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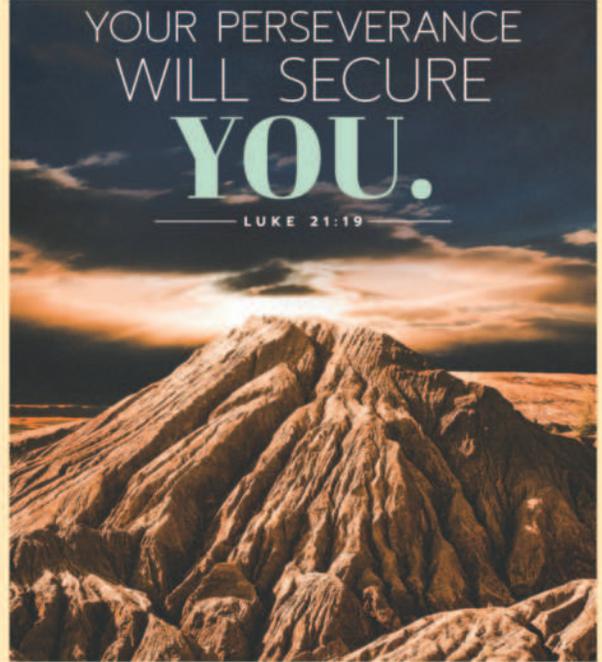


33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute."
- Lk 21:15

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**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 16, 2025**



YOUR PERSEVERANCE
WILL SECURE
YOU.
LUKE 21:19

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 7:00am & 7:00pm
Saturday: 8:00am & 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00am, *10:30am,
12:00pm, *1:30pm (Spanish), & 6:30pm
**livestreamed ON FACEBOOK and YouTube*

Confessions:

Monday to Friday: 6:45am & 6:45pm
First Friday: 7:30-8:30pm
Saturday: 3:30pm to 4:30pm

*Schedule is subject to change.
Call for special masses.*

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GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGING DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

November 16, 2025

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 21:5-19

When I was a kid growing up in New England, I'd occasionally go on a whale watch. Once we went out with calm waters and clear skies. But on the way back in, the sea got rough. I was just a kid, and I remember thinking we should turn left or right toward the shoreline I could see. But the pilot of the boat kept going straight, right into the waves. He was focused on a small, discouragingly distant lighthouse. Even when it flickered in and out of sight, he stayed the course. He knew where he was going.



That image comes to mind when I hear Jesus' words in today's Gospel regarding false messiahs: "Do not follow them" (Luke 21:8). In times of chaos or uncertainty, there are always voices offering easier routes, promising false safety, claiming to speak for God. But Jesus isn't found in the loudest voice or the nearest shoreline. He is steady, like a lighthouse in the storm.

The tribulation of which Jesus speaks, it's real. It happened to the Temple, it happened to him, it happens in the Church, and it will come to each of us. But the command is not to panic. It's to endure. To keep steering toward him. Faith isn't about having all the answers or dodging every wave. It's about knowing where the lighthouse is and trusting it enough to keep going, especially when false safety beckons us to stop.

- Father John Muir

2025 Veterans' Day Celebration at St. Lorenzo Ruiz!



Thank you, Veterans, for your service. God Bless America...We give praise and bless the Lord for our blessed nation through the gift and sacrifice of our Veterans. We are most grateful to you. We would also like to thank our Knights of Columbus, our public and City Officials with our parish volunteers leading our SLR Faith Community celebrating Veterans' Day is a very prayerful way.





Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

will be celebrated on

November 23, 2025, Sunday at 11:00 am

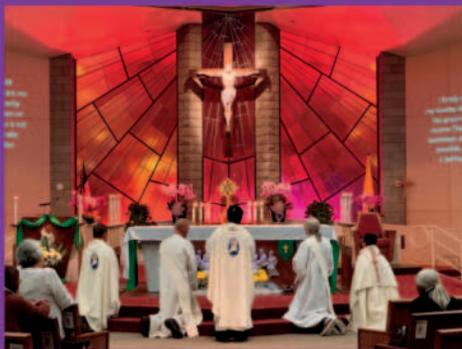
Multi-lingual mass (combined 10:30 am and 12:00 pm).

