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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time — September 22, 2019



NOVENA AND FEAST DAY MASSES **in honor of** **SAN LORENZO RUIZ DE MANILA** **and** **COMPANION MARTYRS**

Theme:

“Hallowed Be Your Name”

September 19	Thursday	From Baptism to Beatific Vision
September 20	Friday	Primacy of Grace
September 21	Saturday	We Belong to God
September 22	Sunday	Called to Holiness
September 23	Monday	Transforming Our Thoughts
September 24	Tuesday	Transforming Our Desires
September 25	Wednesday	Struggles Against Sin
September 26	Thursday	Prayer and Holiness
September 27	Friday	Dealing with Temptations and Trials
September 28	Saturday (10:00AM)	Feast of Saint Lorenzo Ruiz “LET US BE SAINTS TOGETHER”

SCHEDULE OF NOVENA MASSES:

Monday to Friday	6:30PM Rosary/Novena	7:00PM Holy Mass
Saturday	4:40PM Novena	5:00PM Holy Mass
Sunday	10:10AM Novena	10:30AM Holy Mass



*I am a Christian...
I shall die for God, and for Him I will give
many thousands of lives if I had them.*



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God . . . wills everyone to be saved
and to come to knowledge of the truth.

— 1 Timothy 2:4

GOD IS ON THE SIDE OF THE POOR

Two of today's readings make it quite clear that God is on the side of the poor. Amos describes in detail the exploitation of the poor and needy. The psalm repeats that God acts to benefit the poor and lowly. But Luke turns things upside down, telling a tale of a conflicted steward, about to be fired, who demonstrates his cleverness and is rewarded. Like the community to whom Paul writes in Timothy, these readings are personal, directed to believers, members of the Jewish and Christian communities, who struggle to deal with personal choices about how to conduct their lives. They offer an outline for how God wishes us to live in a world as complicated and as confusing as our own.
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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although June is the month most associated with weddings in the United States, September has become more popular in recent years. Wedding celebrations always require some savvy planning, and people who have a talent for hospitality in the mix. At the wedding feast at Cana, the mother of Jesus was recruited to deal with some of the details of the banquet, and when a very understandable crisis arose, she did what she could to rescue the party. Anyone who has ever run out of ice, dessert, or table settings knows the stress!

Slowly, the memory of Jesus Christ's blessing of this marriage feast led the Church to form a way to bless marriages. A thousand years ago weddings migrated from the family home to the doors of the church, where the celebration was held in public view. From this practice came a prayer called the "Nuptial Blessing," one of the most solemn prayers in our tradition. It is very much like the prayers by which baptismal water and chrism are consecrated, the ordination prayer over a priest, and the Eucharistic Prayers over bread and wine. Four hundred fifty years ago, weddings moved inside the church building. All of this gives married couples good reason to celebrate their anniversaries well, especially with the clinking of glasses filled with good wine. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Pastor's Corner

Who is San Lorenzo Ruiz?— Lorenzo was born in Manila of a Chinese father and a Filipino mother who were both Christians. Growing up, he served as an altar boy and sacristan. Later, he became a professional calligrapher and a member of the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary. He married and had 2 sons and a daughter. All was going well in his life, until one day he was accused of murder. At that time, 3 Dominican priests, a Japanese priest, and another layman were about to set sail to Japan in spite of a violent persecution there. He sought asylum with them and didn't know their destination until they were well underway. When they landed in Japan, they were all arrested and taken to Nagasaki. The 50,000 Catholics that once lived there had either fled or were killed by the persecution. Similarly, the 4 priests and 2 laymen also experienced unspeakable torture. The superior of the Dominicans was the first to be killed. In Lorenzo's moment of crisis, he asked the interpreter, "I would like to know if, by apostatizing, they will spare my life." The interpreter was noncommittal, but afterwards Lorenzo felt his faith grow strong. He became bold, even audacious, with his interrogators. The 5 were put to death by being hung upside down in pits. After 3 days, Lorenzo and the other layman died, and the 3 priests who were still alive, were beheaded. In 1987, Pope John Paul II canonized these 6 men and Lorenzo Ruiz became the first canonized Filipino martyr. He wasn't a trained missionary but a simple ordinary family man. We can sympathize with his weakness when he was tempted to deny his faith. Yet by God's grace, he summoned the courage to live his faith until the end instead of denying it. His feast day, along with his companions, is September 28. Our Parochial Vicar, Fr. Peterson Tieng, belongs to the Lorenzo Ruiz Missionary Society (LRMS). As San Lorenzo was half Chinese and half Filipino, their charisma is to evangelize to the Chinese. So Fr. Pete is also fluent in Mandarin. He is leading a Novena to San Lorenzo Ruiz and you're all invited to attend. The schedule going forward is as follows:

Weekdays (9/23-27):

6:30pm — Novena prayers

7:00pm — Mass

Feast Day (Sat., Sep 28):

10:10am — Novena prayers

10:30am — Mass (w/Bishop Walsh)

Sign-up Sunday — John F. Kennedy famously said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country." So often do we come to Church to ask God for what we need; perhaps this weekend might be good for us to ask God instead, "Lord, since you have given me so much, what can I do for you?" We invite you to take a look at the different Small Faith Communities, Parish Ministries or Parish Festival Volunteer opportunities to see whether or not the Lord is inviting you to be a part or to serve Him in one of the ministries of the parish.

