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# St. Anthony Mary Claret

## Roman Catholic Church

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March 20, 2018

Pentecost Sunday

**Scripture Reflection:**

Read the Gospel: John 20:19-23

**Gospel Summary**

There is much to be attentive to in today's short Gospel reading. First, Jesus appears to his disciples and says to them, "Peace be with you." Then he says, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He concludes by breathing on them the Holy Spirit, saying, "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." We see these three statements hinted at in the liturgical and sacramental life of the Church: "Peace be with you"—the Sign of Peace; "As the Father has sent me, so I send you"—the Dismissal of the Mass; and "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, ..." —the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Reflection for Families**

One of the greatest gifts we can give to our children and to our families is the gift of peace. Peace is a fruit of the Holy Spirit, a visible sign to others that we are living under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and according to the laws and commands of God. Take time today to think about the gift of Christ's peace in your own life. Do you have the gift of Christ's peace? Do you need the gift of Christ's peace? Where are you called to take the gift of Christ's peace today?

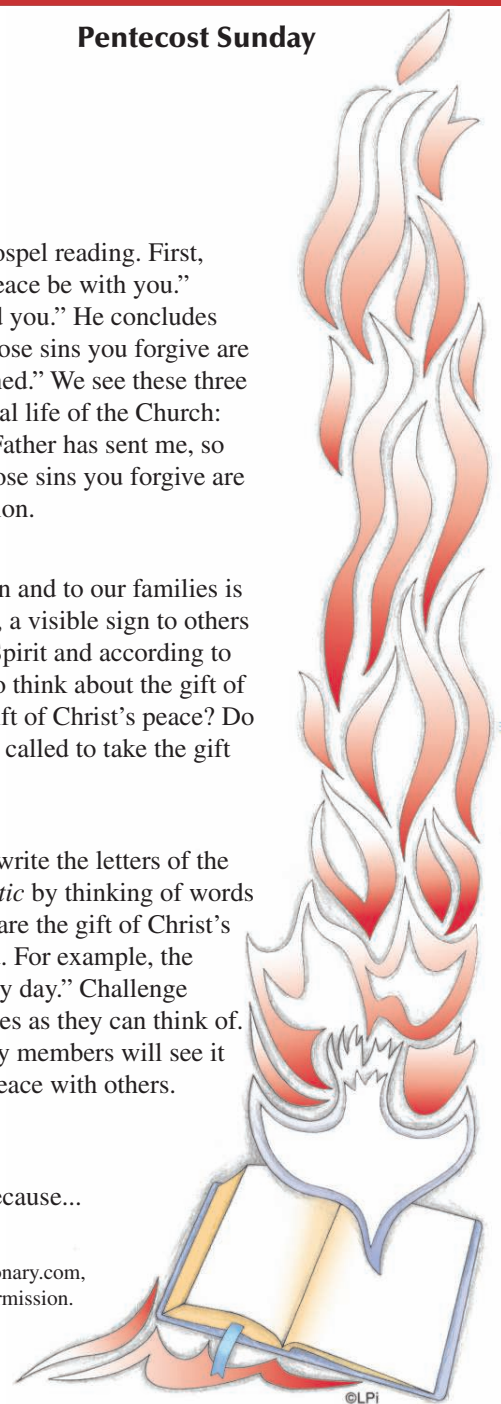
**Bringing the Gospel into Your Family**

On a piece of poster board or large drawing paper write the letters of the word *peace* vertically. Create a family *peace acrostic* by thinking of words and phrases that describe what people can do to share the gift of Christ's peace at home, at school, at work, and in the world. For example, the letter P could stand for, "Pray for world peace every day." Challenge family members to name as many words and phrases as they can think of. Post your *peace acrostic* in a place where all family members will see it and will be reminded to share the gift of Christ's peace with others.

**Discussion Starters**

1. To me, peace means...
2. One of the most peaceful people I know is...because...
3. One place where I really feel at peace is...

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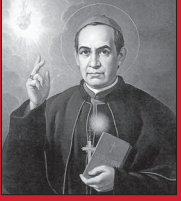
**MASS SCHEDULE**

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,  
*Jan Klak*  
Reverend Jan P. Klak

Weekly Attendance and Collection Totals

May 5/6

Attendance .....	4,920
Regular Collection .....	\$26,936.87
Debt Reduction .....	\$5,431.12
Candles .....	\$451.68
Catholic Home Missions .....	\$45.00
SAMC Pantry .....	\$25.00

May 12/13

Attendance .....	3,362
Regular Collection .....	\$29,334.64
Debt Reduction .....	\$4,653.00
Candles .....	\$413.23
Catholic Charities .....	\$921.00
SAMC Pantry .....	\$80.00
Catholic Home Missions .....	\$25.00

