

## *Weekend of May 19 Pentecost Sunday*

### **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....**

Vicaldo Family, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Ruben and Marcie Cu, Joyce Martinez, Dustin Lutze, Sam Halabo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Robert and Margie Cruz, Mike Wise, Neil Quizon, Jim Hughes, Mary Begay, Tonito Arcangel, Juliet Ray, George Arviso, Rose Ramos, Zita Haygood, Lilly Gautreaux, Mark Noriega, Jim Hughes, Laurie Boedicker, Aspen Sergin, Robert Laurel, Janet Vilareal, Romero Family, John Francis, Orlando Nicolas, Paolo Espiritu, John Clark, Kevin Bethsayag, Tyre Nichols, Steve TeSam, Jeanette Garcia, Mike Banegas, Bennett Zerrudo, Mark Noriega, Carol Richardson, Nancy Rourke, Colleen Crowden, Jeff Ashii, Pamela Nolan CSC, Rosario and Paul Estepa, Haley Price, Mark Marquez, Lulu Cabinatan, Michael Martinez, Fr. Earl Henley, MSC, Caroline Mendoza, Connie Devera, Don Speer, Meta Roubedeaux  
*Please check prayer list and add names as desired.*

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

*Barona: Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m.  
with Alyssa Parada*

*Sacramental Preparation with Mark Price are  
ongoing each Wednesday.*

*Viejas: 3:00 PM*

*Barona: 4:30 PM*

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

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **MAY**

**Sunday, May 26** – 10:00 AM, Viejas  
May Crowning, May Queen –  
Rianna Christman. There will be one  
mass for all reservations.

**Monday, May 27** – Memorial Day

### **JUNE**

**Sunday, June 2** – Children's mass at  
all reservations.

**Sunday, June 16** – Father's Day

**Thursday, June 20** – 5:00 p.m.,  
90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Barona mission  
meeting at church office



Blessed are you, Lord God,  
To complete the work of salvation  
Your Son Jesus has passed from this  
world to you.

At his prayer,  
Send your Spirit, the Consoler,  
Who will sing your glory in us,  
Now and forever. Amen.

*-Proclaiming All Your Wonders*

# **PASTOR'S CORNER**

## **The Holy Spirit and Our Mission**

### **A reflection on the Solemnity of Pentecost**

Today we celebrate the feast of Pentecost. Pentecost is not a name but rather it is a number. It means 50. It is the conclusion of 50 days of the Easter season. This great feast ends the earthly mission of Jesus and starts the mission of the life of His Church, animated by the Holy Spirit. As it said in today's gospel, He the Holy Spirit, will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason, I told you that He will take from what is mine and declare it to you."

Pentecost celebrates that great event, when the Holy Spirit made known to all peoples the one true God and created from the many languages one united voice to profess the true faith in God. Pentecost shows us that, as the mission of Jesus was universal, so the membership of God's holy Church is universal. Christ is much more than "my personal Savior" because His mission transcends a merely individual relationship. His mission is to all peoples of the earth!

By way of analogy, the Church is called the body of Christ. Jesus is the head of that body and we are the members of that body. The Church, the mystical body of Christ, is animated by the Holy Spirit. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ continues to live in His Church on earth and is faithful to his promise, "Know that I am with you always until the end of the world."

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus lived in his apostles and did great work in spreading the holy Catholic faith around the world. The apostles instructed the people, they worked great miracles and they grew the infant Church.

Today it is our task to carry on the work of the Holy Spirit in God's holy church. Jesus is living in us through the power of the Holy Spirit. We received the gift of the Holy Spirit in baptism and in confirmation. The Holy Spirit is encouraging us to do good works for the life of the Church. It said in today's second reading "to each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some

benefit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord."

This means that our God given talents are to be used for the building up of the body of Christ, the Church. God does not give us gifts just for ourselves. To each person a different gift is given. We must discover what our abilities are and use them for the glory of God and for our own happiness.

What is it that we do well? Is it working with people, the elderly, the poor or the homeless? Do you like to teach or do you like to work with your hands? Each of us can do something worthwhile for the building up of God's holy Church on earth. Today we humbly beg the Holy Spirit to help us fulfill the tasks that God gives each of us to accomplish.

If we use the gifts that God the Holy Spirit gives us, we will develop the fruits of the Holy Spirit. The fruits of the Holy Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. As we cooperate with God and develop the gifts he gave us, these fruits will mature. The reason they are called fruits is that these different gifts are developed slowly, just as fruit takes time to come to full ripeness on a plant. When a fruit first comes forth on a plant, it is green, hard and bitter. Eventually when the fruit develops to the fullness of its maturity it becomes sweet and soft. So, it is with the fruits of the Holy Spirit. The more we use them the easier and the sweeter it becomes to exercise them.

So, pray that the Holy Spirit would animate us to do great things for God's holy Church and for the world.

***"Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful  
and enkindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit and they will be created  
and you will renew the face of the earth."***

