

Weekend of June 4 *The Most Holy Trinity*

Barona:

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

Saturday: 5:00 PM mass

Sunday: Sunday 8:00 AM. @ church

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 12:30 noon @ the Church

Confessions: By appointment only

PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Sue Kierig, , Donna Berardi, Vicaldo Family, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Wendy Reyes, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Ruben and Marcie Cu, Joyce Martinez, Dustin Lutze, Deloris Loucks, Sam Halabo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Walter Raczak, Robert and Margie Cruz, Rick Lechner, Mike Wise, Neil Quizon, Jim Hughes, Mary Begay, Tonito Arcangel, Juliet Ray, Manny Ilagan, George Arviso, Ernie and Emy Lampa, Rose Ramos, Zita Haygood, Lilly Gautreaux, Mark Noriega, Juan Miguel, Bert Zita, AJ & Angela Samot, Deacon Gene Neral, Jim Hughes, Laurie Boedicker, Aspen Sergin, Robert Laurel, Janet Vilareal, Romero Family, Annie McTavish, John Francis, Orlando Nicolas, Blanca Lechner
Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

Religious Education

Religious Education will begin in September 2023. Please contact Fr. Herman or Judy Oyos if you are interested in classes. Registration forms are available at church office.

“God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son.” God’s love is powerful and all consuming, responding to this Love leads to a life-changing encounter!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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Saturday, June 10 – Sycuan Mass and Grave Blessing, 11 AM

Thursday, June 15 – 6:00 p.m., Parish Finance Meeting, Church office, Barona

Thursday, June 22 – Native American Martyrs Meeting, 5:00 p.m. dinner, 6:00 p.m. meeting – Barona clubhouse

Prayer to the Trinity

God, we praise you:
Father all-powerful, Christ Lord and Savior,
Spirit of love. You reveal yourself in the depths of our being, drawing us to share in your life and your love.
One God, three Persons,
Be near to the people formed in your image,
Close to the world your love brings to life.
We ask you this, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

One God, true and living, for ever and ever.

Amen.

-Liturgy of the Hours

PASTOR'S CORNER

The Mystery of God: A Communion of Three Persons in Love

A reflection on the Solemnity of the
Most Holy Trinity

We celebrate today, the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Since the 1300s, the Christian Church has celebrated, on the Sunday immediately following Pentecost, a feast dedicated to the Holy Trinity, to help all believers focus more explicitly on who God is.

One thing that can be said about the Holy Trinity is that it is a mystery we cannot ever fully comprehend. This is one of the messages that the previous Pope Benedict XVI has preached since the beginning of his papacy. His papal shield prominently features a sea-shell which comes from a story in the life of St. Augustine, on whom our Holy Father did his doctorate 50 years ago. St. Augustine, the great North African convert, bishop, and theologian of the 5th Century, was trying to come to grips with the Trinity for what later on became his multi-volume work *De Trinitate*.

As he was walking along the beach, trying to take in God's infinity through the infinite horizon of the sea, he saw a young girl going back and forth into the sea, filling a scallop shell with water that she proceeded to pour into a hole she had dug in the sand. "What

are you doing," Augustine asked her. "I'm trying to empty the sea into his hole," the child replied. "How do you think that with a little shell, you can possibly empty this immense ocean into a tiny hole?" Augustine asked. The little girl countered, "And how do you, with your small head, think you can comprehend the immensity of God?" As soon as the girl said this, she disappeared, convincing Augustine that she had been an angel. St. Augustine, as erudite as he was, and our new Holy Father, as great a theologian as he is, both recognize that before the mystery of the Blessed Trinity, one can never understand everything.

Nonetheless, this does not mean we cannot understand anything about the Holy Trinity. God graced the Jews with the revelation that there is truly only one God. Jesus, for His part, said that while God is one and there is no other God but Him, God is likewise a mystery of the communion of three Persons in love – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. "God is love," as John the evangelist tells us in his gospel and letters, and therefore for God to be love, He could not be solitary, because no one can love in a vacuum.

This Trinity Sunday is a chance for us to once again hear God calling us to live up to our dignity as His children and enter more deeply into communion with Him and with other persons. Out of love, God has created us in His image, made us capable of receiving His own love and life within, and given us the joyful privilege of sharing it with others.

Today we thank God for that gift and that calling, and say,

**"Glory be to the Father, to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit,**

**As it was in the beginning, is now
and ever shall be world without
end.”**

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