end of time. Jesus however continually comes in our everyday life. He is with us. He is Jesus, our "bread of life". We 'give thanks', 'break bread' with Him in the Eucharist. He is 'provision' on our journey home. He is Immanuel! Let us be vigilant of how he comes and sensitive of his coming. Let us pray, sing and dance: Let us help Zacchaeus come down embrace Jesus, our bread of life home...to our homes.

"Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel."

Fr. Tony

Worship

WE PRAY & WORSHIP.

WE ARE A PRIESTLY COMMUNITY.

What is Advent?

Sunday, November 27, 2022 - Saturday, December 24, 2022

Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas.

The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas. From the earliest days of the Church, people have been fascinated by Jesus' promise to come back. But the scripture readings during Advent tell us not to waste our time with predictions. Advent is not about speculation. Our Advent readings call us to be alert and ready, not weighted down and distracted by the cares of this world (Lk 21:34-36). Like Lent, the liturgical color for Advent is purple since both are seasons that prepare us for great feast days. Advent also includes an element of penance in the sense of preparing, quieting, and disciplining our hearts for the full joy of Christmas.

(Office of Divine Worship—lacatholics.org)

The Immaculate Conception Of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Thursday- December 8, 2022

Renewal consecration

7:00AM 12:00PM 7:00PM

Novena begins Tuesday, Nov 29 after the 7:00AM mass

Saturday, after the 8:30AM mass &
Sunday after the 1:30PM mass

Last day of novena - Wednesday, Dec 7 after the 7:00AM mass



2022 CHRISTMAS EVE LIVING GOSPEL MASS CHILDREN OF ST. LORENZO RUIZ CHURCH

The Children's Choir will be singing at the **5:00 PM Christmas Eve Vigil Mass**. As has been our tradition in the past, the children of our Parish will present the Living Gospel – the story of Mary and Joseph as they make their way to the stable in Bethlehem where our Savior Jesus Christ was born. The Choir and Living Gospel procession and performance will begin at 4:20 PM sharp in the church.

Please let us know if your child would like to join in the presentation of this beautiful and holy evening. In addition to participating with the Children's Choir, participants will have the opportunity to play the part of an angel, a shepherd, a narrator, Mary or Joseph, Angel Gabriel, drummer boy, or they may choose to just sing along as a member of the choir. We will also need parents to help the children with costumes (which will be provided) and assist with all practices and before and during the Mass.

Please save the following dates: **Sunday, November 27, 2022** and **Sunday, December 11, 2022 – Parent information meetings at 10:00 AM before each 10:30 AM Mass** in the Pavilion and again immediately after each 10:30 AM Mass inside the church by the choir area. Practice and dress rehearsal schedules and further information will be available at the meetings.

Please call or email below if your child is interested in participating in the presentation or if you have any questions. You may also leave a message for me at the church office if you are unable to reach me directly.

I look forward to sharing a wonderful Christmas Eve with the children.

Thanks and Merry Christmas!

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St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Community

Guadalupe Celebration and Novena Mass 2022

*Our Lady of Guadalupe
Novena and Feast
Dec 3 to Dec 11. Feast Day
Dec 12, 2022*

First day Sat. Dec 3 - 4pm

Second day Sun. Dec 4 - 4:30pm

Third day Mon. Dec 5 - 6pm
*Reflection in spanish after mass with
Father Paul*

Fourth day Tues. Dec 6 - 6pm

Fifth day Wed. Dec 7 - 6pm

Sixth day Thur. Dec 8 - 6pm

Seventh day Fri. Dec 9 - 6pm
*Reflection in english after mass with
Padre Paul. fellowship to follow*

Eight day Sat. Dec 10 - 4pm

Ninth day - Sunday Dec 11 Trilingual Mass at
12:30pm with procession before and after
mass followed to Vellucci Hall for fellowship.

Tenth day, Monday Dec 12 Mañanitas follow by
bilingual mass at 5am and entertainment.

