

St. Anthony Mary Claret

Roman Catholic Church

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August 11, 2019

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Mission Statement

We, the people of St. Anthony Mary Claret Parish, have as our mission to open our hearts and doors to those from all walks of life so that they too may share in the everlasting presence of God. Together we strive to grow closer to Jesus Christ through the Holy Eucharist. We work to foster the development of the parish, not only to strengthen our own spiritual awareness, but to impact the community as a whole.

GOSPEL MEDITATION: LK 12:32-48

Tickets booked, packing list double-checked, itinerary set - how do you know you're prepared for a trip? Being ready requires plenty of practical preparation. Do we give the same care to our spiritual preparedness? "Your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom," Jesus tells us. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reminds us to have the right attitude for the gifts and callings he wants to give us!

Clear out your clutter! "Where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." Jesus reminds the disciples that earthly standards of security and success will wear out in time. If our lives are structured around values that don't align with the kingdom of God, we'll miss opportunities to receive God. If we're so concerned with our child's success in sports that we miss Sunday Mass for their tournaments, we're missing out receiving the sacraments and building a consistent community of faith. If our quest for the promotion takes us away from family commitments, we won't be able to fully receive the love intended in our closest relationships.

Set faith-based priorities. "Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his
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19th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them." - Lk 12:37

Celebration of the Mass

Monday 8 a.m., 7:30 p.m. preceded by Holy Hour at 6:30 p.m.
Every first Monday of the month 7:30 p.m. Healing Mass
& administering of the Sacrament of the Sick

Tuesday - Friday 8 a.m.

Saturday 5 p.m.

Sunday 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 p.m., 3 p.m. (Spanish), & 6 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligations: Check inside bulletin for times.

Reconciliation (Confession) *

Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.; Saturdays: 4 p.m. - last in line

**Sunday confessions will resume in September.*

No confessions on holy days of obligation or Fridays of Lent.

Baptism - Required Classes:

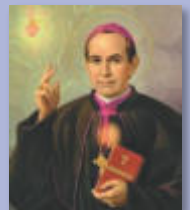
First Tuesday & Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Call parish office to register.

Visitation of the Sick: Call parish office to schedule visit.

Funerals: Call parish office prior to making arrangements.

Marriage Prep: Call parish office at least six months to one year prior to wedding. Must attend mandatory orientation session the third Thursday of March or September at 7 p.m.

Quinceañera Prep: Call parish office at least six months to one year prior to date of celebration. Child must be enrolled in religious education for at least one year. Must attend mandatory orientation session the fourth Thursday of March or September at 7 p.m.



IN OUR PARISH



WELCOME!

As pastor of St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church, I want to express welcome from all of us to you for choosing to become a member of our parish family. We hope you will always feel at home here and that our worship and other parochial services will fulfill your spiritual needs.

Please complete an online registration form at samcsa.com or a printed one which you can find near the entrance of our church in the narthex. Return it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket at your convenience.

I hope you feel welcome here!

Sincerely in Christ,
Rev. Jan P. Klak

Aug 3/4 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	3,691
Regular Collection	\$ 26,168.13
Debt Reduction	\$ 4,231.00
Candles	\$ 411.44
Capital Campaign	\$ 183.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 50.00
SAMC Pantry	\$ 20.00

This Week in Our Parish

Quinceañeras:
April Villa Gomez
Tatiana Valdez



GOSPEL MEDITATION, *Cont'd from page 1*

arrival." Our conflicting commitments can cause any routine to slip from time to time. All the more reason to make sure faith is a priority. Pray as a family before meals. Bring your children regularly to the sacrament of confession. Make room in the schedule for faith enrichment activities offered by your parish. Volunteer once a month. "At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." When will the call come to care for an ailing parent? To take on a new leadership position? God speaks to us through the circumstances of our lives. He calls each of us to greater love, sometimes in very concrete ways. This week, take some time to consider: Will you be ready?

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We are asked to be vigilant until our Master returns. Even though our faith tells us that Christ will come again and that our purpose and destiny is an eternal one, it is hard not to lose heart, grow weary, and become distracted. Remembering the stories of our faith and what God has done throughout history is one way of remaining fresh and focused. Celebrating, recalling, and making real and tangible again what God has done is what our community does liturgically each time we gather. As the author of Hebrews reminds us: faith makes real what we hope for and is the evidence of things we cannot see. Let us take this time once again to remember and participate in what God has done and continues to do.

