



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

All things came to be through him,
and without him nothing came to be.
What came to be through him was life,
and this life was the light of the human race.

- Jn 1:3-4

Dec. 24, 2023



St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Parish Community

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Worship

WE PRAY & WORSHIP.
WE ARE A PRIESTLY COMMUNITY.



Yuletide 2023

Dear Parishioners, Friends and Benefactors,

This is our prayer for you and your loved ones during this special season.



May the **Word**, the **Life** and the **Light**, dwell among us as a community of faith, as we continue on a spiritual journey to 'Becoming' and 'Being' Church Community. May we as families, live out our everyday lives as **Priests, Prophets, and Kings**, celebrating our Faith through simple gestures of blessings, engaging our families in the **Word**, in prayer, as we *Bring the Faith Home* and coming together at the Table of the **Lord**, as we celebrate the Eucharist with our community.

God 'disembarked' ... amidst our 'homelessness' & 'restlessness' and 'stayed' with us as He brought Peace and Blessing...

Let us Bring the Faith Home

A Blessed Christmas to you and your loved ones!

With love and prayers,

Fr. Tony

P.S. Our Food for the Journey:

- ♦ Be nourished by the Word...Read the Word of God daily,
- ♦ Each ONE, Take TWO!....Each of us should invite or bring at least 2 people to church, and
- ♦ Be the Eucharist...When we come to church, smile! Be hospitable and 'welcome home' everyone you meet.



December 24, 2023 | Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 | Rom 16:25-27 | Lk 1:26-38

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

GO: Up until today, December has probably been a whirlwind. Trees and lights, ornaments, parties and presents – all these things help to kick off “the most wonderful time of year” beginning soon after Thanksgiving. Come Dec. 26, however, for many, the decorations become a nuisance and Christmas trees are out on the curb for pickup. Thank goodness for our Catholic faith because for us, Christmas is just beginning! Mary didn’t say “may it be done to me” only to forget about it the next day. No, in the coming months, the Blessed Mother nurtured the baby Jesus in her womb, anticipating the arrival of her firstborn and the Son of God. And on that blessed Christmas night, her work as the Mother of God was only just beginning. So, as we anticipate the arrival of the Christ Child, we are joyful that our Christmas season continues until we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord on Jan. 8th. Let us use this time to draw closer to God and make every effort in the new year to do his will.

SING:

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth

Christ who brings new life to earth.

Set every peak and valley humming

With the word, the Lord is coming.

People, look east and sing today:

Love, the Lord, is on the way.

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)

MASS SCHEDULE— NEW YEAR’S DAY:

Monday, January 1

8:00am, 10:00am and 12:00pm

Feast of the Sto. Niño (Holy Infant Jesus)

◇ Saturday, January 13, 2024

◇ 5:00pm Mass

Service

WE SERVE & WE SHARE.
WE ARE A KINGLY PEOPLE.

SLR FRIDAY EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

As part of the Friday Eucharistic Adoration in our parish, let us come together this Friday after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Come and stay with Jesus for an hour. Bring your friends & family and receive blessings when you stay for the Benediction until 9:30 p.m.



Immaculate Conception Devotees & Volunteers last Friday, Dec. 8, 2023 at the 7:00am and 12:00pm Masses. Special thanks to Judith & Luis Vargas for leading this ministry.

Servant Leaders—Carol, Gabriela and Jasmin



Our hardworking "**spark plugs**" - the Liturgists leading us in Worship smiling after our Parish Christmas party 12.9.23

(On right):
Jasmin, Ray & Year 2
Communion student **Dylan**
with future student **Jordan**.



We thank our December
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*In memory of Angel & Elena N. Perez,
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In celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary

*"Wealth not shared becomes greed; talents not used
for others becomes pride and arrogance, and strength
not spent for good becomes lust and idolatry."*

Temporalities



Stewardship

In observance of the Christmas holidays - early
bulletin printer deadlines, we will post the Weekly
Collection summary next week. Thank you.

Together in Mission 2023

Update: As of December 1, 2023

Goal: \$91,415 **Pledge:** \$ 66,709.75 (73%)

Paid: \$59,779.52 (65.4%)



*Celebrate Valentine's weekend with your spouse
in the most meaningful way.*



CANA Marriage Spirituality Retreat (CANA in Galilee)

February 17-18, 2024
St Lorenzo Ruiz Vellucci Hall

A 2-day retreat that is OPEN and FREE to all married couples!

Meals and snacks provided

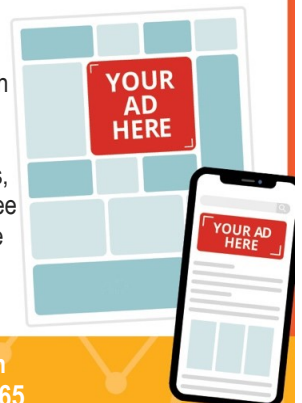
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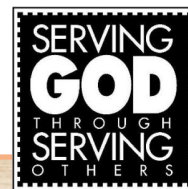
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Youth

WE GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION
AND SOLICITUDE TO OUR YOUTH



The Giving Tree

Once again, our dear Saint Lorenzo Ruiz Parish Community will have the opportunity to share its blessings with our less blessed brothers and sisters. For many people, the holidays are extremely difficult. Let us put together our efforts and celebrate Advent Time in a beautiful and special way by manifesting the love of God to our families in need.

Please take home an ornament from the Giving Tree and bring your donations to the parish office or vestibule by December 31.

Let us remember what St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta once said:

"At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern."

For details, please contact Youth Office -Noah @ 909-595-9545



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 us 'hang out' with Jesus...with one another!

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

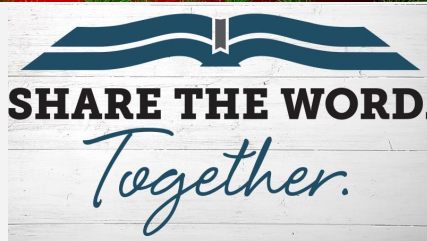
Mass in Filipino: Every 1st Sunday, 3:00pm

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



Celebration of
Our Lady of Guadalupe 2023

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GRAND PRIZE:
2024 TOYOTA CROWN
HYBRID XLE

1ST PRIZE:
2024 RAV4
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2ND PRIZE: \$3,000

DRAWING IS NOW ON!

Pre-Drawing Dates:

January 28, 2024

\$1,000

February 25, 2024

\$1,000 & iPad Mini

March 31, 2024

\$1,000 & iPhone

For ticket information, please call
Ron & Amy Milo at (909) 618-7207

Don't miss out on this wonderful
opportunity to support our church
and possibly drive away in a brand
new car!

Proceeds will be used for the
renovation of the Velucci Hall, Church
sound system and alarm and
repavement and repair of the parking
lot.

Drawing: Saturday, April 6, 2024, 6:30 pm
(Refer to back of the ticket for Rules and Regulations)