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"But I say to you,
love your enemies
and pray for those
who persecute you."

Matthew 5:44



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Wednesday, Feb 22

- ⇒ **7:00am Mass**
- ⇒ **12:00pm Scripture**
- ⇒ **5:00pm Mass**
- ⇒ **7:00pm Bilingual Mass**

All services followed by distribution of ashes



Lenten Fridays of Lent – Feb 24

- ♦ 6:30pm Stations of the Cross
- ♦ 7:00pm Mass & Fellowship
- ♦ 7:30pm Confession

Friday Evenings of Lent

Prayer & Reflection

Feb 24 *Feeding of the Five Thousand &
Temptations of Jesus in the Desert*

- ♦ **Sat. Feb 25 Mision Cuaresmal @ 1:00pm**

*(See the complete schedule in our
2023 Lenten guide)*



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7th Sunday in Ord Time - February 19

Do you know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? (1 Corinthians 3:16)

For Israel, the Temple at Jerusalem was the holiest place on earth. A beautiful, gilded structure, it stood as a testament to God's faithfulness. But its splendor and holiness didn't come from its ornate decoration. It came from God's presence within. There, almighty God showed his glory. From there, he blessed his people and offered them a share in his mercy and love.

So when St. Paul told the Corinthians that they were the temple of God, they would have recalled the physical Temple. But the idea that they were holy, like the Temple, must have seemed almost comical. Throughout his letter to them, Paul addresses the many weaknesses of the Corinthian church: their disordered worship, sexual immorality, immature faith, and failures to love. They didn't sound very holy at all. But Paul tells them that they aren't just like the Temple; they **are** the very temple of God—and God himself lives within them, by the Holy Spirit.

How can this be? How could the all-holy God dwell amid sinful people like the Corinthians—and us, for that matter? This is the mystery of the mercy and power of God. Through the waters of baptism, God cleanses us of our sins and makes us worthy to receive his Spirit. He fills us with his own presence and makes us holy “temples”, set apart from him.

God so desires to be close to us that he chooses to inhabit imperfect groups of imperfect people. The treasure of his presence dwells in “earthen vessels” (2 Corinthians 4:7). And he dwells in

you. You may not feel like a beautiful temple; you may feel more like a cracked clay pot. But what makes you holy is not your own goodness; it's Jesus himself, helping you every day, to be perfect, as he is perfect (Matthew 5:48)

Be perfect, therefore,
as your heavenly Father
is perfect.
Matthew 5:48

“Thank you, Holy Spirit, for living in me! Make me more like Jesus today.”

(Word Among Us—Meditations)

Mass in Filipino every First Sunday 3:00pm

 St. Lorenzo Ruiz Parish Community 

**UNANG LINGGO
NG BUWAN**

**BANAL NA
MISA**

MARSO 05, 2023
alas TRESng HAPON
(3:00PM)



**“THE PRIESTHOOD IS THE LOVE
OF THE HEART OF JESUS. WHEN
YOU SEE A PRIEST, THINK OF
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.”**

—ST. JOHN VIANNEY

Vocation
SUNDAY







Fr. Mike Perucho

**ST. LORENZO RUIZ
WALNUT**

FEBRUARY 19



OFFICE FOR VOCATIONS
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES

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Inter-Congregation Vocation Ministry

The Consecrated Women Religious will be visiting our parish this weekend! The Sisters will come to represent the more than 1,500 **Religious Women in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles**. The purpose of the visit is to spread the Good News that as Nuns/Sisters that have contributed significantly to the life of parishes and schools in the Archdiocese, they are still alive and well! They are serving in various forms of ministries. The sisters will have available literatures on their Orders/ Congregations and will be very happy to answer questions you may have.

The sisters are requesting that as a parish

- We all begin to pray for vocations, especially vocations to priesthood and consecrated life.
- To share memories or a story about a sister that you know.
- And if you think you are called to the consecrated life, the sisters are here to assist you with your discernment.

Let us help this project and promote the Vocation-Culture in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Education



Ms. Esther's class—Our 2nd year Communion students curiously listening to Deacon Brian 2-14-23

WE LEARN AND EDUCATE.
WE ARE A PROPHETIC PEOPLE



The kids are preparing to receive First Reconciliation on May 1st. Deacon Brian introduced them to the confession rooms, the sacristy and answered many of their questions.

Ariadne Lam Jacinto
Elbert Jacinto

My experience was very awesome. I enjoyed being at the front of the altar with the father.
Adron Gonzalez

When I was near the altar I felt lots of happiness and a bit of nervous. I was ~~big~~ happy that my family and I were closer to Jesus, and God. I was nervous because I didn't know we were going to stand around the altar.

"Our experience as a family up at the altar with the father was a very special event. Also, it was very inspirational and made us feel closer to God during the consecration. We hope to continue to attend mass as a family."

-Christian Gonzalez (parent)

"Standing near the altar felt special and honorable. Seeing the consecration up close gave more tangibility and weight to the experience. It was an honor and joy."

-Elbert Jacinto (parent)

**Each One, Teach One,
Each One, Take Two**





Shine His Light

2023 Annual Appeal

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LOS ANGELES

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Together in Mission exclusively supports the most impoverished parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. This annual appeal is an opportunity for people to join in action – as one united family. Join us in celebrating the generational support that has been sustaining faith communities for 30 years.

Goal: \$91,415

How to donate:

- Give to Ushers after Mass
- Visit the Parish Office
- Go online
togetherinmission.org or
Faith Direct
- Scan QR code above

**Thank
You**

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LOS ANGELES

**Please help us
support our
struggling
parishes and
schools**



Please COME & Join our... **SLRC** **'Word Made Flesh'**

**a 'way of life'
on the Road to
(and through)
Emmaus**

... A program & undertaking of SLRC
inviting, encouraging and enabling
the community to 'read', 'reflect',
'share' and 'pray' on the Word
daily and liturgically.

