

Weekend of November 10

Thirty-second 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, Richard Nikas, Irmina Gines, Gimo Manuel, Marcie Cu, Joyce Martinez, Dustin Lutze, Sam Halabo, Lisa Smallwood, Eleanor Davis Wallace, Robert and Margie Cruz, Mike Wise, Neil Quizon, Jim Hughes, 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, Caroline Mendoza, Connie Devera, Don Speer, Meta Roubedeaux, Eileen Hansotte, DJ LaChappa, Marcella Villanova

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday, November 27 – No classes for Thanksgiving break.

Religious Education with Alyssa Parada:

Barona: 3:00 PM – First Communion Prep

4:15 – All ages Religious Ed

Sacramental Preparation with Mark Price:

Viejas: 3:00 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

Barona: 4:30 PM

Sunday Mass is livestreamed @ 8:00 AM, Barona.

Just go on Facebook under Herman Manuel



Monday, November 11 – Veterans Day

November 10 – 15 – SVD retreat, Fr. Herman will be attending. There will be no 8:00 AM mass at Barona that week.

November 16 & 17 – National Needs

Collection. This weekend has been designated for the 2024 Collection for National Needs. Special envelopes will be available for the collection, which supports the Black and Indian Missions, the Catholic Home Missions, the Catholic Communication Campaign, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, and the Catholic University of America.

Thursday, November 28 – Thanksgiving Day mass – 8:00 AM at Barona

A PRAYER FOR OUR VETERANS

Father, bless our veterans and all who serve our nation defending our freedom. For those who bravely gave their lives, grant them eternal rest. For those who are serving, give them courage. For those who served, we offer our gratitude. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

-Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Church

Jesus upholds the example of the widow who puts two small coins into the Temple treasury as the greatest treasure given. We are to give not out of our surplus, but from our very selves.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Quality Versus Quantity of Giving

A reflection on the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We sometimes hear people say, rightly or wrongly, that the poor are more generous than the rich. But are they really? What is your take on this? Our answer might probably depend on where we come from. If we believe that generosity is determined by how much we give, then the rich WHO you usually can give more are therefore more generous than the poor. Agree? This was what the Pharisees and the Scribes thought. That is why Jesus' statement in our gospel reading was to say the least a big surprise to them.

The Gospel reading today has two parts: 1) Warning against the teachers of the Law and 2) The widow's offering. For this Sunday, let me dwell more on #2, the widow's offering. Here, we read the many rich people came to the Temple and threw in large amounts of money into the Temple box as offering while the poor widow just put in two very small copper coins worth only a few cents.

If we go by the quantity or amount of their offerings, then the rich who gave more than the poor widow can be said, indeed, to be more generous. But if we go by the quality or sincerity of one's offering, then the poor widow gave more, much more. For, as our Lord himself noted, this poor widow out of her poverty, put in everything that she had to live on, I repeat, EVERYTHING that she had to live on!

Though the rich gave more to the Temple treasury, whose money by the way, made the upkeep of the temple

possible, let us remember that they gave out of their abundance, and therefore, did not hurt their pockets too much.

From this, we can conclude that generosity, which can either be quantitative or qualitative, has two possible interpretations of one and the same act. But as to what is more pleasing to God. Jesus himself has answered it for us. It was the "generosity" of the widow that pleased him more because what she did was a sacrificial and selfless act. What the widow did was something that showed vividly her complete faith and trust in God's Divine Providence while not minding her own needs.

Today, we need more people who are as generous as the rich man but also more of the likes of the poor widow, who are willing to risk all for God and His Kingdom. We need people who are, as someone put it loving, living and giving sacrificially and selflessly? for the sake of the kingdom of God.

Further Reflections:

"Nobody is poor that he has nothing to give and nobody so rich that he has nothing to receive." ---St. Pope John Paul II

Real generosity carries with it always the sweet smell of sacrifice. Generous behavior is a light that shines through the darkness.

Fr. Vicente Uy, SVD

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