

Weekend of November 23 **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST** **KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

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....

Michele Nikas Beaman, John Nikas, Joyce Martinez, Dustin Lutze, Sam Halabo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Margie Cruz, Mary Begay, Tonito Arcangel, Juliet Ray, George Arviso, Rose Ramos, Lilly Gautreaux, Jim Hughes, Laurie Boedicker, Aspen Sergin, Robert Laurel, Janet Vilareal, Paolo Espiritu, Tyre Nichols, Jeanette Garcia, Mike Banegas, Bennett Zerrudo, Carol Richardson, Jeff Ashii, Rosario and Paul Estepa, Haley Price, Mark Marquez, Lulu Cabinatan, Michael Martinez, Fr. Earl Henley, MSC, Rudy Duerro, Don Speer, Meta Roubedeaux, Eileen Hansotte, DJ LaChappa, Michael McKnight, Lulu Cabinatan, Donald Lee, Gabriel Marquez, Sr., Joseph Kardian, Bear Cuero, Frances Banegas, Diane Robetkey, Ed Sloan, Cindy McAllister, Flora Keldani and Gene Cortez, Paul Castello, Robert Kuhl, Joyce Rottenberg, Johnny Valencic, Kelly Bonde, Lucinda Thompson, Eva Walters, Spud Brown, Edna Gomez, Vera Tucker, Jack Ramirez, Rudy Duero, John Holsbo, Pat Wooley, Marvi Artugue, Yanni Aquino, Cynthia Dominguez, Dr. Gerry Directio Dominguez and Baby Selene Vasquez

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/OCIA

*There will be no classes on
Wednesday, 11/26/25,
Friday, 11/28/25 and
Sunday, 11/30/25 for Thanksgiving
break.*

Classes will resume Dec. 3rd.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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



Sat. Nov 22 & Sun. Nov. 23 – National Needs Collection. *The 2025 Collection for National Need supports the Black and Indian Missions, the Catholic Home Missions, the Catholic Communication Campaign, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, and The Catholic University of America. Special envelopes will be available for the collection. Checks should be made to: St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish.*

Thursday, Nov. 27 – Thanksgiving Day,
8:00 AM mass at Barona



Sunday, Dec. 7 – Children's Mass at all reservations

Sat. Dec. 13 and Sun. Dec 14 – RFR Collection

Sun. Dec. 14 – Tues. Dec. 16 – 6:30 PM, Barona Clubhouse - Advent retreat with Fr. Mark Campbell

PASTOR'S CORNER

**The King Who Walks With
His People
The Solemnity of Christ the King**

As we reach the final Sunday of the Church year, we are invited to look upon Christ our King—but not the kind of king the world expects. He does not sit on a throne of gold or surround himself with warriors. Instead, his throne is the cross, his crown is of thorns, and his power is shown not in force, but in love. Christ shows us that true leadership is not about domination—it is about sacrifice, compassion, and carrying the people.

In today's Gospel, Jesus hangs between two criminals. One mocks him, unable to see anything but weakness. But the other sees the truth: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And Jesus, even in his suffering, offers mercy: "Today you will be with me in paradise." This is the kind of King we have—a King whose greatest authority is forgiveness, a King who welcomes the broken and lifts up the suffering.

Our Native communities understand this kind of leadership. In Kumeyaay and neighboring traditions, a true leader was the one who walked with the people, protected the land, honored the ancestors, and strengthened the families. A real chief knew how to listen before speaking, how to heal before commanding, how to bring peace instead of fear. Christ is this kind of leader: steady, faithful, living close to His people.

His kingdom is not far away. It grows wherever reconciliation is chosen over revenge, wherever families come together, wherever healing begins, wherever we honor the Creator's gifts and care for one another. His kingdom rises like new dawn over the mountains—quiet, faithful, gentle, yet filled with power.

Here are some points of reflection as we end the liturgical year today:

Do I allow Christ to be the one who guides my path?

Do I let him bring peace into my home, my heart, my community?

My brothers and sisters, to follow Christ the King is to choose his way of healing, forgiveness, and courage. It is to stand with him even when the world misunderstands. It is to let his light shine in us so we can be peacemakers in our tribal families and protectors of the sacred land entrusted to us.

May Christ our King walk with us on these hills and valleys, bless our communities, and lead us into a new year of hope.

Christus vincit! Christus regnat! Christus imperat!

Christ conquers! Christ rules! Christ reigns!

A PRAYER FOR CHRIST THE KING

Creator God,
We thank you for giving us Jesus, our true Chief and King—
gentle in heart, strong in mercy,
faithful in every step he takes with his people.

Bless our tribal communities with unity,
our families with peace,
and our hearts with courage.
Teach us to walk the Good Road with Christ our King,
to forgive as he forgives,
to heal as he heals,
and to honor you in all we do.

May his kingdom of light grow in our homes,

our sacred lands, and in every generation to
come. Amen.