

Weekend of July 3, 2022

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This new Mass schedule will stay in effect until the Covid-19 crisis is over. Thanks for your patience.

Barona:

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

Sunday: Sunday 8:00 AM. @ Shrine

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...

Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, Donna Berardi, Billy, Penny and Daniel Vicaldo, Anthony Pico, Dolly Albano, Mike Montes, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell, Rosario Ravasco, Minerva Mayor, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Purita Amparo, Wendy Reyes, Abraham Pascual, Richard Padua, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Ruben and Marcie Cu, Joyce Martinez, Elvira Hapin, Dustin Lutze, Deloris Louck, David Ramos, Felix Chiu, Edna De La Cruz Yusi, Marlon Amaranto, Sam Halabo, Anita Uqualla, Bobby Curo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Walter Raczak, Billy Brown, Margie Cruz, Gina Curo

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES (K-High School)

Barona, K-8th: New classes will resume in September. Please contact church office if you would like to register. All classes are a two year program.

Barona, High School: Thursday, 3:00 p.m. (classroom under the club house) – classes will resume in September.

Please contact Judy Oyos (judy.otm@gmail.com) for Adult classes or for more information regarding classes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

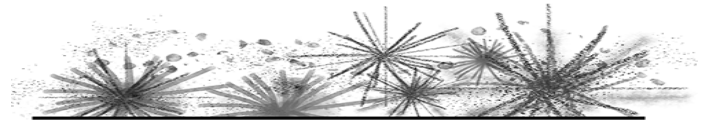
Monday, July 4 – Independence Day

Saturday, July 9 – 12 PM, Los Conejos Mass and Grave Blessing.

Sunday, July 10 - 10:00 a.m. Mass at Sycuan - St. Kateri Tekakwitha Feast Day, lunch to follow at the Sycuan rec. – All reservations are invited.

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“The harvest is rich but the workers are few; therefore ask the harvest-master to send workers to his harvest.” Pray for vocations. Depend on God’s providence.

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PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

God of Justice and Truth,
we ask your blessing on our nation.
Thank you for the freedoms we enjoy,
especially those we take for granted.

Thank you for the diversity of our people
and enlarge our capacity for tolerance and mutual respect.
As we celebrate our independence as a sovereign nation,
may we also celebrate our interdependence.
Make us mindful of the blessings of our rich and abundant land.
May your gracious Spirit inspire us to work together to meet the challenges of our times.
With all hope, faith, and trust in you, we pray.
Amen.

PASTOR’S DESK

Disciples of Jesus as Instruments of Peace

A reflection on the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There's a story about two members of a church who disagreed over a trivial matter. The disagreement hardened into ill-will and hatred. A mutual friend became distressed about the situation.

"I'm going to do what I can to heal the breach between my friends," he said to himself.

He called on his friend Bert first and asked him, "What do you think of my friend Tommy?" "Think of him?" flashed Bert. "He is contemptible in my sight!" "But," said the peacemaker, "you must admit he is very kind to his family." "Yes, that's true. He is kind to his family."

Next day, the peacemaker called to see his friend Tommy. "Do you know what Bert said about you?" "No, but I can imagine the dirty, unkind things he would say about me!" "Well," said the peacemaker, "he said that you are very kind to your family!" "What! Did he say that?" exclaimed Tommy. "He surely did. Now, what do you think of Tommy?" "I think he is a scamp and a rascal," said Bert. "But," said the peacemaker, "you will have to admit that he is an honest man." "Yes, he is honest, but what has that to do with it?"

The next day the peacemaker called on Tommy and said, "Do you know that Bert said that you are a very honest man?" "You don't mean it," said Tommy. "I do mean it. I heard him say it with my own ears!"

The next Sunday, Bert and Tommy met in church, this time friendlier and joyful in each other's company.

One of the themes of this 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time is PEACE. "I send flowing peace, like a river," writes the prophet Isaiah in the first reading. In sending out his seventy-two disciples, Jesus gave the following instruction: "Whatever house you enter, let your first words be 'Peace to this house!'" (Lk 10:5).

As in the above story, if we wish to be Christian peacemakers, we have to see what's good in people who are at odds instead of reporting to both parties what would aggravate an already-strained relationship.

Peace is justice. Peace is not just the absence of conflicts or tensions. If that's your idea of peace, then go to the cemetery. Peace is also the PRESENCE of justice and respect for people's rights.

For instance, there can be no peace in a company if the employees are not paid legally. Neither is there peace among married couples if one spouse is constantly putting the other to shame. Likewise, there can be no peace at home if children flout the authority of parents. The Christian peacemaker is not to close his eyes to the harsh reality of quarrels and conflicts and says, "That's none of my business." Whenever possible, he must be, as the Scripture puts it, a "lamb among wolves" (Lk 10:3), a reconciler.

Jesus declares his blessing on the peacemaker when he said in the Sermon on the Mount: "Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall be called children of God." Take note: the Lord didn't say "Blessed are the peaceful..." but rather peacemakers.

Are you a person of peace? Or do you promote hatred and disunity by pitting people against each other? Do you add fuel to conflicts and quarrels through intrigues or reporting to a person concerned matters told in confidence? Jesus intended that we share His peace. He intended that we be the INSTRUMENTS of His peace.

In the words of St. Francis of Assisi: "Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith..."

