

*Weekend of May 26
The Holy Most Trinity*

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, Eileen Hansotte

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Just go on Facebook under Herman Manuel

MAY

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., 90th Anniversary of Barona mission meeting at church office

Prayer to the Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father,
Who by His almighty power and love created me, making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell, and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit, Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism, and continues to sanctify me by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Faith, Key to Understanding the Most Holy Trinity

A reflection on Trinity Sunday

This Sunday we gather as a community of faith to celebrate one of the great solemnities of the liturgical year. We celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, the fundamental mystery, the most important of all of the mysteries, of our Catholic Christian faith. This celebration is, in essence, the “feast day” of God, the Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is a profound mystery that is difficult to fathom. We can only begin to study it if we have faith. Any human mind, however knowledgeable it might be, is too small to comprehend the immensity of this mystery. The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is impossible for our minds to understand. Because of this, we can only accept it if we have faith. Without faith it is practically impossible to do so.

We invoke the Most Holy Trinity, the central mystery of the Church, continuously throughout the Eucharistic liturgy. From the beginning of the Mass, when we make the Sign of the Cross in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, until the final Trinitarian blessing, the Holy Trinity listens to our prayers and petitions and blesses us. Our prayers in the Mass are continually directed to God the Father, through the mediation of Jesus Christ, and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. And it is in the Holy Mass that we Christians begin to understand, more clearly, a little more about the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity.

During the Holy Mass, the priest offers to the Father the bread and wine that will be transformed, through the action of the Holy Spirit, into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, our Savior. The invocation of the Holy Spirit during the Eucharistic Prayers during every mass assures us that the holy and pure sacrifice of Our Lord will be acceptable to God the Father. In reality, the presence of the Holy Trinity in all of the sacraments is what guarantees that these will be fountains of divine grace. In one constant movement our prayers and petitions

ascend to the one Trinitarian God from whom divine grace descends to us.

It is only through GREAT EFFORT AND FAITH that we can begin to penetrate the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. Without faith, it is impossible. Some people think that it isn't worth the effort. They say that God should be less complicated. And instead of believing in God “as is” they try to create, on their own, a God in their own image, a God that is simpler and more understandable. To these people we can only say that they should think about what we have already stated: without faith, believing is very difficult. And faith comes from the Holy Spirit. The Spirit will introduce us into the great mystery of the Most Holy Trinity.

There are also people who say, “God is very distant. God never listens.” And they prefer, even though it is at great risk to their own souls, to separate themselves from God and the Church. Looking for a God that they cannot find they leave our Catholic Church. Having belonged to the only Church that contains the fullness of faith they go from one ecclesial community to another, looking for a God to their liking and denying the existence of the Most Holy Trinity. After a long search many of them find that they have come up empty because they have been looking for someone that is impossible to find outside of the great mystery of the Holy Trinity.

Faith does not spring from the mind; it comes from the heart. Because of this it has always been said that the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is a question of faith and not of knowledge. We have to approach this great dogma of faith WITH THE HEART and not with the mind. We should first recognize it is the starting point for all truth that has been revealed to humanity over the centuries and the font of all supernatural grace.

We Christians begin our lives receiving the sacrament of Baptism in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. During our lives we receive all of the sacraments in this same way. And in this same name we bid farewell to this world. And when we pass from this earth, if we have tried during our life to get close to the Three Persons in One God, when we arrive in heaven we will encounter the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and we will abide in their presence forever.