After the mass will be:

- **Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament**
- **Prayers of Adoration to Christ the King**
- **Benediction before the Blessed Sacrament**
- **Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

We invite everyone to pray the *Novena to Christ the King starting on Friday, November 14 to Saturday, November 22.* *Novena schedule: Mon-Fri 7:30 am / Sat 8:30 am / Sun 7:00 am

Encounter Peace, Encounter Jesus



Join us for
Friday Adoration
following 7:00pm Mass

In Eucharistic Adoration,
you meet Him face to face.
For one hour, you can lay
everything before the Lord
who loves you completely.

*“Could you not watch
with Me one hour?”
(Matthew 26:40)*

2025 CHILDREN'S CHOIR CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL & LIVING GOSPEL

As has been our tradition,
the children of our Parish will
present the Living Gospel, at
the 5:00 PM Christmas Eve Vigil



Mass. The children will reenact the story of Mary and Joseph as they make their way to the stable in Bethlehem where our Savior Jesus Christ was born. Please be aware that a formal procession of the Living Gospel Players and a pre-Mass Choir Mini-Concert will begin promptly at 4:15 PM.

The Children's Choir will perform the music and Living Gospel Players will have the opportunity to play the part of an angel, a shepherd, a narrator, Angel Gabriel, Mary or Joseph or they may choose to just sing as a member of the choir. We invite your child to join us. Parent volunteers are much needed and welcome!

Your child is also encouraged to join our choir now as we will begin practicing the Christmas music. We sing on each 2nd and 4th Sunday at the 10:30 AM Mass – we practice at 9:00 AM in the Vellucci Hall. The choir then walks over to the church for the Mass. Service hours are available for all activities. Donuts and snacks are provided.



Thanks, and Merry Christmas!
Gayle Pacheco Cell: 626-484-6146
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St. Lorenzo Ruiz Adult Confirmation Program

Are you an adult Catholic (18+) who has received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion, but has not yet been Confirmed? Our Adult Confirmation Program fourteen Sunday's offers a journey of faith to prepare you to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Join us during Sunday at 9:00 am Mass. Seating at the first four rows on the left side pew near the choir area.

If you are ready to take the next step in your faith journey, contact Susie Taon for more information or to register at (909) 595-9545 or you may email her at susietaon@saintlorenzo.org.

DID YOU KNOW?

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Thank you to the volunteers who completed their training.

BENEATH THE SURFACE by Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Love and hate. Hope and fear. Death and life. What lasts forever, and what is even now passing away before our eyes. To be human is to know that these feelings, these realities, can and often do occur at the same time. To be Christian is to know that it means something. Two Things Can Be True At Once



As my husband and I drove our firstborn child home from the hospital, I sat alongside my daughter in the backseat. Terrified, exhausted, exhilarated, confused, hopeful — I was all of these things at the same time. I gazed at her, this magnificent little creature whose face was both familiar and strange to me, thinking: She is exquisite. She is the future. She is life.

And then I burst into uncontrollable sobs.

"What's wrong?" my husband cried, panicked, glancing in the rearview mirror.

"She's — going — to — die — someday," I blubbered, choking on my own tears.

"Ohhh, honey." I'll never forget the tone of his voice as he clearly debated turning this car around and taking me back to the hospital for an emergency psych evaluation. "I think you might be tired."

Ten years later, it's a memory we laugh about. I hadn't slept more than four hours in four days. Postpartum hormones had lain waste to my senses. Here, on the threshold of new life, all I could think of was death. It's funny. It's absurd. But it also makes a lot of sense.

Love and hate. Hope and fear. Joy and sorrow. Death and life. What lasts forever, and what is even now passing away before our eyes. To be human is to know that these feelings, these realities, can and often do occur at the same time. To be Christian is to know that it means something — even if we cannot understand what. Not yet.

