## Weekend of June 20 & 21, 2020 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Our regular Mass Schedule is cancelled until further notice.

<u>Barona:</u>

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

at 8:00 AM.

Weekends:, Sunday 8:00 AM.

**Confessions:** Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 PM **Adoration:** 1st Fri. of the month (8:00 AM).

<u>Viejas:</u>

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.



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

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#### **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



# A PRAYER FOR FATHER'S DAY

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation. May they find the courage and perseverance to balance work, family, and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for our own fathers who have supported and challenged us. May they continue to lead in strong and gentle ways.

We remember fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering. May they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

We remember father, grandfathers, and greatgrandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memories and nourish us with their love.

Amen.

Courage is needed to speak God's word. Let no one intimidate you. God gives you the power to speak the truth.

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## **FEAR NOT**

A reflection on the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

What a timely message for each and every one of us at the present time where almost everything in our society is not in order. Aside from the deadly virus, COVID-19 still in our midst, grocery stores and other business commercial establishments are being destroyed and looted, there is mishandling of our peace and justice systems and not to mention there is still an inequality of treatment regarding race or color. Jesus says to us today in this 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, "FEAR NOT!"

We are normally afraid -- oftentimes of the wrong things. Because a student is afraid of failing, he cheats in a test. A taxpayer for fear of paying more taxes tries not to declare all his assets to the IRS (Internal Revenue Service). Anxious to acquire a job, we do not mind lying. We refer to do good even as we do evil. In other words, as Christ says in today's gospel, we are so afraid of what will harm the body that we allow us to kill our soul. The result, as far as our country goes, is a proliferation of a culture of corruption and the degeneration of our social fiber. And for all their moral weakness, we have our favorite whipping boy—either the government or rebellion.

How easy it is to lie: all we need to do is change a word or two. This is, for instance the infamous "addition-subtraction" in spreading rumors. Who will know that I was the one who did it when I already told them that I didn't? Lying is about the easiest thing to do, and nobody will ever know the truth. It's all a matter of words—saying or not saying them, and who'll know the difference?

But the Lord has two warnings to give: First: "Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will be known..." Are we naïve to

think that anything can be a secret forever? Second: "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul, rather be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna (hell)." Even, if granted I was able to hide an evil deed, justice will nevertheless catch up with me in the next life. That's like the Oriental Karma, according to which I cannot run away from the appropriate reward or forever, since the wheel of righteousness is turning and I will get my just share in due time, here, or hereafter. Then in Gehenna (as our Gospel text calls it), it is not only our body but also our soul which will be utterly destroyed. No, that's not good at all; it is better for me to be battered painfully in life than already lose my soul even as my body still lives.

Everything makes a difference if one truly believes in God, believes in him not only with one's lips but with one's whole heart, mind and soul. Don't we very often hear it said, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom?" This, then is the one fear that counts: fear of the Lord. To fear the Lord is to surrender completely to him and make oneself resigned to his will. What does this mean? There is something explosive in this. There is here, in fact a mystical experience in which, like Paul, I might already say, "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." And when that happens everything becomes possible and I have reached the threshold beyond fear. For with God everything is possible. And so, with God in me and with me wholly absorbed in him, I shall understand what he often says in the gospels: "Fear not!" Yes, indeed, there is nothing to fear.

The other reason why we should not fear is the presence of FATHERS in our lives. They are the representations of God here on earth. This is the reason why they have a very serious obligation, and that is to be a leader in the family. To be a teacher of Faith – by his example even more than by his words. But man can be intimidated when it comes to showing his Faith and leading in prayer. But Jesus says: "Be not afraid; just step out and start doing it." In fact, simply being a basically good and decent man *in itself* goes a long way toward teaching children something of what God is like, because, as St. Paul says, all fatherhood is modeled after God. So, to know a good father is to begin to know God himself.

## **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**