

# Weekend of October 3, 2021

## Twenty-seventh 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 12:00 noon @ the Church

**Confessions:** By appointment only



Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angelo Samot, Donna Berardi, Daniel Vicaldo, Kash Osuna-Sutton, Anthony Pico, Dolly Albano, Mike Montes, Bobbie Turner, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell, Agnes Ruiz, Deacon Bill Clarke, Rosario Ravasco, Minerva Mayor, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Purita Amparo, Wendy Reyes, Alicia Castro, Barbara Reeves, Nancy Rourke, Bobby Curo, Abraham Pascual, Richard Padua, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Joyce Martinez, Elvira Hapin, Dustin Lutze, Deloris Loucks, Cameron Welch, Christine Therese Macaraeg, Beverly Means

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES (K-High School)

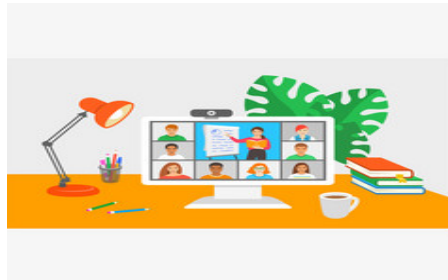
Will begin Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> (after school bus drop off). Please give your child a bus permission slip.

Per Diocesan regulation, masks will be required to be worn indoors. Registration forms will be available at Mass, Ed Nolan's office and at the back of the church.

You may also call church office at 619-443-3412 or email [bktparish@aol.com](mailto:bktparish@aol.com) to request form or for further information.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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



*Brother Ed will begin a series on the Catholic Mass. It will begin on **Wednesday, October 6, 2021.***

**When:** Wednesdays, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27 and 11/3  
**Time:** 5:30 PM

*If you would like to join us, please contact Brother Ed at [bktparish@aol.com](mailto:bktparish@aol.com) and leave your email address and the zoom link will be sent to you.*



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# PASTOR'S DESK

## Marriage and the Eucharist

October 4, 2015

In the gospel of this 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus teaches the real reason why marriage should be monogamous, permanent, and indissoluble. He said, "From the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this cause, a man shall leave his father and mother and the two become one flesh. What God has united, man must not divide. The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery." (Mk 10:6,9,11). This teaching of Christ forms the basis of the Catholic Church's teaching against absolute divorce.

At this point we have to look at the importance of the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony within the context of the Holy Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist inexhaustibly strengthens the indissoluble unity and love of every Christian marriage. By the power of the sacrament, the marriage bond is intrinsically linked to the Eucharistic unity of Christ the Bridegroom and his Bride, the Church (cf. Eph 5:31-32). The mutual consent that husband and wife exchange in Christ, which establishes them as a community of life and love, also has a Eucharistic dimension. Indeed, in the theology of Saint Paul, conjugal love is a sacramental sign of Christ's love for his Church, a love culminating in the Cross, the expression of his "marriage" with humanity and at the same time the origin and heart of the Eucharist.

Admittedly, there are numerous trials and problems in monogamous marriage but they outweigh the problems of broken families and separated spouses. For instance, it's been found that many of the youths coming from broken families have anti-social behavioral problems. And one reason is the lack of parental love and supervision from separated parents.

By the way, this finding was confirmed when a priest friend of mine served as director of high school students in Northern California. According to him, most problem students came from broken families.

Aside from the traumatic experience of separation suffered by the couples and children, divorce is a simplistic way of resolving marital problems. Couples who resort to divorce because one of the spouses is lazy, irresponsible, and a drunkard is only transferring his/her personal problems to another marital relationship – if he/she does not change his old traits and vices. Recycling personal problems will lead to the same result of separation or divorce.

What should be done is for couples to work out their problems and save their floundering marriages as far as possible. For instance, when acrimonious or harsh conflicts crop up inflicting emotional wounds, it is important that the wound be treated with real sorrow, which goes with a resolve to reform; otherwise it leaves a permanent scar. In short, spouses should learn to treat the wound, to forgive and reconcile. As the saying goes, "A happy and lasting marriage is the union of two forgivers."

We know the reality of marriage is a much more complicated. We are all called to the Eucharist to heal, forgive and redirect our personal lives to conform to the love of self and our spouse. Jesus considered this to be His most important commandment. "Love others as you love yourself."

There are other reasons which make the Christian teaching on marriage a hard pill to swallow at times. However, there is value in FIDELITY, outweighing the difficulties of married life. Isn't it an immense joy and fulfillment to feel if a couple persevere and, looking back, see their children grow to become good parents themselves?

In the evening of the couple's life, they can say, "Lord, despite our problems, conflicts, and difficulties, we've made it. We've followed Your will in marriage."

And the Lord says: "***He who is faithful until the end will receive the crown of glory.***"