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July 22, 2018

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**GOSPEL MEDITATION:
MARK 6:30-34**

"Now what?" It's a difficult thing to hear, isn't it? The train comes late, a child unexpectedly cries, and the latest public policy debate flares up in the news. Life throws us curveballs, and we have no choice but to adapt. Jesus and the Apostles find themselves in that exact situation in today's Gospel.

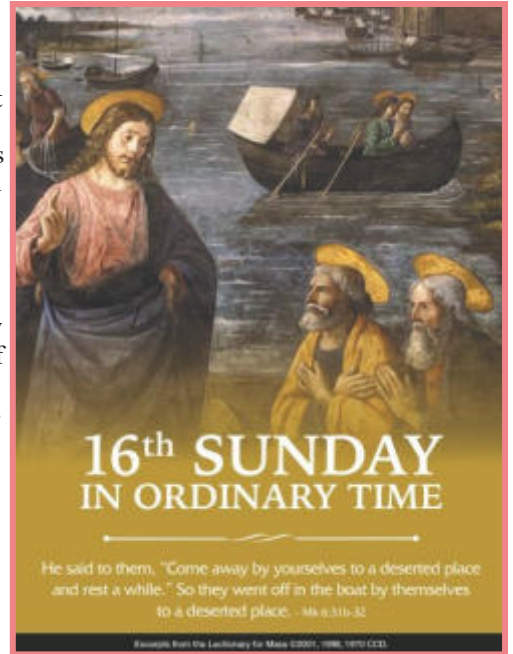
The Apostles have returned from their two-by-two missionary journey. As Jesus hears all of their stories, he knows they need time to recover and refresh. "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Their wilderness retreat is short-lived, however, as eager crowds discover their location. Jesus is well aware of the needs of his disciples. Still, as he looks out at the crowd, "His heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd." The rest break is over. "He began to teach them many things."

For those of us who have experienced a taste of much-needed relaxation only to have it taken away abruptly, perhaps we surmise what the Apostles might have been feeling in that moment. But Jesus isn't being inconsiderate of the Apostles' needs. He offers them—and us—a lived lesson. St. John Paul II wrote, "The whole of Christ's life was a continual teaching: his silences, his miracles, his gestures, his prayer, his love for people, his special affection for the little and the poor, his acceptance of the total sacrifice on the Cross for the redemption of the world" (*On Catechesis in Our Time*, 9). In Jesus' choice to teach, we see all of these things: sacrificial love, concern for the marginalized, and priority of people's needs over personal preference. These aren't abstract ideals. They're lived realities as we strive to live and love like Jesus. When a new obstacle confronts you in your life, how do you respond?

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The many images we have of God help frame our relationship with Him. Have we ever imagined Jesus so deeply moved with emotion and engulfed with pity for us? We often are sheep without a shepherd who are lured by the emptiness of worldly attractions and superficial desires. We become lost. God, in the depth of His being, is deeply moved by our pain, loneliness, and heartache. God does not judge or condemn. He loves and is mercy itself. He knows firsthand the pain that comes with being lost and alone and desires to teach us about His merciful love. Do we want to be taught? Listen to God's word and be open to God's presence in the Eucharist.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



MASS SCHEDULE

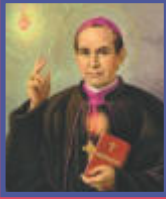
Monday8:00 am, 7:30 pm
Monday (Holy Hour)..... 6:30 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday..... 8:00 am
Saturday..... 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, Noon, 3:00 pm (Spanish), 6:00 pm

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 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 we are making you feel welcome here!

Sincerely in Christ,

Reverend Jan P. Klak

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION TOTALS

July 14/15

Attendance	3,389
Regular Collection	\$ 22,871.09
Debt Reduction	\$ 2,820.00
Candles	\$ 354.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 163.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 27.00
SAMC Pantry	\$ 25.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 20.00
Rosary Makers	\$ 10.00

THIS WEEK'S PARISH SPOTLIGHT

QUINCEAÑERA

Jackelyn Iniquez



SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

Reconciliation (Confession)

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

Sunday Confessions will resume in September.