*"Stay with us, for night comes quickly,
The day is now almost over"*

Be missionaries...

Be part of the Seventy-Two
appointed in pairs to share the King-
dom... Join our "SLRC Word Made Flesh"
and make it a way of life



The following are the 'Word Made Flesh' Groups that available for you:



- ⇒ **Mondays 7:30pm** Dave & Edith De Leon (deleond@yahoo.com)
- ⇒ **Tuesdays 9:30am Zoom Meeting** Linda Talcott/
Bob Kondrath (linda@shop4georgie.com)
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2335265316>
- ⇒ **Wednesdays 7:00 pm** Ray & Jasmin Apodaca
(rayapodaca@saintlorenzo.org)
- ⇒ **Wednesdays 8:00 pm** Sheila Sobretudo **Zoom**
(sheilasobretudo@gmail.com)
- ⇒ **Miércoles 11:00 am y 7:00 pm** Gaby Coria
(Gabycoria@saintlorenzo.org)
- ⇒ **Thursdays 7:00 pm** Terry Perkins
(tlpkittycat@yahoo.com)
- ⇒ **Thursdays 8:00 pm** Orly & Meanne Vales
(ovales88@gmail.com)
- ⇒ **Fridays 5:00 pm** Adriana Melchor
(melchorpoly5@gmail.com)
- ⇒ **Saturdays 10:30 am** Susie Taon
(Susietaon@saintlorenzo.org)

Temporalities

We thank our February
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In loving memory of

Mario Gonzalez & Roderick Lansang

Sponsor of Altar Bread

Rommel & Elaine Castro

*In thanksgiving from the family of Rolaine Castro
with special intentions*

Sponsors of Altar Wine

Wilma & Virgilio Najera

In celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary

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Summary Feb 12, 2023

Plate: \$ 5,177

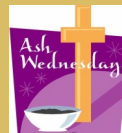
Envelopes: \$ 3,794

Faith Direct (Online): \$ 4,935

Total : \$ 13,906

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 22



7:00am.....Mass

12:00pm.....Scripture

5:00pm.....Mass

7:00pm.....Bilingual Mass

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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..."

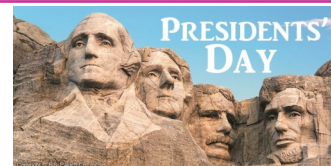
So here comes the story & theology of the Red Bag...

*The "Red Bag" is "me" (the giver). I have the **3 T's** (**T**ime, **T**alent, and **T**reasure) 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.

Dear Jesus,

We pray for every parish.
May our parishes, placing
communion at the center,
increasingly become
communities of faith,
fraternity, and welcome
toward those most in need.
(Special Intentions of Pope
Francis)



Parish Office Closed Monday, Feb 20

El Padre Paul y el ministerio
Hispano les invitamos a la
mision cuaresmal en
preparasion de la cuaresma
este

Misión Cuaresmal

25 de febrero de 1 pm a las 5 pm en el salon

Velucci

favor de anotar su nombre con uno de los ujieres o pase a
la estasion de hospitalidad para tomar sus datos los
esperamos Gracias.



Beginning Experience of Los Angeles (BELA)
invites you to a

Beginning Experience® Weekend
for Separated, Divorced and Widowed Adults

March 10-12, 2023 (OC Chapter)
Pro Sanctity Spirituality Center, Fullerton, CA

For more information, contact:

Kim Dodson.....(714) 336-3221
Melissa Orosco (Bilingual-Spanish).....(949) 697-3352

*We encourage personal contact with
one or more of our team members.*

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

be
present

Youth

WHAT'S
HAPPENING

**SAVE THE
DATE** **FEBRUARY 23-26**
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**YOUTH DAY
STRIVE 4 LIFE**



**ADULT DAYS
EMBRACE GRACE**
ABRAZA LA GRACIA | ẤP Ủ HỒNG ẮN

FIND OUT MORE AT [RECONGRESS.ORG](https://recongress.org)

Youth Day, Strive 4 Life Religious Education Congress-

- ⇒ **Thursday, February 23rd**
- ⇒ 7:30AM-3:30PM
- ⇒ Anaheim Convention Center

Register now!

- For more details, visit:
- Website: <https://recongress.org>

For more information on our upcoming activities:

Text or Call: (626) 377-1591

E-Mail: maryannegarcia@saintlorenzo.org

We got some fun activities planned! Check them out here:

ATTENTION ALL C2 KIDS!!! Confirmation 2 retreat is already
being planning for March 10-12! What a way to start the new
year 2023. This retreat is only for confirmation kids in their
second year. Here are some throwback pictures from last years
retreat. Turn in your retreat forms ASAP!--





Heartfelt
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!



Welcome home...to our new guests!

Knights of Columbus fundraiser

Come and enjoy a delicious burrito

and meet St. Lorenzo Ruiz

Knights of Columbus

February 19, 2023

8:00am to 3:00pm

Next to the Hospitality area



Thank you 6:30pm Altar Servers!



Our 6:30pm Sunday Lectors—
Ana Raquel & Mhe Ann Vales



Thank
you
God Bless
you

Special thanks to Fr. Tony, Fr. Paul, Fr. Bryan, Fr. Francis with
Together in Mission Coordinator Ms Wilma Najera & our
dedicated volunteers this past weekend—Feb 11 and
12.

DONATION:



We are a
family at SLR.

If you are in
need, and
would like to receive a
food basket, please
provide your name and
information to our Parish
Office. We will contact you
to coordinate pick-up.

Parish Office: 909-595-9545

Help us reach
our goal!

