## Weekend of July 12, 2020 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

<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). 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.

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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 @ 8:00 AM Just go on Facebook under Herman Manuel



Tuesday, July 14, 2020 Special Mass and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament to honor the Feast of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Mass in Barona 8:00AM-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Sycuan 11:00 AM



## Prayer In Honor Of Kateri Tekakwitha

God of our ancestors, We thank you for all creation and its beauty, Especially for the Native People of this great land.

Our homes and reservations Have been places of refuge and welcome, Solace and prayer, hope and joy.

Your people have celebrated The joy and sadness of life, By giving each other strength and comfort, And most of all by holding their faith in You above all else.

We ask our beloved Kateri Tekakwitha To intercede on your behalf, For the blessings and riches Only God can bestow upon His people.

We ask Almighty God to inflame us with His love, To transform our hearts and minds, And to help us heal all wounds.

> Saint Kateri, watch over us. Christ our Savior, redeem us.

#### Amen

#### REMINDER

Father's salary is due for those who make payments yearly or twice a year. For those who give monthly, please continue. Thank you so much



#### What kind of soil are we? Soil on the Foot path? Rocky Ground? Thorny Ground or Good Ground?

#### 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel (Mt. 13, 1-23) we hear of the parable of the sower and the many ways of receiving the seed, the Word of God. And so it is that there are those who receive it without depth (the seed on the path). There are those who receive it without fruits (the seed sown on rocky ground and among thorns). And finally, there are those who receive it with fruits (the seed on good soil).

The seed is good. The sower is very generous. But the soil? It depends on us, the receivers of the seed. There are people who are always on the path and don't have much time to listen to the word of God. These are the people who are always on the go, and who have "more important" things to attend to than matters of the spirit and matters of the heart. People such as these don't have depth, and tend to be shallow.

There are those who receive God's word joyfully, but soon after they wither because there are a lot of rocks in their lives. They are not really rooted in God but in the material world. When trials, temptations and persecutions come, they dry up and die, precisely because they are not resilient. People such as these tend to be pampered.

There are those who receive God's Word and really take root in it, but are choked by riches of this world and by the weeds of sin, and so they survive, but they really don't bear fruit. They just occupy space. Such people spend their whole lifetime vacillating, between goodness and evil, commitment and compromise, virtue and vice. People such as these are selfish.

Still wonder why you are not really growing spiritually? Just in the survival mode? Not bearing fruits? Maybe it is because you are shallow, pampered, and selfish. We must go beyond survival to fruit-bearing mode from 30, 60 to a hundredfold. God provides but we must abide. God operates but we must cooperate.

Thank God we have saints and martyrs whom we can model ourselves from. In their lives, they have shown to us that even in the most adverse conditions, the Word of God can come alive in a heart that is humble and contrite. Whenever we encounter persecution or criticism of any kind this should lead us to soul-searching and prayer. Trials should bring us to our knees, humble us, purify us, and strengthen us. Whenever we are faced with trials, the soil that is in us is being fertilized.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha our patron saint whom we honor on Tuesday, July 14 has experienced so many trials and persecutions during her life time. Disfigured because of a smallpox epidemic in her village, virtually blind, avoided members of her tribe because her mother and father were from differing tribes and shunned after she became Christian, Kateri moved to a settlement near Quebec.

She had taken a private vow of chastity which meant she would never marry but devote herself to Jesus Christ. This is the reason why she is called, "Lily of the Mohawks." Her life was that of a contemplative. The story is told of her placing crosses made of twigs on trees to remind her of Christ and to give her places of prayer. She died at the age of twenty-four.

Her memorial is an opportunity for us to remember fellow Native Americans on our continent. Of the 5.2 Million Native Americans, about 500,000 are Catholic. We pray that through the intercession of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the Lord continues to bless all reservations in this country.

## Happy Feast Day

# St. Kateri Tekakwitha