—Fr. Dan



Masses for the week

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September 22—28, 2019

Sunday, September 22

7:30 Paul Tran (D)
9:00 Parishioners of Saint Anne
10:30 Herman Canto (D)
Noon Lee Fu Sheung (D)

Monday, September 23

6:30 Natividad Camarao (D)
8:45 Alice Liu (D)
7 p.m. *San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass*

Tuesday, September 24

6:30 Velicaria Santiago Deceased
Family Members
8:45 intentions, Jan Trusty
7 p.m. *San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass*

Wednesday, September 25

6:30 Velicaria Santiago Deceased
Family Members
8:45 intention, no violence in Hong Kong
7 p.m. *San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass*

Thursday, September 26

6:30 intention, no violence in Hong Kong
8:45 Velicaria Santiago Deceased
Family Members
7 p.m. *San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass*

Friday, September 27

6:30 Velicaria Santiago Deceased
Family Members
8:45 intention, no violence in Hong Kong
7 p.m. *San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass*

Saturday, September 28

8:45 Confraternity of Saint Anne
10:00 *San Lorenzo Ruiz Feast Day Mass*
5 p.m. Velicaria Santiago Deceased
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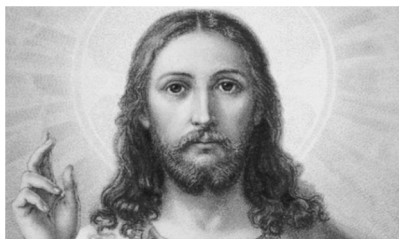
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Anyone 18 or older who wishes to learn more about Jesus is warmly invited to attend our weekly **RCIA meetings** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)



starting **Wednesday, October 2**
7:00pm – 8:30pm in the Rectory (850 Judah St.)

These meetings are specifically designed for adults who have not been baptized or Christians curious about the Catholic Church or Catholic adults preparing for Confirmation.

For more info, contact Ken DelPonte
sfdelpo@aol.com 415 902-2040

Draw near to God and he will draw near to you.
—James 4:8

Theology of the Body: An Opportunity to Learn More "The Body Matters": Training Seminar. **Saturday, October 5, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. St. Brendan Parish Hall, 29 Rockaway Ave., San Francisco.** What does it mean to be human? What does it mean to be a man? A woman? How can we find happiness? These are universal human questions. Pope St. John Paul II addressed these questions in a series of talks between 1978 and 1983 that we know as the Theology of the Body. Come learn more and see an exciting new curriculum for K- 8 students. \$30 registration fee includes lunch and materials; books will be available for purchase. Questions? Contact Joseph Rodriguez at jrodriguez@tobet.org or register at <https://tobet.org/events/tobet-seminars-2019>

2019 Rosary Rally Saturday, October 5, 10:00 am
St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco
RosaryRallySF.com 415-419-9477

Join Catholics from around the Bay Area at the Family Rosary Rally, an annual tradition. The theme this year is "We are all one in the family of God." For complete information, or to offer support, visit the website, above. Schedule on October 5:

- * 10:00 a.m. -Mass at Cathedral celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone
- *11:30 a.m. -Solemn Procession to United Nations Plaza at Hyde and Market Streets.
- *12:15 p.m.– 12:45pm -Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Homily; and Benediction

St. Anne Bible Study: Every Wednesday at 7pm every Friday at 9:30am. Please note that because of their popularity, the classes have been moved from the rectory to a larger space in the Convent at 1330 14th Avenue.

Today's 2nd Collection— Priests Retirement Fund Archdiocesan priests receive Social Security, but because of the modest amount they earn during their years of ministry, their monthly benefits are significantly smaller than what many lay people receive. This is compounded by the fact that, like the general population, our priests are living longer and facing similar healthcare needs and rising healthcare costs. **Please assist our retired priests by donating to the Priests Retirement Collection.** These men have dedicated their lives to serving others, and it is now our turn to care for them.

Last Week's Collections

1st Collection, September 8, 2019— \$3,144.00
Property and Insurance Fund— \$951.00

This Week's 2nd Collection

Priests Retirement Fund

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2019

Campaign Goal— \$50,289
Donations Received as of September 10— \$28,959

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ST. ANNE REGULAR SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass

Sat., 5pm; Sun: 7:30, 9, 10:30am & 12pm (Chinese)

Daily Mass

Mon - Fri: 6:30am & 8:45am
Sat: 8:45am (Devotion to St. Anne)

Holy Days of Obligation

6:30am, 8:45am, 12 noon & 6pm

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

1st Friday following 8:45am Mass until 10am

Reconciliation: Sat., 4 - 4:55pm or by appointment

Baptism: 2nd Saturday @ 12:30pm

Preparation Class: 3rd Saturday @ 10am in Rectory

Office Hours: Mon - Fri: 9am - 4:30pm

Church Hours: Mon—Fri: 8am-4pm

Sat:: 8am-6pm Sun: 7am-1:30pm

ST. ANNE ANNUAL

Harvest

OCTOBER 2019 FESTIVAL

FRIDAY

10/25 3-9pm

SATURDAY

10/26 10:30am-9pm

SUNDAY

10/27 10am-2pm

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