

Weekend of January 4 **The Epiphany of the Lord**

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, Margie Cruz, Mary Begay, Tonito Arcangel, Juliet Ray, George Arviso, Rose Ramos, Lilly Gautreaux, Jim Hughes, Laurie Boedicker, Aspen Sergin, Robert Laurel, Janet Vilareal, Paolo Espiritu, Tyre Nichols, Jeanette Garcia, Mike Banegas, Bennett Zerrudo, Carol Richardson, Jeff Ashii, Rosario and Paul Estepa, Haley Price, Mark Marquez, Lulu Cabinatan, Michael Martinez, Fr. Earl Henley, MSC, Rudy Duerro, Don Speer, Eileen Hansotte, DJ LaChappa, Michael McKnight, Lulu Cabinatan, Donald Lee, Gabriel Marquez, Sr., Joseph Kardian, Bear Cuero, Frances Banegas, Diane Robetkey, Ed Sloan, Flora Keldani and Gene Cortez, Paul Castello, Robert Kuhl, Joyce Rottenberg, Johnny Valencic, Kelly Bonde, Lucinda Thompson, Eva Walters, Spud Brown, Edna Gomez, Vera Tucker, Jack Ramirez, Rudy Duero, John Holsbo, Pat Wooley, Marvi Artugue, Yanni Aquino, Cynthia Dominguez, Dr. Gerry Directo and

Baby Selene Vasquez

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/OCIA

*Classes will break on 12/22/25 –
1/4/26 for Christmas and New Year's,
classes will resume on
Wednesday, 1/7/26!*

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

JANUARY 2026

Thursday, Jan 1 – New Year's Day
Mass, 8:00 AM at Barona

Sunday, Jan 4 – Children's Mass at
all reservations

Monday, Jan 19 – Martin Luther
King, Jr. Day

New Year's Blessing

*O God of ancient blessing,
Your servant Mary pondered in her
heart
the treasured words spoken about
her Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Bless us as we gather in his name,
and prepare our hearts to receive his
Spirit,
that our tongues may confess him
Lord,
Every day of this new year,
and for ever and ever.
Amen.*



**2026 Calendars are now
available and are in the back of
the church.**

PASTOR'S CORNER

**"We Have Seen His Star"
Solemnity of the Epiphany of the
Lord**

Dear brothers and sisters,

Happy Epiphany of the Lord!

The Solemnity of the Epiphany reminds us that Jesus did not come for only one people, one culture, or one nation. He came for all. The Gospel tells us about the Magi—wise men from distant lands—who followed a star, trusting that it would lead them to truth, light, and life.

In many Native traditions, when travelers journey through unfamiliar land, they watch the sky, the land, and the signs around them. They trust that the Creator leaves marks along the way to guide the heart. The Magi did the same. They read the signs of the heavens, listened deeply, and were willing to travel far to encounter the Child who would change the world.

Epiphany is not just about what the Magi discovered—it is about what we are

called to discover. Christ continues to reveal himself today:

*---in the poor and the stranger,
---in moments of prayer and silence,
---in acts of justice, mercy, and compassion,
---and in our own communities when we walk together in faith.*

When the Magi finally met Jesus, they offered gifts—gold, frankincense, and myrrh. These gifts symbolized their recognition of who Jesus truly was. Today, the Lord asks us for our own gifts: our faith, our time, our service, our willingness to follow his light even when the path is uncertain.

May this Epiphany remind us that God's light still shines. The star is still there. And each of us is invited to follow it—and to become that light for others.

Yours in the Divine Word,

Fr. Herman Manuel, SVD

PRAYER

Creator God,

You placed a star in the sky to guide the seekers to your Son.

Guide us by your light today.

Open our eyes to see Christ in every person we meet,

strengthen our feet to walk the path of justice and peace,

and open our hearts to offer our lives as gifts of love.

May we reflect your light to our families, our communities,

and to all the nations of the earth.

Amen.



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