

*Weekend of October 19 & 20, 2019*  
*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Mass Schedule
<p><b>Barona:</b>  <b>Mass:</b> Tuesday through Friday. Rosary at 7:45 AM, Mass at 8:00 AM.  <b>Weekends:</b> Saturday, 5:00 PM, Sunday 8:00 AM.  <b>Confessions:</b> Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 PM  <b>Adoration:</b> 1st Thurs. of the month (6:00 PM) and 1st Fri. of the month (8:00 AM).  <b>Viejias:</b>  <b>Weekends:</b> Sunday, 10:00 AM.  <b>Confessions:</b> By appointment.  <b>Sycuan:</b>  <b>Weekends:</b> Sunday, Noon.  <b>Confessions:</b> By appointment</p>



Gilbert Rodriguez, Carol Lane, Anita Curo, Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angelo Samot, Donna Berardi, Secora Nelson, Daniel Vicaldo, Kash Osuna-Sutton, Gabe Dowell, Diana Pico, Dolly Albano, Ray Mayor, Mike Montes, Bobbie Turner, Steve and Vera Tucker, 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

**Please check prayer list and add names as desired.**

**Mass Intentions – October 20, 2019**

Weekend masses:

Sunday, 8:00 Barona – Mel and Buddy Curo

Sunday, 10:00 Viejas – Community of Viejas

Sunday, 12:00 Sycuan – Community of Sycuan

**Viejias** – Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

**Sycuan** – Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Month of October** - We will be doing a headcount for the Diocesan records.

**Wednesday, October 23** – Brother Ed Study, 4:00 PM, Barona (see below)

**Sunday, November 10** - Children’s Mass, all reservations

**Sunday, December 1 – Tuesday, December 3** – Parish Retreat, Barona, 6:30 PM

**Saturday, December 7** – 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Viejas Mission Church

**Sunday, December 15** – Children’s Mass, all reservations



**Thursday, October 31, 2019** – All Saints Vigil Mass, 6:00 PM - Sycuan

**Friday, November 1, 2019** – All Saints Day Mass, 8:00 AM - Barona



**Saturday, November 2, 2019** – All Souls Mass and Grave Blessing  
 11:00 AM – Viejas  
 12:00 PM – Conejos

4:00 PM – Sycuan (There will be no mass Sunday, November 3)

6:30 PM – Barona (There will be no mass Sunday, November 3)

**Fall Holiday and Holy Days Celebrations and their Meanings**

What do you know about the spiritual, cultural and social celebrations of Halloween, All Saints, All Souls (Day of the Dead)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE**

**Barona** – Thursdays, 2:45 p.m & 4:00 p.m.

and Thanksgiving? Their origins have a completely different meaning than they have today. How do we celebrate these holidays today? Come explore some exciting and little known facts about these celebrations!

Wednesdays 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/13 & 11/20  
4:00-5:00 PM, Brother Ed's office.

## ATTENTION!

Please check out our new updated website, [bktparish.com](http://bktparish.com). Our webmaster, Mark Price, has converted the old platform to a new one and you are now able to use your mobile devices to access and to navigate all aspects of the website.

### **Everything Is Possible in Prayer** **A reflection of the 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

There was a story of a man who prayed religiously without ceasing to God. Even during the celebration of the Mass, he always said his rosary. He walked to the altar of the church with his knees on the floor. He told his neighbors that he wants God to be the one to answer all His prayers.

A hurricane came into their village and flooded the whole village. It was reported that a tidal wave would come and sweep the entire village. A policeman came informing the village people about the coming tidal wave and the typhoon but this man did not mind the policeman would not leave the place because he wanted that God would be the one to answer his prayers.

The flood became bigger and bigger, so a boat sailed on the water informing again this person to vacate the place but he wanted that God would be the one to answer his prayers. Later, when the water level was already on the roof, a helicopter came in order to rescue this man but he did not listen to the request. So he died and went into the gate of heaven.

He was angry with St. Peter because God did not answer his prayers. St. Peter said: "We did answer all your prayers. We sent you a policeman, a boat and a helicopter, but you did not listen to all of them. It's not our fault."

According to Sr. Shirley Chong, FSP, "Prayer is our important link to God. He desires nothing better than to hear from us, so God wants us to pray"

Why does God want us to pray? Strictly speaking, God has no need of our prayers. God knows what we

want in our hearts before we ask for them. We pray because even trees and animals pray. For example, people who live in farms wake up in the morning to the rooster's crowing, greeting each morning with praise as if saying, "Thank you, Lord". The acacia tree (Wattle Tree) folds its leaves in prayer as evening comes and even the lizards go down to kiss the land to say their gratitude to God. The cows bend their knees before they sleep at night. If they do, why can't we?

Our Moslem brothers and sisters, they pray five times a day and our great saints became saints because they prayed. How much more for us?

Jesus Himself prays. He prays when He was baptized in Jordan River and the heavens open (Luke 3:21). He prays in the desert after His baptism and overcomes devil's temptations by His prayers. Even if He is so busy with His ministry, he finds time to be in union with God. In today's gospel, He tells His disciples that they may pray always without becoming weary. We pray to God in order to be closed to Him, to be in union with Him and to strengthen with our faith.

Prayer is a simplest form of conversing with God. This means you are talking with God and God making His presence felt by you. We undermine the importance of prayer in our lives and yet this is our source of spiritual power and strength.

There are so many ways on how to pray. The one that I will mention is one of them. Let me share this with you.

First, you must decide that you want to pray, that is, to be with God. You must not only do it when you feel like doing it. Prayer is a means to a higher goal which is to love God. I usually ask God to send down His Holy Spirit upon me to help me and guide me on what to say.

Second, you must decide the time and the place you want to pray. For me, personally, I am comfortable praying after I wake up in the morning and should be in my room. I read and pray with my breviary before I do the things of the day. So try to secure the time and place best suited to your schedule.

Lastly, use a structure to begin with. Some would begin their prayer with we call ACTSS or Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, Supplication and Silence.

My confrere, Fr. Jerry Orbos, SVD gave also another form on how to pray especially after receiving the Holy Communion or during the visit to the Blessed

## Sacrament. He is recommending the A-L-T-A-R Prayer

A – Adore the Lord who is in your heart. Accept Him with joy.

L – Listen to the Lord who is in your heart. What is He telling you in the silence of your heart?

T – Thank the Lord for His goodness and love, for his forgiveness and patience, even for your challenges and problems.

A – Ask the Lord for anything you need. Ask not only for yourself but for others too.

R – Rejoice in the Lord, whatever you're going through. Be glad, be hopeful because Jesus is in your heart and because He will be with you always.

Prayer is important because by ourselves we can do nothing. We need God. Nothing is impossible with God. But will God find faith in us?