

OLGC STRIVE:

Young Adult Ministry.

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Dear Young Adults,

I write to you this fine evening/ afternoon/ morning for the first time since this is a new thing. To preface... well... everything, I will be writing bi-weekly letters to our young adults and maybe those in our Church if we can get these in the bulletin (Psst! Nell! Make it happen!).

Clears throat

Anyway, these bi-weekly letters will include a summary of what Strive has done in our weekly gatherings, maybe an anecdote or two of what happened during them, and a short reflection or something akin to it near the end to round everything off. These letters may also include reminders of events we have going on, changes to our schedule, or plans for our ministry,

so stay tuned for what we have in store!

This month, we started with Faith Formation! We had our lovely and fearless leader,

Nellani Tabada, step up to the plate to teach us all about the mother of our Lord, Jesus Christ,

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady of Perpetual Help...

How many titles does she have? Over 50?! Mama Mary, help me...

That night we learned various things about Mama Mary and the things other religions,

namely the other parts of Christianity that aren't Catholic, falsely say about what we believe in.

And I tell you what, we've been accused of A LOT.

We worship Mary? No! How many times do I need to repeat that honor doesn't equal worship?

Ahem! Excuse me.

For our second week, we sat with our Mama Mary in our grotto and prayed the Rosary.

The Joyful Mysteries because Father Santhosh mentioned he wants the Young Adults to be more

joyful! And what better way to round off the evening than to jam out with well-known praise and

worship songs, the local songs we grew up with, and some oldies we haven't gotten tired of listening to, let alone singing to. If that's not a spirit lifter, I don't know what is! Just imagine the

harmonies you could hear that night! I swear angels were in the room with us!

Third! Prayer cards! Not like the Saint prayer cards, but cards for the teachers of OLG

School with prayers or short messages to them. Something like a prayer bouquet. Creative juices

were flowing through the room as we poured our hearts out for these super men and women who

give so much of their time to teach the ways of Jesus during school! We are grateful that you have decided to take up this call!

And lastly, but certainly not least, our monthly Men's and Women's group! The topic on

the table: How we are and how we can be Godly Men and Women. Insightful conversations were

had as we shared our opinions, our faith, and any stories we might have had. Our community is

full of amazing listeners and they make it so easy to open up.



This month felt like an Emmaus Walk with our Mama Mary and at some points, with St.

Joseph. I bring up the road to Emmaus story mainly because it was what birthed the idea of even

having this newsletter in the first place. Both Mary and Joseph played parts in this past month

through every activity or faith sharing, especially during our Men's and Women's group. Calling

on both Mary and St. Joseph to be examples of how to be Godly Men and Women.

Remember, we are a community of young adults striving for Sainthood each in our own ways! Until next time. God Bless!

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