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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<p>Saturday, Aug. 10 5 P.M. Birthday Blessings for Alejandra Rodriguez by Rodriguez Family Birthday Blessings for Veronica Macias by Macias Family</p> <p>Sunday, Aug. 11 8 A.M. Rudy † & Selia Garcia †; Manuel † & Concepcion Espinoza † by Espinoza Family 10 A.M. Francesco †, Carmela †, Sebastiano †, Corrado † & Giovanni † by Sal Spataro 12 P.M. Juana Aguilera † by Husband & Daughters Angelia Rubio † by Husband & Daughters 3 P.M. Pedro †, Rosin † & Mari † by Maria M. Carazo 6 P.M. Edward Sheals † by Alice Lopez</p> <p>Monday, Aug. 12 8 A.M. For the Parish 6:30 P.M. Holy Hour 7:30 P.M. Souls in Purgatory esp. Deceased Members of the Suffering Souls † by Reyes V. Salas</p> <p>Tuesday, Aug. 13 8 A.M. German Osorio † & Eloisa Lopez † by Andrea Rodriguez</p> <p>Wednesday, Aug. 14 *** NO MORNING MASS ***</p>	<p>7 P.M. Adolfo De Luna † by Darlene Belanger Ella Leyendecker † by Jesse & Family</p> <p>Thursday, Aug. 15 8 A.M. Billie Sievers † by Charlie Sievers & Family 7 P.M. Spiritual Strength/Spiritual Healing for Humanity; Souls in Purgatory † by M. Gonzales</p> <p>Friday, Aug. 16 8 A.M. Living & Deceased Members of Houston/Karpovage Families by Bernice & Sam Houston</p> <p>Saturday, Aug. 17 5 P.M. Joseph † & Ella Kopech †; Joseph L. Stein †; Robert † & Floranna Stein †; Richard Caldwell, Jr. † by Blanchard Family</p> <p>Sunday, Aug. 18 8 A.M. Porfirio Mendoza Sr. † by Mendoza Family 10 A.M. Raymond Moravits † by Family 12 P.M. Debra Saenz † & Robert Reynolds † by Lydia Reynolds 3 P.M. Francisco Huembes † by Huembes Family 6 P.M. Birthday Blessings for Rudy Hernandez by Mom</p>
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LOVE & MARRIAGE



Join us for a discussion & activities centered on marriage and dealing with a new school year. *Embrace a new perspective: a fresh look at the future and the wonderful possibilities it holds.*

St. Anthony Mary Claret Marriage Ministry Date Night

an evening of fellowship & enrichment for married & engaged couples

Friday, Aug. 16, 7-9 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. For free childcare register *in advance* with Nicole Glowwe at cnglowe@yahoo.com **NO LATER THAN Wednesday, Aug. 14.**

Questions? Contact Chris and Nicole Glowwe at cnglowe@yahoo.com or 210-257-6616.

Marriage FAQs: The Meaning of Marriage & Sexual Difference—Part 1

1. What is marriage?

Marriage is a lifelong, faithful partnership between a man and a woman. It is ordered toward (made for) the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of children (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church* [CCC], no. 1601). The bond of marriage is indissoluble – it lasts “until death do us part.” Love itself is “to will the good of another” (CCC, no. 1766). At the heart of married love is the total gift of self that husband and wife freely offer to each other, becoming “one flesh” and being open to children, “who are a living reflection of their love” (*Familiaris Consortio*, no. 14).

Marriage in the Church (between a baptized man and a baptized woman) has been raised to a *Sacrament* by Jesus Christ. By this sacrament, Jesus gives to spouses the grace they need to love each other. Their relationship is “caught up into divine love” and “governed and enriched by Christ’s redeeming power and the saving activity of the Church” (*Gaudium et Spes*, no. 48).

2. Why does it matter that humanity is male and female?

Being male or female affects a person at every level of his or her existence: genetically, biologically, emotionally, psychologically, and socially. Sexual difference makes it possible for two human persons to fully unite. The personal union between husband and wife that is at the heart of marriage is only possible because men and women are different. St. John Paul II wrote of this difference noting that, “God created man and woman in such a way that through their bodies it would be self-evident to them that they are called to love, called to give themselves to one another” (*Theology of the Body* [TOB], Jan 16, 1980). Sexual difference is a dynamic in all our relationships, as sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, fathers and mothers, and so on.

It is important to distinguish sexual difference and differences between individual men and women. Cultural stereotypes about the sexes, while they may have some basis in fact, do not define sexual difference. In the Church, we honor saints who do not embody cultural stereotypes. St. Joan of Arc is one example. A man who is sensitive and artistic is no less a man, and a woman who is competitive on the sports field is no less a woman.

