

# ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

FEBRUARY 1, 2026 | FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



HE WENT UP THE  
MOUNTAIN AND BEGAN  
TO TEACH.

MATTHEW 5:1

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Rev. Msgr. Paul Dotson, Pastor

Rev. Charles Balamaze, Associate Pastor | Rev. Msgr. Peter O'Reilly, In Residence

Deacon Don Burt | Deacon Jim Egnatuk | Deacon Dale Sheckler

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	4:00 PM (Sunday Liturgy)
Sunday	7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:00 PM

## DAILY MASSES

Monday - Saturday	8:10 AM
Tuesday & Thursday	12:00 PM

## ADORATION CHAPEL

Sunday	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Monday - Friday	7:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

## MEMORIAL GARDEN

Monday - Friday	7:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Saturday & Sunday	9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

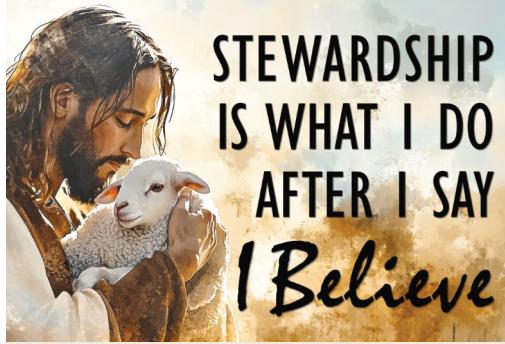
## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
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## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Pastoral Center	310-540-0329
Office for Worship	310-316-0090
Office of Religious Education	310-316-4460
O.C.I.A. for Adults	310-316-0961
St. Lawrence Martyr School	310-316-3049
Youth Ministry/Confirmation	310-316-0466
Funerals	424-458-7861
St. Lawrence Martyr Gift Shop	424-385-0546

To become a member of our community of faith  
please stop by or call the Pastoral Center at  
310-540-0329 | <https://www.stlm.org/im-new>



## GIVING TO ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR IS EASY WITH ELEXIO

Forgot your envelope? Are you visiting us today and want to make a ONE TIME GIFT? Want to give to a special collection? Follow these easy and secure steps to Text-to-Give:

- Text **GIVE** to **424-414-STLM**.
- Follow the text instructions to complete your donation.
- Save the number as a contact in your phone to make future giving faster and easier.

You may also give by scanning this QR Code with the camera app on your cellphone or visit [STLM.ORG/GIVING](http://STLM.ORG/GIVING)



*We thank you for your generosity and support of our St. Lawrence Martyr Catholic Community.*

## PASTORAL CENTER HOURS FEBRUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 9

Sun	2/1	08:00 am - 01:00 pm
Mon	2/2	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Tue	2/3	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Wed	2/4	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Thu	2/5	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Fri	2/6	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Sat	2/7	<b>Closed</b>
Sun	2/8	08:00 am - 01:00 pm
Mon	2/9	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm

## PRAYER FOR EVERYDAY

Jesus, You are good and gracious, every moment of every day. You invite us to be meek, merciful, clean of heart, peacemakers. Give us the grace to seek these virtues, and to seek you. May your blessing accompany us on our way Amen. ©LPI

### First Monday Rosary

Monday, February 2, 2026 | 7:00 pm | In the Church

Begin the month in prayer at our First Monday Rosary. Gather as a parish family to entrust our needs, our loved ones, and our world to the intercession of the Blessed Mother. All are welcome—whether longtime devotees or first-time participants—to pray, reflect, and grow together in faith as one community. Rosary led by Women's Cornerstone.

### Holy Hour & Evening Prayer

Thursday, February 5, 2026 | 7:00 pm | In the Church

We invite you to spend time in the presence of the Lord! Join us for a Holy Hour with Evening Prayer as we gather in quiet reflection, adoration and communal prayer to deepen our faith and find renewal in God's presence. All are welcome!

