

# Weekend of November 21, 2021

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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



**Thursday, November 25** – Thanksgiving Mass, 8:00 AM Mass, Barona

**December 4, 5 and 6** – Advent Retreat

**December 6** – Reconciliation Service

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021** – Sycuan Feast Day and Memorial Feast of Immaculate Conception–  
All reservations invited, followed by reception  
Mass –6:00 – Sycuan

**Friday, December 24, 2021** – Christmas Eve

**Masses**

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| 4:00 PM  | Sycuan |
| 7:00 PM  | Viejas |
| 10:00 PM | Barona |

**Christmas Day, Saturday 25, 2021**– Christmas Day Mass

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| 8:00 AM | Barona |
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### ZOOM CLASS

**Wednesday, December 1** – Please join us for Brother Ed Zoom class on Christmas Traditions – the Scriptural, Traditional and Modern celebration of Christmas

**Time:** 5:30 PM via zoom

**When:** Wednesdays, 12/1, 12/8, and 12/15  
Please send email to [bktparish@aol.com](mailto:bktparish@aol.com) if you would like join the class.

### CALENDARS

2022 calendars are now available and are located at the back of the church.

**On the Solemnity of Christ the King**

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)

NO CLASS Thursday, 11/25!  
Happy Thanksgiving



#### **Family Advent Activities**

Visit a live nativity

Make gingerbread houses

Make homemade Christmas cards

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Lord God almighty,  
you have anointed Jesus as the Christ  
not to rule a kingdom won by violence  
but to bear witness to the truth,  
not to reign in arrogance  
but to serve in humility and love,  
not to mirror this world's powers  
but to inherit a dominion that will not pass away.  
Freed from our sins by the blood of this faithful  
witness,  
Shape our service of others after the pattern of  
Christ's self-sacrificing love.  
This we ask of you. Amen.  
-Benedictine Daily Prayer

## **If Christ Is Within Us: The Kingdom of God Is Here**

A reflection on Christ the King

Today is the Feast of Christ the King. It is an interesting King we have – one who, in the gospel declares: “My kingdom does not belong to this world”.

The first two readings today are apocalyptic. We are called to be dreamers, to be visionaries – to imagine what it would be like if our entire physical world, this earth, this America, this San Diego were indeed the Kingdom of God. As the reading from Revelations says, we would be a people free from sin. Given the daily events in our lives, a world without sin would truly be an amazing place! Imagine the evening news without a murder to talk about, a theft to report on, a lie from a politician to relate... imagine no reports of people living without heat, no stories about children abandoned or abused... imagine nothing on the news about any of the “ism's” which inflict our world – no racism, no consumerism... Imagine a world where there are no abortion clinics, no one is starving, no one is homeless and, most of all, no person is unloved!!! This is what the Kingdom of God is to look like.

We can never make the Kingdom of God a reality in the world unless, first, it is a reality in our own lives. Jesus said: “the Kingdom of God is within you”. To bring about the Kingdom of God within us we must...

1. Pray – we must communicate with God dwelling within our souls. We must give that thing which we seem to hold most precious in our own lives to God – we must give God “time”. Not just any sort of time, not just the time that exists when we have nothing to do – we need to give God “prime time”. How else will we ever find the “kingdom of God within” except by taking the time to be with God?

2. Heal – we approach the season of Advent. There is something about the season of the birth of Our Lord that reaches hearts and souls and causes them to remember those in need. Our God calls us to see that the needs of the

poor are not seasonal. Our relationship with God cannot be seasonal. God's call is to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless and visit the sick is “24 and 7”; that is, 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.

3. Love and Forgiveness – the Kingdom of God is based on love and forgiveness. For us to find it within ourselves, we must first love and forgive ourselves. Usually, it is easier to forgive others than it is to forgive our “selves”. If we forgive someone else, there is a certain amount of credit we claim from that person. For us to agree to be loved and forgiven in our culture of personal independence is very, very hard.

In the spiritual exercise of Ignatius Loyola, we are presented with two kings to meditate upon – first the false king, on a throne with fire and smoke and people in fear of him, a king who masses power and snares people in chains of material wealth. Christ, on the other hand, stands in a lowly place, drawing men and women into a liberated life free of feeling insecure about both the material in life and the spiritual in life. It is this king that the exercises of Ignatius ask us to consider before thinking about Advent and Christmas. This king simply desires that we be with him.

Jesus loved those who acknowledged their need for him, those who needed healing and forgiveness. He loved those who acknowledged that they were not kings of their own lives and had faith that Jesus was in charge.

We can either acknowledge Jesus as King or try to be king ourselves. We can let Jesus heal and forgive. Or we can despair of healing and forgiveness and turn over the kingship in our lives to money or power or other sins and give those values the absolute dominion in our lives. We start with faith in Jesus and what he said and did. We give over to him the absolute power in our lives. We make peace, justice and love our primary values. We work at spreading the Kingdom by loving, forgiving, and healing.

If we do these things, we will embrace the kingdom of God that is within each of us.