

Weekend of June 6 & 7, 2020

The Most Holy Trinity

Our regular Mass Schedule is cancelled until further notice.

Barona:

Mass: Tuesday through Friday. Rosary at 7:45 AM, Mass at 8:00 AM.

Weekends: Saturday, 5:00 PM, Sunday 8:00 AM.

Confessions: Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 PM

Adoration: 1st Thurs. of the month (6:00 PM) and 1st Fri. of the month (8:00 AM).

Viejas:

Weekends: Sunday, 10:00 AM.

Confessions: By appointment.

Sycuan:

Weekends: Sunday, Noon.

Confessions: By appointment.



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, Berniece Marrujo, 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 Haurutuyanian, Bobby Curo, Abraham Pascual, Eugene "Gino" Vicaldo, Skylar Rosas, Richard Padua

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

ATTENTION!

You are now able to donate online to St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish on our website, bktparish.com. You are able to donate by debit, credit card or paypal. You can also continue to send your tithes and offerings to:

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish
1054 Barona Road, Lakeside, CA 92040

Thank you so much for your continued support.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PARTICIPATE IN MASS

by livestreaming with Fr. Herman

Please note weekdays mass time change

Weekdays, Tues-Friday at 8:00 AM,

Sunday mass is livestreamed Saturdays at 5:00 PM

Just go on Facebook under Herman Manuel



RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION IN THE CHURCH – May 31 & June 7

Fr Herman will be available **in the church** after mass from 6:00 – 7:00 PM Saturday evenings in Barona, Sundays, 10:00 AM Viejas and 12 noon in Sycuan for those who would like to receive communion.

Please come into the church, wear a mask until you receive communion and please observe social distancing.

Public masses will resume Sunday, June 14, The Feast of Corpus Christi. Mass schedule will be the following: Sundays only 8:00 AM Barona, 10:00 AM Viejas, 12:00 PM Sycuan

There will be no 5:00 PM Saturday mass in Barona until further notice.

Diocesan regulations asks you to observe the following: If you are sick with a cold, fever or COVID symptoms, please refrain from coming to Mass. Masks are required (please bring your own), social distancing of six feet will be observed. Only those from the same household are allowed to sit together. Hand sanitizer will be available. There will be no congregational singing. There will be no gatherings before or after the Mass. Communion will be given after the final blessing and then you may immediately exit the church. As you are leaving the church

please make your contribution and pick up a bulletin. Thanks!

“God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son.” God’s love is powerful and all consuming, responding to this Love leads to a life-changing encounter!

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PASTOR’S DESK

The Triune God

One thing that I find awesome when I listen to my Divine Word Missionary confreres regarding how they explain the Holy Trinity during their homilies are by way of stories that I am going to share with you.

There was once a story of a Pope who wanted a portrait of God. So he called all the artisans of Rome. He told them that whoever could perfectly portray God on canvas would receive a papal Award.

The artisans gathered inside the Vatican workroom and each one started to paint a portrait of God. They worked on their masterpieces for several months except for one painter named Guiseppe. Being old, Guiseppe would fall asleep in front of his canvas while thinking how he would paint God.

Finally, the time came when the Pope would judge their paintings. His Holiness toured the large gallery and looked at each painting beside its artist. God was represented in many ways: An Old Loving Man, a Shepherd, a King on a Throne, Crucified, a Dove and several other ways. Yet to the surprise of all, the Pope was not satisfied with any of the portraits. While the Pope rested on a corner, he heard Guiseppe snoring in front of his canvas. He went to the old painter and saw the empty canvas in front of him.

“This is it!” the Pope exclaimed, “this is the perfect portrayal of God.” The cardinals, bishops and all the artisans gathered around His Holiness holding the canvas with nothing painted on it.

“Your holiness, the canvas is empty and it has no portrait of God,” the cardinals told him. “Exactly,” the Pope said, “that is how God looks like – Indescribable!”

Today is Trinity Sunday. Our Catholic faith teaches us that there is only One God but Three Divine Persons – God the father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit or Three in One! But why it happens this way, One God but Three Divine Persons?

Another confrere told this story: I remember a friend of mine who told me that he encountered a Muslim that told him that we Catholics have so many Gods – God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. We express this in the Sign of the Cross. This Muslim

continued to say that our Bible teaches us to worship God alone and no other gods. My friend told the Muslim: “In our Bible, the mathematics formula that we can find is not addition but multiplication. In the sense that God said: ‘Go into the world and multiply’. He did not say: ‘Go into the world and minus!’” My friend continued: “So, $1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1$. That is why, we have only One God but Three Divine Persons.” Anyway, this is not the way to explain this mystery of the Blessed Trinity, but we can use his way of explaining the mystery in a simple and direct way.

To tell you the truth, this mystery of the Blessed Trinity is very difficult to explain. But we can explain this in our own experiential way. By trying to explain this, our own explanation and answer will become another question and that is a mystery! We believe in the Blessed Trinity through faith and nothing more. This faith has to be realized, embodied and materialized in our concrete lives.

How is this Blessed Trinity be embodied in our lives as Christians? It is by following how the Three Divine Persons show their care for us. In my own experience, God is a parent to me. I know that out of nothingness He begot me. I pass through my human parents in my journey toward Him, the ultimate parent of us all. From moment to moment, He reminds us of His sustaining and loving Presence and that in every bit of creation, He nourishes us and continues to give us life.

Jesus as God is my Brother, my friend and my Guide who leads me back to Himself from my wayward ways. He is among us and became one of us. When we suffer, he suffers with us. When we rejoice, He shares our joy. He leads to the only meaning of life on this earth – to love and be loved.

The Holy Spirit as God is the very life within me, my every breath, the divine energy that burns within me, moving me to reach out and offer my petty, little life or any part of this life to whoever may need, whenever and wherever it is needed. So both Jesus and the Spirit lead to the Father of us all – The God of Love.

All that and more is the meaning of God as Trinity. It is this God as Trinity whom we need most especially these days that we are experiencing crisis: political, economic, socio-cultural, religious, moral and especially, our relationship with one another. But if we can only allow our Trinitarian God to cure the wounds in our own hearts, may yet learn to really love one another as he loves us.