

Weekend of Feb. 11 @

12, 2017

6th Sunday in Ordinary

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| Sunday, 8:00 AM | Mell & Buddy Curo |
| Sunday, 10:00 AM | Community of Viejas |
| Sunday, Noon | Community of Sycuan |

Bingo Night!

Hosted by Queen of Angels Ladies Auxiliary
Bring family and friends (over 18 only)

When: Friday, February 24, at 6:00 PM

Where: Parish Hall, 2569 W. Victoria Drive, Alpine

Mass Schedule

Barona:

Daily Rosary and Mass: Wednesday 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



Sessions on Prayer: This course will be on the many types of prayer, such as scriptural, meditation, contemplation, centering, and formal. Mindfulness, a style of meditation that has been sweeping the nation, has one of its origins in Catholic spirituality. Come see which style of prayer best suits you. There will be 6 sessions, beginning on Wednesday, February 15. We will not meet on Ash Wednesday. The last session will be on March 29. Place: Ed Nolan's office, 6:30 PM.

Upcoming Events

Annul Catholic Appeal: Please take a brochure explaining the ACA, an envelope, and a pledge card.

Evelyn LaBrake's Anniversary services: Friday, March 3, Rosary at 7:00PM-Saturday March 4, 10:00AM Mass and blessing of the gravestone, Reception to follow.

March 5, 2017: Family Mass

Turn Your Clocks Ahead on Sunday, March 12, daylight savings time begins



Gilbert Rodriguez, Tom Hyde, Elijah Diaz (Bear), Carol Lane, Father Ron Hebert, Donna Berardi, Anita Curo, Sue Kierig, Bob & Colleen Crowden, Ro Harrison, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angela Samot, Lourdes Adoron

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

Mass Intentions – February 12, 2017



March 1, 2017

Barona 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM
Sycuan 5:00 PM
Viejas 7:00 PM

Religious Education

Barona

Classes for Grades K – 8 meet on Thursdays at 2:30 and 3:30 PM.

Classes for High School and Confirmation meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM.

Viejas: Classes meet on Wednesdays, at 3:30PM, Kateri Hall

Sycuan: Classes meet on Tuesdays, 4:00 PM.

Call Ed Nolan to register your children.

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat for all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.

Fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means all are obliged not to eat in between meals and the main meal is not to equal the two smaller meals. For health reasons, this obligation is dispensed. If you are over fifty-nine this obligation is optional.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A newly installed bishop, who is a stickler for church rules, tells his clergy on their first meeting: "Henceforth this diocese will be ruled by Canon Law."

An old priest, who is hard of hearing leans to a young priest sitting beside him, asks, "What did he say?"

The young cleric replies within earshot, "The bishop says, 'Henceforth this diocese will be RUINED by the Canon Law.'"

Laws and rules are important but when imposed rigidly, they do not only become burdensome but also ruin the real spirit of the law.

Contrary to the onerous interpretations imposed by the established religious leaders (Pharisees), Jesus went beyond the letter of the law, exposing the underlying purpose and the MOTIVE for keeping it.

For instance, the Scribes and Pharisees during Christ's time were unbending in observing the law of the Sabbath. Any kind of activity was forbidden. But the Lord opposed this by healing the sick or doing good works, saying "the Sabbath was made for men and not men for the Sabbath." In short, the Lord allowed exceptions to the law for acts of charity.

Moreover, the Pharisees imposed animal offerings as part of Jewish tradition, but the worshippers in the temple had to buy them only from their own shops, and at a much higher price. The people, especially the poor, were exploited.

Hence, in the Gospel of the 6th Sunday in Ordinary time, Jesus warned the people, "Unless your justice exceeds that of the Scribes and Pharisees, you shall not enter the kingdom of Heaven" (Mt. 5:20).

We are not any different from the Scribes and Pharisees when we behave like them. For instance, some Christians know the exact limits of their obligation when it comes to churchgoing, fasting, almsgiving, or committing sin. Hence, we hear them saying: "In what part of the Mass can we still come in so it is considered as a Sunday Mass and we don't commit a mortal sin?"

This is viewing the Mass as a mere obligation, a legalistic and immature attitude.

The real spirit and right motive behind Mass going is to show our faith in a personal God whom we honor, respect, and love.

Moreover, our worship of God is pleasing to Him if it overflows into love for our fellowmen. To express our love for God at Mass or our devotions, but we despise, hate, or cheat our fellowmen, is a contradiction.

A wealthy matron employs a good number of workers in her company. She's a religious woman who goes to Mass every day and takes pride in her numerous religious images. But here's the rub: The employees had been groaning over their low salaries, prompting them to grumble and making remarks like, "She prays and prays and prays but she is a hard-

How about us? Are we prayerful and strict in observing church laws but harsh and unjust to our workers? We may condemn the Scribes and Pharisees for their hypocrisy but do we somehow behave like them?