Baptism—Required Classes:

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

Visitation of the Sick:

Call parish office to schedule visit.

Funeral Arrangements:

Contact parish office prior to making arrangements.



**MONDAY
EUCCHARISTIC
HOLY HOUR &
MASS**

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

**A VERY IMPORTANT
MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR**

It has come to my attention that several parishioners have received emails claiming to be from me or other staff members including Deacon Jerry Kozar. The messages originate from a Gmail account and are soliciting donations such as I-Tunes gift cards. **PLEASE DO NOT MAKE ANY DONATIONS.** This is a scam which you should report to your email provider.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, July 21

5 P.M. **Birthday Blessings for Anna Shearer** by Bea Peterson
50th Birthday Blessings for Yvonne Pelayo by Gloria Morales & Family

Sunday, July 22

8 A.M. **Special Intention for Peggy & Jeff McPherson, Nancy & Darwin Clearwater; Tammy & Morey Larson** by Spilde Family
10 A.M. **Magdalena Agustin** † by Corazon & Carmen Lorenzo
Special Intention for Alan J. Ponce †; **Margaret** † & **Albert Suarez** † by Alma Ponce
12 P.M. **Special Intention for Alfonso & Laura Torres; Herminia Muguierza & Family** by Velma Crumpler
3 P.M. **For the Parish**
6 P.M. **Genoveva Tamondong** † by Gina Mrozinski

Monday, July 23

8 A.M. **Good Health for Thalia N. Gonzales** by Norma Gonzales
6:30 P.M. Holy Hour
7:30 P.M. **Special Intention for Dale & Cindy Deist, Jay & Marla Deist, Jodie & Jimmy Johnson, Beth & Eddie Bayouth** by Spilde Family

Tuesday, July 24

8 A.M. **Mary A. Kalka** † by Husband & Family

Wednesday, July 25

8 A.M. **Louis & Eloisa Peralte** † by Irene Durand

Thursday, July 26

8 A.M. **Jose Luis Soto** † by Anita Gonzalez

Friday, July 27

8 A.M. **Roman Gallegos** † by Rosemary Galvan

Saturday, July 28

5 P.M. **Billie Sievers** † by Charlie Sievers

Sunday, July 29

8 A.M. **Francesco** †, **Carmela** †, **Sebastiano** †, **Corrado** † & **Giovanni** † by Sal Spataro
10 A.M. **Anniversary Blessings for Robert & Catherine Esquivel** by Family
12 P.M. **Nazario Alvarez** † by Wife & Kids
3 P.M. **Pedro Mejia** † & **Carmen Zamora** † by Jaime Mejia & Family
6 P.M. **Spiritual Healing/Spiritual Strength for Current & Future Descendants of Daniel R.** † & **Manuela M. Gonzales** † by Y. Gonzales

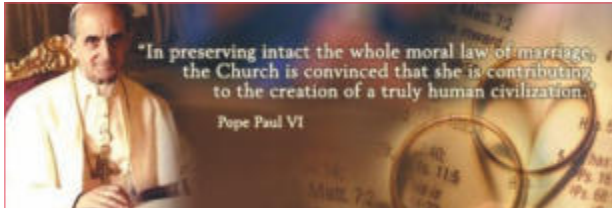
Our “Contraceptive Culture” Separates Sex from Love by Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas

This July 25 marks the 50th anniversary of the promulgation by Pope Paul VI of “*Humanae Vitae*,” an encyclical letter that was the fruit of a five-year process of study and reflection regarding the church’s teaching about the moral principles governing the transmission of new human life.

It is hard to appreciate today the courage it took for Pope Paul VI to issue this reaffirmation of consistent Christian moral teaching that was in direct opposition to the strong and prevailing cultural winds of the sexual revolution.