### Special Prayer for Women's Cornerstone Retreat

February 6-7, 2026 | SLM Campus | [stlm.org/cs](http://stlm.org/cs)

The Women's Cornerstone Retreat 2026 invites our parish community to pray for all who will take part in this year's retreat, February 6–7. We ask prayers for the retreatants and team members listed below, and those not listed by request.

Retreatants: Angela Peachy, Ann Chance, Ann Klein, Cara Everhart, Charlene Harrison, Elaine Malit, Erica Ayala, Estella Ganete, Gaby Garcia, Helen Limburg, Jackie Acosta, Jeannie Dickinson, Jessica Jones, Joanne Romanelli, Jody Green, Juana H. Chun, Krista Schlappatha, Krystle McGovney, Laurie Kelly, Lisa Garcia, Liza SanJose, Maranita Pegadiotes, Maria Reis, Megan Koh, Nicole Percz, Norma Rivera, Peggy Rodriguez, Pilar Gonzalez, Preciosa Martin, Ricci Bichlmeier, Sarah Oppenheim, Shannon Robley, Shirley Shrum, Susan Fitzsimons, Tina Palacios, Tricia Blanco, Yolanda Cortenbach, and Yutori Murakami. Team Members: Ana Toledo, Andrea Worshill, Barbara Mensinger, Jen LuVisi, Kathy Lomino, Linda Zelik, Michelle Rifi, Myla Jarvina, and Noreen Thomas.



2026  
**TOGETHER IN  
MISSION**  
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES



**THIS IS THE HOUR FOR *love***  
**OUR GOAL: \$159,641**



## PRAYER REQUESTS

*We pray for all those suffering illness and in need of healing and comfort.*

Michael Gianully	Ann Chance	Ryan Durham
Jim Duffy	Mary Sloper	Ray Rafael Payuyo
Dorothy Scherer	Kuya Boy Gonzales	Kuya Rolly Gonzales
Mari Jo Ternes	Louis Clark	Tamara Fick
Virginia Lower	Tony Stankus	Richard Contreras

## THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

*May all the souls of the recently departed, through the mercy of Christ, rest in peace.*

Fr. Gerhart Habison	Lovella Barnard	Mario Treitler
Deacon Fred Rose	Scott Brandes	Milton Duane Nelson
Ruben Castorena	Mary Eberle	Van Johnson
Renee Good	Fred Lower	

*Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord.*

## SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading:** But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly. (Zephaniah 3:12)

**Psalm:** Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Psalm 146)

**Second Reading:** Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong. (1 Corinthians 1:27)

**Gospel:** "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:3)

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## WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday:	Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13, 1 Corinthians 1:26-31, Matthew 5:1-12a
Monday:	Malachi 3:1-4, Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Tuesday:	2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3, Mark 5:21-43
Wednesday:	2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17, Mark 6:1-6
Thursday:	1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12, Mark 6:7-13
Friday:	Sirach 47:2-11, Mark 6:14-29
Saturday:	1 Kings 3:4-13, Mark 6:30-34
Next Sunday:	Isaiah 58:7-10, 1 Corinthians 2:1-5, Matthew 5:13-16



**LENT**  
O.C.I.A. in Pastoral Center  
Wednesday, February 4, 7:00 pm  
ALL ARE WELCOME!



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

7:00 am Fr. John Hampsch †  
9:00 am Molly Norton †  
11:30 am Jeff Watt †

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:10 am Dick Wittry †

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

8:10 am Ray Benning †  
12:00 pm Dick DeLong †

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:10 am Judy Coup †

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:10 am Deacon Martin Clement †  
12:00 pm Tanis Koawkowski †

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

8:10 am Gerry Stark

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:10 am Debbie Morgan †  
4:00 pm Francis Lukasik †

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

7:00 am Fr. John Hampsch †  
9:00 am Lani Gonzaga †  
11:30 am Irene Salcedo †  
(† Deceased)

Parishioners are invited to offer Mass intentions for loved ones, living or deceased. A donation of \$20 is suggested. You may also add your loved ones to the Book of Intentions in the church by Mary. Your offering supports our parish and the spiritual work of the Church. Thank you for your generosity.

