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# St. Anthony Mary Claret

## Roman Catholic Church

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February 25, 2018

Second Sunday of Lent

# LENT



### Scripture Reflection:

Read the Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

#### Gospel Summary

In today's gospel, Peter, James, and John—often described as the inner circle of disciples—went with Jesus to a high mountain. (In the Bible, mountains are often places of Divine Revelation.) The three are so overcome by what they see, hear, and experience that they do not know what to do or say. They simply know that they have witnessed something powerful. Jesus instructed them to tell no one of what they had seen, and they did indeed keep the matter to themselves. This is the opposite of what the leper in the gospel just two Sundays ago did. He told everyone what happened to him!

#### Reflection for Parents

At the end of each episode of the television series "Blue Bloods," the family gathers around the table for Sunday dinner. No matter the difficulties or discouragements of the week, the ritual of the Sunday meal is honored. At the end of one particularly difficult week the grandfather encouraged the family by saying, "I see the light of God in this family." Perhaps that is a description of the transfiguration, the glory of God, as it is revealed in daily family life. Today take time to think about where you have seen God's glory shine in your family, and in the lives of each of your family members.

#### Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Take your family for a fifteen-minute walk through your neighborhood today. Enjoy the sun, the clouds, the breeze, the sights, and the sounds of the day. Afterward, gather at your kitchen or dining table for a special Sunday meal and talk about all the ways you saw the glory of God revealed in nature today.

#### Discussion Starters

1. The most beautiful thing I have ever seen is...
2. One way I can listen to God's voice this Lent is...
3. Someone I know who needs to see the glory of God is...because...

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday ..... 8:00 am, 7:30 pm  
Monday (Holy Hour) ..... 6:30 pm  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday ..... 8:00 am  
Saturday ..... 5:00 pm  
Sunday ..... 8:00 am, 10:00 am, Noon, 3:00 pm (Spanish), 6:00 pm

Holy Days of Obligation  
8:00 am and 7:00 pm

Every first Monday of the month  
we celebrate a Healing Mass and  
administer the Sacrament of the Sick.

**IN OUR PARISH**



**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.

**WELCOME**

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

Please complete either an on-line registration form at saclaret.com or you can find a printed one near the entrance of our church in the Narthex. You may return it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket at your convenience.

I hope we are making you feel welcome at St. Anthony Mary Claret!



Sincerely in Christ,  
*Rev. Jan Klak*  
 Reverend Jan P. Klak

**Weekly Attendance and Collection Totals**

**Feb. 17/18**  
 attendance and collection totals  
 unavailable at press time.

**SACRAMENT SCHEDULE**

- Reconciliation (Confession):**  
 Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.  
 Saturdays: 4-6 p.m. or last in line  
 Sundays: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. (or last in line),  
 2-2:50 p.m., 4 p.m. - last in line
- Baptism: Required Classes**  
 First Tues. & Thurs. of the month, 7:30 p.m.  
 Call the parish office to register.
- Visitation of the Sick:**  
 Call the parish office to schedule visit.
- Funeral Arrangements:**  
 Contact the office prior to making  
 funeral home arrangements.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**BAPTISMS**

*Colton Nicholas Wagner*, child of Justin & Carolynn Wagner  
*Jace Matthew Ramirez*, child of Jacob & Justine Ramirez  
*Melanie Aimi Palacios*, child of Julian Palacios & Melissa Morales

**QUINCEAÑERAS**

*Clarissa Gonzalez*



**Monday**  
**Eucharistic**  
**Holy Hour**  
**& Mass**

**6:30 p.m.**  
**Holy Hour**

**7:30 p.m.**  
**Mass For**  
**an End**  
**to**  
**Abortion**



**St. Anthony Mary Claret**  
**First Saturday Mass & Devotions**

(as requested by Our Lady of Fatima)

**Saturday, March 3**

**Confession: 7:30 a.m.**

**Mass: 8 a.m.**

Followed by exposition of the  
 Blessed Sacrament, rosary and  
 consecration prayer

**WEEKLY READINGS**

SUN: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Romans 8:31b-34/Mark 9:2-10	FRI: Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/ Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46
MON: Daniel 9:4b-10/Luke 6:36-38	SAT: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20/ Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
TUE: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20/Matthew 23:1-12	SUN: Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/1 Corinthians 1:22-25/John 2:13-25
WED: Jeremiah 18:18-20/Matthew 20:17-28	
THU: Jeremiah 17:5-10/Luke 16:19-31	