In what proved to be an understatement, Paul VI acknowledged: “It can be foreseen that this teaching will perhaps not be easily received by all.” Sadly, this year marks also the 50th anniversary of the unleashing of a poisonous dissent within the church. No other teaching of the church in the past almost 50 years has sparked as much criticism as “*Humanae Vitae*.”

In the early 1960s, about 65 percent of Catholics accepted and lived the church’s teaching that each marital act remain open to the creation of a new human life. If polls of American Catholics today are reliable, a majority of Catholics do not accept the moral principles articulated in “*Humanae Vitae*” and a minority of Catholic couples in child-bearing years actually live in conformity with church teaching.



Paul VI challenged priests to present this teaching with conviction and confidence, while at the same time being sensitive to the challenges experienced by married couples in their efforts to live in accord with moral truths expressed in “*Humanae Vitae*.”

Paul VI encouraged priests in their pastoral care of married couples to exercise patience and mercy, inviting them to strive for holiness and not yield to discouragement.

Having served as a priest for 43 years and a bishop now for more than 20 years, I must acknowledge my own failure in effectively communicating the teaching of “*Humanae Vitae*.”

As we observe this 50th anniversary, we are at a new moment with new opportunities to open minds and hearts to the wisdom of “*Humanae Vitae*” confirmed by the tragic consequences of the sexual revolution.

It is illuminating to compare the accuracy of the predictions by Paul VI of the consequences of a disregard for the fundamental moral principles regarding the transmission of human life and the promises by the advocates of the contraceptive culture.

The advocates for the acceptance of widespread use of contraception believed it would: 1) strengthen marriages by relieving the pressure of large families and limitations on sexual expression; 2) result in a dramatic decrease in unwanted pregnancies; 3) eliminate the need for abortion; and 4) eradicate child abuse because every child would be a wanted child.

Pope Paul VI, on the other hand, asserted that embracing the contraceptive mentality would: 1) lower moral standards; 2) devalue marriage as a result of increased premarital sexual activity; 3) wound marriages as result of increased instances of adultery; 4) result in governments implementing coercive population policies; and 5) result in a diminished respect for the human person in general and women in particular.

With the perspective of the experience of the past 50 years, I can only marvel at the accuracy of Pope Paul VI’s predictions and miscalculations of the proponents of contraception.

For decades, we have been dealing with alarmingly high rates of teenage pregnancy in addition to over one million abortions annually in the United States. The transmission of venereal diseases has been at epidemic levels for a couple of generations. Pornography is the fastest growing addiction.

The divorce rate doubled since the widespread use of contraception. For the first time in our national history, fewer than half adult Americans are married. The number of children living without a father in the home has tripled from 1960 to 2016. Forty percent of all children today in the United States are being born out of wedlock. The weakening of moral standards facilitated by the widespread availability of contraceptives has been a disaster for marriage, family life and, most of all, children.

Now is also a favorable time to re-present the teaching of “*Humanae Vitae*” because of the heightened appreciation of ecology and the wisdom of preserving the natural balances in creation.

We have become more sensitized as a culture to the threats to the natural environment caused by blindly accepting technological advancements in the name of progress.

The same ecological principles are at work with regard to human sexuality. God did not make some huge mistake when he united in sexual intercourse the most profound expression of human love and bonding with the capacity to engender new human life. Our efforts to rearrange the natural order by separating sexual intimacy from the ability to conceive a new human life has resulted in an astounding trivialization of sexual expression.

Female fertility, a healthy condition, has been defined in our public health policies as a disease to be prevented. Hormonal contraceptives are designed to interrupt and disrupt the natural health of women in order to make them sexually available to men.

There are physical health consequences for women that have been largely ignored in order to achieve a cultural goal of complete freedom of sexual expression.

Sadly, 50 years later, the evidence is mounting that the contraceptive culture has not only separated one of the natural results of sexual intercourse — the potential conception of a new human life — but also disconnected sexual expression from love.

