

# Weekend of October 30, 2022 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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

## NOVEMBER

**Tuesday, Nov 1<sup>st</sup>** – 8:00 AM, All Saints Day mass, Barona

**Wednesday, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>** – All Souls Day Schedule

11:00 AM – **Viejias**, Blessing of Graves

12:00 PM – **Conejos** – Mass and Blessing of graves. Candlelighting at dusk.

4:00 PM – **Sycuan**, Mass and Blessing of graves and candlelighting

6:30 PM – **Barona**, Mass and Blessing of graves, reading of names and candlelighting

**Sunday, November 6** – Daylight savings time ends at 2:00 AM. We will “fall back” one hour.



## COLLECTION for the MILITARY – Nov. 5 & 6

Our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), next weekend, a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS provides pastoral care to Catholic men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or who work for the federal government beyond U.S. borders - including those from our own parish and diocese. The AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more about the AMS, go to [www.milarch.org/nationalcollection](http://www.milarch.org/nationalcollection). Envelopes will be in the back of the church.



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

**Saturday:** 5:00 PM mass

**Sunday:** Sunday 8:00 AM. @ Shrine

**Confessions:** By appointment only

**Adoration:** 1st Fri. of the month (8:00 AM).

### **Viejias:**

**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...

Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, Donna Berardi, Billy, Penny and Daniel Vicaldo, Anthony Pico, Dolly Albano, Mike Montes, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell, Rosario Ravasco, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Purita Amparo, Wendy Reyes, Abraham Pascual, Richard Padua, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Ruben and Marcie Cu, Joyce Martinez, Elvira Hapin, Dustin Lutze, Deloris Louck, David Ramos, Felix Chiu, Edna De La Cruz Yusi, Marlon Amaranto, Sam Halabo, Bobby Curo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Walter Raczak, Billy Brown, Robert and Margie Cruz, Gina Curo, Rick Lechner, Mark Wise, Neil Quizon, Jim Hughes, Mary Begay, Tonito Arcangel, Juliet Ray, Xien Cabanero, Dennis Colton, Manny Ilagan, George Arviso, Ernie and Emy Lampa and Ludy Sierra, Cita Welch, Rose Ramos, Zita Haygood, Nestor Elman, Lilly Gautreaux

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

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

(K-High School) – Please see following day and time changes. All classes are a two year program.

#### **Barona, K-8th:**

Classes have changed to **Wednesdays:**

**3:30 pm** – 1<sup>st</sup> year students/ **First Communion**

**4:30 pm** – 2<sup>nd</sup> year students/ **First Communion**

**Sycuan:** 2<sup>nd</sup> year youth class is at **10:30 am.**

New students please contact Judy Oyos to arrange a time for class.



Donna Marie Hall passed away on Sept. 23, 2022 in Seattle, Washington, after many years of struggling with Alzheimer's. Nearly forty years ago, she became an active member of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, teaching catechism and singing in the choir. A memorial service will be held at 10:00am on Friday, Nov. 4 at the parish, followed by a coffee and cookie reception in the clubhouse. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Alzheimer's Association ([alz.org](http://alz.org)) in Donna's name.

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## PASTOR'S CORNER

### God Loves Us

### No Matter Who We Are

A reflection on the 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Palestine during the time of Jesus was under the rule of a foreign power—the Romans. Necessarily, this foreign power had to live out from the support of the ordinary people in the form of imposed taxes. The responsibility of collecting taxes was distributed to some chosen local people who were given a quote for every district or town. Already for this reason these local tax collectors were hated by their fellow Jews. Adding insult to injury, these tax collectors, as remuneration for their work, understandably, collected from their own people more than the quota that the Romans gave them to collect. We can, therefore, understand what today's reading says: He was a tax collector and was a very rich man.

It is not hard to understand, therefore, the fact that tax collectors were not only hated by their own people. They were considered a category of sinners whose company is to be avoided like a plaque or a contagious disease. Every Jew believes that tax collectors were not included in God's concern and love. They are not part of God's embrace. This is the reason why when the crowd heard that Jesus was

going to Zacchaeus' house, they grasped in disbelief saying, "He is going to a sinner's house as a guest."

Zacchaeus knew he was a sinner. It was part of his self-understanding that he was far away from God. As a sinner, he is not worth given attention by Jesus whom every Jew at that time, believed was somebody special sent by God, a representative of God. Then all of a sudden, this Jesus called him by name and invited himself to eat at his house. In the Jewish culture, both actions are symbols of one's desire to enter into a deep, personal, and loving relationship with a person. It means accepting a person into one's circle of friends; in short, they are symbols of one's love for a person.

The acceptance and love shown by Jesus melted all Zacchaeus' fears. He felt like everybody else, a son of Abraham loved by God despite his being a tax collector. He was loved by God. This was the only thing that mattered. This was also the turning point in the life of Zacchaeus. After his experience, he promised to reform his life. It is interesting how the Gospel today ends, Jesus says: Today salvation has come to this house, for this is what it means to be a son of Abraham. We are accepted and loved the way we are, even though how deeply we have fallen, even though how far we imagine ourselves to be from God, even in the dirt that we are in, at the moment, we are loved by God.

*Fr. Magdaleno Fabiosa, SVD (VCR, CKMS, Q.C.)*



**Zacchaeus  
and Jesus**