

Immaculate Conception Parish

Inspired by the Holy Spirit, We Live the Good News of Christ Through Worship, Community, and Stewardship

820 18th Ave. Seattle, WA 98122

www.icseattle.org

Parish Family with: St. James Cathedral and Christ Our Hope

September 28, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE:

6:00 PM WEDNESDAYS **Rectory Chapel** 11:00 AM SUNDAYS (10:30 Holy Rosary) Also live streamed at

https://www.facebook.com/ImmaculateConceptionSe attle

8:00 AM SUNDAYS - Eritrean Community

Pastor – The Very Reverend Gary F. Lazzeroni Parochial Vicars - Rev. Francis Thumbi & Rev. Sylvester Chanda

Pastor Emeritus - Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

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REPORTING ABUSE

Helpline 800-446-7762 helpline@seattlarch.org

protectandheal.seattlearchdiocese.org. Report any suspicion of abuse by any church personnel to the local law enforcement. Call the Helpline if you know of sexual abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy, an employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Seattle. The Archdiocese of Seattle has a longstanding commitment to transparency, accountability, and assistance to persons sexually abused by clergy or anyone working on behalf of the church. For children's safety and victim assistance see

https://preventionusccb.org/resources



Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Responsorial Psalm 146:7, 7-8, 8-9, 9-10

" Praise the Lord, my soul!"

Reading 2: 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Pray for our Parishioners

For the eternal repose of Elizabeth Lucas.

Please contact the parish office at 206-322-5970 or office@icseattle.org to add a parishioner's name or your family's name to our to our weekly prayer's list.

Upcoming Events:

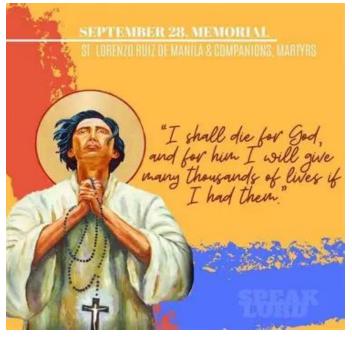
October 5 Celebrating Filipino American History Month 2025 Theme "From Quotas to Communities" at 11 AM Mass

October 12 Giant Rosary procession before 11AM Mass at ICC

October 19 Need sponsor for fellowship after mass October 26 Feast of San Pedro Calungsod -Celebration at 11AM Mass at ICC

Deepening Our Faith

Celebrating the Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz at 9-28-25 Mass



Saint Lorenzo Ruiz was born around the year 1600 in Binondo, Manila in the Philippines. He was the son of a Chinese father and a Filipino mother. Both were Christians and took care to raise Lorenzo as a Catholic. He served happily in his parish church as an altar boy and calligrapher.

As a young man, Lorenzo joined the Dominican Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary. Later, he married a woman named Rosario. The happy couple had three children, two sons and one daughter...

In 1636, Lorenzo was accused of murder... he fled home and found refuge on board a ship with three Dominican priests and a leper...The ship departed the Philippines on June 10, 1636, bound for Okinawa.

A shock awaited the holy passengers when they arrived in Japan. At the time of their arrival, the rulers of Japan, the Tokugawa Shogunate, were persecuting Christians. Prior to this persecution, the Christian population of Japan was thought to number 50,000 souls.

Now Lorenzo was arrested by Japanese officials for the crime of being a Christian and ordered to recant his faith. When he refused he was imprisoned for two years. On September 27, 1637, Lorenzo and his companions were taken to Nagasaki to be

tortured and killed if they would not recant their faith.

Lorenzo and his companions were tortured by water, which was forced into their mouths and down their throats and out their noses and ears. Despite the painful torture, the men refused to do so.

Following this, Lorenzo was hanged upside down, with a rope around his ankles. This method of torture was known as tsurushi, or "gallows and pit." The torture forces a person to be hanged upside down with a gash cut in their forehead to prevent too much blood from gathering in the head. The gash also causes the victim to bleed to death over an extended period of time.

