

Weekend of October 11, 2020

Twenty-eighth 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 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 Haurutyunian, Bobby Curo, Abraham Pascual, Eugene "Gino" Vicaldo, Skylar Rosas, Richard Padua, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Joyce Martinez, Crispin Echeverri, Elvira Hapin, Elaine Necochea

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.



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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 Church

Sunday 8:00AM - Barona @ the Shrine

Sunday 10:30 AM - Viejas @ the Church

Sunday 12:00 PM noon - Sycuan in the Church

Sunday, November 1 – Daylight saving time ends

Monday, November 2 – Mass Schedule

8:00 AM Barona – Mass

6:30 PM Barona – Blessing of Graves and Reading of Names and Lighting of family member's graves

11:00 AM Viejas – Blessing of Graves

12:00 PM Conejos – Mass and Blessing of Graves

4:00 PM Sycuan – Mass and Blessing of Graves

**World Mission Sunday Collection
Weekend of October 17-18, 2020**

It is our annual worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the missions and missionaries of the world. Pope Francis reminds us, especially in this year of crisis, that we are personally called to mission – as baptized Catholics – to bring Christ's love to those most forgotten, our brothers and sisters in need around the world. He asks us to respond

through prayer and generous sacrifice to the *Society for the Propagation of the Faith*, encouraging your parishioners to answer, “*Here I Am, Send Me.*”

Thank you for your generous donation. Envelopes will be located in back of the church.



Are We Having Fun Yet? A reflection on the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

At a church conference in Omaha, people were given helium-filled balloons and told to release them at some point in the service when they felt joy in their hearts. All through the service worshippers kept releasing balloons. At the end of the service it was discovered that most of them still had their balloons. If this experiment were repeated in our church today, how many of us would still have our balloons at the end of the service? Many of us think of God's house as a place for seriousness, a place to close one's eyes and pray, but not a place of celebration, a place where we can have fun. The parable of the Great Supper in today's gospel paints a different picture. The Christian assembly is a gathering of those who are called to the Lord's party. In the Eucharist we say of ourselves, "Happy are those who are called to his supper." The Lord invites us to a supper, a banquet, a feast. Can you imagine a wedding feast in which everyone sits stone-faced, cold and quiet?

The parable shows us three possible kinds of guests. There are the absentee guests who initially accept the invitation, but when the time comes to honor the invitation they draw back. There are the guests without wedding garments who attend the feast but do not take the trouble to prepare adequately for it, as the occasion deserves. And then there are the guests with wedding garments who make the necessary preparation to present themselves fit for the king's banquet.

The scary thing about the absentee guests is that they are not sinners. They are engaged in legitimate, not sinful activity. One goes to his farm, another to his business. These are necessary and useful occupations. Sometimes what keep us away from the joy of the kingdom is not sin but preoccupation with the necessities of life. To be serious with our job is a good thing, but when our job keeps us away from attending the Lord's Supper, then it has become an obstacle. It has become a killjoy that hinders us from experiencing the joy of the Lord. There is a saying that the good is the enemy of the best. If only those absentee guests knew what they were missing by not attending the feast! It used to be that people attended church service to fulfill a "Sunday obligation," otherwise it would be counted against them as sin. This kind of fear no longer motivates young people today. More people would probably come to church if they knew they were missing out on the fun of celebrating and feasting with the Christian community.

On the guest without the wedding garment, to speculate on whether he had enough time to go home and put on his wedding garment is beside the point of the parable. The point of the parable is: if you must go to dance, you must wear your dancing shoes. If you must go to a wedding, you must wear your wedding garment. By not wearing a wedding garment, he was physically in the party, but his mind and spirit were not there. He was in the feast, but he was not in the mood for feasting. Jesus hates this kind of lukewarm, uncommitted attitude. In fact, it is better not to attend at all than to be there and yet not there. The invitation is to all, the party is free for all, yet anyone who decides to attend has a responsibility to present themselves fit for the king's company. The kingdom of God is freely offered to us. Those of us on the way to the kingdom must spare no effort in acquiring the moral and spiritual character that is consonant with life in the kingdom.

Finally, there are the guests who attend the wedding feast, taking care to appear in the proper wedding garment. They are the only ones who have fun and enjoy the party. They are the models whose example we should follow. Today's gospel sends a message to those who are keeping away from the Lord's Supper that they are missing out on the joy of life. To those of

us who have accepted the invitation to come in, this parable warns us not to take God's grace for granted but to clean ourselves up and become the most beautiful person that we can be in God's sight. The message is the same as we have in Colossians 3:14: **“Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.”**

--Fr Munachi E. Ezeogu, CSSP