

Weekend of September 29 & 30, 2018
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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, Mae Guerrero, Susanna Gotell

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

Mass Intentions – September 30, 2018

Weekend Masses:	Darrell and Roni Romero
Sunday, 8:00 AM	Doreen Romero-Ford
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 pm and 4:00 pm
High School: – Wednesday, 6:30 pm

Important note: Parents are required to register the

children to attend classes.

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

All who serve in the name of Jesus will receive a reward. Encourage someone you know who would be of service as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 14 – Children’s Mass

Saturday, October 20 – Brother Ed’s 50th Anniversary Mass and Dinner Celebration

Wednesday, October 31 – All Saints Vigil Mass, 6:00 PM - Sycuan

Thursday, November 1 – All Saints Day Mass, 8:00 AM – Barona

Friday, November 2 – All Souls Mass and Grave Blessing, 11:00 AM – Viejas, 12:00 PM – Conejos 4:00 PM – Sycuan, 6:30 PM - Barona

Sunday, November 4 – Children’s Mass



Brother Ed Nolan 50th Anniversary in Ministry Mass and Dinner celebration

When: Saturday, October 20, 2018

Time: 5:00 PM Mass at Church, then Dinner at Barona Golf Event Center

Please rsvp to Fr. Herman Manuel, SVD or Sandy (619-249-3143) and indicate number of attendees. Thank you.

Prayer before Meals

Lord of the harvest,
 Bless this food,

Which comes to us in your gracious love.
Let your goodness be for us and all people
the source of abundant life
and health,
Both now and forever. Amen.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK
EVERYBODY IS ENTITLED TO DO
GOD'S WORK
A reflection on the 26th Sunday in
Ordinary time

Our Gospel Reading shows us how John approached Jesus and said to him, "We saw someone driving out demons in your name." The disciples had observed that the person who was driving out the demons did not belong to their group. Seeing this, they had prevented him from doing so. When the disciples told him this, the Lord did not like what he heard, because he did not think this was the right thing to do nor the appropriate action to take. This was intolerance. And, how could the Lord approve of the intolerance, or the small-mindedness, that his disciples were showing?

From the beginnings of its existence, our Church has taught that no single group, no single person, has a monopoly on Christian spirituality. People who are intolerant, who show favoritism, or who have a desire for power should not be allowed to enter into Christian communities. But, if they do enter, they should be shown that in our Church all of us have to act as Jesus did. The Gospel Reading today makes this clear. We should always remember that the Church belongs to all of us and that all of us have rights and responsibilities. We cannot reject people simply because they do not share our same spirituality or do not follow Jesus in the same way we do.

Being exclusive in any place, but especially in Church communities, can lead to sin. In our communities, in our groups, in the universal Catholic Church, we should act as Jesus showed

us: we are all part of the Body of Christ, the Church. We are all equal, no matter what the color of our skin, our ethnic group, our language or from which continent we come. We have the obligation to be kind to others and to welcome everyone equally. Christians will be known if in the community, or in whatever group they identify themselves with, they know how to welcome, to be kind and accepting of personalities or opinions which are contrary to their own. There will only be peace in our communities when we can act humbly without trying to impose our own will on others, in a word, when we stop trying to dominate everyone and everything.

The apostles learned very well the lesson that Christ gave them about tolerance and acceptance. No one should try to give us lessons on this. Remember that the apostles were the ones who led and unified the early Church by following the norms they had learned from the Master. The Apostle Saint James was the head of the Christian community in Jerusalem. In our Second Reading, Saint James warns us against the type of power that can lead us to avarice, small-mindedness and a desire to dominate. He seriously warns us about the desires that many people have to enrich themselves, taking advantage of others, cheating their brother and their sister. He exhorts us to cast aside this inordinate, and sinful, desire for money and power. He tells the rich that if they only worry about their riches, they run the risk of losing their souls.

What the Apostle is saying is reason enough for us to think about what we are doing, to start to detach ourselves from material things, instead of trying to obtain more, especially more of those things that are not necessary for us. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that we should practice the charity of the Lord in good and fraternal acts that will lead to heaven.

Even though Our Lord always preached against intolerance, he did not say that we had to consent to or be in agreement with sin. Respecting the opinions of others even though they may not be the same as ours shows the tolerance that Christ taught. What we cannot

tolerate is sin in whatever form it takes. Christ himself pardoned the sins of many people but he never made excuses for sinfulness. What the Lord really asks us to do is to follow the road that separates us from sin.



*"For where two or three
come together in my name,
there am I with them."*
Matthew 18:20, NIV