

Weekend of June 2 & 3, 2018
The Most Holy Body and Blood
Of Christ

Mass Schedule

Barona:
Daily Rosary and Mass: Tuesday 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



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, Clayton Curo, Dolly Albano, Ray Mayor, Mike Montes, Bobbie Turner, Mary Whitespear, Frank LaChappa, Steve and Vera Tucker, Helen Cadiente, William and Berniece Marrujo
Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

Mass Intentions – June 3, 2018

Weekend Masses:	
Sunday, 8:00 AM	John and Dora Curo
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Community of Viejas
Sunday, Noon	Debra Paquin

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Sycuan: Grades K-8, Class meets before Sunday Mass

By sharing the body and blood of Christ we are sealing our covenant with God. We are given the gift of life and asked to share it with others. Give thanks for this sustaining gift.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Grave Blessing, Sycuan: Saturday, June 9, 11:00 AM mass followed by grave blessing and meal
Grave Blessing, Conejos – Saturday, July 14, 12:00 PM Mass followed by grave blessing and potluck
Saturday, July 14, 2018 – 5:00 PM Mass at Barona
Sunday, July 15, 2018 – Celebration of St. Kateri Tekakwitha - Sycuan, 10:00 mass followed by lunch and activities.

Becoming a Catholic (RCIA)
Classes begin in August

This program is for adults who have not been baptized in any faith, or who were baptized in another Christian religion, and for those adult Catholics who have only been baptized.

Requirements: Baptized Catholics must bring a baptismal certificate.

Additional Information: Adults will make the sacraments needed in order to be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass.

Those over 18 should contact Ed Nolan, to begin preparations for these sessions.

79th National Tekakwitha Conference
July 18-22, 2018
Tacoma, Washington

The Tekakwitha Conference is a Roman Catholic institution that supports Christian ministry among Native Americans, primarily through its annual meeting. The Tekakwitha Conference began in 1939, when Bishop Aloisius Joseph Muench of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Fargo convened 27 missionaries and three Native American laymen to discuss their pastoral concerns about Northern Plains native communities, in what became an annual event. In 1940, its participants named the meeting, the Tekakwitha Conference in honor of Kateri Tekakwitha. At the annual meetings, priests, religious brothers and guest speakers involved in region discussed concerns

ranging from reservation life and Catholic schools, in the 1940s and 1950s to urban relocation, native customs in Catholic worship, native deacons, and native self-determination, in the 1960s and 1970s. Prior to 1977, it is believed that attendance at annual meeting remained less than 100 persons. You may visit website www.tekconf.org for more information.

Blessing of Travelers

***May God bless you with every heavenly blessing
and give you a safe journey;
wherever life leads you,
may you find him there to protect you.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Jesus is Lord

A reflection on the Most Precious Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

First of all, I would like to congratulate our students of catechism in Sycuan today for they are going to receive their First Communion. What a beautiful day to celebrate Corpus Christi.

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, popularly known as "Corpus Christi Day." In this Holy Mass we should thank God in a special way for having remained with us in the Most Holy Sacrament. The great theologians of history were not the ones who decided to celebrate this day. The idea arose spontaneously through popular demand. It was in the XIII century that Pope Urban IV officially instituted this great solemnity in the universal Catholic Church.

Since the beginning of the Church, common people have shown their faith in the real presence of Christ. From this faith sprang the devotion to the Holy Eucharist not only in Mass but also outside of Mass. Our Christian ancestors always believed that the Lord God was present in the tabernacle and we should do the same. Christ is there. And it is there that our adoration and love should be directed.

There are people who say, "Why should we celebrate the presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist? Christ is present everywhere?" Well, yes, Christ is present in all places. We see his presence in nature and it is

reflected in honest and true human relationships and, in a special way, he is present in the Catholic Church that he founded. Anywhere in the world that the Church prays, teaches, preaches or does charitable work, the presence of the Lord is indisputable. But, since that first Holy Thursday, since his Last Supper with the apostles, when Jesus took the bread and said, "this is my body," and he took the cup and said, "this is my blood," the Lord has been truly present, God and man, wholly and entirely, in the Holy Eucharist. Since then, when the Holy Mass is celebrated, the bread and the wine are transformed, by the work of the Holy Spirit, into the Body and Blood of Our Lord. This is a dogma of faith and anyone who does not believe this is either not Catholic or is Catholic in name only.

Our readings in Mass today help us to understand a little bit about the great mystery that we are celebrating. But we cannot discern with our eyes the radical transformation that occurs when the bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of the Lord. The presence of God under the appearance of bread and wine can only be perceived through faith. Unfortunately, the devotion and respect that we, as Catholics, should have for the Holy Eucharist has notably diminished over the last few decades. It is said that here, in this country, more than 50% of those who call themselves Catholic do not believe that during the Holy Mass the bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of the Lord. And they do not believe that Jesus is present in the tabernacle. This is the true origin of the crisis of faith that exists in this country and, unfortunately, in the rest of the world. The Church, on various occasions, has tried to highlight the importance of showing in various ways the reverence we should have for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist: benediction with the Holy Eucharist, processions, prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, the genuflections that we should be making when we pass before the tabernacle, and the reverence that we should show when the tabernacle is opened. In all of these ways we show our faith and adoration.

Today, on this Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, we come together at Mass as a community in the presence of our heavenly Father. As we celebrate the sacrifice and the victory of Our Lord Jesus Christ, let us give this great day its true meaning. May our attitude when we receive the Holy Eucharist today and always show that we really believe that Jesus Christ is the Lord.

**“Given
for
you.”**