# THE CROSS OF JESUS IS NEAR

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION by FR. JOHN MUIR

A priest I know was once falsely accused of a terrible crime. The claim was wild and easily disproved, but for a while, it didn't matter. In the atmosphere shaped by the abuse crisis of the early 2000s, the public assumption was guilty until proven innocent. His name was dragged through the mud, and his ministry placed on hold. I had the privilege — and the burden — of walking closely with him during that time.

He was angry. He was confused. He felt abandoned and deeply disoriented. The last thing on his mind was the words of Jesus in today's Gospel: "**Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me ... Rejoice and be glad**" (**Matthew 5:11-12**). Rejoice? He felt anything but.

And yet... something holy slowly grew in him. Not overnight, and not without pain. But as the truth came to light and his name was cleared, I watched him become more Christlike — more patient, more compassionate, more detached from human approval.

Maybe you haven't faced something so dramatic. But where do you feel judged? Misrepresented? Overlooked? Maybe someone else got the credit or the promotion. Maybe someone you love isn't getting their due. In those moments, the Cross of Jesus is near. When we feel accused, that's when we ask him for the grace not just to endure, but somehow, mysteriously, to rejoice and be glad. ©LPI

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

**Mini Reflection:** How similar we all are in sin. How similar we all are in potential. How different we look to the world. And yet, how wondrous it is that we are all offered the same hope: "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in Heaven."

### What Stays the Same

Somewhere, there is a monk whose life is very quiet and who devotes long hours to prayer. And somewhere there is a nun, cloistered in a life of contemplation, who speaks very little except to God.

Somewhere, there is a father whose days are filled with noise, who hasn't finished a Rosary in years because he keeps falling asleep. Somewhere there is a mother whose voice is weak with giving direction and offering counsel.

Somewhere, there is a teenage girl with much to say, but few people to listen — fewer, at least, than she would like.

Somewhere there is a woman who holds a positive pregnancy test in one hand and a phone in the other, and somewhere there is a man on the other end of that phone who waits for her to speak.

In the Beatitudes, Jesus utilizes a literary device called anaphora. Both as a reader and a writer, I love anaphora. It's a clean, unfussy way to communicate a point. By repeating the same word or phrase at the beginning of successive clauses, you're basically saying the same thing over and over again, just a little bit differently each time. Those small differences tease at your audience's brain, gently highlighting the consistencies.

Discipleship is a lot like anaphora. It's the differences — those little aberrations from person to person, life to life — that so beautifully illustrate what remains the same across the broad spectrum of what it means to live out the Beatitudes.

Me. You. The monk. The nun. The father. The mother. The lonely girl. The man and woman who decided their own future without realizing it. How similar we all are in sin. How similar we all are in potential. How different we look to the world.

And yet, how wondrous it is that we are all offered the same hope: "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in Heaven."

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman . ©LPI

## ON THE DEATH OF A LOVED-ONE

Families experiencing the loss of a loved one may call 424-458-7861 at any time to begin funeral arrangements at St. Lawrence Martyr. This dedicated line is checked three times a day, and a minister will return your call within 24 hours.

## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

### REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

God forms His people not through power or status, but through humility and trust. In the Beatitudes, Jesus shows that discipleship is lived through mercy, meekness, and peace—virtues that create space for genuine welcome and reveal the heart of God's mission.

*How do the attitudes of the Beatitudes shape the way I welcome others, especially those who may feel unseen, unwelcome, or on the margins?*

*Where is God inviting me to let go of self-reliance so that, with humility and generosity, I can make room for Christ to work through me for others?*

## LIVE THE LITURGY

Blessed are the poor, the meek, the persecuted. These are radical words in a world that insists the opposite: blessed are the wealthy. Blessed are the forceful. Blessed are the comfortable. Do we have what it takes to be radical? ©LPI

## ST. BLAISE & BLESSING OF THE THROATS

FEBRUARY 3 | 8:10 AM & 12:00 PM MASS

St. Blaise, a fourth-century bishop and martyr, is remembered for his faith, courage, and compassion. According to tradition, he healed a child who was choking on a fish bone, which led to the custom of the annual Blessing of Throats. On his feast day, the Church prays through his intercession for healing and protection from illnesses of the throat and from all harm. Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

*Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil.*

## See You in the *Eucharist*



### THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (CANDLEMAS) & BLESSING OF CANDLES

On Monday, February 2, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, traditionally called Candlemas, marking forty days since Christmas Day. On this day, Mary and Joseph bring the infant Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem, fulfilling the Law of Moses and offering Him to the Lord (Luke 2:22–40). In the Temple, they encounter Simeon and Anna, faithful servants who recognize in this Child the fulfillment of God's promises. Simeon proclaims Jesus as *"a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory for Israel,"* revealing Christ as the Light of the world. From this Gospel flows the tradition of the Blessing of Candles. Candles symbolize Christ, whose light dispels darkness and guides His people. As a candle gives light by consuming itself, so Christ offers Himself completely for our salvation. Candlemas is also a feast of encounter and fulfillment—the meeting of old and new, waiting and promise fulfilled. Simeon's prophecy to Mary reminds us that Christ's light is inseparable from sacrifice, pointing ahead to the Cross.

**Using Blessed Candles at Home:** Blessed candles may be lit during family prayer, while reading Scripture, in times of illness or difficulty, or on significant moments such as baptisms, anniversaries, or the anniversary of a death. Lighting a blessed candle is a simple way to invite Christ's presence, express trust in His care, and recall that His light continues to shine in every darkness.

As we celebrate the Presentation of the Lord, we are invited not only to receive Christ's light, but to carry it into the world, becoming reflections of His hope, mercy, and love.

If you would like your home candles blessed, please bring these to the 8:10AM Mass on Monday, February 2. Purchase your candles in the SLM Gift Shop or Pastoral Center (or any other place) on Sunday, February 1.

Les Rangel-Santos  
Director of Worship: Liturgy & Music  
les.rangelsantos@stlm.org

26 HOUR  
MEN'S  
RETREAT

FEB 27-28  
STLM.ORG/CS



**CORNERSTONE**

### COMMUNITY THROUGH BROTHERHOOD

Start 2026 with a Recharge  
Come to Cornerstone!

Step out of your daily routine to reflect, renew, and strengthen what matters most in your life. All are welcome.

- Build meaningful connections.
- Grow in faith and purpose.
- Experience true brotherhood.
- An experience you will never forget.

TAKE THIS STEP. SAY YES!

## SLM GIFT SHOP

Sun | 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
 Tue, Thu, Fri | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
 Mon, Wed, Sat | Closed



Our shelves are filled with thoughtful Valentine and friendship gifts — candles, crosses, rosaries, jewelry, and more. Find something meaningful for the ones you love!

## DONUTS THIS WEEK

Sunday | after 7 am & 9 am Masses  
 This Sunday we give thanks to our host

### F.A.I.T.H. Ministry

*Freewill offerings always greatly appreciated and support our Donut Ministry.*

## VOTIVE CANDLES

Candles are available at the Pastoral Center or in the Gift Shop. Candles are \$5.00 ea. and stay lit for five days.

## BAPTISM MINISTRY

Each baby baptized at SLM receives a a blanket crocheted by our Knitting Ministry.

If you want to support this ministry, you may drop off a monetary donation at the Pastoral Center. Please indicate **Baptism Ministry**.

Interested in  
 volunteering?  
 Looking for  
 support?



## SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

Wed, Feb 4, 10:00 am | Pastoral Center  
 Small Community of Faith who love reading & discussing books.  
 310-415-0876

## CATECHISM & COFFEE

Thu, Feb 5, 9:00 am | Parish Hall  
 Discussion of the Catechism of the Catholic Church guided by Fr. Charles.  
 310-540-0329

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Sun, Feb 8, 10:30 am | Pastoral Center  
 Group meeting for those mourning the loss of a loved one.  
 310-540-0329 x 540

## MICHELANGELO MINISTRY

Mon, Feb 9, 10:00 am | Parish Hall  
 Explore the artist within you & be part of a community who love the creative process.  
 310-540-0329 x 540