THIS WEEK'S PARISH SPOTLIGHT



*Maiya Ariana Hernandez Stacker*,  
child of Michael Stacker & Freedom Rodriguez

*Leonardo, Jacqueline & Ivanka Soto*,  
children of Jose & Sara Soto

*Eisley Rey Tristan Briseno*,  
child of John & Diana Briseno

*Sequoia Aquila Barreras*,  
child of Skylore Barreras



*Jonathan Brougher & Lorena Gonzalez*

*Pentecost*  
SUNDAY

"I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me."  
- Jn 16:12-14a

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**Monday Eucharistic Holy Hour & Mass**

6:30 p.m. Holy Hour  
7:30 p.m. Mass

**RESPECT LIFE**

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**Words of Life**

“Even among terminally ill patients, a request to die is nearly always a cry for help... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’”

— USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“Every Suicide is Tragic,” [www.bit.ly/every-suicide-tragic](http://www.bit.ly/every-suicide-tragic)

**Palabras De Vida**

“Incluso entre pacientes con enfermedades terminales, solicitar la muerte es casi siempre un grito pidiendo ayuda... El paciente que solicita el suicidio asistido suele preguntarse: ‘¿Hay alguien que quiera que yo siga vivo, o que se preocupe tanto como para disuadirme y apoyarme en este difícil momento?’”

— Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB “Cada Suicidio Es Trágico”, [www.bit.ly/cada-suicidio-es-tragico](http://www.bit.ly/cada-suicidio-es-tragico)

**Intercessions for Life**

May the Holy Spirit strengthen us to share in word and show in action respect for God’s gift of life. We pray to the Lord...

**Intercesiones por la Vida**

Que el Espíritu Santo nos fortalezca para compartir en la palabra y demostrar en las acciones el respeto por el don de la vida de Dios. Roguemos al Señor...

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**SATURDAY, MAY 19**

**5 P.M. Birthday Blessings for Alison Bendele †** by Bea Peterson  
**Erin Rose Popovich †** by Helen Rose Himstreet & Family

**SUNDAY, MAY 20**

**8 A.M. Remedios Unpingco Rapolla †** by Robert & Vivian Rapolla  
**10 A.M. Maria Gonzales †** by Gonzales Family  
**12 P.M. Spiritual Healing & Strength for Humanity** by Mom  
**3 P.M. For the Parish**  
**6 P.M. Rodolfo Guhit †** by Natalia Guhit & Family

**MONDAY, MAY 21**

**8 A.M. Joann Gonzalez †** by Irene Durand  
**6:30 P.M. Holy Hour**  
**7:30 P.M. Raymond Salazar †** by Salazar Family

**TUESDAY, MAY 22**

**8 A.M. Rodolfo Guhit †** by Natalia Guhit & Family

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 23**

**8 A.M. Juan Lucio Trevino †** by Mark & Mary Sotello

**THURSDAY, MAY 24**

**8 A.M. Deceased Members of the Ladies of St. Anthony Mary Claret †** by Robbie Alicea

**FRIDAY, MAY 25**

**8 A.M. Special Intention for Gloria Swart** by Sally Anderson

**SATURDAY, MAY 26**

**5 P.M. Jose Luis Soto †** by Anita Gonzalez

**SUNDAY, MAY 27**

**8 A.M. Francesco †, Carmela †, Sebastiano †, Corrado † & Giovanni †** by Sal Spataro  
**10 A.M. Birthday Blessing for Chinenye Escheozo** by Uche Escheozo  
**12 P.M. Spiritual Healing & Strength for Current & Future Priests** by Mom  
**3 P.M. Eduardo S. Garcia †** by Amelie & David Ramirez  
**6 P.M. Rodolfo Guhit †** by Natalia Guhit & Family

**Words of Life from St. John Paul II**



It is impossible to further the common good without acknowledging and defending the right to life, upon which all the other inalienable rights of individuals are founded and from which they develop. A society lacks solid foundations when, on the one hand, it asserts values such as the dignity of the person, justice and peace, but then, on the other hand, radically acts to the contrary by allowing or tolerating a variety of ways in which human life is devalued and violated, especially where it is weak or marginalized. Only respect for life can be the foundation and guarantee of the most precious and essential goods of society, such as democracy and peace.

Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae* (1995), no. 101

**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.

## LOVE, MARRIAGE & FAMILY

### How To Take Young Children to Mass

by Josh and Stacey Noem

Sometimes at the end of Mass a parishioner comes up to us and says “Your three children are SO well behaved!” Our standard response is either, “Thank you. We work at it” or “Thank you, some days are better than others.” The “better” days are the product of years of articles and brochures we read on taking children to Mass. Here is the distilled wisdom we rely upon.