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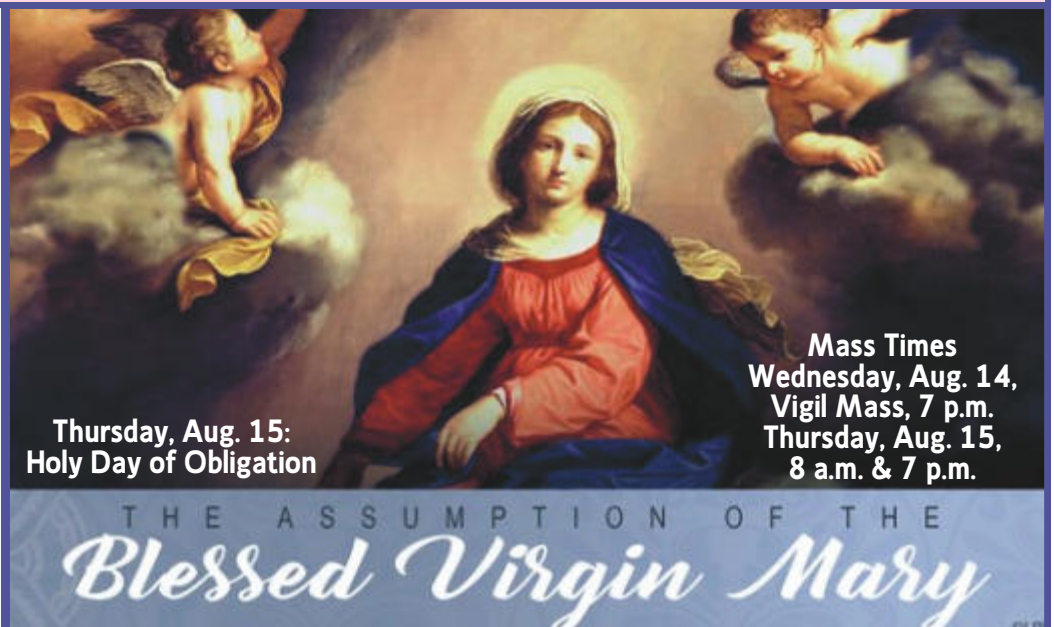
From www.marriageuniqueforareason.org, an initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops that offers resources to assist with the education and catechesis of Catholics on why marriage is unique and why it should be promoted and protected as the union of one man and one woman. Used with permission.

Intercessions for Life

For married couples, especially those who struggle with infertility: may they be strengthened by the example of Abraham and Sarah and place their trust in God, who is always faithful; we pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida

Por las parejas casadas, especialmente por los que luchan contra la infertilidad: para que el ejemplo de Abraham y Sara los fortalezca, y pongan su confianza en Dios, que es siempre fiel; roguemos al Señor.



Thursday, Aug. 15:
Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Times
Wednesday, Aug. 14,
Vigil Mass, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 15,
8 a.m. & 7 p.m.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE
Blessed Virgin Mary

PARISH NEWS

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



Journey Through Scripture Series: "The Bible and Prayer" (English)

This seven-week class is based on the book *Prayer Works!: Getting a Grip on Catholic Spirituality* written by Matthew Leonard. It

explores the human quest for God, unveiling the true nature of prayer: what it is, how it works, and the bountiful blessings available to those who walk the path of intimacy with God. We will place a group book order for Leonard's book. Orders must be paid for at registration.

English evening Class begins Sunday, Sept. 15, 7 p.m.

English morning Class begins Tuesday, Sept. 17, 10 a.m.

Saturday Fast-Track Class begins Saturday, Nov. 9, 10 a.m.

To learn more, visit the St. Paul Center's website at www.SalvationHistory.com. Workbook provided.

Journey Through Scripture Series: "The Bible and the Sacraments" (Spanish)

This is a seven-week Bible study based on Dr. Scott Hahn's book, *Swear to God: The Promise and Power of the Sacraments*. Class begins Sunday, Sept. 15, 1 p.m.

Viaje a través de series de la Escritura: "La Biblia y los Sacramentos" (español)

Este es un estudio de siete semanas Biblia escrita y es basado en el libro del Dr. Hahn, *Juro por Dios: La promesa y el poder de los sacramentos*. Se examinarán los sacramentos para entender de dónde provienen los sacramentos, lo que significan y por qué son tan importantes y fundamentales a nuestra fe. Clase comienza el domingo, 15 de septiembre. Para aprender más, se puede visitar el sitio web del Centro de St. Paul en stpaulcenter.com/journey-through-scripture.

