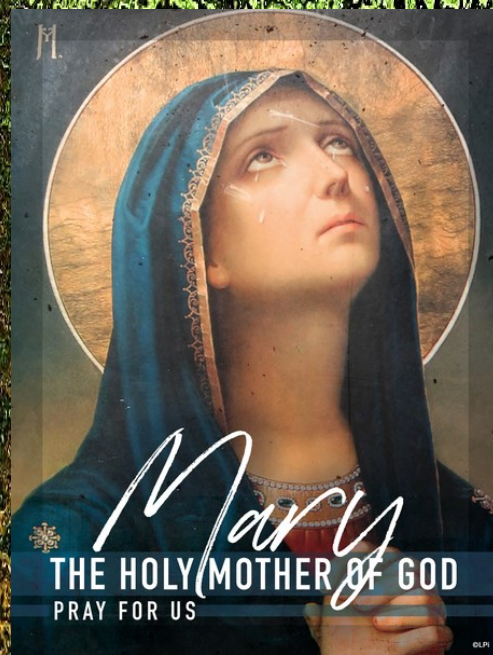


THE HOLY FAMILY

OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

SHARE THE WORD.
Together.



THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
PRAY FOR US

Dec. 31, 2023



**Mass schedule—
New Year's Day**

Monday, January 1, 2024
8:00am, 10:00am and 12:00pm



St. Lorenzo Ruiz Catholic Parish Community

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Worship

WE PRAY & WORSHIP.
WE ARE A PRIESTLY COMMUNITY.



We are a Family... One Family, One Parish

'Jesus, Mary & Joseph, Pray for us.'

To our Parishioners, Friends and benefactors— **A Blessed New Year!**

As we close the year 2023 with the significant feast of **the Holy Family**, let us answer the call to be 'family'---One Family, One Parish.

The gift of Christmas is manifested not just to the shepherds of Bethlehem but to all of us. Christmas is not an event – it is a way of life. God's love become a family with the gift of Jesus, the Immanuel. As Pastor of our community, I reflect and relish at our many graces and blessings as a community. I thank the Lord for our beautiful family community of St. Lorenzo Ruiz.

Amidst all our regular and special Parish events, devotions, and celebrations, we have embraced our vision, our sojourn to become a one family, one community. *"Zacchaeus come down quickly, for today I must stay in your house"* With Jesus, our house becomes a home – a family of relationships and love.

We continue our spiritual journey, to bring the Faith Home. Let us go **'small'**...be nourished by **'the Word'**...be conscious of how we are **'graced'** and become a 'grace' to each other...'be continually **formed** and **grow**'...and 'Welcome Home' one another embracing each one who comes to us with the heart of the Father. Welcome Home...where earth kisses Heaven. We become a Family. Let us continue **'hanging out'** with Jesus.

Thank you...and we cannot thank enough our countless volunteers, servant leaders in various ministries and small Faith communities. As well, we are most grateful to our staff, priests and deacons who serve our community. We stay with grateful hearts with our benefactors who continue to **'grace'** our faith community.

As a Parish family, let us **WELCOME HOME** this coming New Year to encounter and rediscover the Jesus in all of us and continue to celebrate, sustain, and nourish each other with God's unending love: **'Jesus, Mary & Joseph, Pray for us.'** **A Blessed New Year!**

With our love and prayers,
Fr. Tony

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.





December 31, 2023 | Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Gen 15:1-6; 21:1-3 | Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 | Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22, 39-40

Written by
THE
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DISCIPLE

GROW | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

St. Teresa of Calcutta once said, “If we love, naturally we will try to do something. First in our own home, our next door neighbor, in the country we live, in the whole world.” In this quote we see a shift from the idyllic to a hard dose of reality: love means sacrifice and service. Perhaps it’s worth asking ourselves: Does our family always get our best self? None of us is perfect, so the honest answer is probably no. If it’s tempting to think, “well, the Holy Family was perfect, so what does this feast have to do with our family?” let’s remember we are celebrating the Feast of the HOLY Family, not the feast of the perfect family. Yes, they were holy. They embodied this in their faith and devotion in those expanding circles of which St. Teresa spoke. They gave to God first – in today’s Gospel we see the family travel to Jerusalem to present Jesus in the temple. They then returned to Nazareth where Jesus grew strong and was “filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.”

