

Weekend of August 23, 2020

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thank you so much for your continued support.

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. @ Shrine

Confessions: By appointment only.

Sycuan:

Sunday: No Sunday Mass until further notice

Confessions: By appointment only



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, 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, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Joyce Martinez, Crispin Echiverri, Elvira Hapin, Elaine Necochea

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

PARTICIPATE IN MASS

by livestreaming with Fr. Herman

Please note weekday Mass time change

Weekdays, Tues-Friday at 8:00 AM,

Sunday Mass is livestreamed @ 8:00 AM

Just go on Facebook under Herman Manuel

New Mass Schedule due to the covid-19 guidelines

Tuesday-Friday 8:00 AM Barona @ the Shrine

Sunday 8:00AM Barona @ the Shrine

Sunday 10:30 AM Viejas @ the Shrine

Sycuan-No mass until further notice

Sunday, August 23 – Parish Financial Meeting,

Barona, after mass, outside grass area

Bring your chair, please

Prayer of Blessing for Students and Teachers
Father,

This is the day You have made, we will rejoice and be glad in it. It doesn't look like we thought it would look, nor will tomorrow and the days to come likely be executed in the way we expected and prepared for. Help us to see the good in each day. Help us to find reasons to rejoice and ways to be glad. Litter our lives with moments of laughter and lightheartedness, even in these extremely dark and trying times. Birthdays are still being celebrated each day. The sun keeps coming up, and You remain the same. We are created in Your image, God, to do good and great things to bring glory to Your name. Each one of us, both teacher and student, were created with specific purpose. Help teachers to have confidence in their craft. They were meant

to teach, educate, coach, counsel and lead. They are needed, appreciated, and loved. Their work and their efforts are never in vain. When it is hard to see the good, grab our attention, Father. When we are sad and miss school, our normal routine, and our teammates and coaches, encourage our spirits. Sustain us through our very real fear of what is and will happen in our world, Amen



Who do you say that I am?

A reflection on the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

I want to write something that, at first it may sound secular. I would like to explain a term that is common in the pharmaceutical world. I use this as an example because before I became a priest, everybody knows that I was a registered pharmacist. In my pharmaceutical practice in a drugstore before, I used to be challenged by patients/customers the real score between brand and generic names. And usually I tell them to get the generic drugs to help them save money. However, in spite of the costly price of the brand name of drugs which are either prescribed by their doctor or sold over the counter, they still preferred the brand names because in their experience, these are more of superior quality.

Brand Name is given by the maker to a product or range of products, especially a trademark. A generic drug is a medication created to be the same as an existing approved brand name drug in dosage form, safety, strength, route of administration, quality and performance characteristics. Take for example Tylenol versus Acetaminophen 500 mg tablets of 100 count. The former is about \$10.00 whereas the latter is 5 dollars cheaper. Customers still prefer the brand name because according to them, they are fast acting and very effective and therefore they are superior to its generic name. .

Jesus asks his disciples in the gospel today: “Who do you say that I am?”

Jesus asks and Peter answers, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God!” Now where does Peter get this idea? Well, he gets it from being with Jesus all the time. Peter came to understand that all the things Jesus does such as healing, helping, forgiving, loving, teaching, living out life in a certain, specific way were all aspects put together on how he defined Jesus as the Son of God and the Messiah.

In the world of business today...specifically in the pharmaceutical world as I mentioned earlier.....we would say that Jesus has a brand image that we like just like his disciples. Think about it...when I say “Jesus” it triggers within each person a whole series of thoughts that contain within them the essence of how to live out a Christian way of life.

So how do we respond then when we are being asked who we are, what faith do we follow or whom do we follow? Well, we should proudly say, “As followers of Jesus, we follow a Christian way of living and we are Catholics!

However, what is more proper to say is, as a follower of Jesus, my life should reflect the same things that Jesus did...I need to be kind, loving, forgiving, patient, caring and generous to the poor and the outcast and fight for the marginalized. Most of all, sacrifice as Jesus sacrificed.

How can we attract people to join in our Church? Members of the Church should be living examples of faith and good followers of Christ. They should follow the commandments that God has given them, be respectful and loving and forgiving to one another, be compassionate and generous to the poor, the outcast and the marginalized. With all of these, they can attract many people to join the Church.

I am truly happy and proud of being a pastor at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish. Every time visitors come to any of our Churches in Barona, Viejas and Sycuan, they not only enjoy our Eucharistic Celebrations, but they also feel at home. Though our Churches are small, they provide an excellent atmosphere for praying and devotion. They say they will always come back because our Native American parishioners are “very accommodating, hospitable and always smiling” not to mention their greeting to anyone who

comes for the first time: "Thank you for joining us."
Visitors are welcomed and relieved of all the stresses
of the day or the week. The smallness of our
Churches seems to provide a closer relationship to
God and neighbor.