Register after all Masses Aug. 17/18 in the narthex. Open to ages 15 and up. Limited seating.

For info on classes in English: CJ Garcia-Aboytes at (210) 843-1198. For info on classes in Spanish: Felipe Forero at (210) 833-8552.



A Year's Worth of Prayer & Inspiration for only \$26!

Magnificat is a monthly liturgical prayer magazine that can be used to follow daily Mass and read at home.

Our parish is placing a group order at a discounted rate:
\$26/yr – English, normal print (regularly \$44.95)
\$26/yr – Spanish, normal print (regularly \$49)
Subscriptions run Nov. 2019 through Oct. 2020.

Parishioner Tracey Kollmansberger will coordinate/distribute. Order forms available in the narthex & parish office.

Make checks payable to Tracey Kollmansberger. Payment due by Sunday, Aug. 25. For info, contact Tracey at (210) 273-4818 or TKolls2010@yahoo.com.



School Supply Drive For K-12 needy students

We supply new backpacks; you fill them!

Donate pencils, loose leaf ruled paper, spiral notebooks, theme books, ballpoint pens, rounded scissors, rulers, erasers, glue sticks, and dividers with pockets & brads. Drop donations in the baskets near St. Anthony Mary Claret's statue in the narthex. Collection through Aug. 11; distribution Aug. 15.



Training for New Altar Servers Saturday, Aug. 17

9:30 a.m. in the church



We need diapers!

Every month the Gabriel Project spends over \$1000 to provide diapers for needy infants in our community. The demand is ongoing and you can help. Our parish Knights of Columbus Council #10090 is coordinating in this effort. Drop donations of diapers in sizes 4, 5 & 6 in the narthex. For more info, contact Matt Muniz at 210-861-4535 or ajax47@satx.rr.com.



St. Anthony Claret Silver Seniors Social

Wednesday, Aug. 14, 12-3 p.m.. Msgr. Hubertus Hall
♦ Dinner/birthday celebrations

- ♦ Bring canned food donations for St. Anthony Claret's Pantry.
 - ♦ Guest speakers: Ruben Villanueva on Medicare open enrollment; Denny Hamlin on estate & final expenses planning; Martie Kokotajlo on meal planning & exercise
- New members welcome!

For info, contact Larry Lucido at (210) 473-4813.



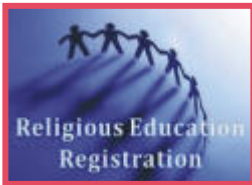
Register for St. Anthony Mary Claret CYO Soccer, Girls Volleyball, Flag Football & Cheer



- ♦ Sunday, Aug. 11 after 8 a.m., 10 a.m. & 12 p.m. Masses in Msgr. Hubertus Hall
- ♦ Sunday, Aug. 18 after 8 a.m., 10 a.m. & 12 p.m. Masses in Msgr. Hubertus Hall & RE building

Returning players may register online. Check your email for further instructions. Questions? Email saccyoregistrar@yahoo.com or call CYO Hotline at (210) 236-8652.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / RCIA NEWS



RE Registration Info & Requirements—READ CAREFULLY!

Aug. 17-23: following weekend Masses & on weekdays, 12-8 p.m., RE Building; **open to St. Anthony Mary Claret REGISTERED PARISHIONERS only.**
 August 24-29: following weekend Masses & on weekdays, 12-8 p.m., RE Building; **open to everyone.**
FINAL DAY TO REGISTER: Aug. 30 – 12-5 p.m., RE Building; registration after Aug. 30 requires special permission from DRE Michelle Reynolds by appointment only. Contact her at reoffice@saclaret.com.

- New First Communion students must have baptismal certificate.
- New Confirmation students must have baptismal/First Communion certificate.
- CHILDREN IN CUSTODY SITUATIONS must have custody paperwork at registration.
- CHILDREN REGISTERED BY ANYONE OTHER THAN PARENTS must have letter of permission at registration.
- Cost increase to \$45 per child; \$120 max.
- *New students from other parishes* must have letter from their pastor stating attendance is allowed.

IMPORTANT INFO FOR FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PARENTS

- *Parents* of First Communion students must attend a mandatory meeting in September to discuss requirements for the year. Anyone not attending must submit request to meet with DRE Michelle Reynolds at reoffice@saclaret.com *before attending classes.*
- *Parents and students* in Confirmation program must attend a mandatory meeting in September to discuss requirements for the year. Anyone not attending must submit request to meet with DRE Michelle Reynolds at reoffice@saclaret.com *before attending classes.*



**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
 RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children)**

Why join the Catholic Church?