Those who have survived the torture have said it is unbearable.

One hand is left free so the victim can offer an agreed symbol that will represent their desire to recant their faith. Those few who recant are spared and allowed to live. But few people ever recanted, choosing instead to die for their faith.

Lorenzo refused to recant. According to the record of his death, his last words were, "I am a Catholic and wholeheartedly do accept death for God. Had I a thousand lives, all these to Him I shall offer. Do with me as you please."

His traveling companions were all killed, steadfast until the end.

Lorenzo was beatified by Pope John Paul II on February 18, 1981. The beatification ceremony was held in the Philippines making it the first beatification ceremony ever held outside the Vatican.

A miracle attributed to his intercession occurred in 1983. A two-year-old girl, Alegria Policarpio, suffering from hydrocephaly, a condition she had since birth, was miraculously cured.

His canonization took place at the Vatican on October 18, 1987.

Saint Lorenzo Ruiz is the patron saint of Filipino youth, the Philippines, people working overseas, and altar servers.

His feast day is September 28.

Faith in Action

During times of trouble, will I continue to embrace and proclaim my Faith?

Stewardship: Caring for Our Church and Community

Year-to-Date Collection Stewardship of Treasure Report

As of 09.21.2025 - \$29,410.94 YTD As of 09.30.2024 - \$41,395.83 LY

Blessings and Thank you!



Sponsor the 3rd Sunday Fellowship

We are looking for **individuals**, **families**, **groups** of friends, or ministries to sponsor our 3rd Sunday Fellowship each month, beginning October 19th.

This is a beautiful opportunity to build community by offering light hospitality after Mass.

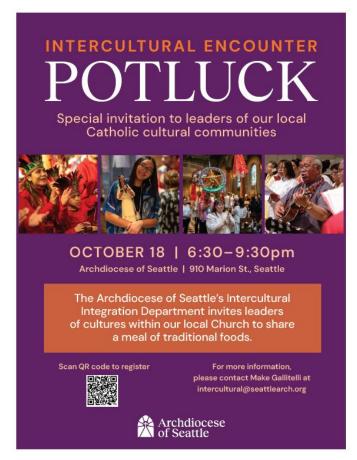
If you're interested or would like more information, please contact the parish office at office@icseattle.org or call 206-322-5970.

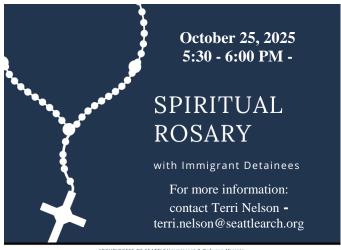
Thank you for helping us grow in fellowship and faith!





For updates and more info: http://www.archseattle.org/partners





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Join us

November 15 | 9am - 6pm Saint Martin's University, Lacey



For the Safety of our Church and Community



Please <u>do not remove</u> the candles from the glass holder and place elsewhere. Please <u>ONLY</u> use the votive available in the grotto. <u>Do not</u> bring your household candles, they are not fire department

approve candles for the church.



When service ends, we ask that you move your conversation to Jean Moran Hall during fellowship or outside the sanctuary so we can properly secure the church for the safety of our sacred items.

THANK YOU!

GET INVOLVED – WE NEED YOU

Looking for a way to serve, grow, and connect with others in our parish community? Now is the perfect time to get involved! We invite YOU TO volunteer for various ministries and parish



activities. No experience needed – just a willing heart! Training and support are provided. Please sign-up by scanning the QR code.

Questions: email office@icseattle.org.

Your time and talents are a gift to Immaculate Conception Church Seattle!



Volunteer Coordinator

The Volunteer Coordinator is responsible for recruiting, training and managing volunteers with the church, ensuring their effective participation in various ministries and events.

Youth and Young Adult Ministry

To implement the parish family of churches, including St. James, Christ our Hope and Immaculate Conception parishes' commitment to Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry in a comprehensive manner.

For more information, please visit www.archseattle.org/careers