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**SATURDAY, FEB. 24**

**5 P.M.** Bill Koehler † by Nancy & Garry Lydic

**SUNDAY, FEB. 25**

- 8 A.M.** P. Mendoza † by Mendoza Jr. Family
- 10 A.M.** For the Parish
- 12 P.M.** Ronald Koerner †; Robert Remm † by Cheryl Koerner
- 3 P.M.** Irene Rodriguez † by Daughter: Minerva Rodriguez
- 6 P.M.** Living & Deceased Members of Ares Family by Cris Ares

**MONDAY, FEB. 26**

- 8 A.M.** Birthday Blessings for Emmett Philip Peterson by Bea Peterson
- Jose Luis Soto † by Anita Gonzalez

**6:30 P.M.** Holy Hour

**7:30 P.M.** For an End to Abortion

**TUESDAY, FEB. 27**

**8 A.M.** Samuel Patterson † by Alicemary & Harry Schulz

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28**

**8 A.M.** Antonio Magana † by Wife & Kids

**THURSDAY, MAR. 1**

**8 A.M.** Inocencia Serrano † by Daughters

**FRIDAY, MAR. 2**

\*\*\*\* NO MORNING MASS \*\*\*\*

- 5:30 P.M.** Stations of the Cross (Spanish)
- 7 P.M.** Stations of the Cross (English)
- 7:30 P.M.** Daniel R. † & Manuela M. Gonzales †;  
 Poor Souls in Purgatory †;  
 Spiritual Healing & Strength for Humanity by M. Gonzales

**SATURDAY, MAR. 3**

- 8 A.M.** Birthday Blessings for Diane McNeely by Mary Legreid
- 5 P.M.** Santos Vasquez † by Frank & Cindy Gonzalez

**SUNDAY, MAR. 4**

- 8 A.M.** Francesco †, Carmela †, Sebastiano †, Corrado † & Giovanni † by Sal Spataro
- 10 A.M.** Donaciana Moreno † by Family
- 12 P.M.** Maria De Jesus Munoz † by Family
- 3 P.M.** Lucia Lopez De Jimenez † by son Miguel Jimenez
- 6 P.M.** Gregory Koonce, Jr. † by Garry & Nancy Lydic

**RESPECT LIFE**



**Words of Life**

“The challenge is to make the Church’s “yes” to life concrete and effective. The struggle will be long, and it needs each one of you. Place your intelligence, your talents, your enthusiasm, your compassion and your fortitude at the service of life!”  
 — Pope Saint John Paul II, Homily, World Youth Day, August 15, 1993  
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**Palabras De Vida**

El desafío consiste en hacer que el “sí” de la Iglesia a la vida sea concreto y efectivo. La batalla será larga, y necesita de cada uno de vosotros. Poned vuestra inteligencia, vuestros talentos, vuestro entusiasmo, vuestra compasión y vuestra fortaleza al servicio de la vida”.  
 — San Juan Pablo II, Homilía, Jornada Mundial de la Juventud, 15 de agosto de 1993.  
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**Intercessions for Life**

For our culture: may we listen to God and follow His call to cherish every person’s life. We pray to the Lord...

**Intercesiones por la Vida**

Por nuestra cultura: para que escuchemos a Dios y sigamos su llamado de atesorar la vida de todas las personas. Roguemos al Señor...

**PARISH NEWS**

**St. Anthony Mary Claret Women’s ACTS Retreat**



March 15-18  
 Cordi Marian Retreat Center, 11624 Culebra  
 Cost: \$180; \$60 Deposit  
 For info contact Brenda Gonzalez at [abcgonzal@sbcglobal.net](mailto:abcgonzal@sbcglobal.net) or 210-452-6027.

“A clean heart create for me O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me.” - Ps 51:12  
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**St. Anthony Mary Claret CYO Registration for Baseball, Softball & Tee-ball**

THIS Sunday, Feb. 25 after the 8 a.m., 10 a.m., & 12 p.m. Masses in Msgr. Hubertus Hall  
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**ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET  
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #10090**

**40 CANS FOR LENT**

*TO BENEFIT ST. ANTHONY CLARET'S PANTRY*

**DROP OFF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS IN THE CHURCH NARTHEX NOW THROUGH EASTER SUNDAY.**

**Planning a Wedding or Quinceañera at St. Anthony Claret?**

**Weddings/Bodas:**

- Contact the parish at least one year prior to your wedding date.
- Attend the MANDATORY marriage orientation session: Thursday, March 15, 7 p.m., RE bldg.
- Comunicarse a la Iglesia por lo menos un año antes de la fecha de la boda.
- Asistir a una sesión de orientación matrimonial OBLIGATORIA: el jueves 15 de marzo a las 7 p.m., edificio de educación religiosa.

