

Let us Praise His name and...



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"

**"Let's HANG OUT with JESUS...with
SOMEONE!"**

15th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

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"The seed sown among thorns is the one
who hears the word, but then worldly
anxiety and the lure of riches choke the
word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown
on rich soil is the one who hears the
word and understands it, who indeed
bears fruit and yields a hundred or
sixty or thirtyfold."
- Mt 13:22-23

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

JULY 16, 2023

Be a Catechist!

VOLUNTEER



Let us thank all our
Catechists...Let us know
them by name

Let us Bring the Faith Home...
Let us go **ZONEwise...**



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Worship

WE PRAY & WORSHIP.

WE ARE A PRIESTLY COMMUNITY.

July 16, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (*Is 55:10-11 - Rom 8:18-23- Mt 13:1-23*)

GROW: At Mass with my family recently, my five-year-old daughter caught the last four words of the mystery of faith as if she was hearing them for the first time. She was bursting with excitement as we finished saying, "We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again." She turned to me and said, "Mom! We said, 'until you come again.' Does that mean Jesus is coming back? He's coming HERE?" What a lovely, emotion-filled response to learning that truth. She has heard those words countless times, but this time she heard the truth behind them. Her soul has been made for relationship with God from her time in the womb. The Holy Spirit has been preparing her to receive those words when she was ready to hear them in their fullness, and as the responsorial psalm proclaimed: "The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest." For those in the young, challenging years when it may seem easier to leave the little ones at home rather than take them to Mass, let's remember what we are told in the first reading from Isaiah. "Thus says the Lord: ... my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it."

GO: How often do you find yourself listening to a friend or family member not to really hear what they are saying, but to plan your response? Do we do that while we pray as well? Sometimes I catch myself praying with an inner monologue behind it, deciding how I want that prayer to be answered. Now all of this may not be exactly what Jesus meant when he said, "This is why I speak to them in parables, because *they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand,*" but it is worth exploring. When we are so anxious to get our words in – either to another person, or to God, we're not really being the rich soil that the other's words deserve. We're not even the rocky ground or the thorny path of which the Lord speaks; we're more like a giant rubber wall off of which the words bounce! Let's take some time to consider how our practice of listening and receiving others, including the Lord, is preparing us (or not) for the return of Jesus. And if there is room to improve, now is a good time to do it.

PRAY: *Lord, Jesus Christ, prepare my heart and my soul so that your words and your desires for my life will not fall on rocky soil. Give me the strength to be a Godly sower to all I encounter, especially my family, so your glory will be revealed. Amen.*

St Lorenzo Ruiz

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every FRIDAY

July 21 at 7:00pm

**Mass, Divine Mercy,
Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction**

**Family Prayer Group "Word Among Us"
Reflection and**

Praise and Worship Meeting

"Word Among Us" Reflection every Wednesday
via Zoom except the last Wednesday of the
month at 8:00 p.m.

In-person Praise and Worship Meeting and
Fellowship on the last Friday of JULY from 7:30
p.m. -9:30 p.m. at the Evangelization Center.

Contact sheilasobretudo@gmail.com

Education

WE LEARN AND EDUCATE.
WE ARE A PROPHETIC PEOPLE

Sat July 8

Our Catechists from Religious Ed Program received a special blessing from the SLR community w/ Fr. Tony assisted by Dcn. Brian.



Let us thank all our Catechists...Let us know them by name

★ Alice
★ Asereth
★ Bob
★ Carlos
★ Casi
★ Ednnie
★ Elsa
★ Elynour
★ Erik
★ Esther

★ Faith
★ Grace
★ Hartini
★ Jasmin
★ Linda
★ Marie
★ Martha A.
★ Martha D.
★ Mary
★ Mary Anne

★ Mayra
★ Noah
★ Orlando
★ Penny
★ Perry
★ Rachel
★ Raymond
★ Teresa
★ Terry



Word Among Us



Al



Esther V.



Juan Martin



Kathy



Laura

Susie



Susie—Formation Director



Gaby—Rel Ed Director



Juan Martin



Orlando



Noah



Bob



Laura



Faith & Rachel



Kathy & Al

**Let us thank all our Catechists...
Let us know them by name**



Asereth



Esther



Marie



Ray & Jasmin



Penny



Elsa



Martha & Carlos



Perry



Alice



Casi



Christina



Mary Anne



Mayra



Martha



Linda



Elynour



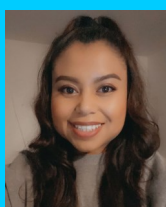
Hartini



Erik



Grace



Ednnie



Esther

OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults – formerly called the RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)



prepares adults to receive one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation. The Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist [Communion]. OCIA's primary focus is on people who have never been baptized as a Christian. OCIA also prepares adults to be received into the Catholic Church if they have been baptized in another Christian church. If a person was baptized as a Catholic but never received First Eucharist or Confirmation, they can also be a part of the OCIA. We also have people who have received all their Sacraments of Initiation, but just want to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith.

The OCIA meets every Sunday at St. Lorenzo Ruiz Church for one of the morning liturgical service (the Mass). Normally we stay for the readings and the homily (sermon) by the priest. After the homily, the priest will call forward all individuals who are in the process of learning about Catholicism and/or preparing to receive one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation, or those desiring to learn more about the practice of the Catholic faith. The priest also invites to come forward the sponsors and/or people who are supporting the individuals who are in the OCIA if they want to be part of the sessions. The priest gives a blessing to those called forward.

