

Weekend of April 6

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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....

Michele Nikas Beaman, John Nikas, Joyce Martinez, Dustin Lutze, Sam Halabo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Robert and Margie Cruz, Mary Begay,

Tonito Arcangel, Juliet Ray, George Arviso, Rose Ramos, Zita Haygood, Lilly Gautreaux, Mark Noriega, Jim Hughes, Laurie Boedicker, Aspen Sergin, Robert Laurel, Janet Vilareal, John Francis, Orlando Nicolas,

Paolo Espiritu, John Clark, Kevin Bethsayag, Tyre Nichols, Steve TeSam, Jeanette Garcia, Mike Banegas, Bennett Zerrudo, Carol Richardson, Nancy Rourke,

Jeff Ashii, Rosario and Paul Estepa, Haley Price, Mark Marquez, Lulu Cabinatan, Michael Martinez, Fr.

Earl Henley, MSC, Connie Devera, Don Speer, Meta Roubedeaux, Eileen Hansotte, DJ LaChappa, Marcella Villanova, Michael McKnight, Lulu

Cabinatan, Donald Lee, Gabriel Marquez, Sr., Joseph

Kardian, Bear Cuero, Autumn Cheyenne Russo,

Frances Banegas, Diane Robetkey, Ed Sloan, Cindy

McAllister, Flora Keldani and Gene Cortez,

Joyce Rottenberg, Johnny Valencic, Kelly Bonde,

Lucinda Thompson, Raelene Lynch

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education with Alyssa Parada:

Barona: 3:00 PM – First Communion Prep

4:15 – All ages Religious Ed

Sacramental Preparation with Mark Price:

UPCOMING EVENTS

Viejas: 3:00 PM

Barona: 4:30 PM

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

APRIL



April 15 - Holy Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. mass

April 16 – Holy Wednesday – 8:00 a.m. mass

TRIDUUM

Thursday, April 17 – Maundy Thursday
mass, 6:30 p.m., Barona clubhouse

Friday, April 18 – Good Friday service
with Stations of the Cross, 3:00 p.m.,
Barona

Saturday, April 19 –
10:00 AM – Practice for Easter Vigil

7:30 PM or when the sun sets – Easter Vigil
Mass at Barona Shrine

Sunday, April 20 – Easter mass at all
reservations, regular times.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your
glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

-Roman Missal

PASTOR'S CORNER

A Merciful and Compassionate God A Lesson we learn from the Adulterous Woman Reflection on the 5th Sunday of Lent Year C

As we approach the final stretch of our Lenten journey, today's readings invite us to reflect on the themes of transformation, mercy, and the call to renewal in Christ. The 5th Sunday of Lent, Year C, focuses on the story of the woman caught in adultery (John 8:1-11), a powerful narrative that speaks to the compassionate and transformative love of Jesus.

In the Gospel, we encounter a woman who is publicly condemned, her sin exposed for all to see. The Law of Moses was clear: she should be stoned to death. Yet, Jesus, with great wisdom, responds not with judgment but with an invitation to mercy and reflection: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

In His words, Jesus reminds us that we are all in need of God's mercy and forgiveness. No one is without sin. In this moment, He does not dismiss the seriousness of sin, but He calls for a deeper, more compassionate response. Instead of condemnation, He offers forgiveness and a chance to start anew.

This passage challenges us in a few key ways:

Reflection on Our Own Judgments – How often do we rush to judgment about others?

Jesus calls us to examine our own hearts before condemning others. We are reminded that we are all in need of God's grace.

The Call to Mercy – As we receive forgiveness, we are called to extend that same mercy to others. Lent is a season of renewal, where we are called to open our hearts to others, just as Christ opens His heart to us.

Transformation through Christ – The woman caught in adultery experiences a profound transformation: from shame and condemnation to forgiveness and hope. Jesus does not simply forgive her; He invites her to go and "sin no more," offering her a new chance at life. This is the message of Lent: through repentance, fasting, and prayer, we open ourselves to the transformative power of God's grace.

As we continue our journey through Lent, let us take this opportunity to reflect on the times we have been quick to judge, the moments when we have needed forgiveness, and the ways in which we can extend mercy to others. Christ's love does not just forgive, it transforms. Let us open ourselves to that transformation, so that we may more fully live out the call of Christ in our own lives.

Let us pray:

Lord, thank You for Your boundless mercy. Help us to reflect Your love to others by showing forgiveness, compassion, and understanding. May this Lent bring us closer to You, that we may experience the transformation of our hearts and become more faithful witnesses of Your grace. Amen.

