

Weekend of October 29, 2023

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Barona:

Mass: Tuesday through Friday. Rosary at 7:45 AM, Mass at 8:00 AM. @ Shrine

Saturday: 5:00 PM mass

Sunday: Sunday 8:00 AM. @ church

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 12:30 noon @ the Church

Confessions: By appointment only

PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Vicaldo Family, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Wendy Reyes, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Ruben and Marcie Cu, Joyce Martinez, Dustin Lutze, Deloris Loucks, Sam Halabo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Walter Raczak, Robert and Margie Cruz, Mike Wise, Neil Quizon, Jim Hughes, Mary Begay, Tonito Arcangel, Juliet Ray, George Arviso, Rose Ramos, Zita Haygood, Lilly Gautreaux, Mark Noriega, Juan Miguel, Bert Zita, Jim Hughes, Laurie Boedicker, Aspen Sergin, Robert Laurel, Janet Vilareal, Romero Family, Annie McTavish, John Francis, Orlando Nicolas, Blanca Lechner, Virginia Brynwood, Paolo Espiritu, John Clark, Kevin Bethsayag, Tyre Nichols, Steve TeSam, Jeanette Garcia, Mike Banegas, Bennett Zerrudo, Mark Noriega, Carol Richardson, Nancy Rourke, Colleen Crowden, Jeff Ashii, Pamela Nolan CSC, Rosario and Paul Estepa

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

*Barona – Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m.
with Alyssa Parada.*

Sacramental Preparation with Mark Price are ongoing each Wednesday.

Viejas – 3:00 PM

Barona – 4:30 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

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



NOVEMBER

Wednesday, Nov. 1 – All Saints
Day mass, 8:00 AM at Barona

Thursday, Nov. 2 – All Souls
Mass and Grave Blessing
11:00 AM – Viejas
12:00 PM – Los Conejos
4:00 PM – Sycuan
6:30 PM – Barona

Sunday, Nov. 5 – Children's
mass led by Mark Price

Thursday, Nov. 23 –
*Thanksgiving Day mass – 8:00 AM at
Barona*



All Saints and All Souls

We thank you, God our Father, for this great company of witnesses surrounding us with their unseen presence. To Christ their gaze is turned. May our eyes also be fixed on him with whom we will one day be

united with all the saints, forever and ever. Amen.

PASTOR'S CORNER

LOVE is...

A reflection on the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Love is a commandment. How can love be commanded? Isn't love something essentially spontaneous and free? Isn't love that wonderful feeling that makes the world go round? How can you order someone to have a feeling?

Jesus is not speaking of a love-feeling or a love-emotion. This is where the mass media is misleading us; they present love as basically a feeling, a romantic-feeling, or at most, a temporary attraction. In its pure essence, love is the steady, disciplined will to seek the good of another. It is a commitment even when the senses, feelings, and emotions dictate the opposite. Yes, it can even be accompanied by emotions of affection, tenderness and pleasure. But not always.

Love is the decision to use oneself for the good of the other. Invert it and end up using the other for your own good. People often say hatred is the opposite of love. The opposite of love rather is selfishness.

In the Gospels, the verb "to love" is used 62 times, whereas the noun "love" is only used 9 times. As a verb therefore, it means that love is action, it expresses itself in deeds. Loving God is not only

uttering prayers to Him, but living a life according to His will. Loving your neighbor is actively treating him or her as you would like him or her to treat you.

Love is a decision of the will to keep on treating others well, even when you don't like the way they are treating you. That's why Jesus eventually gave a new commandment of love, "Love one another as I have loved you." The measure of loving is no longer how you love yourself, or how you want others to love you. It is how Jesus loved you. It is love that is not conditioned by others' behavior, not by his feelings and emotions, or senses. It is a love based on his will to love. This is the love that can do the impossible, life forgiving.

Learning to love as Jesus loves is not an easy task. It runs against our self-centered nature. That's why it takes a lifetime to learn it. As Mother Teresa said, "It is not what you do in life, but how much love you put into it that matters." For at the end of life, God will judge us according to the love that we gave (Mt. 25:49).

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