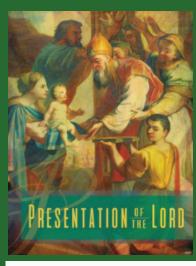


"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."



Friday, Feb. 2

January 28, 2024



Each one, Teach one...
Each one, Take two!



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THOUGHTS FROM FR. TONY

From our responsorial Psalm this Sunday: "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."



January 28, 2024 | Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 18:15-20 | 1 Cor 7:32-35 | Mk 1:21-28

Moses led the people of God from slavery and death in Egypt to new lif in the Promised Land through the desert. Though the people heard the voice of the Lord through Moses, the prophet, their hearts many times were 'hardened' 'as at Meribah, as in the day of Masah.' Moses promises them a new prophet that will speak the voice of God and commands them to listen to Him.

In the Gospel, the fulfillment has come — the kingdom of God is at hand. Jesus is the new Moses, the Prophet. "The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority...". "All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority."

We gather to embrace Jesus at the Eucharist... "This is my body...this is my blood." Are we astonished? Are we amazed? We pray 'If today we here your voice harden not our hearts'. Has Jesus, the "Holy One of God"...become too familiar with us? Have our hearts become so hardened and we fail to recognize and distinguish his voice amidst the many voices in our lives.

This Season of Lent is a sacred opportunity to hear his voice. Lent is ushered on Ash Wednesday, which falls this year on Valentines Day, Feb. 14 and popularly called the day of hearts. Perhaps we need to heed the call of Jesus asking of us: 'Will you be my Valentine this Lenten Season?'

We again are embarking on small group sharing on the Word. Harden not your hearts and join our community to listen to the voice of the Lord. Please fill up the form below and invite one or two to join you. "Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord...Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving...For he is our God, and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides." "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

The Lord will remember his Covenant Forever

Let us journey together this Lenten Season with the WORD

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Contact Sheila Sobretodo at <u>sheilasobreto-do@gmail.com</u> if you plan to attend. Thank you.

Education



We would like to share with our dear parish community that a few days ago all children and youth that are currently participating in the Religious Ed program, attended an important class

called: Empowering God's Children and Young People

The theme for the School Year 2023-2024 Safe Environment Training is focused on the important topic of the Five Body Safety Rule.





Came!.



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

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January 28, 2024 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

GO: I am always thankful when something good that has been anticipated, or predicted, comes to pass: The sunshine and mild weather holds true for that outdoor event I hosted; or the generous gift that a longtime friend mailed arrives unscathed. There is some anxiety in the waiting for, but relief in the fulfillment of, these beneficent promises. And while these are somewhat superficial examples, they do point us in the same direction of hope and gratitude that the divine gifts of God elicit in us. In today's first reading, Moses promises the people that the Lord will raise up for them, from among their own kin, a prophet who will speak God's own words and to whom the people will listen. And the Lord did provide numerous prophets, and kings, and judges, and eventually his only begotten Son, to call his people back to himself, and to save them from the wages of sin and death. The hope and anticipation God's chosen people had was fulfilled in Jesus' life, death and resurrection. We share in that gift of hope and of gratitude for our salvation.

PRAY: Today's psalm (Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9) is a beautiful prayer of thanksgiving and encouragement. It helps us steer our minds from those things which may make us anxious. Spend time in the morning or evening each day of the coming week, praying and reflecting on the words.



Weekend Retreat

If you are grieving the loss of your marriage through death, divorce or separation, join us at the **Pro Sanctity Spirituality Center** in **Fullerton**, **March 8 - 10, 2024.** A trained team leads participants through a healing and growth program. If you are ready to move through your feelings of grief, into the light of a new beginning and hope, this weekend may be for you. Contact Kim at (714) 336-3221 or Melissa (bilingual, Spanish) at (949) 697-3352_for more information. Early registration is encouraged._Website Link for Registration:

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Faith Direct – our parish's online giving platform – is a tool you can use to deepen your commitment to the church and the ministries you care about most. Your recurring gifts will sustain our mission month after month, and it will also help our parish by cutting the costs of envelopes (and using less paper!), and reducing the time we spend processing cash and checks.

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SAINT LORENZO YOUTH MINIST



FEBRUARY 4, 2024

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Parent Year 2 Retreat **Meeting**

Wednesday

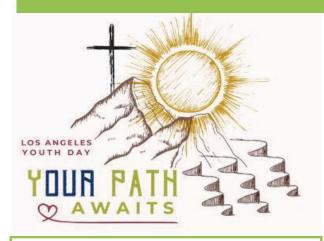
January 31 @ 7:00pm

Saturday

February 3 @10:00am



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RETREAT

Pray for us as we prepare for the Year Two Confirmation Retreat!

- Where: Santiago Retreat Center in Silverado, CA
- · When: March 8th-10th 2024
- · Please turn in your permission forms as soon as possible!



Please contact Michael Mutuc for any questions

Email: michaelmutuc@saintlorenzo.org Please call at 909-595-3400

Mass Schedule*

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

Sat: 8:00am

5:00pm-

Sunday: 7:30am Church

9:00am Church

10:30am Church - livestreamed 12:00pm Church

1:30pm (Spanish) Church livestreamed 6:30pm Church

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