#### Before Church

- Make sure children are well-fed right before Mass. They do not need to fast, nor will fasting help them to be on their best behavior during Mass. We personally do not think it is appropriate to take snacks into the pew. Our exception to this is a non-spill drink cup that bought us enough time to hear the homily once in a while.
- Beginning even with the smallest infants, dress them in some special clothing that they wear only for church or other special events. This does not have to be expensive and can be as simple as a nice pair of shoes. It helps them to identify what we do at Mass as different from everyday activity.
- Check your diaper bag to make sure it is stocked for any possible needs. Consider including a small toy or book that your child sees only on Sunday at Mass. These should be quiet and made of soft material so that they do not distract those around you from their prayer while they are being played with or in case they are dropped.
- Put on a fresh diaper or visit the bathroom right before walking out the door of your home or into the church.

#### For toddlers or older children

- You might read the readings in the car on the way to church. This could even be the job of an older child. Then everyone hears them at least once in case someone has to step out during a portion of the Mass.
- Before going into the church take a moment to remind children what you are about to do. Make sure they know what their job is at Mass. For us, we say that their job is to be quiet/still, to participate by sharing their voices and to pray. Their job is also not to distract those around them from praying.

#### At Church

- Sit up front. Yes, sit even in the first pew if it is appropriate at your parish. It can feel scary and even a little out of control the first few times, but it makes a world of difference for little ones to be able to see the action. Over time it also helps them to understand what is most essential about Mass without the distraction of rows and rows of backsides between them and the altar.
- We physically hold our children in our arms during Mass. In fact, we adopted the position that our children’s feet do not touch the ground during Mass until they are three years old. This helps in many ways. The children get a better view; as they grow and mature we can talk them through the stories and the actions; and we have a bit more control over their behavior. If an infant or toddler gets squirmy, often switching who is holding them is enough to calm them down. Otherwise we might play a quiet game of “point to the...candles, priest, altar, cross, etc.”
- During their two-year-old year, we begin to let our children stand for a portion of Mass or try sitting next to us quietly, instead of on our laps. Then when they turn three it is a special milestone to be big enough to stand, sit and kneel all on their own (although if

they can’t see over the pew we have them stand during the kneeling portions of the Eucharistic Prayer).

- If an infant or toddler makes a little noise during Mass and settles down right away, try not to feel self-conscious. Most folks except for those closest to you do not even notice. And even if they do notice, give your fellow parishioners credit for being adults who can focus through a small distraction.
- If a child cries or makes continual noise, it is best to calmly step out of the pew and take the child out of the main assembly until they have calmed down or are quiet. However, it is important to return to the worship space as soon as they are quiet, so that children do not begin to associate poor or disruptive behavior with a pass to get out of Mass. Just stand against the wall until it is appropriate to return to the pew. Our experience is that stepping out and returning even a few times is not nearly as disruptive as a crying baby and parishioners appreciate your consideration of their attempt to pray. Those that are parents understand completely.



#### After Mass

- Praise your children abundantly for their good behavior.
- If they need some improvement, mention briefly how they might do better next week and explain why. Let them know that you will help them by trying to remind them before the next Mass.
- Answer questions children have about Mass and encourage them to understand the liturgy and its place in our lives.
- For older children consider taking time to discuss the readings and the homily.

In taking our children to Mass we operate on the principle that we need to teach our children how to be in church as long as it does not distract others around us from their prayer. Some days are better than others, but the gift of passing on how we pray as Catholics is worth all of the challenges.

As parents, and leaders of our domestic church, we are responsible for forming our children in our Catholic faith. There is no more important experience to Catholics than the Mass, so it is crucial to help children understand and participate in liturgy as much as they are able. At times, it has seemed as though the only thing we accomplished at Mass was the exercise of standing and walking with a grumpy baby. But we also know that children do not remain little for long and they rise to our expectations. We will have plenty of opportunities to experience transcendent prayer at Mass when our children are teenagers or out of the house. For now, though, our primary job is to make sure they “get” what happens at Mass. We find that God has found ways to feed us, even on the most difficult of days with a teething toddler.

<http://www.foryourmarriage.org/how-to-take-young-children-to-mass/>

From [www.ForYourMarriage.org](http://www.ForYourMarriage.org), an initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to communicate the meaning and value of married life for the Church and for society.

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PARISH NEWS



New Lector Training

Wednesday, May 30, 7 p.m. in the church
For more information,
contact Scott Kollmansberger at (210) 273-2297.

Formación para Nuevos Lectores

Miércoles, 30 de mayo, a las 7 p.m. en la iglesia
Para más información póngase en
contacto con Scott Kollmansberger (210) 273-2297.



