

*Weekend of March 2 & 3, 2019*  
**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass Schedule**

**Barona:**

**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:** 2nd Thurs. of January (6:00 PM) and 1st Fri. of the month (8:00 AM). **Please note change for January.**

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



Gilbert Rodriguez, Tom Hyde, Carol Lane, Anita Curo, Sue Kierig, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angelo Samot, Donna Berardi, Secora Nelson, Daniel Vicaldo, Kash Osuna-Sutton, Gabe Dowell, Diana Pico, Dolly Albano, Ray Mayor, Mike Montes, Bobbie Turner, Mary Whitespear, Steve and Vera Tucker, Helen Cadiente, Berniece Marrujo, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell, Stephen Nolan, Agnes Ruiz, , Deacon Bill Clarke, Rosario Ravasco, Minerva Mayor, Michele Nikas Beaman, Richard Nikas, Purita Amparo, Wendy Reyes, Alicia Castro, Debbie Gonzalez, Frank LaChappa

**Please check prayer list and add names as desired.**

**Mass Intentions – March 3, 2019**

Weekend Masses:

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Sunday, 10:00 AM      Community of Viejas

Sunday, Noon      Community of Sycuan

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**SCHEDULE**

**Barona :** Grades K-8: Class meets on Thursday, 2:45 p.m. and 4:00 pm

**Sycuan:** Grades K-8, Class meet at 10:30 a.m. before Sunday Mass, High School meets Wednesday at 6:30 pm at the new tribal hall

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 6, 2019 – Ash Wednesday

March 10, 2019 – Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 17-19, 2019 – Lenten Retreat

March 21 – 24, 2019 – LA Rel. Ed. Congress



**SCHEDULE**

Barona - 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM

Sycuan - 5:00 PM

Viejas – 7:00 PM



March 10, 2019 at 2:00 am, move your Clocks 1 hour ahead so you'll be at mass on time.



**Lenten Journey to Easter**

We walk this Lenten journey with immigrants and refugees, lost, unsure of their journey's end, still longing for a home.

**We walk with those in poverty, unable to live lives of dignity, besieged by hunger and fear, trying to hold on day by day.**

**We walk with those mourning what is happening to God's creation, calling us all to better care and stewardship of the earth, its creatures, and all growing things.**

**We walk with women who are trafficked, who are abused, who are harassed, who still live in the silences, and who want to flee the darkness.**

**We walk with peacemakers, walking a very rocky road toward peace when so much conflict rages and so many fan the flames of violence. We walk with all those carrying burdens, yet we walk in faith and hope. Despite the suffering of the Cross, we walk toward an Easter dawning.**

**We move toward the seemingly impossible Resurrection, a time of justice and peace. We walk, called forward through the darkness by the Risen Christ. In his name we pray. Amen.**

- Jane Deren, PhD, Education for Justice

## **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

### **The Challenge of Being Christ-Like in Words, Actions and Attitudes. A reflection on the 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Do you notice that in today's world and age, it is easier for a lot of people to find mistakes in others; to be critical of the shortcomings of others; to be unsatisfied of other people's efforts rather than be appreciative? Or at least be tolerant? Or be supportive? To love rather than hate others?

Yet we fail to critique ourselves.

As what Jesus says in today's Gospel: "We see the speck in another person's eye but fail to see the log in ours". How true, isn't it? A person I fully respect always tells me to be careful when we point an accusing finger on another person,

because three of our own, in the same hand, are pointing at us.

Why do we act this way? Is it envy? Is it to cover our own shortcomings and/or failures? Either way this attitude is pernicious; it is self-destructive.

Several Sundays ago one of the Mass readings was St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 12, 12-27) in which St. Paul describes the Mystical Body of Christ. As baptized Christians, each one of us is a part of the same Mystical Body. And St. Paul furthermore makes note of how different each one of us is. "God put our bodies together in such a way that even the parts that seem the least important are valuable. He did this to make all parts of the body work together smoothly, with each part caring for one another." It is a wonderful concept, that each one of us born in Christ in baptism is intimately connected with each other that there should be unity among ourselves.

This unity is blessed by God, but because of human attitudes, and behaviors, we tend to disagree or oppose some parts of the Mystical Body. Hence we only see the bad instead of the good. This leading to false judgments. We allow certain biases to arise that prevent us from being close to people. In fact, there may be some individuals whose mere presence make us uncomfortable. Such attitudes and reactions are certainly not compatible with the notion of the Mystical Body of Christ.

Today's gospel from St. Luke follows immediately upon his beautiful explanation of unconditional love whereby we are to love even our enemies. This kind of love is not ordinary. It can only come with the grace of God. It is not easy after all to love our enemies. To do so requires a lot of effort and will. This is the challenge of today's gospel message to each one of us. We need to look at each other as a child of God removing our biases and false judgments. Instead we need to accept each other's shortcomings and imperfections. Let us always do our best to look at the good side of people.

Does this sound impossible or difficult to achieve? This is exactly the mission of Christ on earth: to transform the world, according to the will of His Father, especially the attitudes of people, that each one of us is really and

genuinely, by our actions and words a part of the  
Mystical Body of Christ

Today's gospel is a bold challenge for every one  
of us, as followers of Christ.