This is evident both in the hookup culture of casual sex that has become widespread among young adults and the addiction to pornography that afflicts so many Americans of all ages. In the contraceptive culture, sex is no longer about conceiving life or communicating love, but simply about pleasure.

The question for all of us now 50 years post-“*Humanae Vitae*” is: What vision for human sexuality do we choose to embrace?

The vision of the church accepts the reality of our human biology as designed by our Creator. It affirms the twin purposes of sexual intimacy: 1) a profound expression of human love that can only be authentic within the marital commitment of fidelity and permanency; and 2) an openness to the conception of a new human life.

Or do we embrace the prevailing cultural vision of human sexuality as an unlimited access to pleasure, free from responsibilities of love and the potential engendering of new life?

This column appeared in the June 22, 2018, issue of *The Leaven Catholic Newspaper*, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas.

Celebrating God’s gift of married love and life!

National Natural Family Planning (NFP)

Awareness Week: July 22-28

Learn more about the beauty of NFP & God’s Plan for married life at <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/awareness-week/index.cfm>.

PARISH NEWS



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

Each year the St. Anthony 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 Memorial Garden Bricks now through Sept. 15 for this year's installation. Order form available below, in the parish office or in the narthex. Questions? Contact Kelly Comeau at 210.383.2563 or room4more@twc.com.

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Brick order deadline is Sept. 15, 2018, for installation before November 1.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Religious Education Registration: Important Information

Registration for RE classes grades 1-12 & youth sacramental preparation classes:

August 19 – 31,
after all weekend Masses
or weekdays, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

All registration will take place in the RE building.
\$35 per child

First-time families (specifically sacramental students) **MUST bring a copy of the child's baptismal certificate.**

Sessions available on a first-come, first-served basis until full:

- Sunday 8:30 – 9:45 a.m. (attending 10 a.m. Mass) — grades 1-8 ONLY
- Sunday 10:30 – 11:45 a.m. (attending 12 p.m. Mass) — grades 1-8 ONLY
- Sunday 4:30 – 5:45 p.m. — high school Confirmation ONLY
- Wednesday 5:15 – 6:15 p.m. — grades 1-8 only
- Wednesday 6:45 – 7:45 p.m. — grades 1-8 & high school Confirmation classes

Important details regarding sacramental requirements will appear in the Aug. 4/5 bulletin.

RCIA/RCIC



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

Why join the Catholic Church?

If you are asking the question, perhaps God is leading you to an answer. We believe you will find the fullness of Christianity in the teaching of 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. It is an opportunity to see what the Catholic Church believes and how we live our faith. In the RCIA process, we will study the scriptures, discuss Catholic teaching, and most importantly, get a true, good and honest idea about what the Catholic Church is really all about. We are always interested in new inquiries. **If you or someone you know would like to become a Catholic, or if you were baptized Catholic but have never celebrated Eucharist or Confirmation, contact Jennifer Rupert at rcia@saclaret.com or 210-688-9033, x214.**



ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Now accepting registration for Adult Confirmation. To register, contact Jennifer Rupert at 210-688-9033, x214.





Annual Report: Fiscal Year 2017-18

Our ministry separated from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Nov. 30, 2017; we finalized the separation Dec. 6, 2017.

We began collecting funds for the Pantry in October and resumed operations as the Pantry in December with no break in service. Our fiscal year then changed to July 1-June 30.

Since this is a short year for us, this initial annual report covers only Oct. 1-June 30. We have 31 members. All are parishioners who donated 1,572 hours of time and 5,662 miles of travel on Pantry business. Youth from the home-schooling co-op and others donated 45 hours of service. None of this would be possible without YOUR generous support! We hope you will continue to help us help our neighbors.