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Mon, Feb 9 , 6:00 pm | Pastoral Center  
 Young Adult fellowship and formation guided by Fr. Charles.  
 310-540-0329

## LGBT+ (ONE HEART) MINISTRY

Tue, Feb 10, 7:00 pm | Pastoral Center  
 Ministry open to members of the LGBT+ Community, family, friends & allies.  
 Don.Burt@stlm.org

## SOUTH BAY STRUMMERS

Sat, Feb 14, 9:00 am | Parish Hall  
 Ukulele Group - everyone's welcome! Just bring your smile and love of music!  
 SouthBayStrummers@yahoo.com

## WOMEN IN TRANSITION

Sun, Feb 15, 10:30 am | Pastoral Center  
 A group of women supporting each other through life's many transitions.  
 310-540-0329 x 540

## ONE IN CHRIST MINISTRY

Thu, Feb 19, 7:00 pm | Pastoral Center  
 A ministry for racial healing and cultural celebration. Come pray with us.  
 310-540-0329 x 276

## ST. KATERI CIRCLE

Fri, Feb 20, 6:00 pm | Call for location  
 A Native American prayer group devoted to St. Kateri Tekakwitha.  
 310-901-2432

## CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT

Sat, Feb 21 | Rogers Group  
 Small groups discuss topics through the lens of faith and provide support for each other.  
 310-722-0176

## CAREGIVERS SUPPORT

Sun, Feb 22, 10:30 am | Pastoral Center  
 Gathering of people who are directly or indirectly affected by care giving of others.  
 310-540-0329 x 540

## RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY ROSARY

Mon, Feb 23, 7:00 pm | In the Church  
 Dedicated to bringing the message of life to the parish & the world.  
 310-678-2583 | DaleScheckler@gmail.com

## NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT

Wed, Jan 28, 7:00 pm | Parish Hall  
 Family Support Group for those with loved ones suffering from mental illness.  
 310-792-0244

## PADDLE N PRAISE

Sat, Mar 14, 9:00 am | Lower Courts  
 All adults 18 and over invited to fun, faith and fellowship through Pickleball.  
 424-408-9738

## SINGALONG JAM NIGHTS

Mon, Mar 16, 7:00 pm | Parish Hall  
 Bring instruments and/or the desire to sing along to well-loved songs in a group setting.  
 RauLisaV@gmail.com

## F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY

Thu, Apr 16, 7:00 pm | Parish Hall  
 Supports the victims of human trafficking in the South Bay and Los Angeles County.  
 310-540-0329 x 380

## ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

### Stephen Ministry Message Line

Christian friend to listen, pray and support you in difficult times.  
 (Confidential) 310-540-0329 x540

### Saturday Street Ministry

Provide food & clothing to homeless in LA.  
 310-540-0329 x276

### Open Arms Ministry

Friendly visits to home bound parishioners.  
 310-540-0329 x 540

## SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

All are welcome to join this Small Community of Faith. Our new book is **Imagine You Walked with Jesus: A Guide to Ignatian Contemplative Prayer** by Jerry Windley-Daoust. Call for more information, or just show up.

1st and 3rd Wed of each month | 10:00am | Pastoral Center  
Jeanine Gallagher | 310-415-0876

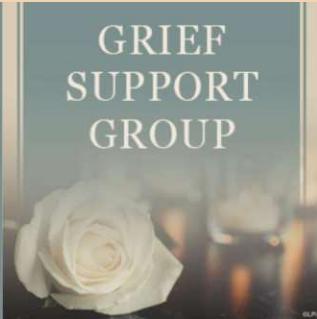


Join us for a cup of coffee as we chat about our Faith and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. A round table discussion guided by Fr. Charles where we discuss various topics of interest. We meet the first Thursday of every month at 9 am in the Parish Hall. Questions/topics may be sent in advance to [catechism.coffee@gmail.com](mailto:catechism.coffee@gmail.com).

