

Weekend of June 13 & 14, 2020

Corpus Christi {Body & Blood of Christ}

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 Haurutuynian, 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



Corpus Christi Prayer

Let us pray for the willingness to make present in our world the love of Christ shown to us in the Eucharist, Lord Jesus Christ, we worship you living among us in the sacrament of your body and blood. May we offer to our Father in heaven. Lord Jesus Christ, we come before You today, we thank You for the gift of Your Holy Body and Blood through which we get strengthened body, soul and mind. We solemnly pledge that we will offer You our undivided love and also service to our brothers and sisters as it is You.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you." Even before the beginning of your life, God has set out a plan for your ultimate happiness. Have courage to embrace that plan."

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CORPUS CHRISTI

After three (3) months of being locked down for fear of contracting Coronavirus (COVID-19), here we are, coming together again with so much joy to celebrate the Eucharist. Bishop Robert McElroy has thought that the best time to open up our Churches for the public after the lockdown is on the Feast of Corpus Christi. He said it would really be very significant for each of us to come back together to celebrate one of the central truths of our faith, the Most Precious Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ also known as Corpus Christi. This time, it has restrictions such as no Blood of Christ and making sure the congregation can only receive the Body of Christ by hand and not by mouth. Of course the actual communion taking place when the Mass is over with both the congregation and the celebrant wearing masks. Uncomfortable as it may be, this is to prevent us from the possibility of getting the deadly virus.

During the lockdown, it was really very hard for me not to celebrate the Mass or the Eucharist with my congregation. As if one part of my body has been taken away from me. One of the reasons I was attracted into becoming a priest is serving at Masses every day when I was young as a Knight of the Altar (today, they are known as Altar Servers and not only boys but girls can do it). My feeling every time I served was like walking in the clouds. In other words, I always felt uplifted and made my day beautiful. So, I can empathize with people who can't come to attend Mass. Even though we did our regular live streaming of Masses daily and on weekends via Facebook. It feels really different when you attend a live Mass in a computer or just your cell phone versus attending it live with the congregation.

Yes, the Eucharist is BEAUTIFUL. We thank Jesus for the Eucharist. Its meaning is fully emphasized on the celebration of CORPUS CHRISTI or the MOST PRECIOUS BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST this Sunday.

The Feast of Corpus Christi affords us the opportunity to give God collective thanks for Jesus' abiding presence with us which is made visible in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. It is also an opportunity for us to seek a better understanding of the sacrament of the Body and

Blood of Christ and to order our attitude to it accordingly.

A close reading of the whole Eucharistic discourse in the Gospel of John tells us that there are two main reasons Jesus instituted this sacrament during the Last Supper. First, Jesus wanted to offer a visible sign of Him being present to us and us being present to him. In order to highlight his relationship with us in the Eucharist, Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them." (Jn 6:56) These words of Jesus are in line with His promise to be with humanity until the end of time. (Mt 28:20)

Second, Jesus sought to provide an effective means of communicating life to us so that we can be fully alive both in this world and in the next. He said, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day" (Jn 6:53-54). Jesus instituted the Eucharist not just to sustain our physical hunger but so that we may have life and have it to the full (Jn 20:20).

After he multiplied the bread for the people, they gathered once again to ask Jesus for more bread. But Jesus promised to give them His body and blood instead. In their worldly frame of mind, they could not understand or appreciate the reality of Jesus' words. They disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" (Jn 6:52). In response, Jesus said, "My flesh is true food and my blood is true drink." (Jn 6:55). The people whom He had earlier fed ended up abandoning Jesus because they found the reality of His words too hard to accept.

The Holy Eucharist is truly different from every other food and drink. The great difference lies in these words of Christ which St. Augustine heard in prayer, "You will not change me into yourself as you would food of your flesh; but you will be changed into me." We transform ordinary food into our own bodies but the food of the Eucharist transforms us into the body of Christ.

Let us today approach the Eucharist with a more lively faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and we shall experience therein God's saving power and transforming love.