

# Weekend of January 30, 2022

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

**February 14** – Valentine's Day

**February 18 & 19** – ACA Collection weekend

**Thursday, February 24** – TOWN HALL MEETING  
with Bishop Robert McElroy.

Barona clubhouse, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

He is coming to hear from us our concerns regarding our country and our church as we strive to live our Catholic faith. Light dinner will be served.

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).

**Viejias:**

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

**Confessions:** By appointment only.

**Sycuan:**

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

**Confessions:** By appointment only



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.*

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES (K-High School)

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

## PRAYER FOR LOVE AND UNITY

God, teach us to be good role models to the people around us, so that when they see you and your love within us, they would want to know you more and more. God grant us patience to work together, bring us all together as a family.

Let us work together with understanding and compassion in our hearts.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**



# **Our Relationship to one another is . . .**

## **A reflection of God's Love**

### **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The stirring anthem to love found in the Corinthians is most often heard at weddings and sometimes at wakes. One typically sees tears among parishioners as the litany rolls on . . . . love is patient, kind, not envious or boastful, not rude. It does not insist on its own way. It is not self-seeking or prone to anger. It does not brood over injuries. It rejoices with the truth. There is no limit to its forbearance, to its trust, its hope, its power to endure.

Perhaps the soul is stirred because we know how easily we fall short of its ideal in our relationships with those we propose to love and presume to mourn. But the tears are also consoling. Most of us have felt those wondrous moments when we tasted its truth; we have sensed the freedom of such love and felt its healing power.

The Corinthian passage is also personally consoling. For we know, not matter what our failings and insignificance, our God, who is love, the writings of John tell us, is ever kind and patient with us, endless in mercy, not prone to anger or resentful brooding.

A staggering thought, however, is that such love should mark the way we live our social lives. Christians must love others as God has loved us. And this, it seems, is a command of screaming impracticality.

There is much meanness in the world. There is much meanness in our culture. Is our faith germane to such a fact? Many say, "No. Keep your faith for pie in the sky but keep it away from the "real world" of class, race, nation, gender and especially, money." Love is so alien to politics, one might seem a simpleton to suggest it has its proper place.

A case can be made that our economic and social way of life is not only joyless but unkind, impatient and rude. Arrogance, boasting and pomposity blight media and marketing. The sneer of in-your-face athletics and television talk shows typifies political posturing.

Not love forbearing but resentment is parlayed by sectarians who would blame the rich, blame to poor, blame the parents, and blame the lawyers.

Not love delighting in truth but a culture of deception marks our social discourse, our slimy videos and exposes, our courtrooms, our Congress and White House. It is almost as if we presume that we are always being lied to.

Not love enduring but the endless celebration of unfettered choice and unrestrained accumulation grounds the so-called moral discourse of modern times.

Imagine this. What if there was a politician who would somehow speak of love? What if there was a President who would not only talk of a kinder and gentler nation but refuse to drop bombs upon a city like Kabul? What if a people's nobler hopes and dreams were addressed, their latest generosity and fairness, their willingness to share with the unfortunate?

What if there was a liberal politician who could spare as much love for human fetuses as he or she can muster for baby seals and trees? What if there were a conservative politician who realized that words of love apply to criminals and refugees as much as they do to unborn humans and middle-class Christians?

Such a person would be a person whose professional life was informed by faith and love that necessarily yields justice.

It would not be easy. Jesus Himself, after He announced the good news to the poor, first amazed, and then angered his audience. He was too ordinary and too close to give such a prophetic utterance. It cannot be real. Eventually they were filled with rage and wanted to cast Him out. So, it went when He began His ministry.

As Christians, how is it with you?