### LET'S GROW TOGETHER IN OUR FAITH

The Grief Support Group is for those mourning the loss of a loved one. Our group will help you understand that there is no "expectation" for grieving. Everyone has their own process, their own way, and their own time frame. This is a group meeting where the members develop a connection and hopefully feel comfortable and at ease with each other as we journey together.

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month | 10:30 AM | Pastoral Center



### MICHELANGELO MINISTRY

*"Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time"* - Thomas Merton  
We invite you to explore the artist within you, to learn to hear the Holy Spirit guiding you towards your creativity. Don't be shy! This is a ministry where the slogan "No experience necessary" holds true and is a socially supportive and safe space to explore, create, and grow. We will learn and laugh and be joyful together through art. And if you just want to show up and paint rocks, this is the place for you! Rocks and paint will always be on hand.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month | 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon | Parish Hall - upstairs

### Young Adult Ministry

Women and men, ages 18 to 30s, all from diverse cultural, vocational, social, and political backgrounds. We come together for spiritual, educational, and social activities and programs. We support each other as we discover new roles in life, family, work, society, and the Catholic Church. Join our family for fellowship and fun.

Father Charles Balamaze | 310-540-0329



### THE LGBT+ (ONE HEART) MINISTRY

"One Heart" is the LGBT ministry at Saint Lawrence Martyr Church. We are dedicated to the loving acceptance and integration of all persons into our faith community by listening to, understanding, and supporting one another as followers of Jesus.

2nd Tuesday of each month | 7:00 pm | Pastoral Center  
Deacon Don | [don.burt@stlm.org](mailto:don.burt@stlm.org)

## SLM SCHOOL SCRIP

Tue & Thu | 8:00 AM - 2:45 PM  
310-316-3049

Available from the Parish Office outside of regular Scrip office hours.

### PRAYER SHAWLS

Shawls and blankets available to give to anyone who needs an uplift. The shawls and blankets are free of charge and available in the Pastoral Center.

### F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY

The F.A.I.T.H. (Freedom & Intervention for the Trafficking of Humans) Ministry supports the victims of human trafficking in the South Bay and in Los Angeles County.

*We are collecting toiletry items for victims of human trafficking. The items can be dropped off at the Pastoral Center during normal business hours.*

[faith.ministry@stlm.org](mailto:faith.ministry@stlm.org)  
310-540-0329 x 380

### FOOD PANTRY

Saturday | 8 AM - 10 AM  
1st Sunday | 8 AM - 11 AM  
We **prepare bags of groceries** for individual families and **sack lunches** given to the homeless. For a list of preferred donations please visit [www.stlm.org/giving-back](http://www.stlm.org/giving-back).

**Monetary donations** may be given online through Elexio Giving, mailed or dropped in the Pastoral Center mail slot. Please indicate **Food Pantry**.

*Thank you for your ongoing generosity as we continue to serve those in need.*

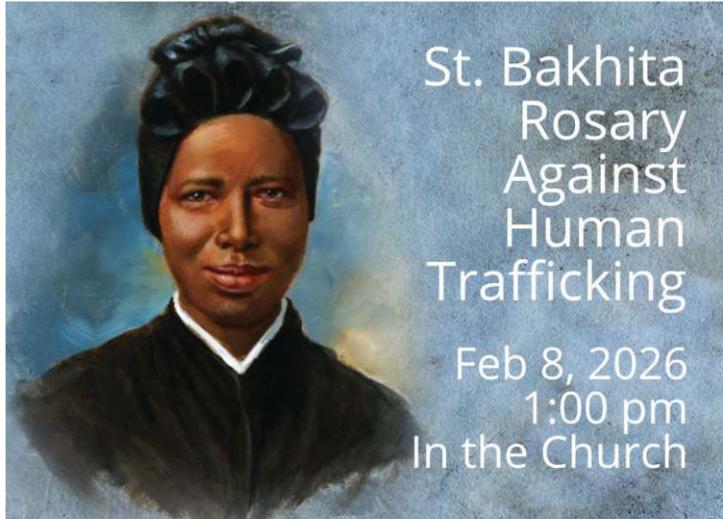
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Keep in touch with us  
via email & text  
Text **STLM** to **84576**

**SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN: THE CHALLENGE OF COMPLACENCY**

Safe adults often move through the world with a heightened awareness of what could be suspicious behavior and warning signs – this may feel overwhelming. If they never encounter abuse, they could easily become complacent — thinking there is no potential for abuse because they have not seen it in their own lives. The antidote to complacency is to always remember the end goal: the safety and well-being of the children and vulnerable people in our parishes, schools, ministries and communities. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “The Challenge of Complacency” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.