In our meeting room, we discuss the readings that were read in church, see how they apply to the teachings of the Church, and what differences the readings make in living our lives as Christians. We invite questions and participation by all those who attend the OCIA. We have had the sessions available on Zoom for those who were unable to join us in person during the pandemic, and also for people who are living out of the area, but plan to be a part of the OCIA.

The OCIA process is open-ended in that people begin at whatever time they want, and they stay in the process until they decide what they want to do about receiving sacraments or until they seem ready to move on. The usual time we celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation for adults (and for older children) is during the Easter season. We meet every Sunday throughout the year, unless some major celebration, such as Christmas, falls on a Sunday and it takes precedence.

If you have any questions and/or you want more information, please contact the **OCIA Director, Bob Kondrath** by email (bobkondrath@saintlorenzo.org) or by calling the **Parish Office** [(909) 595-9545] and leaving a message for Bob.

We thank our July
Liturgical Sponsors

Sponsor of Light

Tessie & August Gloria

*In thanksgiving for their
50th Wedding Anniversary*

Sponsor of Altar Bread & Wine

Maribelle & Audrey Marie
De Leon Hernandez

*Grant unto Teofilo "Mars" Hernandez O Lord
eternal rest. May your light shine upon him forever.
May he rest in peace. Amen.*

Sponsor of the Word

Leriza Pascual

*In loving memory of Oscar Pascual &
In celebration of Oliver's birthday,
and in thanksgiving for retirement*

Temporalities

WE BECOME ECONOMICALLY STABLE
AND SELF-RELIANT...

Collection Summary

Week ending July 2, 2023



Plate— \$ 4,763

Envelopes — 5,998

Faith Direct (Online) - 5,751

TOTAL \$ 16,512

Week ending July 9, 2023

Plate — \$ 3,202

Envelopes — 4,956

Faith Direct (Online) — 5,751

TOTAL \$ 13,909

30th ANNIVERSARY
Shine His Light
2023 Annual Appeal

MAKE A
30TH ANNIVERSARY
GIFT TODAY!



Visit TIMGIVE.org

TOGETHER IN MISSION
LOS ANGELES

Please help us
support our
struggling
parishes and
schools

Help us reach
our goal!

More than an average annual appeal
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

As of JULY 5, 2023

Paid: \$43,644 = 47.7%

Second Collection—TODAY July 15 & 16

National Needs Combined Collection:

This includes the Black & Indian Missions, Catholic University of America, Catholic Communications Campaign & the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your financial support of these organizations enables us to help form children in the faith, educate young people and build hope.

Thank you for your generosity.

What Is a **Home Mission Diocese**? Home mission dioceses are those Catholic dioceses in the United States, its territories, and former territories that cannot provide basic pastoral services without outside help. Basic pastoral services include Mass, the sacraments, religious education, and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters, and laypeople. Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered home missions.

SLR Youth Ministry
2023

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

Youth

WE GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION
AND SOLICITUDE TO OUR YOUTH

AUG 12

DAVE & BUSTERS

Fresh Eats, Games and a whole lot of fun! Show off those mad skills! Come join us! 6PM in Santa Anita Mall in Arcadia. RSVP soon!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
MARY ANNE GARCIA, YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR
PHONE: (626) 377-1591 or maryannegarcia@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.

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

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 **Linda Talcott**.



Children were invited around the altar at the 10:30am Mass last Sunday, July 9- with Fr. Tony presiding. *Below:* Prayer before the mass with the volunteers (*Eucharistic minister, Sacristan, Lector, Altar Servers*)



Mass Schedule*

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

Sat: 8:00am, 5:00pm (*Vigil Mass*)

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am- *livestreamed*, 12:00pm, 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*

SLRCC way of *REFLECTING* on the *WORD*

1. " Pray a simple prayer to the Holy Spirit:
"Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."
2. " Read the passage slowly. As you listen, ask in silence, "Lord, what are you saying to me in this passage?"
3. " Listen for a word or phrase that calls your attention or touches your heart.
4. " Share a brief story or experience of how the word or phrase connects to your life at this moment.
5. " Ask in silence, "Lord, what do you want me to do?" Share what Jesus is inviting you to do.

Join the community!

Hospitality Sundays—with our SLR Families

Share your blessings & make new friends!

Join us to host or sponsor. Parish Office 909-595-9545 or

Email: sheilasobretudo@gmail.com



Blessed

Sun. July 16, 2023



Be a Catechist!



The St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Parish Community is...

Inviting You! Come and Share your Faith!

Be A Catechist and Grow in the Knowledge Of Your Faith with Our Children. Join our upcoming Catechist Formation Certification Sessions!!!

As a Baptized Catholic, we are called to serve. You are welcome to join other ministries too.

Call the office to volunteer:

909-595-9545

Susie Taon



Saturday, July 29, 8:00-10:00 am
Applebee's Walnut
21625 Valley Blvd, Walnut, CA

Only \$12!

Pancakes Fried potatoes
Sausages Scrambled eggs
Coffee Orange juice

All proceeds will go towards St. Lorenzo Ruiz's Group Wedding Ministry expenses.

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Group Wedding 2023

Do you wish your union to be blessed by God in the Catholic Church? If you were married in a civil or non-Catholic ceremony or are living together outside of marriage, we invite you to join the **St. Lorenzo Ruiz Church Group Wedding to be held on Saturday - October 7, 2023**, as part of our Fiesta Celebration.

Complete the registration form and submit at the **Parish Office 909-595-9545**. Thank you.



Tickets Available: Parish Office or Volunteers outside (after Sunday mass)

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