

Weekend of April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

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



Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angelo Samot, Donna Berardi, Daniel Vicaldo, Kash Osuna-Sutton, Anthony and Diana Pico, Dolly Albano, Ray Mayor, Mike Montes, Bobbie Turner, Helen Cadiente, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell, Agnes Ruiz, Deacon Bill Clarke, Rosario Ravasco, Minerva Mayor, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Purita Amparo, Wendy Reyes, Alicia Castro, Debbie Gonzalez, Barbara Reeves, Nancy Rourke, Anthony Harut Haurutuynian, Bobby Curo, Abraham Pascual, Eugene "Gino" Vicaldo, Skylar Rosas, Richard Padua, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Joyce Martinez, Elvira Hapin, Lisa Black, Jan Jacobs, Dustin Lutze, Deloris Loucks

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

ADULT SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

BECOMING A CATHOLIC (RCIA):

This program is for adults who have not been baptized in any faith, or who were baptized in another Christian religion, and for those adult Catholics who have only been baptized.

Requirements: Baptized Catholics must bring a baptismal certificate.

Additional Information: Those over age 18 should

contact Ed Nolan, to begin preparations. New sessions have begun and meet on Sundays at 10:30 AM at the Sycuan Mission. These are ongoing classes, so you can join at anytime. Adults will make the sacraments needed in order to be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass or on Easter Sunday morning.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PARTICIPATE IN MASS

by livestreaming with Fr. Herman

Please note weekday Mass time change

Weekdays, Tues-Friday at 8:00 AM,

Sunday Mass is livestreamed @ 8:00 AM

Just go on Facebook under Herman Manuel

Sunday, May 9 – Mother's Day Mass on all reservations

SAVE THE DATE for future ZOOM classes with Brother Ed

*Beginning Wednesday starting 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2 and 6/9
Details coming soon!*

Prayer for the Chronically Ill

Loving God,

Rock of strength for those who trust in you;

Comforter of those who call on you.

Hear the cry of those who suffer

From constant sickness or weakness,

And embrace them in your loving arms.

As you have united them to the suffering of Christ in the waters of baptism,

be their companion on the way of the cross,

give them peace,

and strengthen them with the vision of your kingdom.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

-Blessings and Prayers for Home and Family



Fear Not . . . Jesus is always with us A reflection on the 3rd Sunday of Easter

The Gospel presents that Jesus is a suffering Messiah. And Luke's report about how Jesus showed his hands and feet, which must have borne the marks of the nails, serves to reinforce the image of Jesus as one who has suffered much. But for all the drama and emotion that the crucifixion evokes, it's not really the wounds, the pain and suffering that make Jesus special. Instead, what sets Jesus apart is the fact that He has conquered pain and suffering—even death. He went to hell and has come back.

We fear the unknown. I used to be very scared of dark places. I remember how my father would go to a dark room and tell me that there were no ghosts or monsters inside. And that it would not be that scary anymore.

Until one summer in the Philippines just when all my siblings were back home for their summer vacation from college, something happened unexpectedly. I was so happy at that time because I just turned 13 on my birthday in April 20 and my family was complete except for one important person, my mother. My mother was at the hospital because she was having asthmatic attacks (with heart failure) that my father who is a doctor cannot handle it by himself. She had so much difficulty in breathing and needed to be connected to an oxygen tank. My dad cooked for my birthday. He was missing an ingredient to be in his main menu. Somebody put the fish sauce upstairs on the 3rd floor on our house. Since I am the youngest in our family I was commanded to get the sauce. I was so scared to go up because nobody has been up yet since we all just came back after a hospital visit to our mother. So, I asked my niece to go with me upstairs which was dark. I immediately turned the lights on and as soon as I saw the cabinet, I grabbed the fish

sauce and with my niece on my shoulders, I ran downstairs and fell. I screamed as loud as I can and everybody went up to see us. Luckily, I was ok still carrying my niece and the bottle not broken. Until now, I still cannot understand why my siblings asked me, "What did I see that made me fall down the stairs. I never asked them up to today. My guess is maybe something happened to our mother. The following day, when we went back to the hospital, my aunt who was taking care of our mother asked what happened to me that made her, my mother yelled my name and started to be unconscious. We found out later that she screamed at the same time I fell down the stairs. Could had it been my mother whom I missed because I was so focused on my fear? How I wished I really saw her because from that moment on, I never had the chance to talk to my mother. She was unconscious up to her death. I was taken away from the sight of here death because they did not want to see a young boy see a dying mother which would have been so painful to me. I was so wounded as young as I was. My mother died the day after I celebrated my birthday.

When we were young, everybody knew of the pain or sorrow that we had. In contrast, as adults, we hide our wounds. We brush our hearts. We don't talk or even think of our death. All these scare us. But that Jesus has conquered them gives us hope. There might be glitches in our execution, but if we keep on going at it we'll eventually get better, as the famous prayer "Footprints in the Sand" says, "if we could no longer walk He will carry us through." And He sure knows the way because He has been there and done that already. And more importantly, Jesus himself has given the assurance to his followers saying that even if "in the world you will have trouble (but) take courage, I have conquered the world" (Jn (16:33).

Jesus has entered the dark room and has assured us that there are no ghosts or monsters Inside only darkness that will soon give way to light.

