

# Weekend of January 23, 2022

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Mass is livestreamed @ 8:00 AM, Barona.  
Just go on Facebook under Herman Manuel

This new Mass schedule will stay in effect until the Covid-19 crisis is over. Thanks for your patience.

### **Barona:**

**Mass:** Tuesday through Friday. Rosary at 7:45 AM, Mass at 8:00 AM. @ Shrine

**Sunday:** Sunday 8:00 AM. @ Shrine

**Confessions:** By appointment only

**Adoration:** 1st Fri. of the month (8:00 AM).

### **Viejas:**

**Sunday:** Sunday, 10:30 AM. @ Church

**Confessions:** By appointment only.

### **Sycuan:**

**Sunday:** Sunday Mass 12:00 noon @ the Church

**Confessions:** By appointment only



We welcome our catechumen Makenzy Yeats and candidate, Brian Ferguson to our parish community this Sunday at 8:00 a.m. mass.



Any adults who have not completed their sacrament of confirmation, please call Fr. Herman (619-633-8293) or contact Judy Oyos (619-760-442-3353). Any parent who wishes their child to receive baptism or first communion, please contact Fr. Herman for more information.



Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angelo Samot, Donna Berardi, Daniel Vicaldo, Kash Osuna-Sutton, Anthony Pico, Dolly Albano, Mike Montes, Bobbie Turner, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell, Agnes Ruiz, Deacon Bill Clarke, Rosario Ravasco, Minerva Mayor, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Purita Amparo, Wendy Reyes, Alicia Castro, , Abraham Pascual, Richard Padua, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Joyce Martinez, Elvira Hapin, Dustin Lutze, Deloris Louck, David Ramos, Fr Rey Manahan, Fr Henry Sands, Emelita Norega

*Please check prayer list and add names as desired.*

## Every Life is..... Worth Living

Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering.

Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living.

Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all.

Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES (K-High School)

Barona: Class meets on Thursday, 3:00 p.m.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

# What Part of the Body of Christ Am I?

## A reflection on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul in our Second Reading today reminds us that all parts of the body are important...for the body is incomplete when it is missing one of the parts or one of the parts is not working properly.

Now, ask yourself... "What part of the body of Christ am I?" Each of us is a part and a very important part. Am I Christ's arms & hands – do I reach out to those in need? Am I the leg and foot ... do I go where Christ is needed? Am I the eyes of Christ, do I see what is needed and act upon what I see? Am I the voice of Christ...do I unflinchingly proclaim God's laws? Just what part of the body of Christ am I? Examine your gifts...are you using your gifts to build the kingdom of God?

Sometimes our gifts change because circumstances change. There's a story told about a young man 18 years of age, a high school graduate ... a man very much average. Average height, weight, and built. Considered an average student, average athlete, just about as average as one could be. He was so average that some wondered how he got in the U.S. Marines at the age of eighteen and a half. By the time he was 20 there was a war... and he was in the midst of it. One afternoon his unit came under heavy enemy fire – it left him near death.

This man who had been average was now able to only use the right side of his body, his left arm, hand, leg, and foot where "just there" – they went only where the fight side would drag them. His vision was now what they call tunnel vision – he could only see what was in front of him, nothing to the right or left. Only in turning his head could he see things that were to his right or left. What had been an average singing voice, now had two problems. One reading notes and words, second, insufficient breath to carry notes because of the damage done to his internal body parts. Add to this, he still had shrapnel in his head – shrapnel that could never be removed without the fear of killing him or leaving him brain dead.

How was this "what use to be average man" going to do ... how would he be able to bring the kingdom of God to others? What would God provide him now that the parts had been so damaged?

Then one day in the Veterans Nursing Home he discovered that God truly had provided... it may have always been there and just not used to its full extent. He discovered he had an almost infallible memory. He could remember names, phone numbers, dates, and times like no one else around him.

When a fellow patient needed to call home and couldn't remember the number, this wounded Marine could. When doctors or nurses would attempt to brush off some complaint or comment by his fellow patients, he would remind the doctor or nurse, when his fellow patient had previously made that complaint or comment, right down to the date, hour and minute. He became the "MEMORY" for his fellow veteran patients, some who often didn't know what day of the week it was and sometimes their own name.

He found, despite his own problems, where he could be Jesus' present to others.

Most of us are endowed with gifts and talents and sometimes we don't even attempt to find out what they are.

But if we begin to search what God has endowed us with... we might be surprised of what we find out or what things we are capable of. Hence, we might discover what God is calling us to do. Remember St. Paul told us, not all are apostles, prophets, teachers, miracle workers, healers, assistants, administrators or are capable of speaking in tongues ... BUT all are members each capable of contributing something to Christ's body, the Church.

So, what about you? What gifts and talents do you have that you can contribute to St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish that we all can use to build up the Kingdom of God.