**Quinceañeras:**

- Contact the parish at least one year prior to the celebration.
- Child **MUST** be enrolled in religious education classes for at least one year prior to quinceañera.

- Parents and child must attend the MANDATORY quinceañera orientation session Thursday, March 22, 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.
- Comunicarse a la Iglesia por lo menos un año antes de la celebración.
- La niña deberá estar inscrita en clases de educación religiosa por lo menos un año antes de la quinceañera.
- Padres y niñas deben asistir a una orientación de quinceañera OBLIGATORIA: jueves 22 de marzo a las 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.

*Reservations now being accepted. Call the parish office to register. Reservaciones ya están siendo aceptadas. Hablar a la oficina de la iglesia para reservar su lugar.*

**PARISH NEWS**

**ST. ANTHONY CLARET CHURCH  
CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
FOR THE PERIOD OF:**

	<b>Actual MTD 01-01-2018 to 01-31-2018</b>	<b>Actual YTD 07-01-17 to 01-31-2018</b>
<b>Cash Available</b>		
Beginning Balance	<b>\$345,147.06</b>	<b>\$265,152.63</b>

**Cash In-flow from:**

Sunday Collection	\$164,085.23	\$867,077.98
Debt Reduction	\$22,604.86	\$195,185.73
Mass Intentions/Stipends	\$1,531.00	\$10,694.00
Candles	\$2,258.78	\$12,819.23
Interest Income	\$19.96	\$225.15
Capital Campaign-New Building	\$5,460.56	\$81,694.52
Insurance Proceeds	\$0.00	\$40,200.00
Fund Raising -Festival	\$0.00	\$0.00
Religious Education	\$1,239.93	\$44,520.88
Music & Liturgy	\$0.00	\$0.00
CYO	\$668.00	\$66,121.03
Other Parish Organizations	\$16,143.96	\$155,630.48
Special Programs	\$4,790.57	\$13,543.64
Draws from Bank	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transfers from Assets, Trusts, Savings	\$13,342.81	\$111,682.31
<b>Total Cash In-Flow</b>	<b>\$232,145.66</b>	<b>\$1,599,394.95</b>

**Cash Out-flow from:**

Salaries	\$23,749.66	\$176,839.10
Contracted Services	\$7,315.29	\$53,049.29
Insurance	\$3,359.19	\$20,154.99
Employee Benefits	\$7,781.06	\$55,305.84
Supplies	\$5,290.41	\$48,033.95
Postage	\$740.86	\$5,680.26
Repairs & Maintenance	\$14,234.60	\$62,739.25
Utilities	\$6,904.63	\$50,440.00
Vehicle	\$931.66	\$7,366.60
Food/Groceries/Hospitality	\$4,149.68	\$17,895.81
Promotion	\$6,763.08	\$9,928.12
Donations	\$150.00	\$1,050.00
Bank Charges Interest	\$20,928.09	\$77,719.03
Miscellaneous Exp-Capital Campaign	\$0.00	\$0.00
Archdiocesan Service Fund	\$17,734.00	\$124,138.00
Religious Education	\$8,696.82	\$138,337.84
Music & Liturgy	\$3,366.29	\$19,772.49
CYO	\$9,746.14	\$65,514.64
Parish Organizations	\$7,845.56	\$73,239.19
Special Programs	\$3,409.31	\$15,594.48
Bank Note Payments	\$51,577.87	\$153,337.71
Transfers to Assets, Trust and Savings	\$3,168.60	\$318,961.07
<b>Total Cash Out-Flow</b>	<b>\$207,842.80</b>	<b>\$1,495,097.66</b>

**Cash Available**

Ending Balance	<b>\$369,449.92</b>	<b>\$369,449.92</b>
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**Savings Accounts**

