

Weekend of December 29 & 30, 2018
Holy Family

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, 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, Stephen Nolan, Agnes Mayor, Audrey Wallace, Deacon Bill Clarke

Please check prayer list and add names as desired.

Mass Intentions – December 30, 2018

Weekend Masses:

Sunday, 8:00 AM Darrell and Roni Romero
 Doreen Romero-Ford

Sunday, 10:00 AM Community of Viejas

Sunday, Noon Community of Sycuan

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
 SCHEDULE**

NOTE: DUE TO CHRISTMAS BREAK, THERE WILL BE NO CLASSES Dec 24 – Jan 6, 2019. Classes will resume on Wednesday, Jan 9, 2019.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

New Year's Mass Schedule

Mon., 12/31/18 New Year's Eve Mass – Sycuan 5:00 PM

Tues., 1/1/19 New Year's Day Mass – Barona 9:00 AM

January 13, 2019 – Children's Mass at all reservations



Blessing for a New Year

Remember us, O God;

From age to age be our comforter.

You have given us the wonder of time,

Blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.

Bless your children at the turning of the year
 And fill the months ahead with the bright hope
 that is ours in the coming of Christ.

You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.

Amen.



Jesus grew in wisdom, age, and grace in the midst of his family. How is your family growing in the midst of these challenging times? Seek out God's grace.

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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.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph as a Model of our Families

Jesus Christ began his work of redemption by being born into a simple family. His presence there sanctified the home. The Holy Family shows us that any Christian home, in order to be happy, within the happiness that one can find on this earth, should be founded in mutual love, giving, prudence and, above all, love of God. Only if we follow the example of the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph, will we gain the strength and wisdom we need to maintain our home afloat.

We are living the Christmas holiday season and in a few days we will begin a New Year. These days can be an ideal time to ask ourselves: how is my home doing? Is there peace in it? Understanding? Love? Do we place God above all? Or do we live as if God did not exist? Many of us know that a home, without love and fear of God, will never work out as it should?

The days between these two great feasts, Christmas and Epiphany, are perfect for meditating on the Blessed Virgin Mary as the Mother of Our Lord and the faithful spouse who raised her family with love and knew how to overcome many problems. We also have our problems. That is why, in order for us to be able to overcome them with dignity, as she did, we should read about her life and follow her example. Knowing that she intercedes for us before her Son, Jesus, we should ask her to help us to learn how to live a selfless family life.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that parents are the primary educators of their

children, teaching them not only about how to live well, but about the most important part of life, about our faith. We should understand that paternity and maternity do not end when our children are born. In a family with children, birth is only the beginning. Afterwards comes the upbringing, the formation of children so that they will become authentic Christians, and to do that they have to be brought up learning the teachings of the Church and experiencing the love of God. If we bring them up that way, we will be helping them so that during their lives they will have fewer dangers. The Lord always protects in a special way those children who have been brought up in families that love him and respect his commandments.

Sacred Scripture gives us a message for today's families. This message is different from the one that society in which we live gives. Scripture shows us the importance of sanctifying the home every day, ignoring the sacrifices and hardships that might come up. If the love of Christ is not in our homes, above all of the things that this world has to offer, we could easily fall into the error of thinking that marriage in which everyone looks out for themselves can survive. Another of the great errors which, unfortunately is popular everywhere today, is the idea that marriage between a woman and a man, lived out in mutual respect, dignity and order, is out of date. Let us be prudent and form a home following the teachings of Our Lord because society every day is more and more hostile to marriage and to the family.

As Catholics, it is our obligation to defend the family, which is the fruition and continuation of the marriage vows that we made.

Let us ask, in our Holy Mass, Jesus, Mary and Joseph, to protect the family because it is in danger. We all know this is true. Only mutual love, love of God and acceptance of responsibility can save it, with the help of God, of course. Let us pray also for all families worldwide, especially for those with serious problems so that the Lord will guide them and help them to resolve their problems in a Christian way.



HAPPY NEW YEAR!!