

Weekend of January 6 &

7, 2018

*Feast of The Epiphany of
the Lord*

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).

Viejias:

Weekends: Sunday, 10:00 AM.

Confessions: By appointment.

Sycuan:

Weekends: Sunday, Noon.

Confessions: By appointment



Gilbert Rodriguez, Tom Hyde, Carol Lane, Anita Curo,
Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angelo Samot,
Lourdes Adora, Donna Berardi, Secora Nelson, Daniel
Vicaldo, Kash Osuna-Sutton, Gabe Dowell, Diana Pico,
Clayton Curo, Bobby Malibago, Dolly Albano, Ray
Mayor, Mike Montes, Judy Bonnell

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

Mass Intentions – Dec. 31, 2017

Weekend Masses:

Sunday, 8:00 AM John and Dora Curo

Sunday, 10:00 AM Community of Viejas

Sunday, Noon Community of Sycuan

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

Viejias: Classes meet on Wednesdays, 3:30, Kateri
Hall.

**Please note: Religious Education classes will
resume on all reservations this week.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, January 14, 2018 – Family mass on all
reservations

Saturday, January 20, 2018, 10:00 AM, Barona –
Boxie Phoenix Anniversary mass. Reception follows.

First Eucharist (Communion)

Requirements: For children baptized in another
parish, a baptismal certificate is required. All children
must be enrolled in the appropriate grade level of the
parish religious education program for two years.

Additional Information: Children will usually make
their Penance (Confession) and First Communion in
the 3rd Grade. Children beginning the program in the
3rd Grade or later will receive these sacraments after
their second year of preparation.

Be Our Daily Star

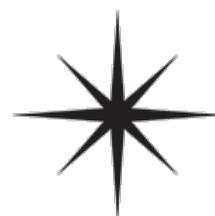
An Epiphany Prayer

God of all heaven and earth,
From the breath of your love came the creation of the
world.

We are amazed at the vast beauty of the night sky and
at the intimate nature of the love you have for us your
children.

Be our daily star,
Guiding our lives to search for kingdom love.
May we always follow your light of truth in all that
we do,
Forever trusting, hoping and believing in your word.
Lift our eyes tonight to see your eternal life shining
brightly,
Leading us home.

Amen.



**Ed's Partial Retirement
After 40 Years of Service**

After 40 years of service upon the reservations, and on his 70th birthday, Ed Nolan will be paritally retiring as of Sunday, January 14, 2018. His days on the reservations will be Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week. He will still be available for Children's Masses, and will have some availability for anniversaries and funerals. Ed has enjoyed the people and his work on the reservations through the years, and expresses deep gratitude to those who have supported him in his ministry at Barona, Viejas, and Sycuan.



Our Prayers Go With You, Diana

It is with great appreciation we say good-bye to Diana Logue, who has been our parish secretary for the past 15 years. She is retiring to make more time available in her personal life. She will fondly remember the people of the parish, and prays for God's blessings on them. She has helped the parish organizationally and functionally: preparing the calendar for the church year, the religious education schedule, recording death anniversaries, preparing the weekly bulletin, typing readings for Family Masses, and keeping parish sacramental records up to date. We wish her years filled with God's graces and our many thanks and blessings.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Happy New Year and Happy Epiphany to all of you!

This Sunday, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. This observance is originally called the "Feast of the Wise Men" from Persia who arrived in Bethlehem to adore the newborn Messiah.

In many Eastern Christian Churches, the Epiphany on January 6 is the primary celebration of the birth of Christ. In the Roman Catholic Church, Vatican II

moved the date of the celebration from January 6 to the first Sunday after New Year's Day. In many cultures, Epiphany marks the culmination of the Christmas season, being the twelfth day of Christmas.

Epiphany means "to make known" or "to reveal." Today's celebration focuses on our Lord's manifestation to all men and women of goodwill of His divinity albeit in His human form – in the person of the infant Jesus Christ. The Gospel reading today reminds us of the magi (the number, however, was not specified in the Scripture) who represent the Gentiles and all non-Jewish peoples of the world, who paid homage to Jesus. This act of worship by the wise men, which is related to the prophecy of Simeon that this child Jesus would be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles" (Luke 2:32), was one of the first signs that Jesus was sent by the Father to save all mankind, regardless of race or gender and that the work of God in the world is universal.

This day is set aside by the Church to remember that our Lord Jesus came for all and not for a select few. The light of Christ illumines all men and women and must likewise be radiated by all who believe in Him so that more and more people may come to know, worship, and serve Him and thereby share in the gift of salvation.

The Solemnity of the Epiphany is a fitting time to nourish our oneness and Christian fellowship and to heal all wounds of division in our communities brought about by man's sinfulness. We thank the good Lord for shedding the light of His love and life upon us. We pray for His continued presence among us so that we may not only come to worship Him, who is the true "Light of the world" but also radiate His saving light to all by our witnessing to His Gospel values.