Beginning Balance	\$887,656.96	\$704,474.07
Interest	\$20.71	\$229.53
Deposits	\$21,692.42	\$256,584.51
Withdrawals/Progress Payments	\$35,055.73	\$86,973.75
Ending Balance	<b>\$874,314.36</b>	<b>\$874,314.36</b>

**Bank Loans**

Beginning Balance	\$2,339,496.37	\$2,441,256.21
Principal Payments Made on Loan	\$51,577.87	\$153,337.71
Ending Balance	<b>\$2,287,918.50</b>	<b>\$2,287,918.50</b>

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/  
YOUTH GROUP**

**Religious Education Calendar**

Sun., Feb. 25 & Wed., Feb. 28..... Classes in session  
 Sun., Mar. 4 & Wed., Mar. 7 ..... Classes in session  
 Sun., Mar. 11 & Wed., Mar. 14 ..... No Classes  
 Sun., Mar. 18 & Wed., Mar. 21 ..... Classes in session  
 Sun., Mar. 25 & Wed., Mar. 28 ..... No Classes

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**Final Parent Meeting for First Communion**

Thursday, Mar. 1, 7 p.m., RE Bldg. Rm 2004

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**Reconciliation Retreat for  
First Communion Students**

Saturday, Mar. 24, Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Sunday group: 8-10 a.m.;

Wednesday group: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

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Middle & High School Students:

Archbishop Gustavo invites you to the

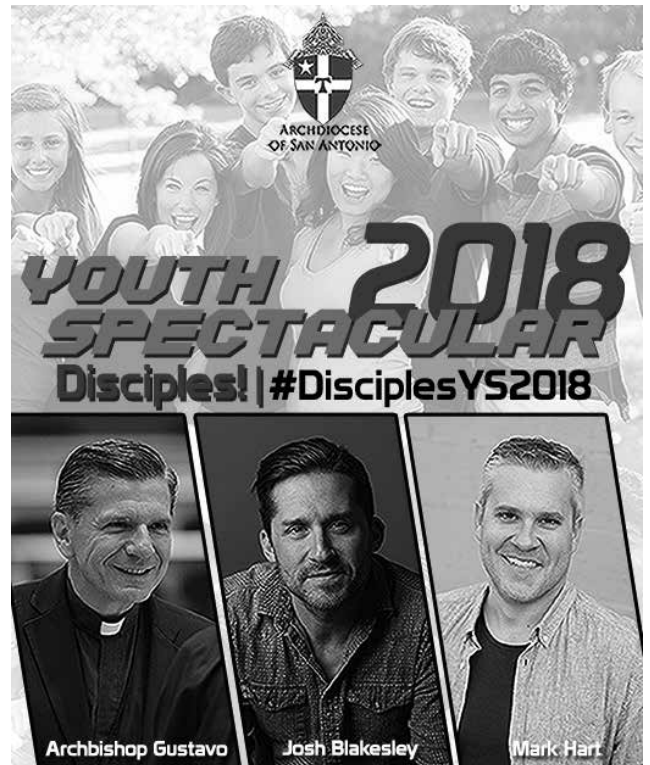
**Youth Spectacular 2018: Disciples!**

March 24, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., St. Mary's University

Featuring

- dynamic keynote speaker Mark Hart
- inspiring talks in English & Spanish
- concert by Josh Blakesley
- closing Mass presided by Archbishop Gustavo

Registration forms available in the narthex. For more info, contact Martie Kokotajlo at 210-688-9033, x 209.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / YOUTH GROUPS**



**St. Anthony Claret Respect Life Ministry**

**REMINDER**

**Respect Life Sanctity of Life Talk: "Leading a Life of Truth"**  
for all 8th Grade Religious Education Classes

Wednesday, March 7  
6:45 –7:45 p.m.  
in the church

*Parents are encouraged to attend.*

**This talk will replace your regular religious education class this week.**



**2018 Life Teen Steubenville Lone Star**  
**We still have spots open!**

June 22-24 in Dallas, TX

For high school teens (incl. incoming freshmen)  
\$50 reserves your spot; Event ONLY Early Bird price: \$175;  
after May 1: \$190

Hotel & travel NOT INCLUDED in this price.

For info about this event, its total cost or to register,  
contact Martie Kokotajlo at  
[youthgroup@saclaret.com](mailto:youthgroup@saclaret.com) or 210-688-9033 ext.209.

