

Weekend of May 2 & 3, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Our regular Mass Schedule is cancelled until further notice.

Barona:

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

Weekends: Saturday, 5:00 PM, Sunday 8:00 AM.

Confessions: Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 PM

Adoration: 1st Thurs. of the month (6:00 PM) and 1st Fri. of the month (8:00 AM).

Viejas:

Weekends: Sunday, 10:00 AM.

Confessions: By appointment.

Sycuan:

Weekends: Sunday, Noon.

Confessions: By appointment.



Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angelo Samot, Donna Berardi, Daniel Vicaldo, Kash Osuna-Sutton, Anthony and Diana Pico, Dolly Albano, Ray Mayor, Mike Montes, Bobbie Turner, 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 Haurutuyanian, Gina Lloyd, Bobby Curo, Abraham Pascual, Eugene "Gino" Vicaldo, Skylar Rosas

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

ATTENTION!

You are now able to donate online to St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish on our website, bktparish.com. You are able to donate by debit, credit card or paypal. You can also continue to send your tithes and offerings to:

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish
1054 Barona Road, Lakeside, CA 92040

Thank you so much for your continued support.

UPCOMING EVENTS

All parish events are cancelled until further notice.

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PARTICIPATE IN MASS

by livestreaming with Fr. Herman
Weekdays, Tues-Friday at 3:00 PM,

Sunday mass is livestreamed Saturdays at
5:00 PM

Just go on Facebook under Herman Manuel



RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Fr Herman will be outside of the church at
6:00 – 7:00 PM Saturday evenings in Barona,
Sundays -10:00 AM Viejas and 12 noon in
Sycuan

for those who would like to receive
communion.

Please line up in your cars, come out one by
one, and please observe social distancing.



May 9 & 10 – Mother's Day gifts will be distributed during communion. Please follow the guidelines for receiving communion.

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SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

When to pray this spiritual Communion Prayer

In times like Pandemic Outbreak when we cannot attend Sunday Masses, we can pray the prayer of Spiritual communion. This involves expressing our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist, and asking Him to unite Himself with us. The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith, an Act of Love, a desire to receive Christ, and an invitation to Him to come into your heart.



Jesus, the Good Shepherd

A reflection on the 4th Sunday of Easter

We call today “Good Shepherd Sunday”. Jesus calls Himself, the Good Shepherd because he knows each one of us his flock and he lays down his life for us. Hence, as a Good Shepherd, he emphasizes God’s love for us which is important for us to reflect upon.

The message of God’s love is one the Jews of His time did not understand. We are not sure why. Perhaps it is because they expected the Messiah to be a warrior king who would deliver them from their conquerors. That picture did not square at all with the image of a gentle, kindly, forgiving Messiah. There are none so blind as those who will not see.

Yet God certainly tried hard enough to explain to his people what the Messiah would be like. The prophets described him as the suffering servant, a bruised reed, and time and time again, he rescued the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt, from hunger and thirst in the desert, from Seraph serpents and delivered them into the land of milk and honey.

The image of God the Father as a loving parent is continued by Jesus throughout the gospels.

Jesus forgave the woman caught in adultery, He compares His Father to the father of the prodigal son, He forgives the adulterous woman, works a cure for the woman at the well, promises paradise to the thief on the cross and spends His time healing the sick. Like Father, like Son

In today’s gospel we are depicted as sheep. Jesus describes the love He has for His flock. “I am the good shepherd” He says. Then He lists 3 things that qualify Him to be called the good shepherd.

First, He is not a hireling. He doesn’t work for pay. He directs the comment at the Pharisees who were legally the official shepherds of the Jewish people but who were apparently only interested in their own personal welfare. The only compensation Jesus asks is to be loved in return.

Second, the Good Shepherd knows His flock. Nobody likes to be called “What’s his name”. We like to be known, to be recognized and respected. The good Shepherd knows each member of His flock by name.

Third, the Good Shepherd will lay down His life for His sheep and He did. Jesus once said that no greater love exists in the world that when a person lays down his life for his friend.

This beautiful little word picture of Christ the Good Shepherd is something that strikes home; it makes sense. However, there is one condition, one proviso, gently inserted: They are my sheep who know Me in the same way the Father knows Me; they are My sheep if they hear My voice; for these sheep I gladly give my life.

Happy Good Shepherd Sunday!!!

"I am the **good shepherd**. The **good shepherd** lays down his life for the sheep."

John 10:11

