Weekend of August 7, 2022 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 12:30 noon @ the Church

Confessions: By appointment only

PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, Donna Berardi, Billy, Penny and Daniel Vicaldo, Anthony Pico, Dolly Albano, Mike Montes, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell, Rosario Ravasco, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Purita Amparo, Wendy Reyes, Abraham Pascual, Richard Padua, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Ruben and Marcie Cu, Joyce Martinez, Elvira Hapin, Dustin Lutze, Deloris Louck, David Ramos, Felix Chiu, Edna De La Cruz Yusi, Marlon Amaranto, Sam Halabo, Bobby Curo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Walter Raczak, Billy Brown, Robert and Margie Cruz, Gina Curo, Rick Lechner, Mark Wise, Neil Quizon, Jim Hughes, Mary Begay, Tonito Arcangel, Juliet Ray, Xien Cabanero, Dennis Colton, Manny Ilagan, George Arviso, Ernie and Emy Lampa and Ludy Sierra

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES (K-High School)

Barona, K-8th: New classes will resume in September. Please contact church office if you would like to register. All classes are a two year program.

Barona, High School: Thursday, 3:00 p.m. (classroom under the club house) – classes will resume in September.

Please contact Judy Oyos (<u>judy.otm@gmail.com</u>) for Adult classes or for more information regarding classes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

<u>Sunday, August 14</u> – 10 AM, Barona – **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary mass,** brunch to follow. All reservations invited.

Wednesday, August 24 – Meeting for the recognition of San Diego Martyrs meeting at Barona clubhouse. 5:00 PM – Dinner, 6:00 PM – meeting.

Please call 619-443-3412 or email bktparish@aol.com to rsvp.

<u>Sunday, September 11</u> – 10 AM Viejas – **Feast Day of Viejas**, followed by potluck. One mass for all reservations.

Be alert to God's presence even in the least expected times, places and events. You will be ready to respond to God's call.

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<u>Prayer for the Sick through the intercession of St. Peregrine</u>

Graciously hear the prayers which we offer to You O God. We present our petitions through St. Peregine, Your beloved servant and patron of those suffering from cancer and other life-threatening diseases. Grant that the sick may receive help in all their needs through the intercession of St. Peregrine, whose life was so pleasing to You.

Hear us in the name of Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

St. Peregrine, pray for us!

O Mary, health of the sick, pray for us!

PASTOR'S DESK

BE PREPARED

A reflection on the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There was one close knit happy family. One of their recreations is trying their luck in the lotto. The father would buy some tickets and gives them to his children, including their grandfather who is 85.

One day, the father bought some again. When the winning numbers were published, lo and behold, one of their ticket numbers won the jackpot of \$10 million! And the ticket was in the hand of their grandpa. But here's the rub. They were afraid to divulge the news to him because he had a weak heart and may die of excitement.

So, they thought a way of breaking the news gently to him. They invited a priest-friend from the parish, instructing him about their predicament and what to do. The young priest didn't have second thoughts accepting the invitation... thinking he would get a "share".

The priest went to visit the family and later talked with the *grandpa*. They exchanged pleasantries, shared experiences and when the priest was about to leave, he said casually to the old man, "By the way, *grandpa*, supposing you won the lotto and win the jackpot prize of \$10 million, what will you do with the money?" "What, \$10 million?" replied grandpa "That's a big amount, Father." "Well," the grandpa paused for a moment then smiled, "Father, here's what I'll do. I'll give \$5 million to my children and grandchildren... and donate \$5 million to you!" The priest was so surprised and overjoyed that he collapsed and died of heart attack! (To think it was the old man who had a weak heart!)

That amusing story may well illustrate how unexpected death can happen. Hence, in this 19th Sunday of the church calendar, the Lord reminds us to be "wide-awake" or prepared. "Be on guard," Jesus says, "the Son of Man will come when you least expect Him." (Lk 12:40).

Preparedness is the beginning of true wisdom. "It will go well with those servants whom the Master finds watching on His return," Jesus teaches. Living wisely is looking ahead. "Living wisely" means not only being concerned with our present day-to-day needs but having an eye on our ultimate end in this world.

How is this "preparation" to be undertaken? Once there was an aging wealthy man who lived alone and began to make preparation for his demise. He bought a lot in a memorial garden. Weekly, he visited the site where his mortal remains would be interred.

A while later the man also ordered an expensive coffin. "That's where I'm going to live someday," he said. Some months after feeling that the end was near, he executed his last will and testament. That done, he invited his relatives to come and see him. After a hearty meal, the kindly man began to dispense some of his valuables and personal effects. A few days after, he died. The man-made provision, indeed. But it was for his body only and none for his soul.

Making spiritual provisions means performing good works. Remember Christ's parable of the last judgment? When I was hungry, you gave me to eat... Enter the Kingdom of heaven." Spiritual preparation also means the faithful performance of our duties and obligations in whatever capacities we may serve, whether as plain housewife or parent, a factory worker, government personnel, an employer, a top executive, a religious.

Let's ask ourselves: Are we servants doing our tasks faithfully, honestly? Is our earthly life characterized by acts of charity? When we leave this world will be remembered more for our good deeds rather than our bad?

Are people happy by our presence but happier by our absence? Let's live in such a way that when the Master returns, as the gospel warns, we may not have cause to regret.

"A life well lived today makes every yesterday a dream and every tomorrow a vision of hope."

Fr. Bel San Luis, SVD