**March Youth Group Schedule**

**Middle School:**

Saturdays, Mar. 10 & 17, 6-8 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

**High school:**

Saturday, Mar. 18 & 25, 7-9 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

**Archdiocesan Youth Spectacular:** March 24

(See separate bulletin announcement.)

**FAITH AND PRAYER**

**What Vocations Mean to Me**

by Louis D. Martinez, Attorney-at-Law, Price & Martinez; Member, St. Anthony Mary Claret Vocations Committee

As the father of two young boys, I think often of how I can raise them up to be good Catholic men. In my daily prayers, I continually ask for help in leading them to discover God’s will in their lives. Like any parent, I have dreams and hopes for my two sons, but as I grow in my relationship with Christ, I discover that my greatest desire is to get them to heaven. My greatest hope is that they find their God-given vocation in life. When my oldest son expressed interest in altar serving, it made me take a closer look at the vocation of priesthood. Seeing him serve at the Lord’s table gave me an even greater appreciation for priests who serve the Catholic faithful—their sacrifice, love, and witness to us all. As a recent convert to the Catholic faith, my eyes are now open to the fact that God needs our help, as parents, to provide the

fertile ground. He needs our openness and our willingness to help our children to be open to His call. And let’s face it, the need is so great right now. We need more priests. We need more religious. We need more individuals dedicated to consecrated life. This is why I joined the vocations committee at St. Anthony Mary Claret. It isn’t lost on how me how precious it is to have daily Mass available, or to have a priest who can hear a weekly confession. It is because of this deep gratitude that I desire to pray for *more* priests and pray to spiritually *support* priests and all those dedicated to religious life. Only time will tell if God calls one or both of my sons to shepherd his flock, but if He does, what a gift it would be to have members of the Catholic faithful lifting them up in prayer.

**Pray for the Sick of Our Parish Family**

Mark Dahl	Robert Garcia	Eloise Salazar	Tomas Calderon	Garry Lydic	Nancy Souhrada
Clem Rodriguez	S.S.	Beverly Fetter	A.C. Garza	Robyn Marcum	Bertha Trevino
Tina Saxon	Bill Tricksey	Rosa Huerta	Olga & Rudy Faz	Margie Morones	Roberto Trevino
Edward Benningfield	Eloise Salazar	Lillie McWilliams	Dee Hancock	Tracy Oviedo	Gabby Truly
Christopher Benningfield	Richard Keller	Maria Morales	Grace Heinze	Alyson Victoria Oviedo	Bishop Yanta
T.C.P.	Jack & Jeanette Donohue	Rudy Navarro	Adrian & Erika Huerter	Linda Santos	Anthony Trevino
		Johnny Reyes	Bill Jennings	Mary Sledden	Dan Calderon

*Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.*

*(Prayer list is reserved for **parishioners and their families only**. Names will run for 2-3 weeks, space permitting.)*

## LOVE, MARRIAGE & FAMILY

# Married Love and the Gift of Life - Part 2

*A teaching statement by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)  
approved for publication by the full body of bishops at its November 2006 General Meeting.*

### What does this [the Church's teaching on married love] have to do with contraception?

A husband and wife express their committed love not only with words, but with the language of their bodies. That "body language"—what a husband and wife say to one another through the intimacy of sexual relations—speaks of *total* commitment and openness to a future together. So the question about contraception is this: does sexual intercourse using contraception faithfully affirm this committed love? Or does it introduce a false note into this conversation?

Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together. Part of God's gift to husband and wife is this ability in and through their love to cooperate with God's creative power. Therefore, the mutual gift of fertility is an integral part of the bonding power of marital intercourse. That power to create a new life with God is at the heart of what spouses share with each other.

To be sure, spouses who are not granted the gift of children can have a married life that is filled with love and meaning. As Pope John Paul II said to these couples in a 1982 homily, "You are no less loved by God; your love for each other is complete and fruitful when it is open to others, to the needs of the apostolate, to the needs of the poor, to the needs of orphans, to the needs of the world."

When married couples deliberately act to suppress fertility, however, sexual intercourse is no longer fully *marital* intercourse. It is something less powerful and intimate, something more "casual." Suppressing fertility by using contraception denies part of the inherent meaning of married sexuality and does harm to the couple's unity. The total giving of oneself, body and soul, to one's beloved is no time to say: "I give you everything I am—except..." The Church's teaching is not only about observing a rule, but about preserving that total, mutual gift of two persons in its integrity.

