

*Weekend of Oct. 14 @  
15, 2017*

*28th Sunday in Ordinary  
Time*

**Weekend Masses:**

Sunday, 8:00 AM	Mel and Buddy Curo
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Community of Viejas
Sunday, Noon	Marie Johann

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

**Viejas:** Classes meet on Wednesdays, 3:30, Kateri Hall.

**Sycuan:** Classes meet at 11:00 AM Sunday mornings in the church.

**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).  
**Viejas:**  
**Weekends:** Sunday, 10:00 AM.  
**Confessions:** By appointment.  
**Sycuan:**  
**Weekends:** Sunday, Noon.  
**Confessions:** By appointment

**Upcoming Events**

**World Mission Sunday, Today:** We can be part of the Church’s missionary work around the world through our prayers and support. Your generosity will help make a faith-filled difference. *Please make checks out to The Propagation of the Faith.*

**November 5:** Please remember to set your clocks back one hour, to Standard Time.

**November 5:** Family Mass on all reservations.

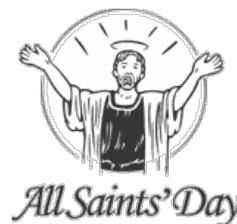
**What You Don’t Know About the Prayers You Pray:** You would be amazed to know the meaning behind the common prayers that we pray, such as Our Father, Hail Mary, Nicene Creed, and Gloria. We will take a look at the Biblical, historical, and cultural meaning to each of these prayers. If you have a favorite prayer, let Ed know so that it can be discussed in these sessions. Coming in early November.



Gilbert Rodriguez, Tom Hyde, Elijah Diaz (Bear), Carol Lane, Anita Curo, Sue Kierig, Colleen Crowden, Ro Harrison, Martha Boone, A. J. Samot, Angelo Samot, Lourdes Adora, Donna Berardi, Jake Calhoun & Family, Gutierrez Family, Santos Family, Betty Peleo, Floreste Artlluga Family, Balegut Family, Secora Nelson, Daniel Vicaldo, Toddy Yeats, Caroline Mendoza, Ruiz Family, Kash Osuna-Sutton, Gabe Dowell, Barbara Rogers, Bob Pilkington, Jan Jacobs, Sister Romero, Clayton Curo, Diana Pico, Msgr. Kirk,

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

**Schedules for Upcoming Holy Days**



**Wednesday, Nov. 1 – All Saints Day Mass: 8:00 AM, Barona.**



11:00 AM Viejas – Grave blessing  
 Noon Conejos – Mass and grave blessing  
 4:00 PM Sycuan – Mass and grave blessing  
 6:30 PM Barona – Mass and grave blessing

## Sacraments

### INFANT BAPTISM:

We are happy that you have chosen to have your child Baptized. Here are some of the requirements that we would like you to be aware of.

**Requirements:** Parents and godparents must attend one preparation session. Godparents must be confirmed, practicing Catholics, according to Church regulations.

**Additional Information:** Parents should be attending Mass regularly. They should see Edward Nolan or Father Herman to schedule the preparation session. The date for the Baptism will be set at this time. Only one godparent, of the same gender as the child, is required.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I am the Lord and there is no other. Give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's.

Probably there's a good chance that we don't need to worry about most of us being professed polytheists. We don't tend to believe in multiple gods. Probably there's a much better chance though that we need to look carefully if our "God" is the one true God. Well of course you say, but maybe that said too quickly doesn't lead to real insight.

Is your God your belly? Paul accuses some of that. Does it rule me or do I rule it? It is necessary to think about this: To what, or to whom do I give my allegiance, my assent, my will, and my efforts? But I am after another way to ask the question. Have other Gods been created for me by others, or our culture that lead me to believe in answers and truths that will ultimately leave me unsatisfied, and less alive? That will offer life, goodness, and salvation, but really only offer what prove to be empty and

scenario's for us to look at.

Number 1, All human beings have yearnings and desires. I want to be whole, I want to be happy, I want to feel wanted and needed. These yearnings can lead to a sense of emptiness or unhappiness. I am not whole, I am needy, I am not sure I'm wanted or needed, or at least by those I want to want me. The God of consumption is ready to tell me there's a cure. When I feel needy, empty, unfinished, unsatisfied, what I need are things, because owning, possessing, using, things can fill me. I will always need more, because the cure is always only temporary, but the God of consumption is always about ready to supply new things, improved things, distracting things, unnecessary things. Just buy and be happy.

Number 2 Pray and be wise. Don't chase happiness; rather come to know more deeply what happiness is. Come to know more deeply what I really and truly need. Come to understand living, that inevitably includes sorrow and emptiness, is a gift, even as it is a challenge. Come to know that often love, commitment and obedience require challenge and sadness. Jesus embraced the cross not to sanctify hatred and mistrust, but rather to be faithful to God, he chose in love to obediently accept even death, death on a cross. Come to know that the cross leads to life, and that if we avoid the cross, though we might manage short term relief, means we will trade real life and living, for temporary and ultimately unsatisfying substitutes.

It seems to me scenario number one is a God our culture begs us give tribute to, but our Old Testament reading warns us unless we give to God what is God's we must learn in prayer and contemplation who God is, what God promises, and what leads to life and salvation. If our God promises life with no mention of the cross, of sacrifice, of committed obedient love, then perhaps we are following another God.

So stop a bit and think and pray. Who is my God? To whom or to what do I give my heart, my needs, my emptiness, my allegiance, my



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**MATTHEW 22:21, NRSV**