

Weekend of September 7
Twenty-third Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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, Paolo Espiritu, Kevin Bethsayag, Tyre Nichols, 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, Rudy Duerro, Don Speer, Meta Roubedeaux, Eileen Hansotte, DJ LaChappa, Michael McKnight, Lulu Cabinatan, Donald Lee, Gabriel Marquez, Sr., Joseph Kardian, Bear Cuero, Frances Banegas, Diane Robetkey, Ed Sloan, Cindy McAllister, Flora Keldani and Gene Cortez, Antonio Sunga, Paul Castello, Robert Kuhl, Joyce Rottenberg, Johnny Valencic, Kelly Bonde, Lucinda Thompson, Eva Walters, Spud Brown, Joseph Villaverde, Edna Gomez, Verta Tuck, Jack Ramirez, Rudy Duerro

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.



You have one precious life to give. How do you choose to offer it to God? Be willing to accept the challenges of discipleship.

UPCOMING EVENTS

***DIVINE WORD MISSIONARIES and
SISTER SERVANTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
1-800-553-3321***

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



***Sunday, September 7 – 10:30 AM, Feast
Day of Viejas mass***

***Saturday, September 13 – The Feast of
San Lorenzo Ruiz at Holy Family Catholic
Church, 9:30 AM – rosary, 10:00 AM –
Eucharistic Celebration***

***Sunday, September 14 – Children's Mass
at all reservations***

***Sunday, September 16 – 6:30 PM at
Rincon Hall, Last planning meeting for
Indigenous Day mass.***

***Monday, Sept. 22 – Thursday, Sept. 25 –
Convocation of Priests at Temecula, Fr.
Herman will be attending. There will be no
8:00 AM morning masses M-F this week.***

***Sunday, September 26 – 3RD Annual
Native American Indigenous People
Mass, St. Bartholomew Chapel, 5411
Mazzetti Lane, Valley Center, CA. Mass
begins at 10:00 AM. Lunch will follow,
please bring a side dish or dessert to share.***

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/OCIA***

***Note: Just Alyssa's class will be on
FRIDAYS***

***Barona K-8th (with Alyssa Parada): FRIDAYS
at 4:00 PM***
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Sacramental Education for youth who are pursuing confirmation and Adult classes:

Viejas/Sycuan (with Mark Price): 3:00 PM – WEDNESDAYS

Barona (with Mark Price): 4:30 PM WEDNESDAYS

ADULT OCIA ages 18 and older (with Judy Robinson at Barona): 6:00 PM WEDNESDAYS

Any questions? Please contact Judy Robinson or church office at

619-443-3412 or bktparish@aol.com

PASTOR'S CORNER

Walking in Balance with

God and Creation

**A reflection on the 23rd Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

The Word of God today speaks to us about the cost of discipleship. Jesus tells His followers: "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." These are not easy words. They remind us that following Christ is not simply about comfort or convenience, but about commitment, sacrifice, and trust.

In the first reading from the Book of Wisdom, we hear how limited human understanding can be. We often see only the surface of things and struggle to grasp the deeper meaning of God's plan. But through his Spirit, the Creator reveals wisdom and strength that go beyond our own ways of thinking. This is a reminder that our ancestors—those who walked these lands before us, who lived close to the earth and to one another—also understood that life requires humility before something greater.

For us, here in the sacred lands of Southern California, these words invite us to reflect: What does it mean to follow Jesus here and now? Our Kumeyaay brothers and sisters remind us through their traditions that everything is connected—the land, the waters, the people, and the Creator's Spirit. To follow Christ is to live in that same awareness: that our choices matter, that our discipleship is not just private, but affects the community and creation around us.

Jesus asks us to count the cost. Like a builder who plans before raising a home, or a warrior who measures before battle, we too must ask: Are we ready to walk with Christ when it is not easy? Are we willing to set aside selfishness and live with generosity, compassion, and justice?

In a world so often divided by violence, greed, and indifference, discipleship means something radical: to live differently, to choose peace when others choose anger, to share when others hold back, and to forgive when others cling to resentment.

This week, may we hear Jesus' call with open hearts. May we carry our crosses with courage, not alone, but together as a community walking with one another. And may the Spirit give us the wisdom to see beyond our own understanding, to trust that God's love will guide us on the path.

PRAYER

Creator God,

***You call us to walk the path of discipleship
with courage and humility.***

***Help us to carry our crosses with faith,
to live in harmony with the land and with
one another,***

***and to follow Your Son with open hearts.
Bless our communities here in San Diego
and across this land,***

***that we may live in dignity, unity, and
peace. Amen.***