Beginning balance:	\$	0.00
Collection totaled:	\$	68,648.08
Expenses totaled:	\$	49,625.43
Ending balance:	\$	19,022.65

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Utility assistance:	\$	20,868.78
Restock food pantry:	\$	19,789.07
Other client assistance:	\$	5,175.68
Office expenses:	\$	3,791.90

people served 4,143 people

DISTRIBUTED:

- 1,527 food bags
- 21 HEB gift cards
- 21 fans
- 83 hygiene bags

IN-KIND DONATIONS RECEIVED:

Food (6,185 lbs. from Knights of Columbus	
40 cans for Lent program), value approx.	\$8,265
Hygiene items, value approx.	\$ 325
Clothing , value approx.	\$ 100
10 HEB gift cards, value at	\$ 100
2 fans, value approx.	\$ 40

Pantry hours: Thursdays, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
 Contact us at (210) 474-6888 or sacpantry@outlook.com.
 Leave your name and phone number.

**St. Anthony Mary Claret Parish
 Holy Land Pilgrimage**



September 3-12, 2018
Spiritual Director: Father Brian Garcia
\$3300 per person
Round trip from San Antonio
For information, call the parish office: 210-688-9033.



2018-19 School Supply Drive

For K-12 students in need
 We supply new backpacks; you fill them!

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Build up your family; build up your parish!



**St. Anthony Mary Claret
 Family and Adult Ministry Meeting**

Thursday, July 26* 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

*Note: meeting date has changed from previously published date.

Our mission is to provide guidance and direction to families who are eagerly seeking to serve the Lord by active participation in the Catholic faith and our parish, but do not know where to begin. Guidance is supported by the ministry's core members who are active in both these areas and who assist through sharing their experiences in the hope of bringing all families closer to our Lord Jesus Christ.

Curious? Come check us out! New members welcome.

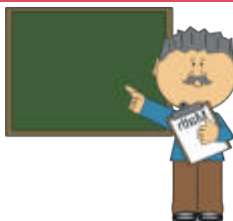
THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

Teacher: "If you had one dollar and you asked your father for another, how many dollars would you have?"

Vincent: "One dollar."

Teacher: "You don't know your arithmetic."

Vincent: "You don't know my father."



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.

They also commend to your intercession a group committed to the consecrated life: *Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament, Victoria, TX*

These seminarians will be the recipients of your prayers this month:



Christian Rocha



Juan Christian Ramirez

Father, you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you. Bless your church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as sisters, priests, brothers, deacons, and lay ministers. Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Intercessions for Life

For all shepherds of the Church: May they witness with their lives to the incredible worth of every person. We pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida

Para todos los pastores de la Iglesia: Que ellos sean testigos con sus vidas del increíble valor de cada persona. Roguemos al Señor.



HUMANAE VITAE

50th Anniversary

"The teaching of the Encyclical Humanae Vitae ... ought to be taken up anew, in order to counter a mentality that is often hostile to life..." - Pope Francis (Amoris Laetitia, 222)

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

TEND YOUR SICK ONES, O CHRIST. REST YOUR WEARY ONES. BLESS YOUR DYING ONES. SOOTHE YOUR SUFFERING ONES. PITY YOUR AFFLICTED ONES. SHIELD YOUR JOYOUS ONES. FOR ALL YOUR LOVE'S SAKE. AMEN.

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- Roberto Trevino**
- Gabby Truly**
- Bishop Yanta**
- Anthony Trevino**

GENERACIONES DE AMOR Humanae vitae (1968-2018)



Planificación Familiar Natural
¡Celebren el don de Dios para el amor conyugal!

- Sunday 22: Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34
- Monday 23: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42
- Tuesday 24: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Mt 12:46-50
- Wednesday 25: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28
- Thursday 26: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17
- Friday 27: Jer 3:14-17/Mt 13:18-23
- Saturday 28: Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30
- Sunday 29: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15





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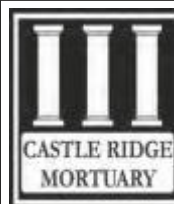


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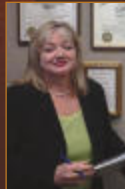
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