Through RCIA/RCIC interested adults and children come to know the presence of God and learn how a relationship with Him can change their lives. We will study the scriptures, discuss Catholic teaching, and get a true, good and honest idea about what the Catholic Church is really all about. **If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic or were baptized Catholic but have never celebrated Eucharist or Confirmation,** contact Jennifer Rupert at rcia@saclaret.com or 210-688-9033, x214.

RCIA Babysitters needed!

Do you have a love for children, patience, and a desire to help? Volunteer for the RCIA childcare team! We need at least one adult 18 or over. Teens are also welcome and can earn service hours. The commitment is for Tuesday evenings, 7-9 p.m., Sept. through May. Interested? Contact Jennifer Rupert at 210-688-9033, x214.



COMMUNITY NEWS



Taking the Leap: A Silent Retreat for Men

Sept. 20-22 / SANCTUS RANCH - PIPE CREEK

Come to the quiet.

Leave your worries and busyness behind. Spend quality time with Jesus. Allow him to speak to your heart, refresh your spirit, and give rest to your soul. Register by Sept. 6. For info, contact Anthony Fetter at 210-632-1485 or fetteranthony@gmail.com.

August 15 Holy Day Mass Online for the Homebound

Is someone you love unable to attend the Aug. 15 Holy Day Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass? Invite the homebound to experience the spiritual comfort of this joy-filled Catholic Mass. Online video will be available all day at www.HeartoftheNation.org. (For those who can get to church, the online liturgy will not fulfill the Holy Day Mass obligation.)

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THE SUNDAY FUNNIES



Peter: What's a baseball player's least favorite Star Wars movie?
Sammy: I have no idea.
Peter: The Umpire Strikes Back.

FAITH & PRAYER

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

Join the St. Anthony Mary Claret Vocations Committee this month as they pray for local seminarians and for an increase in vocations to religious life. These seminarians will be the recipients of your prayers this month:



Ricardo Ramirez



Stephen FitzSimon

O Jesus, eternal High Priest, I pray for all seminarians, Your future priests. Give them humility, meekness, prudence, and a burning zeal for souls. Fill their hearts with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to know and love the Church, that they may always and everywhere speak, act, and think with her. Teach them generosity and detachment from the things of this world. But above all, teach them to know You and love You, the one and only eternal priest. Good Shepherd of souls, hear this, my prayer for saintly priests. Amen.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us!

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life:
Congregation of St. Brigid (Brigidines)



Memorial Bricks:
A beautiful way to honor your deceased loved ones

Each year the St. Anthony Mary Claret Respect Life Ministry honors the beloved deceased by placing memorial bricks in the Memorial Garden and offering special prayers for them at the All Soul's Day Mass. Order bricks now through Sept. 13 for this year's installation.



Order forms available in the parish office or in the narthex.

For info, contact Kelly Comeau at room4more@twc.com.

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY*

Tony Sanchez
Paul M. Woodward, Jr.
Harold Shields
Javier Calderon
Ray & Carolyn Cole
George Aldaya
Paul Allen
Dave Whitney
Romana Garcia
Sandy Salinas
Fernando Mascorro
Ana Galinski
S.T.
Adrian & Erika Huerter
Jack & Jeanette Donohue
Eloise Salazar
Maria Morales
Rosa Huerta
Johnny Reyes
Richard Keller



Barbara Vanegas
Rudy Navarro
A.C. Garza
Olga & Rudy Faz
Dee Hancock
Grace Heinze
Bill Jennings
Robyn Marcum
Margie Morones
Tracy Oviedo
Alyson Victoria Oviedo
Jenna & Landon Ondrusek
Linda Santos
Mary Sledden
Nancy Souhrada
Bertha Trevino
Roberto Trevino
Gabby Truly
Bishop Yanta
Anthony Trevino

*Due to space limitations, list is reserved for names of parishioners and their immediate family only. Names usually run 3 weeks.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 11: Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 12:32-48
Monday 12: Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday 13: Dt 31:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday 14: Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday 15: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Friday 16: Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday 17: Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15
Sunday 18: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Compassionate Father,
our voices cry out to you.
Pair our prayers with action
to meet hatred with love.
Work through us, O Lord,
to become agents of change.
Amen

Our hearts and prayers are with those grieving in
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