**TRI-TIP FUNDRAISER** 

To-Go Meals  
Sunday, February 8, 2026

**PRESALE ONLY**

Whole Cooked Tri-Tip (feeds 3-4 people): \$45  
Green Beans / Mashed Potatoes: \$9 per side

Order by 2/2/26  
@ [www.kofc1990.org](http://www.kofc1990.org)

**February 8 Food Pickup/Delivery**  
Free Pickup: Knights of Columbus Hall  
\$10 Delivery: Within 3 miles of SJ, SLM, or SJF only

Proceeds Support various charities and our seminarians



St. Lawrence Martyr Church  
310-540-0329 | [www.stlm.org](http://www.stlm.org)

Join us for a  
Special Mass in Honor of  
**World Marriage Day**

Friday, February 13, 2026, 6:30 pm

Light Refreshments will  
follow in the Parish Hall.

**PARISH LENTEN MISSION**  
February 16 & 17  
7:00 pm | In the Church



with  
**Fr. Dorian Llywelyn, S.J.**



**LA 70 RECONGRESS**  
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**ORE** Adult Days  
February 20 - 22, 2026





**SAN PEDRO COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (SPCCW)**  
2026 LENTEN RETREAT

**March 14 | 8 am - 4 pm**  
**American Martyrs**

Through the Synodal Process of Listening and Reflection, Ann Hansen (Executive Director of Ignatians West) will present the Four Foundational Models of Ignatian Spirituality, offering tools for prayer, discernment, and faithful action.

**Reserve your place today!**  
**\$50.00 RSVP by Feb 27, 2026**

Email your name, phone number, email address and parish name.  
[sanpedroccw@gmail.com](mailto:sanpedroccw@gmail.com)  
Sheila C. 310-863-0812





# ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR MINISTRY FAIR

February 8, 2026 | After All Morning Masses

You are invited to our St. Lawrence Martyr Ministry Fair - a joyful celebration of who we are as a parish family and how God calls each of us to belong, to serve, and to live with joy. Rooted in missionary discipleship, this gathering invites you to discover how your gifts can build up the Body of Christ and bring Christ's love to others.

Experience the warmth of hospitality, meet fellow parishioners, and learn how our ministries serve both within our parish and beyond our walls. Whether you are new, returning, or have long called St. Lawrence home, there is a place for you here.

**BELONG**



To a faith-filled  
community

**BE OF SERVICE**



In love & mission

**BE JOYFUL**



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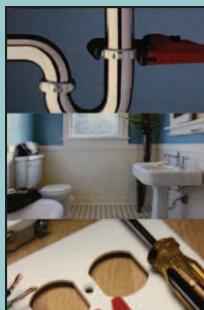
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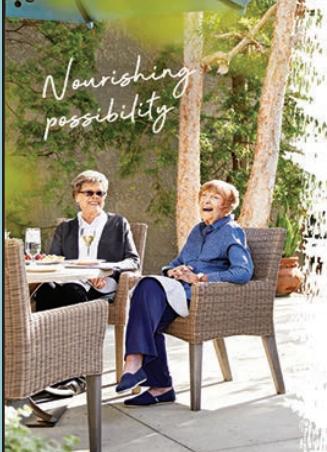


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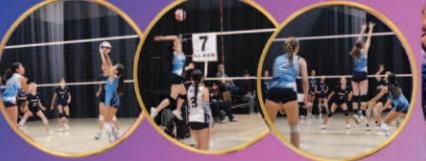
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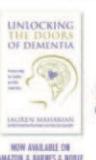
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