Evening bilingual mass with
procession at 7pm

Novena Guadalupana y fiesta
del 3 al 11 de Diciembre
Mañanitas 12 de Dec a las 5am

Primer dia Sabado Dec 3 - 4pm

Segundo dia Domingo Dec 4 - 4:30pm

Tercer dia Lunes Dec 5 - 6pm
*Reflexión en Español después de misa con
Padre Paul*

Cuarto dia Martes Dec 6 - 6pm

Quinto dia Miercoles Dec 7 - 6pm

Sexto dia Jueves Dec 8 - 6pm

Septimo dia Viernes Dec 9 - 6pm
*Reflexión en Inglés después de misa con
Padre Paul seguido de convivencia*

Octavo dia Sabado Dec 10 - 4pm

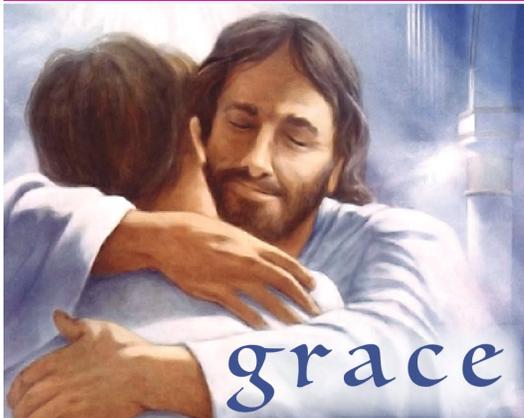
Noveno dia - Domingo 11 misa trilingüe
a las 12:30pm con procesion antes y
después de misa seguido de convivencia
en el salón Vellucci.

Decimo dia Lunes 12 de Dec Mañanitas
y misa a las 5am

Misa bilingue con procesion a las 7pm

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Visit our new Giving kiosk at the church vestibule today!



Generous Response According to Christ's Embrace

Rivers do not drink their own water; trees do not eat their own fruit; the sun does not shine on itself, and flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves. Life is good when you are happy; but much better when others are happy because of you.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." -1 Peter 4:10

Discover the many ways you can be a GRACE to others:



Congratulations!

What is the St. Lorenzo Ruiz Parish "Red Bag" concept?

The pastoral guidance of Fr. Tony in St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Parish Community is to bring us closer to God, so he teaches us to be welcoming, and we say, "Welcome Home!" He teaches and leads us to be generous and charitable, and we have, "G.R.A.C.E." (Generous Response According to Christ's Embrace).

These two ways are among the many actions Fr. Tony encourages us to do what God is asking us to do. Jesus told us in Mt.25:35, "I was hungry and you gave me something to eat...I was a stranger and you invited me in..."

So here comes the story & theology of the Red Bag...

The "Red Bag" is "me" (the giver). I have the **3 T's (Time, Talent, and Treasure)** that I receive from God's goodness every day. These 3T's are the contents of my "Red Bag": my time, my talents and my treasure. Through the "Red Bag," I am going out to reach many people I do not know nor see yet, God does. I can be there for them through the "Red Bag."

I am the "Red Bag." What is in me is the best and beautiful that God has created me. I will only give through G.R.A.C.E. the best of who I am and represent myself in the form of the "Red Bag," and say to Jesus (who is the receiver of the "Red Bag"), "I love you, Lord. Please accept my best gift to you in this "Red Bag" the best of who I am as you have created me to be: like YOU who are merciful and loving." Thank you, Jesus for allowing me to share You to my brothers & sisters in need.

Your faithful disciple,
"THE RED BAG"

Service



The **Knights of Columbus San Gabriel Valley Chapter** awarded the Star Council Award to **Ron Milo** for his outstanding achievement in membership, insurance, programs & overall operations of **St. Lorenzo Ruiz Council 14007** during his term as Grand Knight CY 2021-2022.

The ceremony was held during the **Clergy Appreciation Dinner (Honoring All Priests & Deacons)** last Friday, Nov. 11, 2022 at **St. Luke Catholic Church, Temple City.**

Temporalities

We thank our November
Liturgical Sponsors

Sponsor of Light

Myrna Zaragoza Lontok & family

In loving memory of Idefonso 'Pons' Lontok, Alberto Jugo, Miguel T. & Lilia V. Zaragoza, Efren & Miguel Jr., Tessie Villatito & Alberto Jugo

Sponsor of Altar Bread

Mary Garcia

In loving memory of Mario Garcia

Sponsors of Altar Wine

Ed & Maribel Paz

In thanksgiving & in celebration of 40th wedding anniversary & Maribel's birthday

Sponsors of the Word

Melba Masaganda Bustos

In loving memory of Benito & Trinidad Masaganda—20th death anniversary and in thanksgiving for Melba Masaganda Bustos' health & special intentions

Mass Schedule*

In Person, inside church

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

Sat: 8:00am

5:00pm- *livestreamed*

Sunday: 7:30am , 9:00am, 10:30am- *livestreamed*,
12:00pm – *livestreamed*, 1:30pm (Spanish) -
livestreamed, 6:30 pm

Mass in Filipino: Every 1st Sunday, 3:00pm

Chinese Mass: Every 2nd Sunday, 3:30pm

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*

Stewardship



Due to our publisher's early deadline (Thanksgiving holiday), we are posting the weekly collection in the next bulletin issue.