GO | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

What does this feast mean for us today? It means that being a holy family is not unattainable. St. John Paul II once said: “The Redeemer of the world chose the family as the place for his birth and growth.” (2001) In other words, God’s will was fulfilled in the simplest and most ordinary of human circumstances when Jesus was born to Mary and Joseph in a stable. He sanctified what had been profaned by sin. Are our families perfect? No. But are we holy? That is our baptismal vocation and is within our reach each and every day. With the dawn of the new year, let’s make an effort to place Christ at the center of our lives. Let’s try to love our family members with all our heart, and bear witness in our actions and words. And finally, and most importantly, we must pray with and for one another.

PRAY: Family prayer is powerful and transformative, uniting and equipping us to go out into the world each day and bear witness. Pray together: Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.

Childrens' Liturgy—Living Gospel Mass—Dec. 24, 2023—Christmas Eve



Service

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

Last class before the Christmas break—with Paul & Agnes, students & their parents.

Below: various Simbang Gabi (Dawn mass) Celebrations (Dec. 17 & 23)



Thank you!
Volunteers!

ST. FRANCES OF ROME

501 E. Foothill Blvd., Azusa, CA 91702

Mass
&
Healing Prayers

celebrated by
FR. PARKER SANDOVAL

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024

6:00 P.M.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
RECITATION OF THE HOLY ROSARY

7:00 P.M.

MASS FOLLOWED BY HEALING PRAYERS

We thank our December
Liturgical Sponsors

Sponsors of Light

Norma Jean & Jimmy Peguero

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In loving memory of brother Leoncio S. Sibal

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In loving memory of Antonio Aggabao

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In celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Temporalities



Stewardship

Week Ending Dec. 17, 2023

Plate \$ 3,903

Envelopes \$ 7,019

Faith Direct \$ 6,775

TOTAL \$ 17,697

Together in Mission 2023

476 St. Lorenzo Ruiz Parish

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Parish Goal:	\$91,415.00	
Amount Pledge:	\$67,072.75	73.4%
Amount Paid:	\$60,586.63	66.3%

Update:

As of Dec. 18, 2023



Weekly
Bulletin



*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

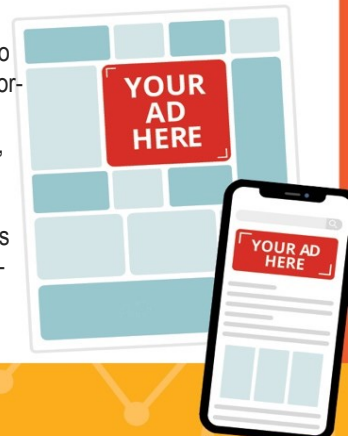
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The Giving Tree

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



“THE MORE YOU HONOR ME, THE MORE I WILL BLESS YOU”

Join us in the Novena devotion and special celebration of the
Feast honoring the

SANTO NIÑO (HOLY INFANT JESUS)

Eucharistic Celebration
Saturday, January 13, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Novena Schedule:

Jan. 4, Thursday 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 5, Friday 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 6, Saturday 6:00 p.m.
Jan. 7, Sunday 6:00 p.m.

Jan. 8, Monday 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 9, Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 10, Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 11, Thursday 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 12, Friday 6:30 p.m.

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GRAND PRIZE:
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Pre-Drawing Dates:

January 28, 2024

\$1,000

February 25, 2024

\$1,000 & iPad Mini

March 31, 2024

\$1,000 & iPhone

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

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