In every moment of his earthly life, Christ shows us that two things can be true at once. A virgin is a mother. An exile is a king. The temple will be destroyed, and it will last forever. The world is ending. The world is beginning. The cross is death. The cross is life.

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Help keep our Sunday tradition sweet!

We are looking for generous sponsors to help provide donuts and coffee after each Mass as part of our beloved Hospitality Sunday.



Each week parishioners gather after Mass to connect, share fellowship and welcome new faces to our church family. This small act of kindness brings our community closer together - and you can be a part of it!

Contact Sheila Sobretudo at (626) 327-1380.



PARISH CLEAN-UP

**NOVEMBER 24 & 25
9:00 AM TO 2:00 PM**

Hey Teens! Looking for a way to earn service hours and make a real difference? Join us for our Parish Clean-Up Day — a fun and meaningful way to give back to your church and community.

Email Gabriela Encinas and reserve your spot at gabrielaencinas@saintlorenzo.org.

Be a Liturgical Sponsor *Light, Bread, Wine, Word or Environment*

Contact the Parish Office for details - (909) 595-9545.

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Tabangay Family

in thanksgiving, healing and in celebration of the birthdays and wedding anniversary of Nol & Connie

Sponsors of Bread

Ed & Maribel Paz

in thanksgiving and in celebration of their wedding anniversary and Maribel's birthday



STEWARDSHIP WEEK

Collection will be posted next week.
Thank you.



CCHD 
Catholic Campaign for Human Development
**Second Collection
November 22 & 23**

The CCHD, established by the U.S. bishops in 1969, is dedicated to addressing the root causes of poverty in the United States. It supports community-based efforts that empower low-income individuals to improve their circumstances and promote social justice. In 2025, the campaign will hold its annual collection on the weekend of November 22-23, which is crucial for funding various local initiatives and programs aimed at alleviating poverty.



Peace and Blessings to you all!

Youth, as you journey through this gift called life, please remember the profound truth that "self-esteem is loving yourself the way God loves you."

Do not let this fire that God has placed in you go out so soon. The Church needs you now more than ever to actively live out your faith. I invite you to consider becoming an Altar Server today. As Scripture reminds us, "...If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts..." (Psalm 95: 7-8).

If you are unfamiliar with the role of an Altar Server, that is completely fine; God will guide you every step of the way. What a blessing it is to be so close to the Altar, where the Lamb of God comes to us every time Mass is celebrated.

If you feel called to serve, please send me a message at (626) 923-8150 and we will lead you in the right direction.

God Bless you all and may Christ's most precious blood cover us now and forever. Amen.

LA RECONGRESS *Youth Day*



6:30AM-8:30PM

\$60 before Jan 9
\$70 before Jan 23
Lunch & transportation included, bring extra cash for dinner at Downtown Disney



**FEB. 19
2026**

Register at the Confirmation Office
Mon-Wed: 6:00PM-8:30PM



"Give yourself fully to *God*"

He will use you to accomplish great things on the condition that you believe much more in His Love than in your own weakness."

St. Teresa



The **SAINTS** are not supermen, nor were they born perfect. When they recognized **GOD'S LOVE**, they followed it and **SERVED OTHERS**.

Pope Francis





The Immaculate Conception Of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday - December 8, 2025

Consecration Renewal

7:00AM 12:00PM 7:00PM

Novena begins November 29 after the
8:00AM mass; Sunday after 1:30PM mass,
and Weekdays after the 7:00AM mass

Last day of Novena is
Saturday, December after 1:30PM mass.

Stay with me Lord

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Upcoming Celebrations



Advent Reflection

Friday, November 21

After 7:00 pm Mass

Chris the King Feast Day

Sunday, November 23

11:00 am Combined Mass

Thanksgiving Day



Thursday, November 27

9:00 am Community Mass

Giving Tree Begins

Saturday, November 29

Advent Penance

Wednesday, December 3

7:00 pm



Christmas Tree Light & SLR Christmas Party

Saturday, December 6

6:00 pm Parking Lot & VH

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday, December 12

5:00 am Mañanitas

**more events to come!*

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