The Traveling Priest Program

(a new initiative of the St. Anthony Mary Claret Vocations Committee)
is a resounding success—thanks to YOU!

St. John Vianney is the patron saint of priests.
To assist families in praying for vocations in our parish,
a statue of this beloved saint will be available
to host in their homes for a one-week period.

HOW IT WORKS:

- Each week The Traveling Priest statue will stay with a new family.
• Once you receive it into your home, place it in a prominent place.
• Pray daily using the prayers in the accompanying brochure.
• Continue to pray for vocations by adding that petition to your family's prayers.
• Returning/receiving of The Traveling Priest statue occurs weekly at Sunday 12 p.m. Mass.



Currently there are about 30 host families signed up.
To be placed on the waiting list, call the parish office at 210-688-9033.



Do you feel called to serve the homebound of our parish by taking the Eucharist to them?

St. Anthony Mary Claret

Pastoral Care Ministry Meeting

Monday, May 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the home Pam & AJ Martinek
Learn how to make visits to the homebound and those in care facilities.
For more info, including address, or to RSVP, call Pam & AJ Martinek at 210-316-3188.



St. Anthony Mary Claret Parish Holy Land Pilgrimage



September 3-12, 2018

Spiritual Director: Father Brian Garcia

\$3300 per person

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For information, contact Laura Hilbig at 210-204-6671.

FAITH AND PRAYER

Pray with the Vocations Committee!

Each month the St. Anthony Mary Claret Vocations Committee requests that you join them in praying for a few local seminarians and for an increase in vocations to religious life. They also commend to your intercession a group committed to the consecrated life:

Mercedarian Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament

Please pray for these seminarians:



Juan Villanueva



Michael English

O Father, you desire all of us to be happy. Stir up the grace of a religious vocation in the hearts of many men and women. Grant to them the willingness and generosity to give of themselves, their lives, their time and their talents to the service of Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord and Savior, and to His Holy Church. May more men and women go forth as priests, deacons, brothers and sisters to bring the truths of our Catholic faith to all others so that soon they, too, may know You better and love You more...and serving You, be truly happy. Amen.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / YOUTH GROUPS

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LIFE TEEN NIGHTS for high school youth: Sunday, May 20, 7-9 p.m.



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For info or to register, contact Martie Kokotajlo at youthgroup@saclaret.com or 210-688-9033 ext.209.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Is your Marriage Struggling?

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Has infidelity or addiction made your marriage an emotional wasteland?
- Are you frustrated, hurt, or angry with your spouse?
- Are you constantly fighting? Or do you simply shut down?
- Have you considered separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

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COMMUNITY NEWS

You deserve a great marriage! Make yours the kind God wants for you.

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Jun 1-3 at Oblate Retreat Center

July 13-15 at St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Boerne, TX (non-residential)

For information, contact Larry & Jane Zimmermann at 210-951-9963 or larryandjanezimm@gmail.com or apply online at www.mesanantonio.org.

SUNDAY FUNNIES

- A man showed up for a duel armed only with a pencil and paper. He then proceeded to draw his weapon.
• A mother injected her 8 year-old child with Botox for beauty pageants, but lost custody of her. Her daughter didn't look surprised.
• Bob's friend is a structural engineer. He's always complaining about stress at work.

FAITH AND PRAYER

Pray for the Sick of Our Parish Family

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.

Table with 6 columns of names: Ricardo Garcia Sr., Kira Lynn Quiroz, Audrey Ann Quiroz, Pat Kozar, Christina Vasquez, Sandy Gray, Angelina Avalos, Celia Rodriguez, Barbara Vanegas, Edward Majchrowicz, T.C.P., Robert Garcia, S.S., Bill Tricksey, Eloise Salazar, Richard Keller, Jack & Jeanette, Donohue, Eloise Salazar, Beverly Fetter, Rosa Huerta, Lillie McWilliams, Maria Morales, Rudy Navarro, Johnny Reyes, Tomas Calderon, A.C. Garza, Olga & Rudy Faz, Dee Hancock, Grace Heinze, Adrian & Erika Huerter, Bill Jennings, Robyn Marcum, Margie Morones, Tracy Oviedo, Alyson Victoria Oviedo, Linda Santos, Mary Sledden, Nancy Souhrada, Bertha Trevino, Roberto Trevino, Gabby Truly, Bishop Yanta, Anthony Trevino

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



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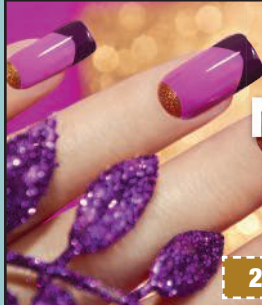


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