This may seem a hard saying. Certainly it is a teaching that many couples today, through no fault of their own, have not heard (or not heard in a way they could appreciate and understand). But as many couples who have turned away from contraception tell us, living this teaching can contribute to the honesty, openness, and intimacy of marriage and help make couples truly fulfilled.

### Why does saying "yes" to children at the altar mean never using contraception to close the act of intercourse to new life?

Some argue that if a husband and wife remain open to children throughout their marriage, they need not worry about using contraception occasionally. But practicing what is good most of the time does not justify doing what is wrong some of the time.

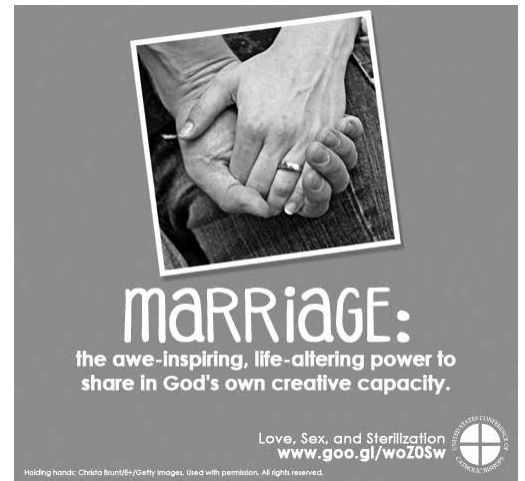
Even if I see myself as a truthful person "on the whole," any occasional lie I tell is still a lie, and so is immoral. By such acts, I begin to make myself into the kind of person who lies. This is no less true when we falsify the "language of the body," speaking total love and acceptance of the other person while denying an essential part of that message.

A couple need not desire or seek to have a child in each and every act of intercourse. And it is not wrong for couples to have intercourse even when they know the wife is naturally infertile, as discussed below. But they should never act to suppress or curtail the life-giving power given by God that is an integral part of what they pledged to each other in their marriage vows. This is what the Church means by saying that every act of intercourse must remain open to life and that contraception is objectively immoral.

*...to be continued...*

*-from Married Love and the Gift of Life,*

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### SUNDAY FUNNIES

A fellow went to the doctor who told him that he had a bad illness and only a year to live, so he decided to talk to his pastor.

After the man explained his situation, he asked the pastor if there was anything he could do.

"Go out and buy a late '70 or early '80 model Dodge pickup," said the pastor. "Then get married to the meanest, ugliest woman you can find, and buy yourselves an old house trailer in the panhandle of Oklahoma."

The fellow asked, "Will this help me live longer?"

"No," said the pastor, "but it will make what time you do have seem like forever."

COMMUNITY NEWS



**Andrew Dinner**

An event for single, Catholic men 18-34 years old (and mature teens under 18) who are interested in exploring their calling in life at a dinner with Archbishop Gustavo, diocesan priests, religious priests and brothers, as well as with some of the Archdiocesan seminarians in formation

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 6:30 p.m.  
at Assumption Seminary

For more info or to register, contact Father Brian Garcia at 210-688-9033 x206 or [brian.garcia@saclaret.com](mailto:brian.garcia@saclaret.com). Transportation assistance available.

The witness of our priests and brothers in Christ who are living faithfully for the good of the world and the Kingdom of God is an indispensable blessing for all who feel they may be called to this life. Come and share in fellowship, hear the stories of our priests, brothers and seminarians and ask the questions you have in your heart.



**2018 13-Day Camino de Santiago/  
Fatima Pilgrimage**

Join Catholics from the Galveston/Houston/San Antonio area to hike the Camino de Santiago along the countryside of Spain. Tour begins in Sarria, the most popular Camino starting point, covering the last 100km of the Camino Francés to converge on Santiago de Compostela with an additional stop in Fatima and Porto. Spots available for these 2018 dates: June 4-16 and June 25-July 7. For info, visit <http://www.inspirationaltoursinc.com/> or contact Jane Lakatos at [jlakatos@gmail.com](mailto:jlakatos@gmail.com). Sponsored by Inspirational Tours Inc.

**EWTN PILGRIMAGE**

April 24 – 28, 2018

Bus Departure – San Antonio & New Braunfels

**EWTN Studios, Irondale, Alabama**

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