Thank you for your understanding.

Together in Mission

As of Nov 15, 2022

Goal: \$ 71,983

Pledge: \$46,811.52 (65%)

Paid: \$43,420.52

Can you please help?

**Help us reach
our goal!**

**We need:
\$28,563**

Hospitality at SLR with families & ministries...

*Come and sign up to host one Sunday!
Contact Sheila at 909-595-9545
sheilasobretudo@gmail.com*



Become A Sponsor!

**We're Searching for
Volunteers**



Share with others
what God has
blessed you with...

Youth

*WE GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION
AND SOLICITUDE TO OUR YOUTH*

ST. LORENZO RUIZ CATHOLIC PARISH COMMUNITY



UPCOMING CHRISTMAS CONCERT HOSTED BY YOUTH MINISTRY

Dear Parents and Families,

Thank you for your tremendous support on our, “Trunk-or-Treat” Family Event! It was so much fun, fruitful and a huge success! We received plentiful donations of food and drinks piled high to the ceilings at the front office and gift cards galore! It was wonderful to see all the families gathered together enjoying each other’s company once again along with our little ones and our beloved Youth!

Now that we are entering the Season of Advent, it’s time to prepare our hearts for Jesus’ coming!

On Saturday, December 10th at 7:00PM (after the lighting of the Christmas Tree), our Youth Ministry will be presenting a Musical Concert, “Light of the World”, Bringing Jesus Home at Christmas!

All Religious Education including 1st Communion, Confirmation Students and Youth are invited to join this Musical Concert! We will feature various Adult Choir groups from our Music Ministry, our Youth and Religious Ed coming together as one family singing Christmas Carols of Joy, Praise and Thanksgiving!

Enjoy some hot chocolate and Pan Dulce after the Lighting of the Christmas Tree, then come inside the church and be ready to celebrate a festive Christmas Show hosted by our Youth!

We are looking for happy helping hands, from both Students and Parents to volunteer with Arts & Crafts, Food/Snack Service, Goody Bag Prep, Decor Set-Up/Clean-Up, etc., and of course, Soloists, Choir and Instrumentalist Participants!

Feel free to contact Mary Anne Garcia, Youth Ministry Coordinator for more details.

Thank you for your support and looking forward to celebrating with you and your families this Advent Season!

Sincerely in Christ,

Mary Anne Garcia

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DECEMBER SCHEDULE

Sat-Sun Dec 3-11

Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

Wednesday – Dec. 7th

7:00pm Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass

Thursday – Dec. 8th

**SOLEMNITY OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

7:00am Mass

12:00nn Mass

7:00pm Mass

Holy Day of Obligation

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Sunday, Dec 11

Trilingual Mass @ 12:30pm (with procession)

Monday- Dec 12 OLG Feast Day

5:00am Mañanitas followed by Mass

7:00am Mass

7:00pm OLG Bilingual Mass

Wed – Dec 14

7:30pm Penance Service

Sat- Dec 17

5:00pm Simbang Gabi

Sun- Dec 18

5:00am Simbang Gabi

Sat-Dec 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

8:00am Mass

5:00pm Children's Liturgy

12:00am Midnight Mass

SUNDAY- Dec 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

Regular Sunday Schedule

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm,

1:30pm (Spanish) & 6:30pm Masses

St. Lorenzo Ruiz Youth Ministry
proudly presents

LIGHT of the World

**BRINGING JESUS HOME AT CHRISTMAS
A MUSICAL CONCERT**

Saturday, December 10, 2022 at 7pm

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For more information contact Mary Anne Garcia at 626 377 1591 or maryannegarcia@saintlorenzo.org

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**Come
JOIN Us!**

Blessing Lighting

All are welcome!

**Saturday,
December 10
5:00pm Mass**